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Newsletter

Murrayville Community College

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From the Principal

Bendigo Bank Grant –
I am thrilled to announce that the school is the lucky recipient of $500 in the latest round of community grants from Bendigo Bank. We applied for some assistance to revamp the sand pit area that is used by our junior students. This area was affected by the flood and the removal of trees during the January holidays. In the Easter holidays, we had some earthworks also done in this area to mitigate any further flooding.
We intend to spend this grant money on some permanent sandpit toys.

Bendigo Bank

GTAC Session for Year 12 Biology –
The year 11 Biology students who are completing VCE Unit 3/4 Biology this year spent their morning class interacting with staff from GTAC in Melbourne to learn more about signal transduction and diabetes research. Previously, it was necessary to drive to Melbourne to attend these sessions but GTAC now offers Polycom sessions to rural and remote students. Dr Frazer Thorpe, from GTAC had previously sent the written material and guidelines for the practical component of the work to the school. He then spent 90 minutes interacting with the students through the Polycom. Polycom provides a virtual classroom allowing the students to communicate directly with the presenter. The work covered in this session forms the basis for the SAC on signalling molecules required for the VCE Biology unit. The availability of Polycom sessions from GTAC enables our students to access resources and expertise similar to that readily available at urban schools.

ANZAC Day –
It is hard to believe that a year has passed since our major ANZAC performance for the centenary of the Gallipoli landings. This year our school captains and student leaders will be involved in both the Pinnaroo and Murrayville services. As it is a public holiday there is no school on Monday, but it would be wonderful to see our students at the respective services. Pinnaroo is 6.30 at the RSL Hall for those who want to march and then the service is at 7.00am at the monument. The service in Murrayville will be held from 10.00am at the Bowling Green gates.

3-Way Interviews –
Interviews for parents and students with their teachers were held over two evenings this week. It was very impressive to see over 90% of parents and many students. We held this in two venues this year and all of the feedback around the night in Pinnaroo has been overwhelmingly positive from parents. Having staff closer together, rather than spread out also seemed to help the smooth running of the evening. We will use this information to further refine our interview evenings in 2017.

Natasha Mudie - Principal

KEYS PLEASE

The First Step into the Driver's Seat
Next Wednesday in period 4 (12:15-1:15) for Year 10 students and their parents in the Music Room at the College

Parents are reminded to check the CANTEEN list that was included in last week's newsletter. Several children ordered the incorrect hot food this week and so had their orders changed.
Pastries are only available on Fridays.

Attendance
11-15 April

Prep	100%
7	98.58%
2	97.78%
9	97.28%
5	96.67%
11	92.95%
10	92.23%
6	90.91%
3	90%
4	90%
8	89.24%
1	83.4%
12	82%

On Wednesday 15 students travelled to Pinnaroo with me to attend a short course in food safety delivered by Nigel Plaskett of TAFE SA. Several members of the local community also attended.

The main focus of this course is the prevention of food poisoning. Participants learnt about the legal requirements related to food handling and the penalties for not adhering to the guidelines. The course also covered correct food storage procedures, personal hygiene, controlling waste and pests, preventing food spoilage and safe food handling practices.

The students will soon receive their certificates that will be sent to me.

Also coming up this term will be the Barista course and the Responsible Service of Alcohol course. These certificates are valuable additions to a student's resume and useful in acquiring employment in the future in the Hospitality industry.

Diane Finn (Hospitality teacher)

CANTEEN

PIZZAS
on MONDAYS
Ham & Pineapple / Bacon & Cheese $1.60

JACKPOT CASSEROLE
next WEDNESDAY $5

NOTE NEW FOOD PRICES … … MUST HAVE ENOUGH MONEY IN YOUR ORDER ENVELOPE

PIES *($4)* ***PASTIES*** *($4)*
SAUSAGE ROLLS *($2.60)*
(from Pinnaroo Bakery)
PARTY PIES *80¢*
on FRIDAYS
Sauce 20¢ or 2 for 30¢

AVAILABLE MONDAY-FRIDAY
Cold foods are: Wraps / Sandwiches / Rolls
Hot foods are:
Ham & Cheese or/ Chicken & Cheese Hot Rolls $3

ALL ORDERS ARE TO BE PLACED BEFORE SCHOOL

Please - no more than $5 in your envelope

Certificates for Inspiring Pride were awarded to:

Micaela MEYER and **Rourke MUDIE**
for PERSISTENCE and DETERMINATION
shown during Multilit lessons

Prep-Year 2
Ethan McKEE for PERSISTENCE,
a very positive and focussed effort in all learning areas

Years 3/4
Ivy BECKMANN for her recent DETERMINATION and effort to improve her punctuality
Shania HEINTZE for her growing ability to demonstrate P.R.I.D.E. in all areas of learning
Noah EWIN$ for his PERSISTENCE and DETERMINATION to improve his narrative writing skills

