

Murrayville Community College



Newsletter

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Inspiring P.R.I.D.E. • We Value •

Persistence Respect Independence Determination Excellence

From the Principal

Last week –

It feels like I have been racing against the calendar for the whole term, and now that we have come to the last week of school, the calendar has won. Looking back over the past four terms we have achieved so much as a school community. There have also been many highlights, including a fantastic School Council Barbeque, ANZAC Concert, Deb Ball and Open Day, excellent swimming and athletics sports days, great achievements in HPV, as well as many enjoyable camps, excursions and performances. It has been a pleasure to see our new motto and values of *Inspiring P.R.I.D.E* embedded and I am confident that these values will continue to shape a positive future for our college in 2016.

Presentation Night –

Presentation Night is a special night in the school's calendar and is an opportunity to recognise the achievements of our students and to see them perform. Our guest speaker this year will be past student Shilo Wyatt. **All students are expected in full uniform and to be at the hall by 7.30pm ready for the program to commence at 8.00pm (Victorian Time).** Reports and magazines will be distributed to families of secondary students at the end of the night. I am hopeful that laptops for students in YearS 10 and 11 will be upgraded and ready to hand out at the conclusion of Presentation Night, so that they may use them through the holidays to complete their preparatory work for VCE. P-6 reports will go home on Wednesday afternoon.

Staff appointments –

I have much pleasure in announcing that we have appointed Mr

Nathan Godfrey-Brown to the full-time position of Humanities and Science Teacher. Nathan visited the school again yesterday to familiarise himself with the curriculum he will be teaching next year to Years 7, 8 and 9, so that he can prepare engaging units over the holidays.

Long Service Leave –

It is with sadness that we will be farewelling Janene Chaplin for 12 months at the end of the year as she has decided to take leave for all of 2016. We wish her all the very best for her break away from teaching and trust that she has an enjoyable year.

Staff Farewell -

Jaimi Willersdorf's teaching contract expires at the end of next week, in time for her to make preparations to welcome a sibling for Stella. Thanks for your work at MCC Jaimi, and all the best as your family grows.

Year 12 results –

The Year 12s will receive their results Monday morning. We wish them all the very best with their next steps towards further education and employment.

Kwong Lee Dow -

Congratulations to Abigail Sparnon (pictured top) who has been accepted into the Melbourne University Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars Program. This is an academic enrichment program for High-achieving students

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SRI Concert-

The P-6 students who participate in Special Religious Instruction presented their Christmas concert Tuesday. The very entertaining concert included plays and songs related to the Nativity. Special thanks to Colleen Heintze, Kym and Faye Kingdon for their contributions as volunteer instructors. Unfortunately, due to a change in department policy that states SRI is not to be offered during lesson times, it will not be offered in 2016.

Secondary Text Collection -

Due to students not commencing school until Friday 29th January, the text collection has been moved to the morning of Thursday 28th January. Please note this change of date.

Parent Parking -

There was concern raised at College Council on Monday evening about an increased tendency of parents parking in or close to the primary playground near the Murphy's Lane entrance. Please take note of the Traffic Management Policy on page 7 of this newsletter

CONGRATUALIONS

to the following Prep children who have read over 200 nights this year

- Sarah Allan
- Nate Kelly
- Oliver Berlin



These children in Years 1 & 2 have read over 200 nights this year ...

Lachlan	224
Mya	214
Farren	210
Brooklyn	208
Liam	201
Riley, Evie & Reece	200



Back to the LIBRARY!



PLEASE!

Monday is the last day to return all materials borrowed from the library. Please can parents and students check at home for any items that belong to the school and make sure that they are brought to school and handed in to Mrs Oakley. Thank you.

International Science Fair -

From all reports Mariah, Lexi and Kayley (with Ms Bailey) are having a full and rewarding time at Monash Uni this week, and we look forward to full reports when they return.

End of Term -

School will finish at 1:30pm next Friday (18 December), with lunch break from 12:30pm. Parents of students using the bus services are requested to advise drivers of any changes to normal usage.

I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and safe and happy holidays. See you all in 2016!

