

# Newsletter

## Murrayville Community College



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

### *From the Principal*

#### **Dentist visit –**

This week the Royal Flying Doctor Service dental unit visited the school to conduct free examinations for students. A number of families took advantage of this service. The dentists also visited each of the primary classes to explain the golden rules of taking care of your teeth and ensuring a beautiful smile into the future. The dentists will be returning in November with their dental van to carry out any required work on the children's teeth. This is the first time in over fifteen years that our college has been serviced by a school dental service, however if this proves to be successful it will continue on an annual basis.

#### **Snowy River School for Student Leadership -**

I have had some reports from Maddison and Taylah and their teachers about their first fortnight away from Murrayville. Both girls have fitted into the new routines very well and made many new friends. They have been very busy with a range of activities from learning Mandarin, team activities, surfing, bike riding, research into Chinese society and culture, bridge building. They are especially learning the value of great communication and teamwork. The girls have each had an opportunity to take on the role of student leader; Taylah acted as devil's advocate in some of the team's day activities and Maddison has joined the sports committee to help organise the running of afternoon sports. They are now feeling both nervous and excited about the next leg of their journey. They fly out to China this Saturday night! Lara, Rourke, Mariah and I will see them briefly at the airport before they fly out.

#### **John Monash Science Fair –**

Four of our Year 10 students - Mariah, Ben, Abigail and Lexi - participated in the John Monash Science School regional

exchange program in March. They came home with projects of their own to complete. These culminate in the John Monash Science Fair that will be held on Monday night at the school's campus in Melbourne. Mariah is travelling down to present her project in person, Lexi and Abi are presenting remotely using our Polycom video conferencing technology and Ben has had his project published for the fair, but will be unable to be present due to attending the Outdoor Ed camp to Mt Arapiles. Congratulations to all of these students on their involvement in this program. They have displayed the school's PRIDE values of persistence, independence, determination and excellence to see this long process through to completion.

#### **Outdoor Education -**

Next week our Year 9 and 10 Outdoor Education students will be camping at Natimuk and testing their bike riding and rock climbing skills at Mount Arapiles. It is an amazing opportunity for them to get out of their comfort zone and into their challenge and growth zone. This camp is one that really requires effective teamwork and communication to ensure its success. I'm sure that all involved will have a great time. Many thanks, to Mrs Inglis for



coordinating this camp, and to Mr Willersdorf for attending.

#### **School Council –**

School council met on Monday night. We reviewed four policies and made some minor changes to the wording of the Homework policy, to include electronic communication to parents about homework. We also removed the old school values from the Grievance policy. First Aid, Gifts, Benefits & Hospitality policies were reviewed and no changes were recommended. All policies are available on the website. School council also passed a motion to finish school at 1.30 on Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> of December, the last day of Term 4.

#### **Farewell -**

Today is the last official day for our Year 12 group, who will commence VCE exams next week. We wish them well as they undertake these tests and in their future endeavours.

*Natasha Mudie  
Principal*

## University of New South Wales Mathematics

Congratulations to students who excelled in the University of New South Wales Mathematics Competition for 2015. We had 29 participating students. Of these there were 4 Merit Certificates awarded and the following higher awards.

### High Distinction:

Abigail Sparnon, Year 10

### Distinction:

Benjamyn Plum, Year 7

Benjamin Finn, Year 10

Lexi Thomas, Year 10

### Credit:

Allea Heintze, Year 5

Brock Milde, Year 6

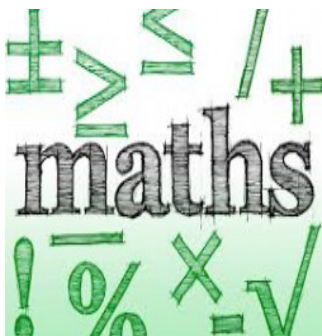
Jessica Allan, Year 10

Mariah Daniel, Year 10

Tara Heintze, Year 10

Well done to all students and special congratulations to those who received higher awards.

Students who gain Distinctions are in the highest 1% of Australasia's participants.



