

Murrayville Community College Newsletter



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From the Principal

Reading Policy -

Over the past few weeks the staff and I have been having some major discussions on the way that we have been teaching reading across all year levels. Although our reading results are still quite good, we have noticed that with our increased focus on writing over recent years we do seem to have less students performing at the top levels in reading. The reduction of students performing at high levels in reading as they move through the school is a state wide trend also. This is something that as a school we are eager to address and we have earmarked it as a priority in our Annual Implementation Plan. We are still at the point where we are investigating some alternative approaches to the teaching of reading in our school, however we have discussed how important it is that children and adolescents take pleasure in reading. We can't emphasise enough the importance of reading to young children and listening to them read as regularly as possible. This is probably the single most important thing that parents can do to assist their child's learning, especially in the early years. We would also love parents to encourage their older children to read for pleasure, as there are so many educational advantages to developing strong reading skills during secondary school.

Attitudes to School Survey –

This online survey has been completed during the week, with students from Year 4 to Year 12 completing the questionnaire.

Although the surveys remain anonymous the results give an indication about students' perceptions on the teaching and learning in the school and the school climate in general. These results are generally returned to schools early in Term 3.

Vale 'Mollie' Kalms -

I would like to acknowledge the passing of former Murrayville teacher, Mollie Kalms. Mollie rode into Murrayville on her motorbike before World War II and taught in the 'little' schools of Gunamalary and Murrayville South. In 1950 she was appointed at the newly formed Murrayville Consolidated School, where she taught and worked in a variety of roles, her last being the librarian in the 1970s. Mollie had a passion for education and Murrayville's schools. During the 1980s she returned to high school (during this period adult education at school was permitted) and completed Year 12 Woodwork under Colin Rowe. During the 1990s Mollie assisted with the delivery of Religious Instruction to primary aged students in the newly combined Community College. Mollie was always a fantastic supporter and contributor to our schools and a vibrant and integral member of the community. Sympathies to her family and friends.

*Natasha Mudie
Principal*



21-25 May

★	2	100%
	12	96%
	Prep	95%
	6 & 4	94%
	10 & 11	93%
	7 & 8	92%
	4	91%
	9 & 3	90%
	1	83.4%
	5	75%

Please notify absences
before 9:30am or
parents will be contacted
by the school
Phone 5095 2001 or
email oster.brenda.j
@edumail.vic.gov.au



This week, with 'Land of Hope and Glory' as their background music, the 7/8 Home Economics group visited England.

On the menu ...

- ◇ Yorkshire pudding and gravy
- ◇ Crumpets with butter and honey
- ◇ Spotted dick with custard



CANTEEN

**ALL ORDERS TO BE PLACED
at the Front Office BEFORE SCHOOL**

MONDAY	Sandwiches/Rolls <u>AND</u> Hot Foods including Toasties
TUESDAY	Sandwiches/Rolls <u>AND</u> Toasties
WEDNESDAY	Sandwiches/Rolls <u>AND</u> Toasties
THURSDAY	Sandwiches/Rolls <u>AND</u> Toasties
FRIDAY	HOT FOODS & Toasties <u>ONLY</u> (no sandwiches or rolls)

Pies/Pasties \$4.50 : Party Pies \$1 : Sausage Rolls \$3
Sauce 20c

Pizzas (Ham & Pineapple *or* Bacon & Cheese) \$2

Sandwiches / Rolls

Ham & Cheese Toasties \$2

Please - no more than \$5 in your envelope

PRIDE AWARDS

P-2 :

Alex BECKMANN

for showing **PERSISTENCE**
in getting to school on time

3-4 :

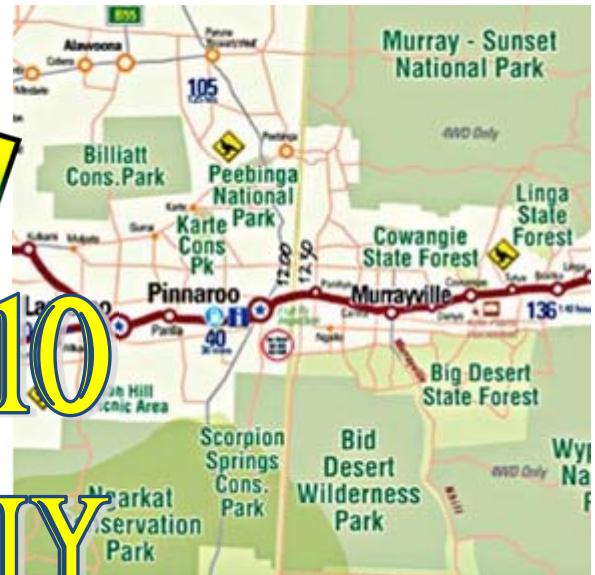
Laila WILSON

for her **DETERMINATION**
to continue to improve her writing

5-6 :

