



Murrayville Community College

Newsletter

From the Principal

Special Religious Instruction –

Special Religious Instruction (SRI) has been a successful part of the curriculum at our college for a very long time. Currently this non-denominational agreed Christian syllabus is delivered by Kym and Faye Kingdon and Colleen Heintze for 30 minutes a week. Class teachers remain in the classroom and have duty of care for the students for this period. A new Ministerial direction relating to SRI was sent to all Principals on the 15th of May. The main change is that all parents must now sign a consent form for each child to “opt in” to SRI classes at school. This takes effect from the 14th of July (beginning of Term 3). All parents of students from P-6 will receive this consent form and only students with written consent will be able to attend SRI classes. The school will arrange an alternative program for building values for the students who do not opt in.

Interschool X-Country –

Congratulations to all of those students who travelled to Mildura and Ouyen last week to compete in interschool Cross Country. Again there were some excellent individual results and we have a large team qualified to run at St Arnaud in the Regional finals on the 3rd of June.

School for Student Leadership –

Now is the time to start planning for Year 8 students who would like to be involved in this opportunity. The nature of this opportunity has been discussed with the Year 8s this week and a letter has gone home requesting expressions of interest for 2015.

Student Free Day –

The Student Free Day that was proposed earlier this month for Wednesday the 4th of June, was ratified by College Council on Monday night. Please mark this on your calendars.

School Bus Program –

Earlier this month, I attended an information session about the implementation of the School Bus Program under the latest guidelines. Clarifications were made about the eligibility for free travel. Recently all regular bus travelers received letters relating to this and “Application to Travel forms”. Please return those forms promptly to school as Public Transport Victoria have notified us that we are due for review and I would like our administration to be up to date.

Kitchen Garden and Agriculture –

Lots has been happening in the southern section of our school and with the rain and sunshine that we have been blessed with over the last couple of weeks, things are looking amazing. The Kitchen Garden program is in full swing, the students are loving both the gardening and cooking components of this course. Thank you to our community volunteers that have assisted with these lessons. Our ewes have begun lambing and the agriculture students have tagged these lambs, sometimes within hours of birth so that the mothers can be identified and their information entered on the electronic ear tags. The crop has been sown using the new minimum till seeder. According to the Agriculture staff this is a vast improvement on previous years and its ease of use has encouraged greater participation from the students.

Congratulations to the staff responsible for these programs, Kim Luckmann, Jeanette Morehouse, Sonya Inglis and Tanya Thomas.

College Council Report –

College Council met on Monday night after a long break since the previous meeting. I would firstly like to congratulate Emily Standley who was co-opted as our community member at the beginning of the meeting. There was discussion around the School Review that is scheduled for Term One 2015 and it was decided that a community meeting will be held in Term 3 to develop a vision for the school that we can take forward into the Strategic Plan for the next four years. Five policies related to Bullying & Harassment, Mandatory Reporting, First Aid, Care of Ill Students and Critical incidents were also ratified.

New Policies -

We have two new draft policies, related to on-site supervision and incursions, that I am hoping will be ratified by College Council at the next meeting (16/6/2014). They have been placed on the website <http://www.murrayvillecc.vic.edu.au/> on the policies page. Please read them and feel free to offer any feedback prior to the meeting.

*Natasha Mudie
Principal*





TERRAPIN PUPPET THEATRE

'Sleeping Horses Lie' was brought to the primary children yesterday as part of the visiting arts cultural program. A mixture of songs, poetry and animation were used to tell the fantastical adventure of Sally, who wanted to be bold like a tiger. When confronted by unfamiliar surroundings and characters Sally develops a strength she did not previously realise she had. Wilma and Wilbur (Bryony Geeves and Kai Raisbeck) narrated Sally's story in a Dickensian manner, and had the children enthused with their presentation.

Newsletters for primary students will have attached a yellow form regarding Special Religious Instruction. Please see the Principal's Report for more information about how this applies to you.