Years 5/6
Timothy VIRGO for showing PERSISTENCE towards managing his personal learning.
Tiana JENZEN for showing PERSISTENCE towards her learning and never giving up

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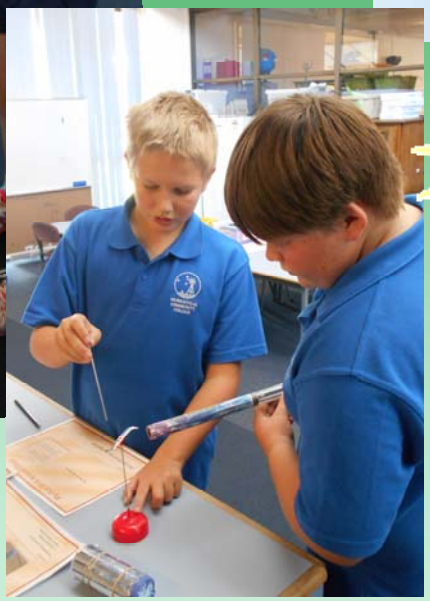
Geology with Year 3/4

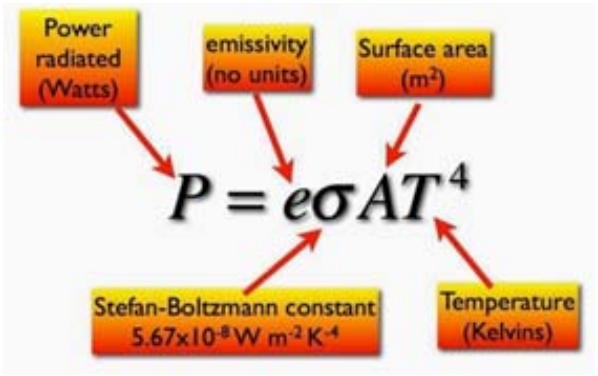
On Tuesday our primary students were fortunate to have a visit from Peter Earnshaw and Yilli Sun of Earth Ed Science. Earth Ed offers a wide range of educational programs for students from Grade 3 to VCE in a variety of curriculum areas aimed at engaging students in their learning of Science and Mathematics. All programs are linked to the AusVELS curriculum framework and are available to primary and secondary schools in Victoria.
Earth Ed is based adjacent to Mount Clear College in Ballarat.

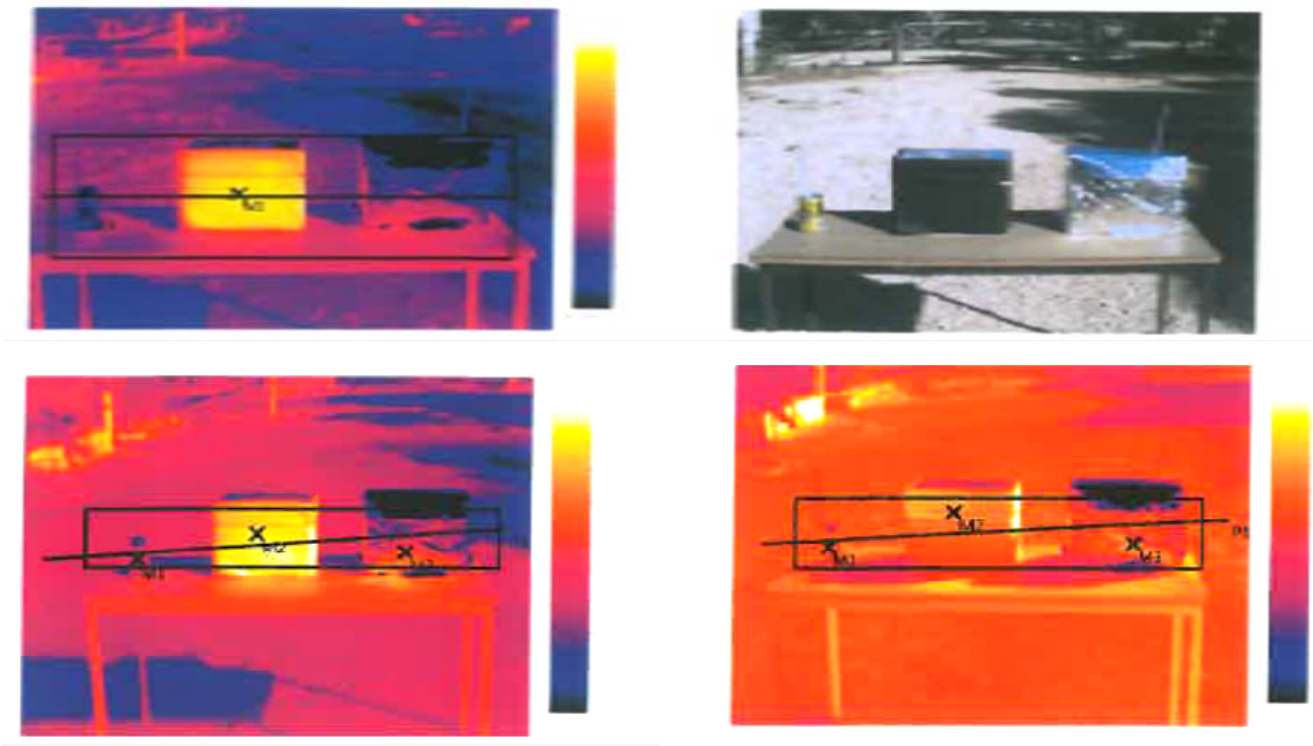
Earth Ed
EARTH SCIENCES CENTRE

SCIENCE IS FUN!



