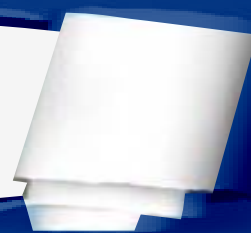




Murrayville Community College



Newsletter

Inspiring P.R.I.D.E. • We Value • Persistence Respect Independence Determination Excellence

From the
Principal

School Council outcomes –

School council and the Teaching and Learning sub-committee met on Monday night. The Teaching and learning committee discussed the school's new motto, vision and

mission statements after significant consultation with students and parents had occurred. They considered all views put forward.

Inspiring P.R.I.D.E was adopted as our new motto. The letters of the word PRIDE stand for our new values of **Persistence, Respect,**

Independence, Determination and Excellence. This motto will now begin to appear on official school documentation, including the newsletter. Our values will be reinforced with students at assemblies, through awards, in behaviour management and in everyday school life. The new vision and mission statements were also adopted. This is published on the website. The writing policy was also adopted by council.

Bushfire Information -

Our school is currently on the Bushfire At Risk Register (BARR). This basically means that our school will be closed on a day that is forecast as Code Red and buses will not run.



A page has been dedicated in this newsletter about the procedures the school must follow in the case of Code Red days and what you can do as parents to prepare for the bushfire season (page 5). Please tear it out and keep it somewhere prominent over the summer period.

Year 11 Exams & Transition –

The Year 11s have had a mini exam period that stretched from last Friday to this Wednesday. The Year 10s and even the Year 9s have also completed a number of exams during this period. The Year 11s have travelled to Adelaide this Thursday and Friday in preparation for Year 12. They have carried out team building, goal setting, motivational and organisational activities designed to prepare them for their final year of study. They will complete a week of transition into Year 12 next week that will set them up for making the most of these summer holidays and be ready for learning from day one, next year.

Year 12 Dinner –

The Year 12 Dinner held last Friday night was again a wonderful celebration for students, parents and staff of the end of the students' school education. Of course this is not the end of their education, as life-long learners this is just the end of one important sector in the journey. On behalf of all the staff, I wish them all the very best in the next phase of their lives.

A Long Walk -

Mr Willersdorf's Year 11 PE class has recently undertaken a combined walk as part of their study into physical activity. Their amazing results, which surprised everyone, are collated in a report on page 3.

Water Winners -

Several primary students achieved success in a recent GWM Water competition, and received their prizes at a special primary assembly on Tuesday - check it out on page 2.

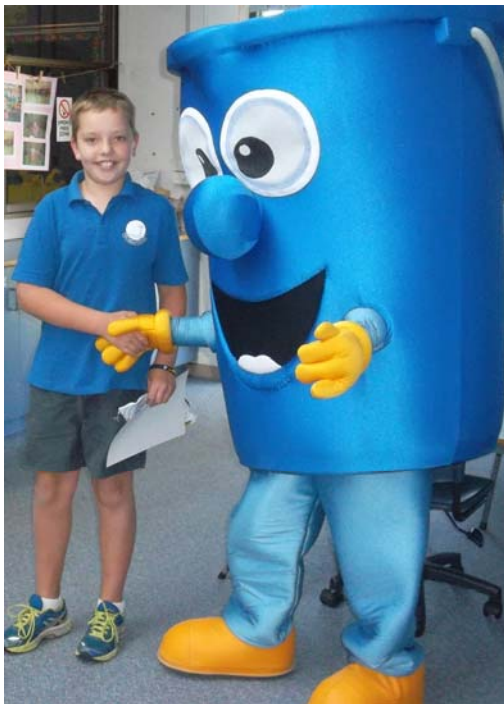
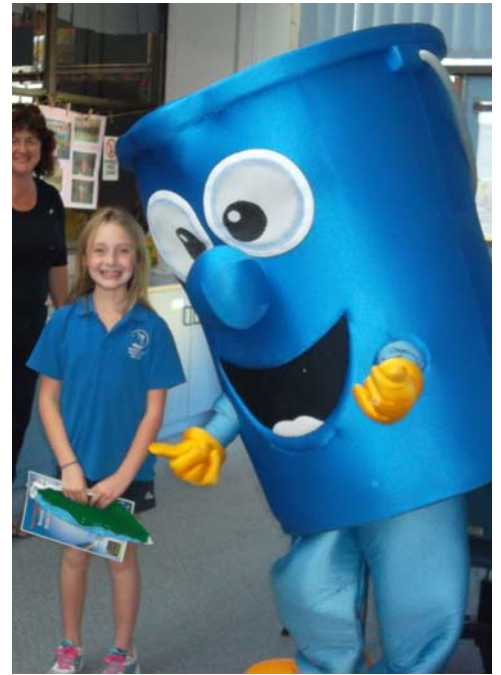
Natasha Mudie - Principal