CANTEEN

AVAILABLE MONDAY-FRIDAY

Wraps / Sandwiches / Rolls
Ham & Cheese or

Chicken & Cheese Hot Rolls

HOT FOODS next week

MONDAY : Pizza

(Ham & Pineapple or Cheese & Bacon)

Price \$1.60

WEDNESDAY :

Jackpot casserole \$4

Must be ordered on Tuesday

FRIDAY :

Sausage Rolls \$1.50

Party Pies 50¢

Pies / Pasties \$3.50

Sauce 20¢ or 2 for 30¢

ALL ORDERS ARE TO BE PLACED BEFORE SCHOOL

Please - no more than \$5 in your envelope

Please do not order items unless they have been advertised as available. Check this section of each newsletter. Wednesday specials are advertised as available.



PRIMARY GOLD AWARDS

Prep :

Ethan McKee

for working hard in class to finish his work at all times

1-2 :

Jonny Peers

for his skill and enthusiasm for writing

Steffinie Ammerlaan

for asking great questions and thinking flexibly

3-4 :

Emma Parker

for her enthusiasm for learning

5-6 : Kristen Sparnon

for always having a positive attitude in everything she does

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RESULTS FROM OUYEN CROSS COUNTRY : SECONDARY STUDENTS

- 2nd in his section:
Henry Gibson
- 3rd in respective sections:
Ryan Lewis
Nicholas Bridge
Samuel Wurfel
- 4th in respective sections:
Brooke McNeilly
Ella Gibson
Kobe Henderson
Damon Herbert
- 5th in respective sections:
Jayme-Lee Brown
Tori-Lee King
- 6th in respective sections:
Kirsty Heintze
Tara Heintze
Matthew Beer
- 7th in his section:
Blake Henderson
- 8th in her section:
Ellen Fearnside
- 9th in his section:
Colby Hawthorne
- 11th in respective sections:
Maddison Mudie
Jack Sharrad
- 14th in respective sections:
Mariah Daniel
Mitchell Parker



Henry, Ryan, Nicholas, Samuel, Brooke, Ella, Kobe, Jayme-Lee, Kirsty, Tara, Matthew, Blake, Colby and Jack have qualified to compete at the next level in St Arnaud on June 3.

Primary competition at St Arnaud is running on the same day, so we will have a large contingent of students involved in that event.



RESULTS FROM MILDURA CROSS COUNTRY : PRIMARY STUDENTS

On Monday the 19th of May the primary school entered eleven students in the Regional Cross Country event in Mildura. It was a fantastic day with warm weather and excited, but nervous, students. All students ran well, pushing themselves right to the end.

Thank you to all the parents, family and friends who came along to support our students. Being there to encourage them really makes a difference and creates a positive atmosphere which is a pleasure to be involved in.

Congratulations to Cooper and Suzie who won their races, George who came 2nd, Brock who came 7th and Allea and Miranda who came 9th. These runners have made it onto the next level in St Arnaud.



CAREERS NEWS



Melbourne Uni has collaborated with Sydney TAFE Institute to produce a 'Football' course of study within the framework of a nationally accredited qualification - Diploma of Sports Development, SIS50612, augmented and subsequently supported with further industry specific credentials and access to a full time high performance football training system. The diploma has been designed to meet the demands of modern day football and its associated career opportunities. The program merges sports science, coaching methodology, high performance training systems, professional development, mentoring by current professional players and management, marketing, events and the business of sport studies. The unique course design allows for an easy transition and transfer-ability of the skills canvassed - into the broader sports, fitness and recreation industries.

The curriculum outcomes subsequently provide the student athlete with the opportunity to learn and apply the knowledge and skills pertinent to employment in; Coaching or managing athletes and programs, sports business management, events and administration, sports promotion, participation and development roles, fitness prescription and instruction, programs design and delivery, community, private agency and government recreation and sport, and small business operations.

Check out www.fc11.com.au for more details.

**TERTIARY STUDIES
& CAREERS EXPO
ADELAIDE**

Sunday 25 & Monday 26 May 2014
Adelaide Convention Centre
FREE ADMISSION !



