

# Murrayville Community College Newsletter



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*From the Principal*

## **Book Week & Independent Reading -**

Yesterday our college was filled with fantastic storybook characters, as the children and teachers celebrated Book Week. It was fabulous to see all of the P-6 students working together in mixed groups on their Book Week activities. Thank you to the teachers for organising these awesome engaging activities. I was also thrilled to see so many students and parents take up the opportunity last Thursday after the sports to browse and purchase the books provided at our Book Fair. The infectious excitement about the books on offer and the discussions about these books between children and their parents was thrilling. Penny Peers and I have recently been attending important Professional Learning around the Department's Literacy Strategy and our session in Mildura on Friday focussed on reading. The school recognises the importance of developing strong reading and comprehension skills and this is a focus for 2018.

The research shows, that supported Independent Reading is closely associated with reading achievement and plays a key role in the development of reading fluency (speed and ease of reading), vocabulary and background knowledge. Students who are motivated to read are more likely to be successful across the curriculum, not only in English. Teachers and our librarian are

working hard to foster a love of reading in our students through providing access to a wide variety of texts, both in the library and in classroom libraries. They help our students choose books that they will enjoy and can make suggestions about other topics, authors or other types of text that they may like to explore. All students at MCC, through 'Reading Time', are given the opportunity to independently read a book of choice. One of the easiest ways to encourage students to become independent readers is to allow them control over what they read. If a student is interested in the topic, there is a much greater chance they will want to read it cover to cover. It is important that students choose 'Just Right' books, meaning they can read it with about 95% accuracy. Many children choose books that are too difficult, to 'save face', but even young readers can understand the concept that optimal learning and enjoyment occur when something is at the right level of difficulty. Parents can assist, if a particular book is of interest but just too hard for the child to read right now, read the book to him or her instead, and look for something easier for the child's own reading.

Parents can also encourage Independent Reading by engaging in 'Book Talk'. Talk about what you're reading. This sends the message that you're doing your own independent reading outside of the time you read together, and sets the expectation that everyone should make time to

independently read what they enjoy. Even if all you read today was this newsletter, talking about it sets the precedent that reading is a part of our daily lives. Share your own stories and opinions about what you've read. Talk about the decision you made to abandon a book or to pursue the second book in a series or the next publication in an instalment of articles. This will get your child talking about his or her own reading. Another way to promote book talk is to ask your child questions about what he or she has been reading, his or her opinions of it, and how the book might connect to your lives or something that is happening in the world.

## **Facebook Page –**

The Murrayville Community College, official Facebook page is now live. It is titled "**Murrayville Community College – Natasha Mudie – Principal**", so please like this one. There is at least one other unofficial page. At this stage there will be no students' or staff photos published, but we will be seeking permission for this in the future. The page is governed by the Facebook Page Policy that was passed by School Council last term and is available on our website.

*Natasha Mudie Principal*

# Pathways Evening

**WEDNESDAY 29th AUGUST**

4:30-6:30 Senior Pathways  
(VCE, VET, VCAL) at MCC,  
including calculating the

ATAR & getting bonus points for Uni  
Year 10 & 11 Subject Selection

*Teachers available to discuss choices*

# BAKE SALE



Next Monday (27th August)  
SRC fundraiser for the  
Royal Flying Doctor Service  
\$1 - \$2 each

Available at the primary gallery and  
the student centre - recess time

The SRC would very much appreciate students or parents donating cakes or slices (NO NUTS please) prior to recess on Monday morning, and thank you in advance for your contribution.



Royal Flying  
Doctor Service



Students ... are you aware of the Victorian Government initiative for 2019 to make available Free TAFE for Priority Courses? It will reduce the financial barrier for students wanting to train in courses that lead to jobs in demand from Victorian employers. Find out what courses are being offered for 2019:

<https://www.vic.gov.au/freetafe.html>

There's also lots of information about apprenticeships including school based apprenticeships on the myfuture [Apprenticeships feature page](#).



# 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 :

**Cornelius Du PREEZ**

for EXCELLENCE

at Sports Day and participating in every activity

3-4 :

**Evie OAKLEY**

for DETERMINATION

to lead her group to completing a successful science experiment

5-6 :

**Dillon WALKER**

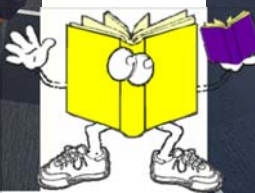
for showing DETERMINATION

to do his best during mathematics lessons



**Mac GODDEN**

for showing DETERMINATION

towards working out harder mathematical problems

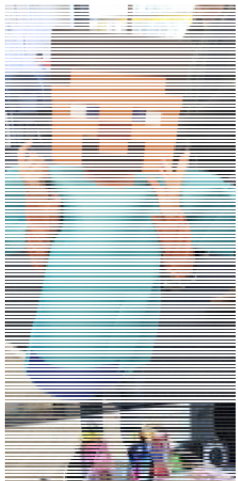




 There is more treasure in books than in all the pirate's loot on Treasure Island 



**BOOK WEEK**



# RESULTS

# 2018 House Athletics

**LOWAN 2911**  
**WINJEEL 2731**



## SECONDARY CHAMPIONS

### BOYS

12-13	Cooper Wisneske	R/up	Tim Virgo
14	Brock Milde		Lenard Pieterse
15	Bram Schiller		Luka Morzer-Bruyns
16	Malcolm Moore		Lachlan Hand
17	Joshua Matiwane		Thomas Wurfel
18-20	Mitchel Bridge		Warren Fenton