Grace MICHELL

for showing **INDEPENDENCE**
in her approach to school and her learning
- well done



YEAR 10 GEOGRAPHY

On Monday 21st May the Year 10 Geography class travelled to Billiatt and Karte Conservation Parks. Whilst at Billiatt, Fiona Gray gave a short speech about the fires that took place there 4 years ago. This information will be used in the students' fieldwork reports.

Students did transects and quadrats at both locations to compare a park that has been affected by fire and the other which had not.

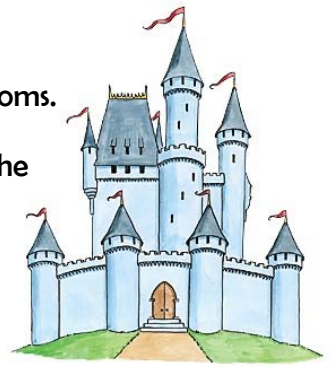
The Year 10 students would like to thank Mr Willersdorf for driving the bus.

Jade Bennier



The Red Castle by Emma

Far away there was a rainbow castle up high and there were lots of rooms. The walls were made of rainbow bricks and the castle was standing on bricks. There were shiny windows and the windows were washed and the castle was clean. Inside the castle was a pretty princess on her rainbow bed reading lots of books and a mean, awful witch turned the castle yellow. The Prince and the Princess saw the witch and the princess ran down the stairs, pushed the door open and saw the castle yellow. So the princess turned the castle red and they were friends.



The Beautiful Princess by Cornelius

A long, long time ago there was a beautiful island and a beautiful castle. There was a lovely princess. She was looking out of the large, glass window at the beautiful bird nest. Then she saw the robber. The robber was trying to steal the egg from the nest. She said stop and then they were friends.



The Lucky Cat by Thomas

In the river a castle is on an island by the water and the water was calm. The bricks and the walls are huge. The walls and the windows look old. A black and white cat was on the chair and the king was sitting on the kitchen bench eating his breakfast. The cat jumped on the chair and the King snuggled up to the cat. Then the cat fell asleep on the king. The king fell asleep with the cat on his lap and the cat was happy because the cat and the king cuddled.



The Lucky Prince by Jaxon Wyatt

On a huge island in the sea stands a tall castle. It was strong and beautiful. The walls were made out of steel. Knights rode around everywhere. It was terrifying because there were security cameras on every brick of the wall. There was a mysterious moat surrounding the castle.

On a comfy couch in the lounge room, a handsome prince was playing board games. Suddenly the castle was attacked by a powerful robber's army of dragons and 800001 bulldozers (but 800000 are spares!) A giant bird called Coblo flew in and saved the prince. His powers were lightning, lava, spiders and fire pie. He used them on his enemies. He used fire pie on the bulldozers.

Then from far, far, away he saw the castle was destroyed. The prince and Coblo travelled far, far, far from the castle. Then they lived happily in Coblo's amazing cave.

The Story of Evil by Tyson



On an island in the deep, deep river there was a big, big castle. In the castle the walls were made of bricks and wood. There were windows and the castle looked really strong because the bricks came first and the wood came second.

A kind, handsome prince was in a bedroom watching television. He was watching a really, really scary movie. A minute ago an evil robber wearing a black and white mask broke into the castle. The handsome prince had a bow and arrow. The arrow had a sharp point. The prince had to hurry because he didn't want the robber to get in the castle. There were two knights at the door. The castle had a wall around it. The robber had lots of plans. He had to climb in the castle because he wanted to get the prince's power. The robber had a dragon which was in a cage. The evil robber was spying on the handsome prince. The prince was walking down and down the castle till he saw the robber. The prince had two globes. He took the robber down. The robber stole a globe. The globe had the powers in both. The prince had one and the robber had one. The prince said sorry and the robber said sorry and they worked as a team together.

The Castle by Davyd

In the ocean there was a castle.
It had a moat.
A knight was in a boat.
The knight is protecting the boat.



stories from p-2

more stories from p-2



The Lucky Princess by Indy

Far, far away there was a dark, dark castle. In the dark, dark castle there were some dark, dark rooms. It looked good on the outside but it was scary on the inside.

