



Murrayville Community College



Newsletter

From the Principal

Welcome Back -

I trust everyone had a relaxing break over the holidays and that those people who were able to get away during the holidays had a great time. Term 3 is an extremely important term for student learning in our school. This is the term that Year 12 students need to consolidate all of their learning and prepare for the exams that begin early in Term 4. Many students will be starting new units of work in their classes. Secondary Humanities classes will now shift their focus from History to Geography and many of our Year 9/10s have also begun new electives this week.

Motivational Speaker –

Today the secondary students were spoken to by Tristan Miller, who shared his incredible story. He dealt with a number of life's highs and lows, before finally losing his dream job at Google in the Global Financial Crisis of 2009. Instead of laying down, he turned his life into an amazing adventure by running 52 marathons in 52 weeks, in 42 countries, on all 7 continents. He is also the author of the book "Run Like Crazy". He ran two separate motivational sessions, one for 7/8 & 9 and one for 10/11 & 12. Securing

money from the Year 12 Retention fund has made the booking of a motivational speaker possible.

Sonya Ryan – I would like to bring your attention to the fact that Sonya Ryan will be speaking to the 6-12 students, some Pinnaroo PS students and parents on Tuesday at 10.00am. Although her story is tragic, I would encourage as many parents and community members as possible to attend as she will discuss many strategies for staying safe online. We are extremely lucky that Mallee Sustainable Farming have supported Sonya to come and speak to our community. Please see the Chaplains' report for further details.

Charlton Driver Education –

On Monday eleven students travelled to Charlton to attend the Driver Education Centre. Both the students and teachers were impressed by the quality of the program. The tips that the students were given around their in car skills were excellent, and the teachers felt that the 9/10 age group was perfect for this, as students were taught the 'right way' to do things before bad habits developed. Again we were fortunate to have the Year 12 Retention fund money to heavily subsidise the cost of attending this course.

Tree Planting Day -

Next Friday, the students from P-6 are travelling to the Cowangie Railway Reserve to participate in the school's National Tree Planting Day. The day has been organised by the Murrayville Landcare Group, and will involve a free barbeque lunch and activities as well as planting trees. The Water Watch trailer will be at the location and there will be associated activities for the children. Also the students will be involved in cultural activities with an indigenous educator who will be attending.

Thank you to Eboni Musgrove for organising this day for our students.

Sports Uniform –

It has been raised at school council recently that there is some call for an **optional** Sports Jumper or Jacket. I have investigated some options and there are two main possibilities. Firstly we could have a navy & white zip-up hoodie as pictured (with embroidered logo) for around \$45-\$50 or we could have a quality Rugby top like the Year 12s for about \$90. Cheaper Rugby tops that have been purchased in the past are very thin and fade very quickly. I would like to gauge opinion from families and will be surveying students also. If you could take the time to complete the tear off slip and send it back to school by Friday the 1st of August, the uniform committee can consider your opinions when they make a decision.



Natasha Mudie - Principal

Family Name :

- Option A – Our family would purchase the hoodie as pictured, if it was part of the sport uniform.
- Option B – Our family would prefer to purchase a quality Rugby Top, if it was part of the sport uniform.
- Option C – Our family would not purchase a Sport jumper or Jacket



CAREERS EVENING

Wednesday 30th July

- Apprenticeships at 4pm (Workplace Learning Coordinator)
- 2015 Subject Selection at 4:30pm
- Flinders University at 6pm (Prospective Student Advisor)

FAIRY

Seth ...

Once upon a time the three little pigs built a house. The wolf came and blew the house down.

Harvey ...

Once upon a time the three little pigs made a house. The 1st little pig made a house of straw. Then the big bad wolf blew the house down.

Evie ...

Once upon a time the three little pigs built a house of bricks and a straw house and a house of sticks. The wolf came and blew the house down.

Ethan ...

Once upon a time there was a little pig and he built a house of straw. A wolf came and blew the house down.

Liam ...

Once upon a time the three little pigs went to build a house. The big bad wolf blew the house down.



Lachlan ...

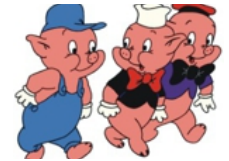
The three little pigs built a house. Along came the big bad wolf.

Farren ...

The three little pigs built a house. The wolf blew the house down.

Reece ...

The three little pigs built a house. The brick house did not fall down.



Riley ...

The three little pigs built a house. The big bad wolf blew the house down.

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

FRIDAY :

Sausage Rolls \$2.50

(only larger sausage rolls available)

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.



Australian Government

Australian Sports Commission

Active After-school Communities

Helping kids and communities get active

The Term 3 Active After-school Communities program begins on **WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY nights from July 23rd**. This program will run after school from 3:15pm till 4:15pm. We offer fun, safe and inclusive activities, which will provide children with the opportunity to develop their motor skills. It also promotes a healthy lifestyle in a comfortable, non-competitive environment.

