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Newsletter

Murrayville Community College

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From the Principal

Secondary Health Provision –

This year we have changed the way we provide Health Education to our students in Years 7-10. In the past this has been timetabled as one lesson per week. This year we have decided to consolidate the teaching of health over four weeks. The student's electives will be suspended for the last two weeks of Term 2 and the first two weeks of Term 3 and this time will be spent studying the Health curriculum. Years 7 and 8 will have 6 lessons per week and Years 9 and 10 will have 5 lessons per week. All of our elective teachers will be involved in delivering Health and this has given them the opportunity to do some team planning and they will also be team teaching. The structure of this delivery will also give our chaplains Paul and Barb on opportunity to work with the Year 7 and 8 students on the *'Shine'* and *'Strength'* self-confidence programs. At the end of this 4 week block we will review the success of this new structure.

Football Clinic –

Our Year 3–6 students attended a football clinic conducted by Carlton Football Club in Ouyen on Monday. The students enjoyed this clinic immensely. It promoted AFL as sport for both boys and girls. The students we able to hone their football skills through a number of fun activities and had the chance to meet and talk to some current Carlton AFL players. Thank you to Mr Willersdorf for his coordination of the day and to Mr Magnisalis, Mrs Willersdorf and Miss Luckman for their assistance in bus driving and supervising.

Reporting -

Today marked the last day of mid-year exams. On the whole staff have been pleased with the results so far. Year 11 and 12 students have been given feedback this week on their Practice GAT. Mrs Inglis marked the multiple choice section and Mrs Brenda Meinhold an English teacher from Manangatang marked the writing tasks. Mrs Meinhold has been an English and a GAT assessor in the past. We were very grateful that she was able to do this for us, as this is a very busy time in every school. All of the students were able to use her tips to improve in the actual GAT held on Tuesday.

All staff are very busy finalising reports, that we hope to send home on Thursday 23rd of June. We have made a slight change to our reporting format this year. It is no longer a requirement to have a summary page at the beginning of the report. This summary page (dot page) averaged a number of results such as Music and Art in 'The Arts' and Technology and Home Economics in 'Technology'. This was at times misleading if the teacher judgements were different. Therefore each subject page will show the students result as either at, above or below the level expected as well as the teacher comment explaining why they are placed at that level.

Queen's Birthday –

I hope that everyone has an enjoyable and safe long weekend. I wish those students well that are representing the Mallee in the Under 18's Football and in the Netball Country Championships over the weekend.

Natasha Mudie - Principal

Attendance 30/5—3/6

Prep, 7	100%
4	98%
1, 5	96.67%
9	95.46%
11	94.12%
3	94%
6	93.34%
12	92%
8	90%
2	87%
10	86.67%

Cake decorating in 7/8 Home Eco

A BIG thank you to Jill Beer, Barb and Paul Ireland, Joy Kalms and Stacey Morzer-Bruyns who have volunteered their time to assist me in the classroom this term.
Jill, Barb, Paul and Joy were involved in the reading program with Year 7 and 8, which focused on inferencing, while Stacey conferenced students in Year 8 encouraging them to edit their writing.
Their help has been invaluable; without adult support these programs would not be able to run. Well done to you all.
Fionna Edwards

CANTEEN

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

WEDNESDAY SPECIAL *next week*
JACKPOT CASSEROLE *$5*
Must be ordered Tuesday

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 P-2
Farren FINN for displaying INDEPENDENCE in all his work

Years 3/4
Lila OAKLEY for her PERSISTENCE at working to improve her writing skills, which has really started to pay off
Zac KELLY for his DETERMINATION to keep building his writing skills and for producing his best persuasive text last week

Years 5/6
Jett OAKLEY
for showing a more DETERMINED approach to his learning and focussing on his goals
Kayla WALLIS
for striving for EXCELLENCE in all that she does - producing quality work in all areas

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footy skills

On Monday the 3-6 classes travelled to Ouyen to participate in eight different football activities. Luckily we got to meet eight new and old Carlton players featuring: Andrew Walker, Dennis Armfield, Dylan Buckley, Nick Graham, Jack Silvagni, Kristian Jaksch, Lachie Plowman and Daniel Gorringe. The activities were extremely fun and required a wide variety of skills including: handballing, kicking, jumping/ leaping, team work, eye coordination, tackling and goal kicking. *Cooper Wisneske*

I am very appreciative that we had an opportunity to travel to Ouyen to visit part of the Carlton football team. I am extremely proud of myself for receiving good comments from the players as I completed each station. Luckily we got to meet some lovely people, as well as getting their signatures. Also I learnt many football skills and really enjoyed using the tackling bags. The weather was nice and breezy which made it hard to kick. I am very grateful to the Carlton players for travelling all the way from Melbourne to run some activities for us. *Allea Heintze*

A big thank you to AFL Victoria and the Carlton Football Club for providing this opportunity for our students, it was a great day for all involved.
Thank you also to teachers who drove buses and supervised.

SPORTING COLOURS DAY!

Friday 24th June (Last day of term)

The SRC is having a sporting colours day to raise money for MND (Motor-Neuron Disease), a nervous system disorder that affects muscle movement.