## HAMILTON SCHOLARSHIP



Open to Pinnaroo Primary School students in their last year of primary schooling and in their first year of secondary schooling.

Information regarding the scholarship is available at the front office at P.P.S.

All applications are due by Friday 13th November for the panel to read and nominate a winner or winners

## PRIDE JOURNALS

**Can parents please ensure that primary students return their PRIDE JOURNALS to school if they have not already done so**



Certificates for Inspiring Pride were awarded to:

### Prep-Year 2

**Nate KELLY** and **Sarah ALLAN** – for showing EXCELLENCE in learning all their 'Magic Words'  
**Brooklyn MORZER-BRUVNS** - for EXCELLENCE

in writing a great book report

**Jai STANDLEY** - for showing PERSISTENCE in completing his book report with good insights

**Matilda WYATT** - for EXCELLENCE

in writing a great book report

### Years 3/4

**Jett OAKLEY** – for his PERSISTENCE at striving to raise the quality of his work

### Years 5/6

**Dermott BOSTON**– for showing more INDEPENDENCE during his lessons, being organised and on task

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# CANTEEN

Hot Lunch

**A REMINDER THAT  
THE ONLY HOT FOOD  
THIS TERM IS**

*Ham & Cheese or  
Chicken & Cheese Hot Rolls*

**AVAILABLE MONDAY-FRIDAY**

*Cold foods are: Wraps / Sandwiches / Rolls*

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

*Please - no more than \$5 in your envelope  
PIES, PASTIES, etc are no longer on sale*

Good Luck!

# CLASS OF 2015

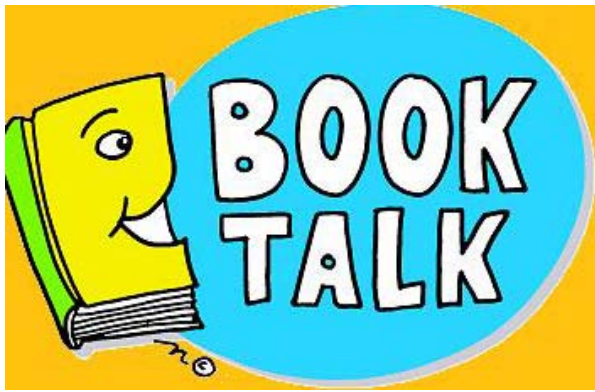




Can you find Maddie and Jaylah?



**Alpine School Campus**  
School for Student Leadership



## Reading Responses : P-2

Harvey ... Year 1

This book is about Sunday Chutney. Sunday Chutney has a lot of imagination. She moves to new schools. She doesn't like bullies. Sunday Chutney said boys smell, but I think that girls smell! She didn't have friends. She wants a monster truck. I liked the book because she travels to new schools.

Matilda ... Year 2

*The Very Hungry Bear (by Nick Bland)*

The Very Hungry Bear is about a brown bear who was trying to catch some fish but a polar bear was catching them all. So when he thought he caught a fish he actually caught the polar bear! The polar bear's iceberg was melting so bear shared his home but it was too hot so ..... you're just going to have to read it yourself.

Steffinie ... Year 2

*The Wrong Book (by Nick Bland)*

My book is 'The Wrong Book'. It is about a book and everything goes wrong and the main character is a boy called Nicholas Ickle. I liked The Wrong Book because more characters annoyed him and at the middle it is a bit funny. In the middle, the queen showed up and he said "Go away. You're in the wrong book". My favourite part was the start because he tried to push the elephant away because he was trying to tell a story about himself but all of the characters kept annoying him and he got to the end but the words "The End" fell on him.

Brooklyn ... Year 2

*The BAD GUYS (by Aaron Blabey)*

It's about bad guys that are trying to be good guys. The characters are a wolf, a shark, a fish and a snake. They saved 200 dogs! They also got a cat out of a tree .... Awesome ha! The book is very, very funny. It's also a graphic novel. It's not like lots of other books. This is the first graphic novel that I have read. I like the book because it has a different format.