Look what activities are starting in WEEK 2, Term 3 for 7 weeks

WEDNESDAY night after-school 3:15 until 4:15	ATHLETICS supported by BEC OAKELY
THURSDAY nights after-school 3:15 until 4:15 *Bus from school to rec hut as before	NETBALL & FOOTY supported by CARLY HEINTZE & ERYN WYATT

Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA)

The Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is provided by the Victorian Government to help with education-related costs.

If you have a child under 16, and you hold a valid Health Care Card, Pension Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible to receive the EMA.

The allowance is paid in two instalments, one in March and one in August.

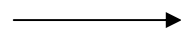
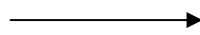
A pro-rata amount is payable for students turning 16 in 2014. The payment is intended to assist with education-related costs such as; uniforms, excursions, textbooks, and stationery.

To apply for Semester II, please contact the school office to complete an EMA application form before July 31st 2014.

Please note:

If you applied in Semester I, and your card is still current, you do not need to reapply, your application will carry over to Semester II.

ARE YOU A LEARNER DRIVER?



ARE YOU ABOUT TO GET YOUR LEARNERS PERMIT?

KEYS PLEASE

IS YOUR FIRST STEP INTO THE DRIVERS SEAT

A FREE 90 minute Information session for learner drivers and their Supervisors will be conducted by VicRoads at the school on 6th August at 2:15pm (Vic time) in the Student Centre

- Keys Please is for year 10 students and their supervising driver/s and any year 11/12 students who have not previously attended the session. It is for those with or without a learners permit, in or out of school.
- The learner driver age is 16.
- There are important new L and P rules that we all need to know about.
- Attending Keys Please will help learner drivers understand and meet the new L and P requirements.
- Achieve the **mandatory 120 hours** supervised practice so you can avoid delays in being able to sit for your probationary licence test once you turn 18. Delays can affect your travel to work, TAFE or University in the near future and extend the time in which you remain on your learners permit.
- Keys Please is a fun, free and informative session presented to supervisors and learner drivers assisting them in having a more positive and enjoyable learning to drive experience, lucky door prizes and giveaways throughout the session.

Feel free to invite any family or friends who may also be a Supervising Driver - all are welcome.



WHERE are they now?

*BIANCA
HALLIDAY*



After completing year 12 at MCC with the DUX certificate to add to my resume in 2007, I deferred a teaching course with Adelaide Uni to take a gap year in my home town, Renmark. After 4 months I accepted a traineeship with Ruston's Rose Garden as a florist and Adelaide Uni never heard from me again. I spent 3 years working as a florist, completing the relevant TAFE courses to qualify in my trade.

At 21 years old I decided I hadn't seen enough of the world (actually I hadn't seen anything outside of Australia) and made a plan to do so. I applied 3 times for a position with Flight Centre as a travel consultant before finally getting employed. Having no stamps in my passport let me down the first few times, but I finally convinced recruitment that my sales skills and personality were what they needed in their company.

Through Flight Centre I have completed courses in tourism and a Diploma of Management as well as now having travelled to 12 amazing countries. I've recently been promoted to assistant manager at the Fulham Gardens office and will travel to Malaysia in October on a trip I won based on sales, completely free!

Chaplaincy Matters

Welcome to a new school term - hope your holidays were fantastic.

Just a reminder about the visit to our school by Sonya Ryan. Sonya's daughter Carly was lured to her death by an internet predator in 2007. From this tragedy, Sonya formed the Carly Ryan Foundation which aims to give information to young people, their parents and all online users on helping us stay safe online. Sonya will be speaking to students from years 6-12 and to any interested community members and parents at the school next Tuesday morning. This is an important presentation for all online users – all welcome. (Not suitable for children under 10 years.)

Also a reminder about Seasons For Growth, a small group programme that helps young people see how they can grow through difficulties that arise in their lives. If you would like your child to be involved in Seasons For Growth, or if you would like more information, please contact us at school.

"Never a failure, always a lesson" (unknown).

Resilience is the ability to overcome challenges and to grow through them.

There is an excellent article on building resilience in children at

www.parenting.sa.gov.au/pegs/peg18.pdf

It states that resilience in children is formed on the building blocks:

"I CAN make a difference

I AM a worthwhile person

I HAVE people around me who I trust and who love and support me."

This term in the Chaplains' room we will be offering stories and activities to primary children during some lunch times that aim to support them in building resilience.

Looking forward to a great term ahead!

Working together for the well being of our young people,

Paul and Barb



We are excited to welcome CARMEN PATHE into Year 10 at MCC until the end of the year.

Carmen is an exchange student from Germany and has joined Candice Wilson and her family as part of the Southern Cross Cultural Exchange programme.

Students and staff look forward to learning more about Carmen's life and the German culture over the next few months.

Carmen, we hope you enjoy your time in our special part of Australia - the mallee.

the Carly Ryan foundation.