### GIRLS

12-13	Nicole Ribbons	R/up	Emma Parker
14	Suzie Beckmann		Allea Heintze
15	Talita de Wet		Angel Joseph
16	Miranda Walker		Jade Bennier
17	Kirsty Heintze		Emma Tira
18-20	Lillian Moyle		Sydney Heintze

## RECORD BREAKERS

Bram Schiller	15 Boys Shotput	12.63m
Daniel McDonald	14 Boys Discus	34.68m
Winjeel	15-16 Boyss 4x100	56.3s
Lowan	17+ Boys 4x100	52.26s



## PRIMARY AGE GROUP CHAMPIONS

### BOYS

6	Cornelius de Preez (18)
7	Thomas Crane (16)
8	Nate Kelly (15)
9	Reece Walker & Seth Walker (13)
10	Harvey Crane (19)
11	Brooklyn Morzer-Bruyns (16)
12	Jonathon Peerss (19)

### GIRLS

Indy Wilson (14)
Phoenix Morzer-Bruyns (15)
Sarah Allan (16)
Laila Wilson (15)
Matilda Wyatt (18)
Shania Heintze (13)
Grace Michell (8)

## PRIMARY MEDALS

### 21 POINTS

No recipients

### 20 POINTS

No recipients

### 19 POINTS

Harvey Crane and Jonathon Peers



# Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who supported the students in the lead up up to and on the MCC Sports Day. It was a great day and it was fantastic to have the family and friends of students there to cheer them on. Congratulations to all the students on their efforts - it was excellent to see their skills improve over the term and they all

performed so well on the day. Many parents helped with timing, measuring and encouragement. We appreciate your help, ensuring the day was a success and ran smoothly.

Well done to all the age group champions in the primary and secondary and the record breakers.

Congratulations to Lowan and their captains, who won the athletics shield. There was a great vibe on the day with excellent sportsmanship shown.

The primary school are looking forward to their trip to Ouyen on Friday the 31<sup>st</sup> of August to compete in the Underbool District Sports Carnival, whilst the secondary students will be competing in the Mallee Division event on Wednesday the 29<sup>th</sup> of August, also at Ouyen. Both notes have already been sent out to students.

We would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone for their help throughout the year with all the House events. It has been another brilliant sport season and we look forward to competing strongly at the next stages in Athletics.

Josh Willersdorf and Eryn Wyatt

# COLLEGE CALENDAR

- 29/8 Mallee Division Athletics  
VCE Electives & Info Night
- 31/8 UDSSA Athletics : P-6 (Ouyen)
- 3-5/9 3/4 Camp
- 6/9 Defence Force Presentation 10-12
- 11/9 Primary Sunraysia Athletics
- 13/9 SRC Social
- 14/9 WoW : Years 7-10
- 17-18/9 VCE Further Maths to Robinvale
- 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
- 19/11 College Council
- 21-23/11 Year 12 Retreat
- 3-7/12 Sport & Rec to Robe
- 10-14/12 7/8 Camp to Mt Gambier
- 13/12 College Council
- 13-14/12 Year 9 First Aid
- 19/12 Presentation Night
- 21/12 End of School Year

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 Netball & Football Club SUPAROOS WIND-UP

Sunday 9th September from 11am  
Junior and Senior presentations  
at the Footy Clubrooms  
BBQ lunch available  
\$5 per person (under 5 free)

### Pinnaroo Kids Club

Please note that, due to the PPS R-3 excursion, there will be NO Kids Club on Tuesday 28th August  
Next meeting on 11th September

Murrayville Young Dramatic Society presents

### 'Romeo and Juliet'

performed in the Murrayville Park  
Sunday 16th September at 2pm  
BYO deck chair or picnic blanket

### Golf Coaching : Pinnaroo Golf Course 26th August 2018

Ladies/Mens group- 10.30-11:30  
\$10.00 each  
Juniors \$5 at 12.00  
(includes playing 9 holes from orange markers)  
Coaching provided by PGA PRO  
Steve Wilson  
from Murray Bridge  
Please contact Hedy Hawthorne  
0438 778 351



### 13-17 August



Prep, 2	100%
5	97.5%
1	96.6%
11	95.4%
6	94%
3 & 4	93.3%
8	92.3%
10	92.2%
7	91.1%
12	83.4%
9	78.7%

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](mailto:oster.brenda.j@edumail.vic.gov.au)

No individual can win a game by himself

### COMMUNICATIONS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

1. Years P-6 : UDSSA Athletics in Ouyen
2. Selected 7-12 Students : MMM Athletics in Ouyen



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