

# Murrayville Community College



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Inspiring P.R.I.D.E. • We Value • Persistence Respect Independence Determination Excellence

## From the Principal

### Last week of term –

Once again Term 4 has been a very long one, but is now fast coming to an end. This has been a fabulous year for our school with a number of outstanding achievements by our students. Many of these will be recognised at Presentation Night. It is so pleasing to see our students continuing to strive for “Excellence”. Our PRIDE values of Persistence, Respect, Independence and Determination are demonstrated across a wide spectrum of curricular and extra-curricular areas. As staff, we have been working very hard to build practice excellence across the whole college and establish structures to support students and provide them with every opportunity to exceed their potential.

### Year 12 Results –

Senior students received their Year 12 results this morning. In addition to those in the Year 12 class, the majority of the Year 11 class also received either one or two results for Year 12 subjects. We have again achieved very solid results enabling our Year 12 students to take their next steps into further education. As Principal, I am very proud of their efforts and would like to congratulate all students on their fantastic results.

### Farewells –

Next Friday we will farewell a number of staff. Firstly, Karen Bailey is taking Long Service Leave for the beginning of 2020 and then retiring. Karen has been a fabulous asset to the college over the past 6 years. Her depth of knowledge of Science and Maths and her understanding of VCE requirements due to her being an assessor for Chemistry and Biology, has been invaluable and assisted our students to achieve their potential. We wish her all the best in her travels next year and in her retirement. Bronwyn Kay is moving to a position at Pinnaroo Primary School. I would like to thank her for her input and insights towards improving the learning that is happening in our school. We wish her all the best in her new role and will no doubt see her out and about in the community. Together with Bronwyn Kay, Sarah Childs has done a wonderful job of challenging our Year 5/6 class this year and has been responsible for some fabulous progress in the students’ learning. Sarah is still determining her next steps and is still studying her Masters through university in Perth. We wish her all the very best in her endeavours in 2020. I would also like to thank Michelle Hand for the work that she has done in the 2/3/4

classroom over the year, as well as in administration and the canteen. It has been wonderful to have a competent and versatile staff member that can support students and staff in a number of areas. We very much hope to continue to see her in our school next year in a casual capacity. Finally, Helen Parker is taking leave for 2020, to concentrate on her business and family. I trust that she will enjoy her break away from the regular routines of teaching. She will still be a familiar face at school however, as she will be available for relief teaching and I’m sure we will be calling on her regularly.

### Presentation Night –

This is a special night in the school’s calendar and an opportunity to recognise the achievements of our students and to see them perform. Our guest speaker this year will be past student Gabrielle Smith (Pritchard). **All students are expected in full uniform and are to be at the hall by 7.30pm ready for the program to commence at 8.00pm (Victorian Time).** Reports, magazines and various forms will be distributed to students on that day - primary at the conclusion of school, families with both primary and secondary students at the conclusion of Presentation Night.

### Casual Day –

To ensure that all students are able to attend Presentation Night in full uniform, they are not expected to wear uniform to school on Wednesday.

### Transition Day –

Tuesday was a very successful day for all of our students as they advanced a year level for their lessons.

### First Aid -

Year 9 students will complete their Senior First Aid certificate over the next two days under the instruction of Natasha Anderson from Mallee First Aid. This is an important qualification for securing employment in their later teens and post school.

### Student Free Day -

A reminder that next Thursday the 19th of December is a Student Free Day.

*I would like to wish all students and their families a very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year!*

*Natasha Mudie - Principal*



**SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE  
BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT**

**P-6 Rewards**

- P-1 Learner : Charlie  
Respect : Patrick  
Safe : Hudson
- 2-4 Learner : Tyson  
Emma  
Respect : Thomas  
Safe : Ryder
- 5-6 Learner : Matilda  
Respect : Evie  
Safe : Lachlan



**7-10 Rewards**

- 7-8 Learner : Shania  
Respect : Nathalia  
Lila  
Mac  
Safe : Jett
- 9-10 Learner : Kayla  
Respect : Daniel  
Safe : Jasper

**SWPBS REWARD WINNERS**



**CANTEEN**

**ALL ORDERS TO Front Office BEFORE SCHOOL**  
Late orders will only have access  
to ham & cheese toasties

MONDAY	Sandwiches <u>AND</u> Toasties
TUESDAY	Sandwiches <u>AND</u> Toasties
WEDNESDAY	Sandwiches <u>AND</u> Toasties
THURSDAY	HOT FOODS & Toasties <u>ONLY</u> (no sandwiches)
FRIDAY	HOT FOODS & Toasties <u>ONLY</u> (no sandwiches)

CHECK FOR PRICE UPDATES NEXT YEAR  
*Please - no more than \$5 in your envelope*

**PRIDE  
AWARD**

**P-1:**

**Chloe PALMER**

for showing RESPECT to others during the sleepover and being honoured by putting the star on the Christmas Tree.

