



Murrayville Community College



Newsletter

From the Principal

School Vision & Community Meeting -

As 2014 is our review year our school needs to articulate a vision for our school moving forward. I recognise that this school is an integral part of our community and therefore would like to involve the whole school community in developing a vision and a vision statement. I am proposing that we hold a Community Meeting on a Monday evening in September, and will advise the date next week.

Social Tonight –

Just a reminder to all students and parents, the Fictional Characters social is tonight. It will be great to see lots of students dressed up and supporting this event. The SRC as always have put in a great effort to organise the night. Thank you to all staff who are giving up part of their Friday night to supervise.

Pathways to University –

After our very successful Careers night last week, our senior students are now getting inspired about their futures. SATAC and VTAC opened this week for TAFE and University applications, Year 12s will now begin to prepare and lodge their applications. The SA University Open Days are on over next Friday, Saturday and Sunday. As a number of students have expressed interest in attending the Flinders University Open Day on Friday the 15th, we have decided to take a bus. Notes will be going home to interested students with all of the details.

UDSSA Athletics Sports –

Next Thursday our P-6 students will be competing at Ouyen in the Underbool and District Sports. The students have been preparing for these sports at school, during PE,

Sport, lunchtimes and during Active After Schools. I am sure that they will do themselves and their school proud at this event. Please note that there will be NO ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOLS next Thursday because of these Sports.

Keys Please –

On Wednesday Vic Roads ran a 'Keys Please' session for our Year 10 and 11 students. The session focussed on Learner Drivers and soon to be Learner Drivers. It highlighted why young drivers are at risk and the importance of driving experience.

Natasha Mudie - Principal



GTAC OUTREACH PROGRAM

Early last Sunday, the year 12 Biology students left Murrayville to spend the day in Mildura at a GTAC outreach program. GTAC (Gene Technology Access Centre) is a specialist science centre that provides an opportunity for students to access state of the art equipment and technology not available in regular schools. The outreach program

allows students in more remote areas of Victoria to participate in their programs without the need for the long trip to Melbourne. Our students joined other biology students from Manangatang, Swan Hill, Tyrrell and Ouyen to study recombinant DNA technology and classification of Hominoids. Both these techniques are part of VCE Biology Unit 4. GTAC provides all the equipment as well as researchers and demonstrators to ensure students have 'hands on' experience and understand the theory behind the techniques. The three students enjoyed the experience and gained valuable practice in science skills.



MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD IS IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY.

July Attendance at MCC

Year 5	97.62%
Year 10	96.42%
Year 6	94.65%
Year 7	94.05%
Year 2	93.75%
Year 9	93.34%
Year 3	92.86%
Year 4	91.33%
Year 1	90.48%
Year 12	89.29%
Prep	88.10%
Year 11	84.35%

Congratulations to Year 5!



CAREERS NEWS

Federation University is one of Victoria's fastest growing universities - you may be interested to know ...

FedUni Open Day will be on Sunday 31st August at the Gippsland Campus at Churchill, and the Ballarat Campuses, Mt Helen, SMB and Camp St. Open Day is held from 10am to 3pm, and is designed for all prospective students and their families.

A perfect opportunity for students to:

- Meet with lecturers and students
- Find out about hundreds of programs
- Tour the facilities
- Experience campus life

A full program of information sessions and directions can be accessed from the Open Day webpage at www.federation.edu.au/openday



Molly, Ellen and Alice discuss some of the information provided at the GTAC outreach program last Sunday, as part of their VCE Biology studies. Thanks to their teacher, Karen Bailey, for taking these students to Mildura for this great learning experience.



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 SPECIAL :

Variety of Cup-a-Soups \$1

FRIDAY :

Sausage Rolls \$2.50

(only larger sausage rolls available)

