

Murrayville Community

College

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. I would like to extend a very warm welcome to all of our new students in 2017 and to Hailee Witmitz, who will be teaching Year 7, Year 8, Year 10 and Year 11 English this year. I would also like to welcome back Janene Chaplin who will be teaching Year

5/6, Year 7, and Year 8 Science and Year 9 Maths. Finally I would like to welcome back Sandra McNally who will be working as a teacher assistant with the Prep/1/2 class. I am very hopeful that I will be able to make an announcement about a new Technology teacher in

our next newsletter after Theo Magnalis accepted a position at Ouyen P-12 college during the holidays. We have had a very positive start to the year, students have returned with enthusiasm and there is a productive buzz around the school this week. As a school we had a very successful year in 2016 and there is no reason why cannot build on this success in 2017. Effective study habits and a love of learning are very important for all students. The Study Policy was revised by College



CAPTAINS

Council at the end of the year to try to achieve a balance for students outside of school. As a school we want to encourage students to read for pleasure as this greatly enhances their literacy skills especially their vocabulary. We feel reading for pleasure is a great activity for holiday times and therefore from now on parents of students below Year 10 will need to request homework packs from their child's teachers if they want them

2017 PREPS



The timeline for our School Council election process is as follows:

Notice of election: February 10

Closing date for nominations: February 24

Distribution of ballot papers (if required): February 28

Close of ballot: March 10

Declaration of Poll: March 13

New Council meets: March 20



We welcome the Ford and Joseph families to our school community



to complete work other than reading over the holidays. Senior students (10 up) will still be required to do preparatory work in the holidays. The revised Study Policy is attached and available on the website for future reference.

All staff have made a partnership with a teacher or teachers from one or more of our Cluster schools on Cluster Day to work on a shared improvement focus for Mallee Students, the feedback from staff has been overwhelmingly positive.

Alpine School –

Four of our Year 9 students commenced their experience at the Alpine School campus of the School for Student Leadership on Sunday. Jade, Bram, Darren and Henry will stay there for remainder of this term. They will be participating in a range of team building

activities this week as they get to know their peers. I wish them all the very best and will provide some updates and photos in subsequent newsletters.

Charlton Driver Education –

Last week we had the majority of our Year 10 and 11 students attend the Charlton Driver Education Centre. They participated in both practical driving sessions and theory sessions. The students were extremely positive about their experience.

College Council Elections –

It is that time of the year again!! Tenure of a number of School Councillors is about to expire. They are Stacey Morzer-Bruyns, Colin Beer, Emily Standley, Kasey Berlin, Jeanette Morehouse, Theo Magnisalis and Karen Willersdorf. We thank them very much for their contributions to the college over the last two years. Please consider nominating for this very important role in our school community. It is important to note that if you have been on College

previously, you can nominate again – this includes the members whose tenure is expiring. Nomination forms are available from the school and are also downloadable from the Council section of the school website. The timeline for this election is published above.

Thanks from MCC -

Our chaplains are most appreciative of the donation of \$315 they recently received from the Lameroo Inter-church Council. This will enable Barb and Paul to purchase items to assist in their valuable work with our students.

The Hospitality area has also received a donation - a deep fryer. Thanks to Kylie Ewins for making this available to that faculty, so providing another dimension of cooking skills for those students.

House Swimming -

As previously advised, our school swimming sports will be held next Friday, and reports are that the weather promises to be much better by then. I look forward to seeing many of you supporting your children at this event.

*Natasha Mudie
Principal*



SWIMMING SPORTS : Next Friday

On Sale at the Canteen

Bottled Water	\$1.50
Pop Tops	\$1.50
Fruit Boxes	\$1.00
Chips	80¢
Salad Rolls	\$4.00
Meat Rolls	\$4.50
Sandwiches	\$3.00
Tea / Coffee	\$1.00



House captains for 2017 are:

WINJEEL -

Blake Henderson, Kirsy Heintze

LOWAN -

Ryan Hawthorne, Will Venning



Friday 17th February

9:15am start for Years 3-12

P-2 events from 11:30am

Some individual medleys will be raced during PE lessons

Variety of foods on sale (price at left)

Parents encouraged to attend and support your children

Please make sure students have hats, sunscreen, water bottles

Buses will run as normal

PE Timetable for 2017

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
L 1	11PE			12PE	11PE
L 2	11PE			9/10PE	11PE
L 3		12PE		7/8 PE	
L 4	9/10PE	12PE	3/4 SPORT	7/8 PE	P-2PE
L 5	12PE	3/4PE	12PE	5/6PE	SEC SPORT

Please make sure that your child(ren) has the correct sporting attire for PE and Sport lessons. Students are to bring bathers for all of term one, as well as sports clothes towards the end of the first term.

In the holidays I went to the beach and I went snorkelling and when I was snorkelling I picked up a crab and it nipped me. When we tried to catch the crabs we caught about 1,000. Then we went home and played with the play station. I also saw a big fish but we didn't catch it because we just left as we saw it.

Brooklyn



In the holidays we went to Middleton. The house we stayed in was just about in front of the beach. One day at the beach Zac, Shania, Allea, Mya and Tiana came to the beach. The water was cold but when you got used to it it was a bit nicer. Most of the time we keep boogie boarding on waves. After swimming we played cricket. A few days before that at our holiday house Lila, Evie, Jasper and Mum and Dad and I saw dolphins one night.