Congratulations to:
Liam Wisneske, Lila Oakley,
Kristen Sparnon, Ben Plum,
Rourke Mudie, Jaylen Barford and
Cooper Wisneske who received
prizes for their winning entries in a
GWM Water competition
undertaken in their Art classes.
Phil the Bucket was keen to assist
with the presentations on Tuesday.



GWMWater





PRIMARY GOLD AWARDS



Prep : Farren Finn
for great improvement with his speaking and
listening in class

**1-2 :
Jonny Peers**
for consistently taking responsibility for his learning

**3-4 :
Cooper Wisneske**
for being consistently willing to challenge himself
to produce high quality work

**5-6 :
Miranda Walker**
for commitment to SRC – showing leadership
with organising the ‘Make a Difference Box’
for the primary school

Zetlin Oakley
for showing a real commitment to finishing his
school work during lessons








CANTEEN

AVAILABLE MONDAY-FRIDAY
Wraps / Sandwiches / Rolls
Ham & Cheese or
Chicken & Cheese Hot Rolls

**ALL ORDERS ARE TO
BE PLACED BEFORE SCHOOL**

Please - no more than \$5 in your envelope



WHERE are they now?

**RANI
WILLERSDORF**



I loved growing up in Murrayville!

I was given some great opportunities at Murrayville Community College, as well as within the community, such as being School Captain, SRC President and House Captain. Within these roles I gained valuable experience in leadership, communication, and team work that have helped me to prepare for my future at University and beyond.

After completing Year 12 in 2007, I was excited to move to Adelaide to study a Bachelor of Nursing at UniSA. During this time I was lucky enough to be awarded a \$20,000 scholarship from the Royal College of Nursing Australia to help assist me with my studies and living away from home.

Whilst studying I worked at The BeachHouse (Glenelg) and Adelaide Oval before obtaining a position at the Women's and Children's Hospital (WCH) as an Assistant in Nursing. Working in these roles helped me to save to go on a couple of overseas trips; my favourite was backpacking through Europe for 6 weeks with a friend during a Uni break.

On completing University I was fortunate enough to be chosen to be a Graduate nurse at the Women's & Children's Hospital where I spent 6 months as a scrub/scout in theatre and 6 months on Rose Ward, where we care for medical and surgical babies under 12 months and their families.

4 years later, I am now a Senior Registered Nurse on Rose Ward and absolutely love it. We see a wide range of different medical conditions from; complex cardiac fractures, many different surgical procedures, a huge range of syndromes – (some yet to be identified), airway management, bronchiolitis, UTI's, failure to thrive, feeding difficulties and many, many more. It is a very rewarding career and I am constantly gaining new knowledge, experience and growing as a paediatric nurse. My favourite shifts are when I co-ordinate the ward and my future goals are to move higher up into clinical management and to continue to further my study into paediatric nursing. Right now though, I am excited to be planning my wedding for February next year and, of course, more overseas travel.