Electricity with Year 5/6





Year 11 Physics

Thermodynamics – Science of Heating and Cooling

The students' task was to construct 2 models that were designed to take in heat as slow and as fast as possible. They used their knowledge and some handy equations to test their theories before construction commenced. On Monday, over the whole day, a thermal image was taken of the experiment every half hour. Careful temperature readings were taken every 10 minutes. Above are images of the experiment as it progressed.

SOUTHERN CROSS CULTURAL EXCHANGE

EXPAND YOUR WORLD

Capture the spirit of fun and friendship in your own backyard! Department of Education-approved Southern Cross Cultural Exchange is pleased to provide a different educational and cultural experience for you and your family. Don't miss the invaluable opportunity to learn about your favourite foreign culture, and even improve your languages' score.

Our volunteer families come in different sizes but all have big hearts in choosing to share their daily life and culture with an international exchange student. Volunteer families are more than wonderful hosts. They are a crucial part of S.C.C.E.'s tireless award-winning efforts to embrace our world through international cultural understanding and help put Australian culture on the map. Their voluntary accommodating of a 15-17 year old sporty, adaptable and nature-loving young individual brings with it unexpected rewards as the opportunity offers everyone a unique experience to learn, gain and adjust.

Exchange students will be arriving soon in mid-July. Select your choice of a French, German, Italian, Spanish, Swedish, Finnish, Danish or Norwegian student and according to your family's availability. S.C.C.E. takes care of all the arrangements including school.

Call 1800 500 501 / www.scce.com.au
email scceaust@scce.com.au /

COLLEGE CALENDAR

25/4	Anzac Day
28/4	Year 7 immunisation
6/5	House Cross Country
10-12/5	NAPLAN
17/5	Sunraysia/Mallee Cross Country
26/5	Practice GAT
31/5	Regional Cross Country
7/6	GAT : VCE students
13/6	Queen's Birthday
24/6	End of Term 2
11/7	Term 3 commences
28/7	Year 7 immunisation
10/8	House Athletics
26/8	UDSSA Athletics
29/8	Fed Uni Outreach : Years 10-11
29/8-2/9	Dance Week : Years P-8
2/9	School Performance
5-9/9	Bogong : Years 9-11
13/9	Sunraysia Athletics
15/9	Open Day
16/9	End of Term 3
3/10	Start of Term 4
5/10	Pinnaroo Show

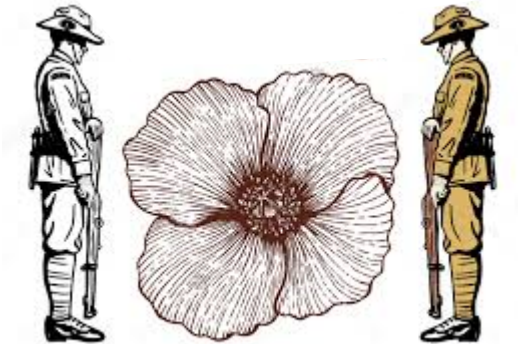
Community Notices

HIRING OF SCHOOL & COMMUNITY BUSES

Please note that these MUST be booked well before use, especially prior to school holidays.
Drivers need to be registered at school and all paper work needs to be completed prior to hiring either of the buses.
Consideration of other users is important as those who complete the correct process are sometimes disadvantaged by unauthorised users.
Your consideration will prevent your inability to access these valuable resources.

PAP SMEAR CLINIC

Mallee Track Health & Community Service will be conducting this Clinic in Murrayville on Tuesday May 3rd
To book an appointment please phone Jacqui on 5095 2205 at the Neighbourhood House



MURRAYVILLE FOOTBALL CLUB
Memberships can now be paid for Football Season 2016

Playing Player	$100
Men's	$70
Ladies	$55
Juniors	$30

Banking Details
BSB 633 108
AC 1569 18104
Please note the banking details have changed from last year
Please quote your name against the payment

Go Doggies 2016

Troy Henderson (President)
Belinda Brown (Treasurer)

YOU ARE INVITED ...

to assembly in the College Student Centre next Friday (29th April) at 2pm
Items will include:

♪ Year 3-6 students performing a rap
♪ Primary choir
♪ Flute ensemble with Abi Sparnon on piano and Kirsty Heintze, Miranda Walker and Jade Bennier on flutes

'They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old,
Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn,
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
We shall remember them'