**Charlie SCHROEDER**

for showing RESPECT to his fellow classmates, always giving positives and compliments to others

**2-4:**

**Jaxon WYATT**

for EXCELLENCE in Science, thinking deeply about the topic and asking higher order thinking questions

**Oliver BERLIN**

for showing fantastic INDEPENDENCE to settle to tasks and achieve larger quantities of work

**5-6:**

**Lachlan NUSKE**

for EXCELLENCE as recognised by Sovereign Hill Costume School staff

**Mya JENZEN**

for approaching her goals with EXCELLENCE, flexibility and good humour

**WELL DONE**

During Week 8, the 5/6 students accompanied Miss Sarah, Ms Kay and Mrs Finn on the biannual camp at Sovereign Hill. The group were transformed into participants in the hunt for gold during 1853 which saw incredible fortunes won and turned Ballarat into the richest place on Earth! It was an incredible time and students became fully immersed in their characters and in the challenges of life on the diggings. Writing with ink and on slates, panning after school and adhering to strict gender rules were some of the highlights. Life was generally lived under canvas and students eagerly completed tasks that would bring them closer to the security of post-school employment at the dressmakers or at the confectionery factory.

Our students were commented on by members of the public and staff of the museum alike. At all times, they displayed curiosity, enthusiasm and good humour toward the challenges of the project and exemplary manners toward the public who sought photos or came to observe the living museum.

Thanks must go to Di Finn for joining our team for the week and for safely getting us there and back, her experience and input was greatly valued.

Ms Bronwyn Kay



5-6 CAMP

From 27<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> November, our future Year 12 students travelled to Adelaide for the annual Year 12 retreat.

On Wednesday, the students explored the Flinders University campus, including a tour of the general facilities, a psychology talk and a glimpse into living on campus at Flinders Uni Hall. From there, students experienced public transport, and had to find their way from the university back to our accommodation at West Beach Parks, going via various stop off points.



The students toured UniSA's City East campus on Thursday morning. They experienced the Virtual Environment Radiotherapy Training (VERT) suite where radiation therapy students

simulate treating patients, as well as the simulated Horizon Hospital where nursing and midwifery students undertake their practical learning. Thursday afternoon saw the students pushed even further out of their comfort zone at Mega Adventure. Students took the 18 metre high giant swing... there were a few squeals to be heard! They then took to the mega climb and all made it to the top of the crow's nest. The day was capped off by Mr Willersdorf once again proving very difficult to beat at 10 pin bowling.



Friday morning the students toured the Tonsley TAFE and got to see many different areas, including Carpentry and Construction, Glass and Glazing, Bricklaying and Sign Writing and Design. Overall, a fun and educational trip, and a nice way to finish off the year for the Year 11s.

*My highlight of the trip was probably getting to explore my options by looking at both the unis as well as the tafe, and also experiencing public transport as now I have a better understanding of it and will not be hesitant to use it in the future – Miranda.*



*Overall the retreat was excellent. My favourite part was having to get around the city using public transport on our own. Flinders and Tonsley were real eye openers as it gave me ideas on possible career choices if I decide to change paths – Hayden*

*Overall, I really enjoyed the Year 12 retreat. My highlight was the UniSA tour as it specifically focused on the health area, as this is the area I hope to pursue a career in. I also really enjoyed learning about what tafe has to offer, it challenged what I had previously viewed tafe as and what people were able to undertake in this learning environment - Jade*

*The highlight of the retreat was being able to tour Flinders Uni in particular, and go into areas we hadn't been to on previous open days, especially the on campus living options which I am considering using when I finish school - Ben*

# year 11 retreat





Evolution  
Experiences  
Transform  
Decisions  
Happiness  
Sadness  
Future  
New  
Opportunity  
Switch  
Adapt  
Loss  
Chaotic  
Thrilling  
Modify  
Norton  
Scary  
Fear  
Move  
High

# TRANSITION



# COLLEGE CALENDAR

12/12 College Council  
 12-13/12 Year 9 First Aid  
 18/12 Presentation Night  
 19/12 Student Free Day  
 20/12 End of Term - 1:30 finish

## 2020

28/1 Secondary text collection 12-3pm  
 30/1 Students resume school  
 27/3 End of Term 1  
 14/4 Term 2 commences  
 26/6 End of Term 2  
 13/7 Term 3 commences  
 18/9 End of Term 3  
 5/10 Term 4 commences  
 18/12 End of Term 4

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.



**CAROLS IN THE  
 WETLANDS  
 AT PINNAROO**  
 Commencing at 5pm  
 Sunday  
 15th December  
 BYO chair (and rug if  
 weather cool)



Final kitchen lesson for the 2-4 Kitchen Garden group this year comprised -

- ★ Gozleme
- ★ Cauliflower Mash
- ★ Pumpkin, Chickpea and Tomato Curry with rice
- ★ Tabouli
- ★ Spinach Cake
- ★ Stewed Rhubarb

Thanks to our extra helpers this time -

- ★ Lyn Sporn
- ★ Kasey Berlin
- ★ Jocelyn Lindner
- ★ Laura Lindner

Individually  
 we are one drop  
 :  
 together  
 we are an ocean

## COMMUNICATIONS SENT HOME

1. P-6 : Arrangements for the final week of school

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 contact the College for another copy