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	TOTAL
<i>Ella</i>	9824	6220	7200	9436	6800	6320	14587	60387
<i>Brittany</i>	2461	10254	14367	16774	2859	982	7918	55615
<i>Jayme-Lee</i>	10523	13423	11233	12356	11320	10023	16404	85282
<i>Bonnie</i>	11282	12924	11364	11637	10311	12530	20296	90344
<i>Nick</i>	10925	10412	10000	6000	6000	19604	10328	73269
<i>Phoenix</i>	10072	8359	8208	10072	9469	10005	11400	67585
<i>Randall</i>	11430	16104	10283	15596	11231	21252	10156	96052
<i>Mr Willersdorf</i>	13846	13823	16829	13576	10951	12901	22904	104830
TOTAL	80363	91519	89484	95447	68941	93617	113993	633364

This term in Year 11 P.E. the students have been learning about subjective and objective measures of physical activity. They have also been looking at initiatives to increase individuals' activity levels to adhere to the National Physical

Activity Guidelines (NPAGs) and what the differences are between being physically active, physically inactive and sedentary behaviour. Therefore we decided to choose an initiative to test ourselves to see if we were adhering to at least one aspect of the NPAGs. The initiative chosen was the 10,000 steps program but with a bit of a twist. We set ourselves a goal to walk to Bendigo in 7 days, which is approximately 398km away. Average step size for the group was calculated and it was found that we would need to take 565,570 steps over the week, which is 10,153 steps each, per day. Pedometers were found to be the easiest way of tracking our steps as they are easy to use and measure the data that was needed to complete our goal.

Each morning the students would enter their steps from the previous day with some of the results being quite interesting. So our aim was to take 568,570 steps to get to Bendigo. We took an amazing 633,364 steps, which tallied up to be an extra 45km further than what our goal was. The students thoroughly enjoyed the exercise (pun not intended) and they found that just by having a goal and something to measure the data, they were constantly looking to do more exercise a day.



5/6 Adelaide Camp continued

Thursday, after the Ice Arena, we visited We could purchase our own donuts if we everyone an original glazed to try. That our accommodation, Nunyara. We set up the movie and snuggled into our sleeping The Adventurer; The Curse of the Midas on the previous Monday. The movie was whose parents are involved in a secret his younger brother Felix is captured by a box. This box can destroy all life and Miria has to save his brother and



the Krispy Kremes donut shop. wanted and Mrs Wyatt bought night we had a movie night at where we were going to watch bags. The movie was called Box. It had only been released about a boy called Miria government organisation and man who is after a powerful



protect the box at the same time. In the movie Miria and Felix's dad is played by Ioan Gruffudd who also plays 'Mr Fantastic' from the 'Fantastic Four' movie. I really enjoyed going to Krispy Kremes and watching the movie. By Lara Mudie



At camp on Friday morning we went to the Mount Lofty Summit. We learnt about Colonel William Light and how he planned that the city would be a square and have another square around it of just park lands and no buildings to be constructed. At the Summit you could also see the sea, Adelaide Oval, Port Adelaide (where we went on the boat) and Glenelg. My favourite part was being able to see the Adelaide city and all of the big buildings. We also climbed onto the base of the light house to get a better view which was also fun. By Jaylen Barford



On Friday the 7th (the last day of camp) the year 5/6 class went to the Woodhouse Activity Centre and completed 'Woody's Challenge Hill'. Woody's Challenge Hill is an obstacle course where you can face your fear or just have fun. At the challenge hill some of the obstacles where: the maze, the slide, climbing ropes and the elephant grave yard. Some of the obstacles were enjoyable and some quite hard, some of them were dangerous as well.

I thought the challenge hill was a good place to



explore because it has all different

challenges that you can complete. My favourite obstacle was the climbing ropes because it was really scary and was a good challenge for me. The ropes go straight across a small creek; there were 3 different ropes you could choose to climb across. By Miranda Walker



5/6 camp

School procedures for the bushfire season

Fire danger ratings and warnings are used in Victoria to provide clear direction on the safest options for preserving life.

Schools and children's services listed on the DEECD Bushfire At-Risk Register (BARR) will be closed when a Code Red fire danger rating day is determined in their Bureau of Meteorology district.

Our school has been identified as being one of those at high bushfire risk and is listed on the BARR.



Where possible, we will provide parents with up to four days notice of a potential Code Red day closure by letter and SMS message. A Code Red day will be determined by the Emergency Management Commissioner no later than 1.00 pm the day before the potential closure. Once we are advised of the confirmation of the Code Red day we will provide you with advice before the end of the school day.