Dress up in your favourite sporting colours!!

Bring a Gold Coin Donation

CURE FOR MND FOUNDATION

SHOW YOUR TRUE COLOURS!

FAMILY ACCOUNT STATEMENTS

- Due to the increasing cost of postage, the school has begun to use the email option for distributing Family Account Statements. If you change your email address at any time, can you please notify the school accordingly?
- Unless parents have made prior arrangements, uniform items need to be paid for at the time of purchase/collection please.

Many thanks, Joylene Moyle

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This week's message

SNAPCHAT (For youth)

What is Snapchat?

Snapchat is an application which is free to download on iOS and Android devices that allows users to send images and videos ('snaps') to each other. Snaps can be viewed for up to 10 seconds before they 'dissolve'.

Operating the app requires use of the device's data plan or a wireless internet connection. Images can be drawn on using a whiteboard-style tool and can be given a caption. Snapchat also gives users the ability to put special effect filters and emojis over images or videos to create different looks or themes.

Is Snapchat free?

Yes, Snapchat is a free application that can be downloaded on most devices. Operating the app may attract costs depending on whether or not you use a wireless connection and if you choose specific special effect filters.

Who can see the snaps that I send?

There are many ways an image can be saved, even on Snapchat. iOS and Android devices have a feature which allows the device to take a photo of what is on the screen ('screencapture'). Snapchat notifies the sender if an image they have sent has been captured, however there are also other ways images can be saved without the sender being notified, so it is important to think before you send a snap.

It is important to read the Snapchat privacy policy as it provides information about how your images and videos are kept and used. You should to be aware that Snapchat has the right to reproduce, modify and republish photos and videos, and save them to the Snapchat servers, particularly in relation to the 'Live Story' feature.

Is Snapchat a 'safe sexting' application?

It is important to know that there is no such thing as 'safe sexting' and Snapchat is no exception. You need to be aware that as soon as you send an image you have lost control.

Sending sexually explicit images of someone under the age of 18, even if you've taken the photo of yourself, could be an offence under State and Commonwealth law.

If someone sends you an explicit image of themselves, you need to realise three things:

1. It's not your photo - you have no intellectual property ownership rights whatsoever to the image
2. It's not you in the picture - it's not your face or your body in the photo
3. It's not your decision who to share it with - you don't get to decide who else sees the picture, that decision should always remain with the person in the photo.

How can I stop people I don't know sending me snaps?

Snapchat has limited privacy settings, however, you can limit who can send you snaps. This can be enabled by going into the Settings menu, select 'Who can send me snaps', then select 'My friends'. This will ensure that only users on your contact list can send you snaps.

How do I block a user?

To delete or block a contact on Snapchat find their username on your 'My Friends' list and swipe or press their name, select 'Edit' or the gear icon, and select 'Delete' or 'Block'.

How do I delete my account?

To delete your Snapchat account, you need to go to https://support.snapchat.com/delete-account and enter your account username and password.

What are the potential problems with Snapchat?

Ethically, you need to be aware of the impact that your online behaviour has on your reputation and others.

If you share sexualised or naked images or videos of yourself or someone else via Snapchat, you may be committing an offence. Even if you think that you are happy to send or receive a message from someone, once you have sent it you have lost control of it – even if you've set your snaps to one second!

If these images are saved and uploaded anyone could come across or find the images, such as your future employer or even your parents! Even scarier, they could still be out there when you have kids of your own!

By sending naked selfies or nudes you may make yourself and others more vulnerable to bullying and cyberbullying. This might happen at school or even online with people posting and sharing the image on social networking or instant messenger apps.

Top 3 Snapchat Tips

1. Never share images or videos that you wouldn't be happy for the world to see.
2. Be aware of how to block, report and delete users on all your accounts and apps.
3. Restrict your account settings so only people you know and trust can communicate with you.

COLLEGE CALENDAR

13/6	Queen's Birthday
16/6	Writing Competition
20-24/6	Work Experience : Year 10
22/6	Arts Council : 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
31/8	Mallee Division Athletics
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

Whatever is good to know is difficult to learn

DON'T THROW OUT

The school keeps a supply of clothing as backup for times when students' uniform gets wet or is accidentally compromised in some way, or they forget their sports gear. If you have items of school uniform, shoes, sneakers, school sports tops or swimwear which are in good condition and you no longer need them, please contact Mrs Moyle.

Community Notices

MILDURA SAFER SPORT COURSES

Level 1 Sports Trainer

Sunday 19 June 1-5pm & Monday 20 June 5-9pm

Cost $200 (Participants must attend both sessions)

Advanced Taping

Sunday 19 June 6-9pm : Cost $85

For more information please contact Tanya at Mallee Sports Assembly (5021 3464) tanya@malleesportsassembly.org.au *or* Sports Medicine Australia (9674 8777) vic.admin@sma.org.au

Open to anyone over 16 with a current First Aid Cerfiticate

COMMUNICATIONS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

(* Return from parents/carers)

1. HPV participants - details re upcoming Adelaide event

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