Natasha Mudie
Principal



Certificates for Inspiring Pride were awarded to:

Prep-Year 2

- Oliver Berlin** – for showing great INDEPENDENCE on the class trip and sleepover
- Lachlan NUSKE** – for EXCELLENCE in his behaviour and attitude



Years 3/4

- Dillon WALKER** – for his DETERMINATION to use more impressive vocabulary in his writing

Years 5/6

- Luka MORZER-BRUYNS** – for showing EXCELLENCE in all areas of school; being a role model for the primary school

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Independence Determination Excellence





The Prep, 1 and 2 field trip to Waves, Mildura and Woodsies Gem Cave was a great success! Everyone LOVED the wave pool and had fun jumping over the waves. Some enjoyed lying down in the shallows and bobbing around like little corks. In between wave times, the students played chasey games in and out of the overhead sprinklers or lounged on the bubbles coming up from the jets. After the pool it was time to head for Woodsies Gem Cave where everyone quickly devoured their lunches – nothing like swimming to make you hungry!

The children were just overawed with the beautiful gems. We had time to look through Aladdin's cave which is where these pictures were taken, before a quick explanation of how the jewellery is made. Next up was the maze. Congratulations go to the two students who made it out, Jai and Ethan (although they later admitted to crawling under some of the barriers). It was very hot out in the sun so after an icy pole and a drink, the children did their shopping and were very happy with the treasures they had purchased.



Back at school we headed down to the park for a delicious take away meal, before settling down to watch classic kids' movies in the beds. All was peaceful by 9.30 pm, but the start the next day was very early – 6.15 they started waking up! it was lovely to see the consideration and thoughtfulness that the early risers showed their sleepy headed friends by being very, very quiet. By 8.00 am everyone had had their fill of Rice Bubbles, toast or pancakes, had cleaned up and were just about ready for a new school day. Great job Prep, 1 and 2!! ... and a big thank you to Barb & Paul Ireland for joining in on the day.