Party Pies 50c

Pies / Pasties \$3.50

Sauce 20c or 2 for 30c

**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.

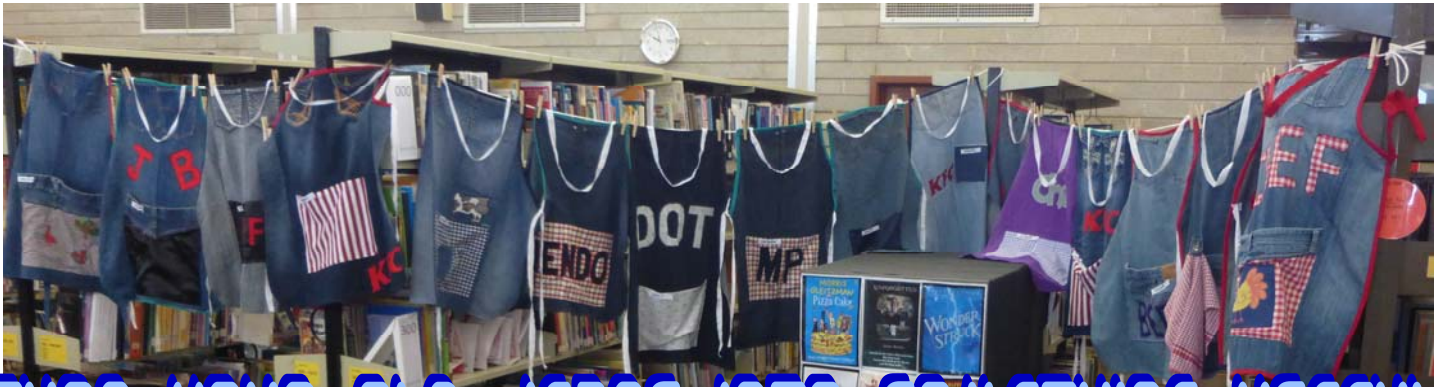
PRIMARY GOLD AWARDS

Prep :
Liam Wisneske
for working well at home and school to achieve better results in class, especially with his Magic words

1-2 :
Alex Tzokas & Jai Standley
for their effort to learn to tell the time

3-4 :
Jett Oakley & Cooper Wisneske
for their enthusiasm, quality work and focused attention during mathematics lessons

5-6 :
Miranda Walker
for showing great creativity with her Integrated Studies product creations



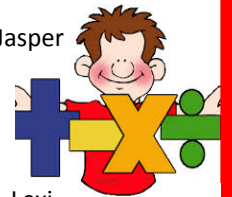
TURN YOUR OLD JEANS INTO SOMETHING USEFUL



MATHS COMPETITION : Next Tuesday, lesson 3

Students participating will be:

- Year 3 Tiana, Jett, Cooper
- Year 4 Suzanne, Dermott, Allea, Amelia, Jasper
- Year 5 Brock, Luka, Kristen
- Year 6 George, Lara, Benjamyn
- Year 7 Emma, Kirsty, Lachlan
- Year 8 Taylah
- Year 9 Jessica, Mariah, Ben, Tara, Abigail, Lexi
- Year 11 Hannah, Kayley
- Year 12 Sam



Students need to bring:

For Years 3 to 7 (Papers A to E) -

An eraser, a pencil (B or 2B), a ruler with millimetre markings.

For Years 8 to 12 (Papers F to J) -

An eraser, a pencil (B or 2B), a ruler with millimetre markings, and a **Calculator**.

Don't throw out those old jeans!

Mrs Pritchard's Years 7 and 8 Home Economics students found they can be used to make a rather unique apron.



WHERE are they now?

*NICHOLAS
WURFEL*

After completing my VCE at Murrayville Community College in 2011, I was fortunate to pick up work at the local 'Turf Farm' before moving to Adelaide to commence a double degree in Primary Education/Arts at Flinders University. This became a steep learning curve, adjusting to the large class sizes, and limited contact hours with tutors for assistance. In 2013 however



everything fell into place, with my first teaching placement at Christian Brothers College. During this time I became fully aware of how much I enjoy teaching and that I am definitely heading into the right profession. I also dropped Maths as my major, picking up history instead which led me to gain very high achievement last year and has given me the opportunity to undertake an honours program in this field. Now, halfway through my third year I am currently preparing an expressive arts performance to perform in front of a school, while eagerly waiting for my next placement later this year. I feel as though the opportunities Murrayville provided me with have given me a considerable advantage for my future. Being a student a Murrayville Community College gave me the opportunity to build leadership qualities through being a part of SRC and school captain, which have benefitted me at university, taking on leadership roles in group projects. To current students, I wish you all the best with your studies and encourage you all to make the most of the opportunities provided by Murrayville.



On 25th July, the Primary school students had a wonderful experience participating in Schools Tree Day at Cowangie Railway Reserve. Thanks to the efforts of the local Landcare and its many supporters, the students got to plant lots of trees, participate in Water Watch and Indigenous cultural activities and enjoy a free BBQ in a beautiful bush setting. The students worked incredibly hard to plant and guard as many trees as possible and in the end exceeded all expectations by getting approximately 240 trees into the ground (having plenty of fun in the processes). It was a wonderful day and the Primary staff and students send out a big thank you to all who made it possible.



