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Newsletter

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From the Principal

Welcome Back –
I trust that everyone had an enjoyable break away from the routines of school over the past few weeks and students and families had some very enriching experiences at home and on holidays. It was great to see so many excited students here this morning, eager to get started and make the very most of their educational year. Welcome also to our new Humanities and Science teacher Mr Nathan Brown.

Australia Day –
Some of our students were on duty even before today. Lexi Thomas and Matthew Beer our new school captains for 2016, represented the school at the Murrayville Australia Day Breakfast and had the honour of raising the flag, during the ceremony. Taylah Beer and Maddison Mudie were invited to speak about their trip to China last year. They discussed their experiences and highlighted some of the similarities and differences between the two countries and their cultures.

Carpet –
All of our new carpet was laid during January, it has definitely brightened up our school. This did cause a great deal of upheaval however and I wish to thank those school, councillors, staff and parents who were able to come in on Australia Day to assist with rearranging the furniture and replacing the books in the library. It was a huge help and meant that staff had some time during the student free days to work on preparing the best learning programs possible for the students. I would also like to thank Pete and Lyn Sporn for the phenomenal work they have done to return the school to its usual pristine state in time for the students today.

Trees – During the holidays we had some of our more dangerous trees removed and others trimmed. The two very large Tasmanian Blue Gums, that were located in the P-6 Play area were both removed as were a couple of others in the vicinity of the P-6 area. This has left the area looking very open, however we will be looking at planting more appropriate species after the hot weather has ceased.

SRC-
Congratulations to our new SRC for 2016 who were presented with their certificates and badges at assembly this morning.

SRC

College Council BBQ –
Dates are very tight in the first term as it is only quite a short term. College Council agreed that the purpose of the night is a chance to meet with your child's teachers and receive some information about their routines. This is most effective early in the term and for this reason we will be holding this event next Thursday night from 6.30pm. After your meal you will be able to attend an information session about our new online platform (Google Classroom) that will be used across our school. Following this there will be information sessions for parents of students in P-2 and 3-6 in their classrooms. Please come along, see the new carpet and join us for a meal, it would be terrific to see you here.

Natasha Mudie - Principal

COLLEGE CALENDAR

4/2	Year 10 First Aid
	College Council BBQ
5/2	UDSSA Tennis
12/2	Swimming Sports
15/2	College Council meeting
19/2	UDSSA/MMM Swimming
24/2	Sunraysia Swimming (Primary)
2/3	Mallee Division Swimming
17/3	Regional Swimming : Swan Hill
16/3	Robinvale Road Show : period 5
21/3	College Council AGM
24/3	End of Term 1
11/4	Term 2 commences
25/4	Anzac Day
28/4	Year 7 immunisation
6/5	House Cross Country
17/5	Sunraysia/Mallee Cross Country
31/5	Regional Cross Country

Goodness speaks in a whisper, but evil shouts

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR COLLEGE COUNCIL BBQ

Thursday 4 February 6:30pm

UNDER THE BUS SHELTER - NORTHERN SIDE OF THE SCHOOL

(weather permitting)

- ⋆ Meal provided by the College
- ⋆ Please bring your own drinks
- ⋆ Come along & meet staff members in a casual, relaxed setting
- ⋆ Information session about the new online platform we will be using across the school
- ⋆ Sessions for parents of students in Years P-6 will follow - in their individual classrooms

ALL FAMILIES WELCOME

COMMUNICATIONS SENT HOME TODAY

1. Years 10-12 : information re English curriculum for 2016
2. HPV : initial details re 2016 program
3. UDSSA tennis invitees : re Ouyen event next week

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