Once confirmed, the decision to close will not change, regardless of improvements in the weather forecast. This is to avoid confusion and help your family plan alternative care arrangements for your child. It is also important to note that:

- No staff will be on site on days where the school is closed due to a forecast Code Red day.
- School camps and excursions will be cancelled if a Code Red fire danger rating day is determined for the Bureau of Meteorology district in which the camp is located.

As a bus co-ordinating school all bus routes will be cancelled.

On these Code Red days families are encouraged to enact their Bushfire Survival Plan – **on such days children should never be left at home or in the care of older children.**

For those of us living in a bushfire prone area, the CFA advise that when Code Red days are forecast, the safest option is to leave the night before or early on the morning of the Code Red day.

As part of preparing our school for potential hazards such as fire, we have recently updated and completed our Emergency Management Plan.

What can parents do?

- Make sure your family's bushfire survival plan is up-to-date and includes alternative care arrangements in the event that our school is closed.

Ensure we have your current contact details, including your mobile phone numbers. Keep in touch with us by reading our newsletters, by checking our website www.murrayvillecc.vic.edu.au and by talking to your child's teacher or any other member of the teaching staff about our emergency management plan.

Most importantly at this time of year, if you're planning a holiday or short stay in the bush or in a coastal area, you should check warnings in advance of travel and remain vigilant during your stay.

If your child is old enough, talk to them about bushfires and your family's bushfire survival plan.

You can access more information about children's services closures on the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development website –

see <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/health/pages/closures.aspx>

For up-to-date information on this year's fire season, visit the CFA website at www.cfa.vic.gov.au or call the 24-hour Victorian Bushfires Information Line on 1800 240 667.

COLLEGE CALENDAR

- 24-28/11 9/10 Outdoor Ed Camp
 11 Maths/English Transition
- 28/11 Victorian Garden Awards
 Presentation in Melbourne
 Year 11 finish
- 1-5/12 Whole School Transition
- 3/12 P-2 to Mildura + Sleepover
- 5/12 Year 10 finish
- 8-12/12 7-9 Mt Gambier Camp
- 11/12 College Council Meeting
- 16/12 P-6 Pool Party
- 17/12 Secondary Pool Party
 Presentation Night
- 2015
- 28/1 Teachers Return
 Secondary Booklist Collection
- 29/1 Secondary Students Return
- 30/1 Years 1-6 Return
- 2/2 Prep Students Commence

Great things are not done by impulse, but by a series of small things brought together

Community Notices

Mallee Youth
Fun & Games & All Things Israel
Friday 28th November
at Murrayville
27 Poole St (Kym & Faye's)
6 – 9pm Vic time
Phone 03 5095 2199
or 0429 184 841

Murrayville St Peter's Lutheran Church
ADVENT EVENING SERVICE
Sunday 30th November 2014
6.30pm (Vic time)
at MURRAYVILLE SENIOR CITIZEN'S
Come along and celebrate together
with the whole community
as we prepare for the coming of Jesus
– our Saviour and King
A night of songs, readings,
fellowship & food
Everyone is welcome so invite
your friends and neighbours!

Child support
every child's right and every parent's responsibility

 Victoria Legal Aid
Lawyers And Legal Services

Coming to our region - child support legal advice sessions for parents
A Victoria Legal Aid Child Support Lawyer will be visiting Mildura on 22 January and 16 April 2015 to provide free, confidential and independent legal advice to parents about child support and paternity testing
Legal advice is also available over the phone by contacting (03) 9269 0408



We are celebrating International Day of People with Disability by conducting a number of come and try sports activities, including:

- Table tennis
- Badminton
- Swish
- Cricket
- Rugby League Tag
- Tennis

Lets Celebrate
International Day
of People with
Disability 2014

Date : Tuesday 2 December, 2014
Time: 9.30—2pm
Location: Irymple Leisure Centre,
Karadoc Ave, Irymple.

To register your interest please contact Tanya Wild
at the Mallee Sport Assembly (5021 3464)
tanya@malleesportsassembly.org.au

COMMUNICATIONS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

(* Return from parents)

1. Year 6 & 7 : Transition Day program

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