National Tree Day



Homework for Semester 2 will be as follows

Year 7

Literature Circles	Reading approximately 90 pages and completing a task	Due in Wednesday
Spelling	Writing definitions for words, as well as learning how to pronounce and spell the new vocabulary	Tested and checked on Monday

Year 9 and 10

Reading	Reading approximately 100+ pages and completing a task	Due in Wednesday
Grammar	Completing units from their Pearson Grammar text, which have been explained in class	Due in Tuesday

I have encouraged students to be responsible for their learning by:

- Writing down homework in their diaries
- Asking for assistance when necessary
- Completing the assigned work
- Meeting timelines for homework completion
- Developing a homework routine/study habit
- Locating appropriate resources and materials
- Organizing to have the right books at home to do their homework
- Returning the completed task on time

ENGLISH HOMEWORK

If you have any questions or problems concerning homework, class work, or anything else please do not hesitate to contact me.

Fionna Edwards



Goldilocks eats the porridge ... Seth

Goldilocks went to the bears' house ... Reece

Goldilocks tried Father Bear's porridge and Goldilocks ate the porridge and Goldilocks ate Baby Bear's porridge. She sat in the chair and she broke it ... Evie

Goldilocks ate the porridge up. She sat on the chair. She went to bed and slept ... Riley

Goldilocks went to the cottage. The bears went for a walk. Goldilocks ate the porridge. She sat on the chair and she broke the chair ... Liam

Goldilocks went to the cottage and she tasted the big bear's porridge and she didn't like the porridge. She said it was too hot, and then it was too cold, and then it was just right. She sat on the chair. Then she went to the beds and went to sleep ... Ethan

Goldilocks went to the bears' house. Goldilocks ate the porridge then Goldilocks went to the lounge room. Then Goldilocks sat on the chair.

Then she broke the chair. Then she went upstairs and then she slept in the bed ... Harvey

Goldilocks ate the porridge. She went to the lounge room and she sat on the chair. She ate some porridge. She went to the bed and went to sleep ... Farren



COLLEGE CALENDAR

12/8	Mathematics Competition
14/8	UDSSA Athletics in Ouyen : P-6
18/8	College Council
21/8	House Athletics
22/8	Science Week Expo
26/8	Arts Council : P-6
27-29/8	3-4 Camp to El Shaddai
3/9	Mallee Division Athletics
4/9	School Nurse visit re Preps
8/9	College Council
8-12/9	Digital Dance
12/9	Open Day Yr 12 PE session in Mildura
15/9	'Wunder Kammer' : Years 7-9
17/9	P-2 to PPS production
20-21/9	HPV Round 4 : Murray Bridge
12/9	Open Day
19/9	End of Term 3 Casual Day
20-21/9	HPV at Murray Bridge

Community Notices

MURRAYVILLE LAWN TENNIS CLUB AGM

Tuesday 12th August - 7:30pm at the Clubroom
All intending players and junior parents are urged to attend
Paid Caretaker Position Available - approximately 3 hours per week
Position involves mowing and lining courts and maintaining the surrounds throughout the season
Contact Carly Heintze on 0427 952 049 for details



FOUND IN THE COLLEGE CARPARK

A fine fabric
black scarf

Contact the front office at school if you think it is yours

FREE LEGAL ADVICE - CHILD SUPPORT

Mildura - Thursday 14th August
'Phone 1300 792 387 for an appointment

MALLEE YOUTH

Meeting scheduled for 8th August CANCELLED
due to a class with the school social

Life Guards Pinnaroo Pool

Registrations of interest are sought from suitably qualified persons to act as Life Guards for the Pinnaroo Pool for the 2014/2015 season

Minimum Qualification

Bronze Medallion, First Aid,
CPR [renewed yearly] and
National Police Clearance

Copies of current appropriate certificates to be enclosed with your application

Minimum age for position - 16 years

All applications/registrations of interest must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked

"Pool Vacancies" and addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, SMDC,

PO Box 49, Pinnaroo SA 5304

Applications close 2pm Friday 12 September

More information is available from
Harc Wordsworth - phone 8576 3121

MOLE SCAN BUS TO ADELAIDE

There will be a bus going from Murrayville to Adelaide to the mole scan clinic on Monday August 25th
We are able to stop at Pinnaroo for anyone who wishes to come
Please contact Jacqui Gibson at Neighbourhood House to book your seat on the bus
Cost is \$30

For more information call 5095 2205

Summer-5-A-Side

Information/Registration pack available to download at
www.threecolours.com.au
For more information email
summer5aside@outlook.com

Tact is the knack
of making a point
without making
an enemy

COMMUNICATIONS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

(* Return from parents required)

1. P-6 students - re Athletics Sports at Ouyen on 14th August *
2. All students - details re tonight's social from the SRC
3. Year 8 - MRCC mobile library membership permission form *
4. Year 3-4 - El Shaddai camp information *



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