Online Safety Presentation

Presented by Sonya Ryan, Director

Murrayville Seminar

For school students Years 6-12 and for parents and community members

Tuesday 22nd July 2014 10am
Murrayville Community College
Francis St, Murrayville Vic 3512

Contact: Paul and Barb Ireland
paulbarbi@bigpond.com
0407 715 189 (08) 8577 8362

or Jacqui Gibson
jbgibson@mthcs.vic.gov.au
(03) 5095 2205

mallee sustainable farming

The presentation will explore

- Social networking
- Sharing your information online
- Protecting your privacy
- Sexting
- GPS enabled devices
- Online gaming
- Cyber bullying
- Mobile phone apps

www.carlyryanfoundation.com
Creating a positive experience online for all Australian families



Despite the cold weather, Term 2 was a busy time in the Kitchen Garden. Some of our garden successes last term were:

- Building compost bays in the Ag area garden
- Creating cabbage moth decoys (these noticeably reduced damage to our brassica vegetables - kale, cabbage, broccoli and cauliflower)
- Weeding, weeding and more weeding
- Fertilising our winter garden
- Harvesting a huge amount of pumpkin
- Making a stinging nettle liquid fertilizer – which is rather on the smelly side we admit
- Sowing a green manure crop – which is now ready to dig in



The students' kitchen skills improved immensely throughout the term and they have become quite an efficient team in the kitchen. Last term we cooked (and happily devoured):

- Carrot Dip and Chick Pea Dip with crudité
- Roast Pumpkin Soup and Spicy Pumpkin and Red Lentil Soup
- Indian Flat Bread and Wheat Tortillas
- Green Leafy Salad and Minty Yogurt Dressing
- Brown Rice, Orange and Celery Salad
- Leek and Silverbeet Pizza and Potato and Rosemary Pizza
- Pumpkin Cupcakes with Chantilly Cream

A HUGE thank you to the wonderful volunteers whose generous contributions made it all possible. This term should be just as fabulous and during the Farming the Future Open Day on Friday 22nd August there will be a big celebration of all things Kitchen Garden. Come along and see more of what we've been up to, sample some of the students' culinary efforts and tour our ever improving gardens.



from our kitchen garden

COLLEGE CALENDAR

- 21-25/7 Year 12 Outdoor Ed
- 22/7 Sonya Ryan Seminar : Yrs 6-12
Immunisation : Years 7 & 9
Arts Council : P-6
- 25/7 Schools Tree Day
- 26-27/7 HPV Round 3 - Adelaide
- 28/7 English Competition
- 29/7 Winter Games - Robinvale
- 30/7 Flinders Uni Outreach : 6:30
Parents & Students Yrs 10-12
- 31/7 RSA Course - Hospitality 11am
- 6/8 'Keys Please' at 2:15pm
- 8/8 SRC Social
- 12/8 Mathematics Competition
- 14/8 UDSSA Athletics in Ouyen : P-6
- 21/8 House Athletics
- 26/8 Arts Council : P-6
- 27-29/8 3-4 Camp to El Shaddai
- 3/9 Mallee Division Athletics
- 8-12/9 Digital Dance

It doesn't matter
where you are,
you are nowhere
compared to
where you can go

Community Notices

Murrayville Football/Netball Clubs would like to thank all those who contributed and/or purchased items in our 'Goods and Services' auction. The money raised, \$26000, was an outstanding result and puts us in a very good position to start next year. These generous contributions from our local communities, allow us to continue. Thank you, again.

ONSHORE GAS CONSULTATION

A session will be held at the Murrayville Public Hall on Wednesday 23rd July from 2-8pm. This is an opportunity for people to share their views with independent facilitators about a potential onshore natural gas industry in Victoria, as well as accessing factual information from technical specialists
www.naturalgasinfo.vic.gov.au

National Blood Donor Week

(July 27 – August 2)
Murrayville neighbourhood house will be taking a bus to Mildura for donation of blood. Remember 1 in 3 people will require blood in their lifetime. You never know when you or your family may require blood.
PLEASE DONATE.
Phone Jacqui on 5095 2205 to book a seat

Mallee Youth QUIZ NIGHT



Friday 25th July : 6pm – 9pm (Vic time)
Bring the family along for a fun filled night of trivia... ..and the not so trivial!
Cost \$2, Tea provided
Jacob's Well Retreat - Poole St Murrayville
Phone Kym or Faye
03 5095 2199 / 0429 184 841

MURRAYVILLE FOOTBALL CLUB

THE WEDDING OF THE YEAR
Saturday 9th August at the Murrayville Hotel
Further details to come!!

RESPONSIBLE SERVICE of ALCOHOL COURSE in HOSPITALITY

at MCC on Thursday 31st July - cost \$80 - contact Di Finn for more details

ARE YOU ABLE TO HELP OUT?

The College occasionally requires someone to replace our Canteen Manager in the preparation of lunches for students and staff.

A 'Working With Children' card is required and can be arranged by contacting the school.

The task normally involves around 2½ hours of work (paid). Please let us know if you are able/prepared to assist in this way, or would like to discuss the issue further.

COMMUNICATIONS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

(* Return from parents required)

1. 5/6 - movie permission *
2. Year 12 Biology Students - Mildura excursion *
3. 3/4 - timetable and overview of term 3
4. Prep - term 3 activities



Please check that you have received this information and, if not, please contact the College for another copy