Jai



When I went to the sea I built a sand castle. It was huge and one big wave destroyed my castle and I was in it. I found a shell.

Ethan

On Christmas night I put my elf, Tom, in my bed so he would stay. But he jumped over me so he could go back to the North Pole.

Evie



In the holidays I went to Wagga Wagga and I went to my pa's farm. I saw him feed the sheep. I got a new shirt and I went in the pool. I got a new sprayer too.

Riley

In the holidays I went scuba diving with stingrays. The stingray was in a cage and I got to feed the stingray.

Lachlan



holiday fun

WITH YEAR 3/4

On the weekend my family and I went to Victor Harbor. We saw Jai, Evie, Lila, Jasper, Ethan, Shania and Allea. Jai picked up a crab and it pinched him. Jai tried to shake it off but it would not stop pinching him.

It was so funny.

Ivy

In the holidays I went to Paringa and we borrowed a houseboat and went to a sandbar and we went swimming and then we put the yabbie net out and we went fishing and the first night we caught a catfish.

Farren

In the holidays I went to the ocean and I saw a stingray and I caught a flathead. When we went home we shared the fish and I had a shower and we went for a walk on the beach. I saw the footy players training and I saw Robbie Gray.

Liam



I went fishing with Dillon and my dad. On the first day I went on the boat and I caught 21 fish in one day. My second one was the biggest fish and they were all carp.

Reece

In the holidays my family went to our nanny's and poppy's house, but our mum couldn't come. On the way there were no cars on the road because we went to the airport at 1am. When we got to our nanny's house we went to the dam and we saw ten people swimming. We started to swim. Erin went canoeing with her new friend and we bought a pokeball. It was the dive ball.

Sam

In the holidays I went to the beach in Goolwa and we saw Jai and Jasper at the beach. We went and caught some waves and we rode the waves. Shania was there as well so we played cricket with them. We all had fun.

Mya

In the holidays I went to the Murrayville football oval. There was a bouncy castle but there was a big hole in it so I had to hold it. My friend Ivy was helping me. There was a big band there too.

Matilda

In the holidays I went riding with Jaylen. I rode Honey and she rode Doogle. We were led by Cathy, her mum. Cathy told me about when Jaylen and Chelsea were little and they took turns with choosing places to trot to and we did it and I went first.

Steffinie





A group of our Years 10 and 11 students spent 3 days last week undertaking the Charlton Driver Education course. They had quite a few coordination problems when they had to wear 'beer' goggles, and then realised how severely alcohol impairs judgement.



**FRIENDS
DON'T LET
FRIENDS
DRINK
DRIVE**



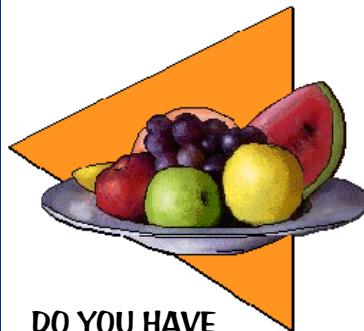
COLLEGE CALENDAR

13/2	Motivational Media
17/2	Swimming Sports
20/2	College Council
24/2	UDSSA Swimming : Ouyen
1/3	Mallee Division Swimming
3/3	Sunraysia Primary Swimming
13/3	Labour Day
20-24/3	'Marvellous Mallee' - including Dance Week
23/3	Zone Swimming : Prim/Sec
24/3	Arts Function re 'Marvellous Mallee'
31/3	End of Term 1
17/4	Easter Monday
18/4	Start of Term 2
20/4	Interim Reports out
24/4	Flying Doctor visit : P-6
25/4	Anzac Day
26-27/4	Parent/Teacher Interviews : Sec
4/5	Arts Council : 7-12
5/5	House Cross Country
16/5	Mallee Cross Country

Community Notices

WELL WOMENS CLINIC : MURRAYVILLE

Glennis Barnes from MTHCS will be visiting Murrayville on Tuesday May 8th.
To book your pap smear appointment please phone
Joy on 5095 2070 or Jacqui on 5095 2205.



DO YOU HAVE ANY SPARE FRUIT?

If anyone in the community has unwanted fruit we would appreciate it being sent to school for the fruit bowl used by primary students at snack times. Please contact the school if you have fruit available but can not deliver it.

Sunraysia Daily 39th Mildura Eisteddfod May 31 – June 19 2017

Entries are now open and close Friday 17th March
Information can be found at
<http://www.milduraeisteddfod.org/>
and by following
Facebook Mildura Eisteddfod Timeline.
Email: milduraeisteddfod@gmail.com
Mobile: 0429 481 898

V/LINE BUS & TRAIN SERVICES

From 29 January there have been some alterations to the V/Line network, with a new timetable adding extra weekly services. While most changes appear to affect larger regional towns, it may be advisable to check whether they will affect services you use.

Lillian Moyle and other members of the community have been studying Certificate III in Media. Lillian is pictured with Lucy Kingston from Adelaide, trainer for the Community Media Training Organisation, at the final day of study in Murrayville on Saturday. Lillian hopes to put her skills to work by continuing to be a regular presenter on local community radio.



Goodness
speaks in
a whisper,
but evil shouts

COMMUNICATIONS SENT HOME TODAY

1. Year 9 : English program for 2017
Parents please email Mrs Parker to acknowledge receipt of the letter
2. 3/4 Students : Term overviews
3. 5/6 Students : Term overview
4. P-2 Students : Term overview



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