RURAL FINANCE

Are you interested in a career in agriculture? You may be interested in applying for this scholarship. Rural Finance Scholarships offer agri-students funding of up to \$6,000 a year.

The Scholarship program is open to students who demonstrate a career commitment to agriculture including farming, consultancy, research, technological and other related services.

The Rural Finance Scholarship program commits funding to students who strive to be of value to Victorian agriculture, and is recognised as a leading scholarship program supporting the development of Victorian youth. At the conclusion of their studies, students become members of the Rural Finance Scholarship Alumni, offering opportunities for mentoring and networking. Applications close on 31st May.

www.ruralfinance.com.au/scholarships



The result of running too hard into the point post at Sport last Friday

**Macpherson
Smith
Rural
Foundation**



Another scholarship available to rural students is provided by the Macpherson Smith Rural Foundation, aiming to provide access to tertiary study to outstanding rural Victorian youth by reducing or removing financial barriers and providing role models/advocates.

Financial support of \$15,000 a year for 3 years is available to the selected scholarship recipient, subject to successful yearly results. The student would intend using their skills in a rural Victorian community once they have graduated.

Flat bread follies - where are their aprons?



Harvesting herbs



Sharing dip and crudites



Dips

The Year 5/6 class started this term's kitchen classes by whipping up two delicious dips (carrot and chickpea). They also gave their knife skills a good work out preparing crudites.

Harvesting pumpkins



Roast Pumpkin and Garlic Soup

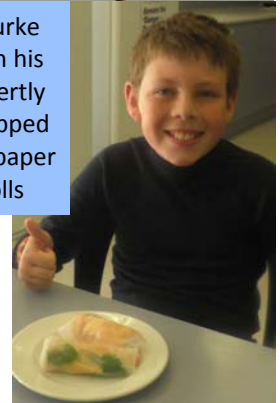
Both the 5/6 and 3/4 classes got busy in the kitchen using some of our freshly harvested butternut pumpkins to whip up a tasty pumpkin soup. They also prepared a delicious brown rice, orange and celery salad, Indian flat bread and roasted Jerusalem

artichokes. It was a very successful meal and we all enjoyed sitting down together to share and taste lots of interesting, new flavours.



A welcome visitor for the taste test

Rourke with his expertly wrapped rice paper rolls



Vietnamese Rice Paper Rolls

This term the year 3/4 class got a chance to make some of the scrumptious Vietnamese rice paper rolls that their Year 5/6 counterparts had created last term. Once again they were a big hit and the students displayed a great willingness to work together to learn new skills and create something delicious to share with each other.



Volunteers

Last week was Volunteer Week and a timely reminder of how the contributions of the wider school community are helping to make the Kitchen Garden program such an exciting and rewarding experience for our young students. To all the volunteers who helped out at the working bee, to the increasing number of helpers who are making our garden classes so successful and our busy

but sensational kitchen classes achievable – you have our sincere thanks, we wouldn't be able to do it without you.



New autumn plantings



Enjoying trying new things together





Flatbread chefs



The roll up in action

Roast Pumpkin Soup Recipe -

Makes about 1.25 litres (5 cups) of soup.

This rich roasted pumpkin and garlic soup is lightly spiced with cumin, nutmeg and pepper. We top the soup with a swirl of cream and a sprinkling of nutmeg, and serve it with a tasty Indian flat bread.

You will need about 1.5kg of pumpkin to yield the 1kg of peeled, deseeded pumpkin needed for this recipe.

