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Newsletter

Murrayville Community College

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From the Principal

Welcome -
I would like to warmly welcome two new students to Murrayville Community College. Helania and Talita DeWet commenced their education at MCC on Tuesday in Years 8 & 6.

School Shade Grant –
I am again thrilled to announce that the school has been successful in a grant application. Last term we applied to the Victorian Department of Health for financial assistance to construct artificial shade structures over the playground equipment and the *Spida*. This area was left devoid of shade when the large Tasmanian Blue Gums were removed during January. We were successful in securing the maximum grant of $25,000 and will now be able to construct three shades in this area. We will supplement this artificial shade with smaller deciduous trees. This will greatly enhance the aesthetics of the area as well as protect our students from UV as they play.

ANZAC Day –
It was great to see a number of our students paying their respects to those who served and fell for our country, at the ANZAC services in Pinnaroo and Murrayville on Monday. Our student leaders Matthew Beer, Tara Heintze, Lexi Thomas and Candice Wilson represented the school with pride, laying the school wreaths at the respective services.

Keys Please -
Our Year 10 students and parents were given the low down this Wednesday on the process of progressing from a learners permit to a full drivers licence. Murray Roberts from Vic Roads explained the variations to the road rules for learner and 'P' Plate drivers. He also gave the students a number of helpful hints about how to become a safe driver, and the parents present hints on how to be an effective supervisor.

Duke of Edinburgh Award –
A number of students from Years 9-11 have begun to record their skills, service and physical recreation hours for their Duke of Edinburgh Awards. Many students are still to return their parent permission slips or to get set up with their online record book. Students should come to see me once they feel that they are ready to go and I will assist them to get started.

Attitudes to School Survey –
Over the last week students from Year 5-12 have completed this survey. This is taken at this time each year and is used by the department to measure the health of the school's culture. The results will be returned to the school in early August.

Natasha Mudie - Principal

Attendance
18-22 April

Prep	100%
5	100%
6	98.2%
4	98%
2	97.78%
3	97.34%
7	97.15%
11	93.53%
8	92.31%
12	90%
10	87.78%
1	86.67%
9	79.1%

NAPLAN

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2016 for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students will be held on Tuesday 10 May, Wednesday 11 May and Thursday 12 May 2016. NAPLAN tests assess student knowledge and skills in Writing, Reading, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

- Reading:
  The NAPLAN reading tests assess the ability of students to independently make meaning from written standard Australian English texts including those with some visual elements.
- Writing:
  The NAPLAN writing tests assess a student's ability to convey thoughts, ideas and information through an independent construction of a written text in standard Australian English
- Language Conventions: The NAPLAN language conventions tests assess a student's ability to independently recognise and use correct standard Australian English grammar, punctuation and spelling in written contexts.
- Numeracy: The NAPLAN numeracy tests assess students' knowledge of mathematics, their ability to independently apply that knowledge in context, and their ability to independently reason mathematically.

All students are expected to participate in the NAPLAN tests. During test week, catch-up tests will be available for individual students who are absent on test days.

These students may undertake catch-up tests on the days in the test week after the scheduled test, up to and including Friday 13 May 2016. If you have any questions or concerns regarding NAPLAN please contact your classroom teacher or myself. For more information about the tests, please visit the VCAA website at www.vcaa.vic.edu.au or the NAP website at www.nap.edu.au

Fionna Edwards

CANTEEN

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

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:

Years 3/4
Jonathon PEER$ for his DETERMINATION to do his best in class
Mya JENZEN for her ongoing PERSISTENCE and positive attitude during Maths lessons

Years 5/6
Nishar GODDEN for showing more INDEPENDENCE towards her learning

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HARRY'S TREK

- 1 Man
- 1 Wagon
- 2 Horses
- 1500kms over 4 months

Harry and his Clydesdales visited our primary students Tuesday morning to talk about the trek he is undertaking from Murray Bridge to Lightning Ridge. The students were particularly taken with the horses - a breed that is not seen locally.
He is raising funds for the Craniofacial Foundation, with a goal of $20,000 as his aim.
If you wish to donate to this cause please call 08 8267 4128.

What Year 7s made in Home Ec

COLLEGE CALENDAR

6/5	House Cross Country
10-12/5	NAPLAN
17/5	Sunraysia/Mallee Cross Country
18/5	Arts Council : P-12
26/5	Practice GAT
31/5	Regional Cross Country
	Arts Council : 7-12
7/6	GAT : VCE students
13/6	Queen's Birthday
16/6	Writing Competition
20-24/6	Work Experience : Year 10
22/6	Arts Co;uncil : P-6
	Mock Interviews : Year 11
24/6	End of Term 2
11/7	Term 3 commences
28/7	Year 7 immunisation
2/8	English Competition
10/8	House Athletics
16/8	Arts Council : P-6
18/8	SAPOL Driver Safety : Year 11
26/8	UDSSA Athletics
29/8	Fed Uni Outreach : Years 10-11
29/8-2/9	Dance Week : Years P-8

For every feared thing there is an opposing hope that encourages us

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR SCHOOL PANTS?

Helen Parker has available 4 pairs of boys grey winter school pants for sale at $5 each
Two pairs are size 10 Stubbies and two pairs are size 12 Target
All are a similar fit, suitable for Year 7 or small Year 8
Students can see Mrs Parker at school to inspect and try on
Money from the sale will be donated to the SRC

Community Notices

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

PINNAROO JUNIOR GOLF
Sunday 15th May
Tee Off 1pm
Meet at clubhouse with all sticks & buggy
Inexperienced players must contact Spider, Jill Barr or Nicole Sharrad

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 …

MCC HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY

next Friday (6th May)
Commencing at the College at 9am