In a bedroom there was a happy princess. The happy princess was reading a book and suddenly a robber sneaked in a window so she quickly put her crown in the bed and hid in the cupboard.

The robber could not find it so he gave up.

The Lucky Prince by Phoenix

Far, far away stands a very old castle on a mountain top. Inside is a lot of beautiful rooms and it is made out of rainbow bricks. There are a lot of small windows. Standing at the door are some guards. Water flows around the castle.

The handsome prince was outside. In the tall, tall, tree, the robber was getting ready to use his powers on the prince. The robber was jealous because the handsome prince had shiny armour. Then the robber was ready to use his powers on the prince. The robber used his fire powers in front of the prince.

Then the princess was outside standing with the robber and the prince. She had a glass of water. She spilled the water on the fire. The fire went out and the robber got away and they lived happily ever after.



The Castle by Alex

There is a rainbow castle and it was beautiful.

The sleeping princess in a pink dress was in the castle.

A bad boy was looking at the princess.

She locked the bad boy in jail.



The Princess by Bernice

By the sea there was a castle.

A tall princess is in the castle.

She is playing with her soft toy.



The Castle by Jack

In a dark forest there was a tall castle. It had walls made of shiny steel. It was a fortress with only one high window.

Inside the castle lived a handsome prince. A scary robber came to the castle.

He was spying on the prince. He stole some gold. He went home.

The prince was spied on. The prince got found by the robber. The robber and the prince became good friends.



The Fake King by Ryder

Far, far away there was a castle. It looked rickety. It had a lot of security cameras. It was in a small, modern village on a farm. Nearby there was a strong, nice knight who was tall. He was walking towards the shop. Along came a greedy, fake king who pretended to be the king. Then the Knight came back from getting food for the king. The fake king said, "Hello, hello. I am back."

The knight said, "You were going to be home at 10."

"I changed my mind"

"I'll give the cook these groceries," said the knight.

The knight saw that the fake king was wearing different clothes and he realised he was a fake.

Five hours later the real king came back. He said, "Attack him!"

The Knights attacked. The king's strong crew won! And he was relieved!!!



COLLEGE CALENDAR

5/6	LMR Cross Country : St Arnaud Parents Club meeting 1pm
6-8/6	10-11 Exams
11/6	Queen's Birthday Holiday
13/6	GAT
25/6	College Council
29/6	College Open Day End of Term 2
16/7	Term 3 Commences Cluster Day : Student Free
15/8	House Athletics
22/8	Arts Council : P-6
29/8	Mallee Division Athletics
31/8	UDSSA Athletics : P-6 (Ouyen)
3-5/9	3/4 Camp
11/9	Primary Sunraysia Athletics
21/9	End of Term 3
3/10	Pinnaroo Show
8/10	Term 4 commences
11/10	LMR Athletics : Bendigo
15/10	Primary Regional Aths : Bendigo
13-16/11	5/6 Camp : Adelaide
15/11	Year 7 Immunisation

A day without
laughter
is a day wasted

We acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, the first peoples and traditional custodians of the lands where we live, learn and work. We pay our respects to the Elders, both past, present and future, for they hold the memories, traditions, culture and hopes of Indigenous Australians.



Community Notices



Pinnaroo Golf Club Junior Golf

Sundays at 1pm
Players under 10 years
of age will need a
parent supervisor
Contact Vivian Hawthorne
0417 861 352
for more information

The aim of RSA sessions is to provide assistance, advice and information to members of sporting

clubs who are responsible for serving liquor at licensed sporting club premises. An official certification from the Victorian Commission for Gambling and Liquor Regulation will be received by those who successfully complete the course.



RESPONSIBLE SERVICE OF ALCOHOL COURSE

Murrayville Rec Hut
Sunday 17th June at 12:30pm
\$70 MSA members and Good Sports Club
Contact - Carly Heintze 0427 952 849
macmh@bigpond.com
or Jeanette (Mallee Sports Assembly)
Jeanette@malleesportsassembly.org.au



Royal Flying Doctor Service

Mobile Eye Care

Get your FREE eye exam at

Murrayville Community College

Thursday 21st & Friday 22nd June

Priority bookings for school students

All appointments are bulk billed - please bring your Medicare card
Reduced cost glasses available for Concession or Pension Card holders
Limited appointments are available - book early

Contact RFDS on 8412 0444

to book your Mobile Eye Care appointment

Parents/Guardians must be present for children's appointments



AUSTRALIAN COLLEGE OF
OPTOMETRY

COMMUNICATIONS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

- 5/6 : Movie reward - permission sought
- P-6 : Computer games

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