Evie ... Year 1

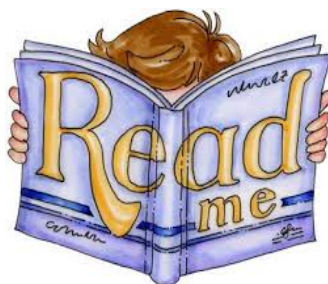
*Sunday Chutney (by Aaron Blabey)*

This book is about a little girl called Sunday Chutney who travels all around the world. Sunday Chutney loves to move to different places. The reason I like the book is because Sunday Chutney has a big funny smile.

Riley ... Year 1

*Sunday Chutney (by Aaron Blabey)*

She travels around the world and she is lonely. I like this book because I like the pictures.



Ethan ... Year 1

*Sunday Chutney (by Aaron Blabey)*

This book is about Sunday Chutney. Sunday Chutney travels around the world. She has a good imagination. She wanted a home or a monster truck. I like the book because she has a good imagination.

Jai ... Year 2

*A Monster Wrote Me a Letter (by Nick Bland)*

A boy got a letter from a monster. The boy thought that the monster would eat him. The monster said that he had never seen or met a kid before. The boy put prickles on the path and put piranhas in the bath. The monster wore a white T-shirt to his house. The monster said that he hasn't had a bath since ages. This book is hard to understand because it is a poem. I don't really like this book because it's a little bit weird.

# COLLEGE CALENDAR

|            |                               |
|------------|-------------------------------|
| 26-30/10   | Mt Arapiles Outdoor Ed Camp   |
| 28/10      | VCE exams commence            |
| 30/10      | Jump Rope (P-6) 9am           |
| 3-6/11     | 5/6 Camp                      |
| 11/11      | Secondary Booklists Due       |
| 16/11      | College Council               |
| 23-25/11   | Years 10 & 11 Exams           |
| 26-27/11   | Year 11 Retreat               |
| 26/11-4/12 | Year 10 Transition to VCE     |
| 30/11      | SRC Casual Day                |
| 1/12       | Student Free Day              |
| 2/2        | Transition Day : Whole School |
| 3/12       | P-2 to Mildura & Sleepover    |
| 4/12       | Last Day for Year 10          |
| 7/12       | College Council               |
| 7-8/12     | Year 9 Exams                  |
| 9-11/12    | Year 9 Transition to Year 10  |
| 16/12      | Presentation Night            |
| 18/12      | End of Term 4                 |



## APPRENTICESHIPS - AUTOMOTIVE TECHNICIANS & PARTS INTERPRETERS

Are you:

- passionate about cars
- motivated, with a positive attitude
- willing to learn

... then this is a fantastic opportunity for you to join a family-owned business with over 400 employees and award-winning dealerships.

Apply via SEEK

or send your resume to careers@stillwell group.com.au

All shortlisted applicants will be required to undertake pre-employment checks.

MISSING  
(SCHOOL)=  
MISSING  
OUT

MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD  
IS IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY.

**Attendance at MCC  
12-16 October 2015**

|        |       |
|--------|-------|
| 7      | 97.0% |
| 8      | 96.4% |
| 6      | 95.0% |
| 9      | 93.8% |
| 0      | 93.4% |
| 1      | 92.3% |
| 4      | 92.0% |
| 10     | 90.7% |
| 3      | 88.9% |
| 12     | 88.2% |
| 5      | 87.0% |
| 2 & 11 | 80.0% |

# Community Notices


Morale is when  
your hands and  
feet keep on  
working when  
your head says it  
can't be done

THE CERTAINTY

Special event  
**Murrayville Dramatic Society**  
presents their 50th play in 55 years!  
*'The Certainty'* by Len Randall  
Friday 30 & Saturday 31 October  
**7:30 start**

LIFEGUARD UPDATE COURSE

Sunday  
1st November  
at Murrayville Pool  
More information  
available from  
Penny Peers  
(0427 952 191)



## COMMUNICATIONS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

(\* Return from parents)

1. 5-6 Students - camp information \*

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