Ingredients:

- 3 or 4 medium cloves garlic, unpeeled
- 1kg peeled, deseeded pumpkin
- 4 teaspoons of olive oil
- 1 large (about 160g) onion, finely chopped
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 1 litre (4 cups) vegetable or chicken stock
- Cream, for serving
- Ground nutmeg, for serving



Steps:

1. Preheat oven to 200 degrees Celsius (180 degrees if fan-forced).
2. Chop pumpkin into even-sized pieces (larger pieces will require a longer roasting time so cut them smallish). Place pumpkin and unpeeled garlic cloves in a baking tray/dish, drizzle with three tea spoons of the oil and toss to coat them all over.
3. Bake for 20 minutes, then remove the garlic so that it doesn't overcook. Continue baking the pumpkin until tender and cooked through. Keep an eye on the pumpkin to ensure it doesn't burn.
4. Heat 1 teaspoon of oil in large (at least 2.7 litre capacity) saucepan over low heat. Add onion and cook, stirring often, for about 8 minutes until slightly softened. Add nutmeg, cumin, salt and pepper. Cook, stirring, for one minute.
5. Add pumpkin and stock and bring to the boil. Reduce heat and simmer, uncovered, until onion is soft and stock has reduced, about 20 minutes. The more the stock reduces, the thicker the soup will be.
6. Peel roasted garlic and add to saucepan. Turn off the stove top.
7. Puree the soup in a blender or in the pot with a stick blender. Be careful if pureeing the soup while it is still very hot. Make sure an adult is helping you.
8. Serve the soup hot. Top with a drizzle of cream and a sprinkle of nutmeg, if desired.
9. Store soup in an airtight container in the refrigerator or freezer.

Why not try out this fabulous roast pumpkin and garlic soup recipe yourself?

<http://www.exclusivelyfood.com.au/2006/07/roast-pumpkin-soup-recipe.html>




Pumpkin soup

COLLEGE CALENDAR


27/5	Arts Council : Years 7-12
28/5	Practice GAT
30/5	Try A Trade in Mildura
3/6	St Arnaud Cross Country
4/6	Student Free Day
11/6	GAT : VCE students
13/6	UDSSA Lightning Prems
14-15/6	HPV Round 2 - Adelaide
20/6	Flinders Uni Outreach
23-27/6	Author Visit & Workshops Year 10 Work Experience
27/6	End of Term
14/7	Start of Term 3
14-16/7	Charlton Driver Ed
17/7	Ballarat Uni Outreach
21-25/7	Year 12 Outdoor Ed
22/7	Immunisation : Years 7 & 9
26-27/7	HPV Round 3 - Adelaide
29/7	Winter Games - Robinvale

Community Notices




STUDENT EXCHANGE HOSTING
Learn and discover the world by becoming a host to an overseas high school exchange student. WEP Australia has, in the past year, organised more than 100 different types of programs for over 700 Australian and international participants. Check out www.wep.org.au for more information.

MALLEE YOUTH
BONFIRE NIGHT
Jacob's Well, Poole St,
Murrayville
6- 9pm (Vic time)
Campfire cooking and games
Bring a friend!
Phone 03 5095 2199 Kym & Faye

Murrayville Football Club
are proud to present an evening with two AFL legends on Tuesday 27th May.
Anthony Koutifides the Carlton Legend and **Jackson Trengove** a current superstar from Port Power will be coming to the Murrayville Football Oval to take training with our juniors and seniors from 6pm and will then stay on to do a talk about all things football!!
Cost will be \$20 for adults and kids are free!
BBQ and bar facilities available!
Come along and get the boys autographs and enjoy a great night out.....ALL WELCOME!!
Tickets are available from the Commonwealth Bank Murrayville, Landmark Pinnaroo or see Sharyn or Mick at football on Saturday.



ART IS...
LAYERS OF TIME

Go to www.artis.wimmera.com.au to download the program for this festival of the Arts

- visual arts
- interactive installations
- photography competition / photo muster
- open air musical meander
- performance by Clare Bowditch
- creative workshops

Festival News

FESTIVAL DATES: 30 MAY - 9 JUNE 2014

We do not necessarily improve with age: for better or worse we become more like ourselves

COMMUNICATIONS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

(* Return from parents required)

1. Secondary re Melbourne Theatre Company *
2. Bus Travellers - permit forms *
3. Cross Country qualifiers for event at St Arnaud *
4. 5/6 Students - Term plan
5. Year 8 - Leadership school opportunities



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