*Special
Religious
Instruction
concert*

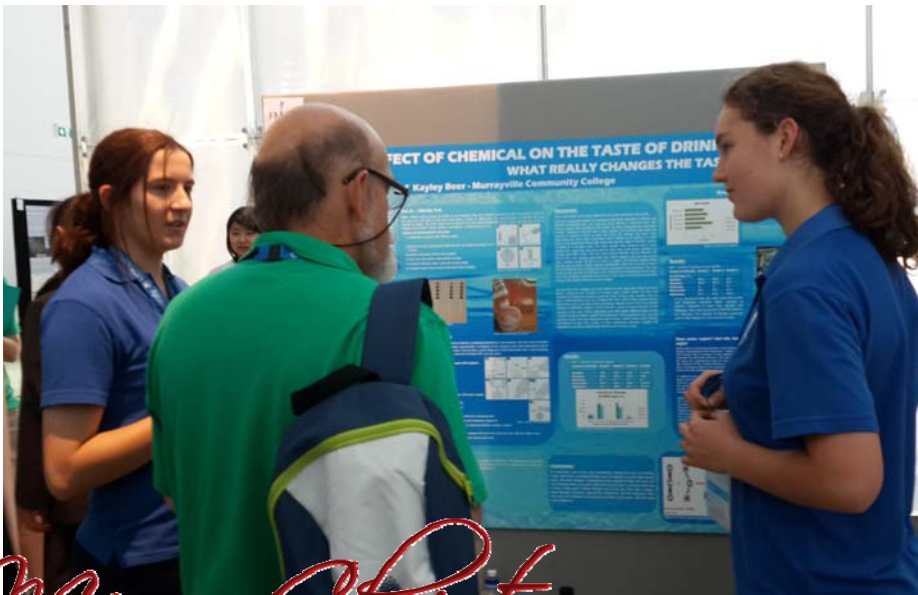


*thanks ... Colleen Heintze, Faye and Kym Kingdon
for all your work*

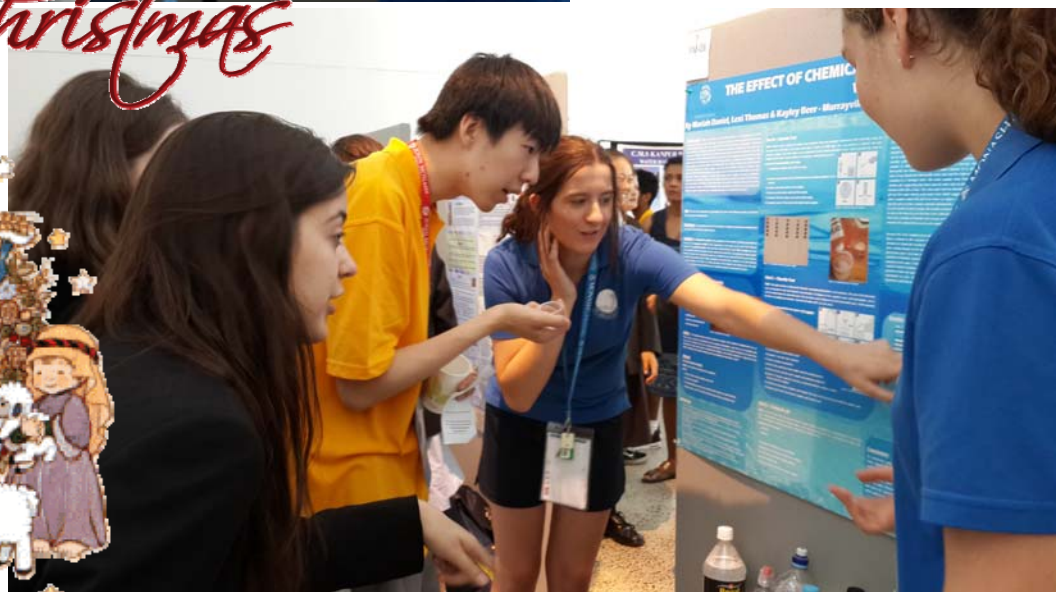
This week Kayley Beer, Mariah Daniel and Lexi Thomas, together with Ms Bailey, are at Monash University attending the International Science Student Fair (ISSF). ISSF has 196 delegates from 29 schools plus five regional Victorian schools. All continents except South America are represented at the conference, which brings together the top science students from around the world to interact and present research projects they have undertaken. It is an intensive week with each day starting early and finishing late. On Monday the students took part in a communications challenge. Mariah's team came first in



their group. Tuesday there was a city challenge followed by the poster presentations at the Australian Synchrotron. Our students presented a poster on water quality and taste. Wednesday the students attended science centres such as Quantum, and other research centres while Thursday everyone went to Healesville Sanctuary. The conference concludes today. It is a hectic week but a wonderful opportunity for our students.



Merry Christmas





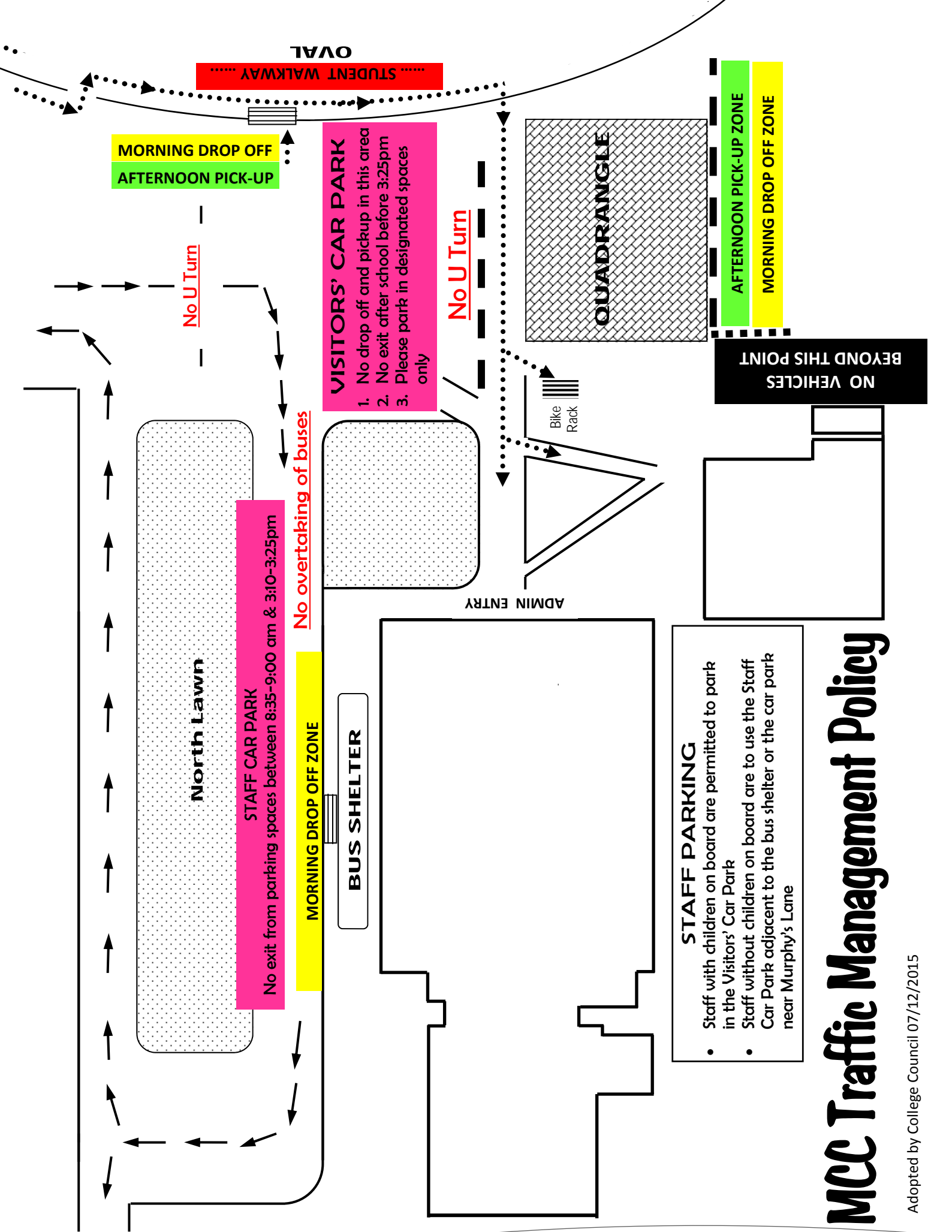
Year 7

science

SIMPLE MACHINES

SIMPLE MACHINES
LEVERS, PULLEYS, and WHEEL & AXLES





MORNING DROP OFF
AFTERNOON PICK-UP

No U Turn

No overtaking of buses

North Lawn

STAFF CAR PARK

No exit from parking spaces between 8:35-9:00 am & 3:10-3:25pm

MORNING DROP OFF ZONE

BUS SHELTER

VISITORS' CAR PARK

1. No drop off and pickup in this area
2. No exit after school before 3:25pm
3. Please park in designated spaces only

No U Turn

Bike Rack

ADMIN ENTRY

QUADRANGLE

AFTERNOON PICK-UP ZONE

MORNING DROP OFF ZONE

NO VEHICLES BEYOND THIS POINT

STAFF PARKING

- Staff with children on board are permitted to park in the Visitors' Car Park
- Staff without children on board are to use the Staff Car Park adjacent to the bus shelter or the car park near Murphy's Lane

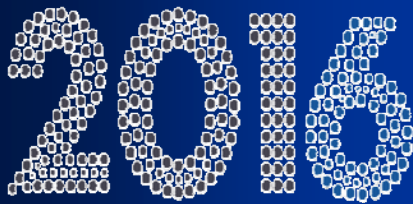
MCC Traffic Management Policy

Adopted by College Council 07/12/2015

COLLEGE CALENDAR

16/12 Presentation Night (8pm Vic)

18/12 End of Term 4 (1:30 finish)



27/1 Staff return

28/1 Text collection - secondary

29/1 Return to school Years 1-12

1/2 Prep students commence

24/3 End of Term 1

11/4 Term 2 commences

24/6 End of Term 2

11/7 Term 3 commences

16/9 End of Term 3

3/10 Start of Term 4

20/12 End of Term 4

Community Notices

MURRAYVILLE SWIMMING POOL

Due to funding cuts the pool will now be open if the forecast is 21 degrees & above
Please check Lameroo forecast the day before

Hours remain the same:

Weekdays 3:30- 6pm

Weekends and holidays 2-7pm.



MURRAYVILLE NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

will be taking a bus to Murray Bridge mobile mammogram unit on Friday 19th February, and is able to make pickups along the way
Cost is \$15 per person for the bus
For an appointment or further info contact Jacqui at Neighbourhood House on 03 5095 2205



PINNAROO CHRISTMAS PARADE

Friday 18th December

Leaving south oval at 7pm

Lions BBQ from 6:30pm

Organize a float for the street parade

Photos with Father Christmas - \$5

Decorate anything on wheels

Cash prizes

Christmas lights judged 17th December

Donations towards the event for the children can be left at the

Pinnaroo Newsagency

or mailed to PO Box 27 Pinnaroo

Supported by Pinnaroo Lions Club



MURRAYVILLE FOOTBALL CLUB

would like to thank its growers/ supporters and welcome new members at a FREE BBQ

at the Football Grounds

on Friday 11th December at 6:30pm

(Some beer also supplied)

We are
who we are
because of
the choices we
made yesterday



Merry
CHRISTMAS

CHRISTMAS MUSIC on 3MBR - 103.5

24th December : from 2pm

Christmas Day : all day