



From the Principal

National Reconciliation Week –

The National Reconciliation Week theme for this year is “Be Brave. Make Change”. This week challenges all Australians to make change beginning with brave actions in their daily lives – where we live, go to school, work, play and socialize. This week, 27 May to June 3 is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

Regional Cross Country –

Congratulations to all of our competitors who braved the cold to compete in the North West Regional Cross Country at St Arnaud on Tuesday. Special congratulations to Liam Wisneske who placed 3rd and Harvey Crane who placed 5th, both qualifying for the state final in Melbourne later in the year. This is an outstanding achievement on a difficult course and in a highly competitive field. All of our students did an awesome job and should be very proud of themselves for taking up the challenge. A huge thank you to

Mr Willison for organizing our participation and driving the car. Thank you also to the parents that attended and supported the students! Please see the full report inside the newsletter.



Pupil Free Day –

All schools are required to provide their teaching staff in Term 2, with an additional Professional Practice Day for planning, professional learning, assessment and reporting, as there had been a large delay with the sign off of the new enterprise bargaining agreement. This day is in addition to the 4 Pupil Free Days that we already have across the year. We have decided to take this day on **Tuesday the 14th of June**, firstly as it is one of the days that all teachers are present, but also as this is when mid-year reports are required to be finalized, and we thought it may suit parents to have an extended long weekend. Students will not be able to attend school on this day.

Resilience Builders -

Last week the secondary students were introduced to the Resilience Builders program. This program has been provided to us by the Department as a response to the impacts of the last two years. The facilitators were very impressed with our students and their innate levels of resilience. However they provided them with instruction on how to stay focused, productive and connected, how to maintain good physical and mental health and how to build resilience and reduce stress. This was the first session, students have a follow up online session on Thursday the 16th of June and a further face to face session on Wednesday the 3rd of August.

Principals' Conference –

On Monday & Tuesday this week I attended the first face-to-face Principals' Conference in Melbourne since 2019. It was great to hear the latest research from experts and participate in inspiring workshops with other educational leaders. I brought home a number of take-aways that I will share with teachers that will lead to improvements in student learning outcomes.

Longerenong –

Next week Daniel, Cooper and Rourke will complete their 3rd block release at Longerenong College as part of their Certificate III in Agriculture. This is a skills week, focusing on, mechanics, welding, chainsaws, establishing pastures and weather. Their 4th block is the first week of the coming holidays and their final block is the first week of the September holidays. I will be supervising the boys on these block releases, but will be available by phone or email.

Natasha Mudie - Principal



Lots of fun to be had at the handball club last week.



KIDS GAMES



Last lunch time club for the term. 'Crocodile Crocodile'

CANTEEN

Ham Sandwich \$2.50

Ham & Cheese Sandwich \$3.00

Cheese Sandwich \$2.00

Cheese & Tomato Sandwich \$3.00

Ham, Cheese & Tomato Sandwich \$4.00

Tomato Sandwich \$2.00

Vegemite Sandwich \$1.50

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

Pizzas (Ham & Pineapple or Bacon & Cheese) \$2.20

Ham & Cheese Toasties \$2

ALL ORDERS TO Front Office BEFORE SCHOOL

Late orders will only have access to ham & cheese toasties

Please - no more than \$5 in your envelope

PRIDE AWARD

Prep :

Gary INCH

for having an EXCELLENT week at school
- working hard to reach his goals

1 :

Harper St CLAIR

for INDEPENDENCE shown during writing time,
writing her story on her own

2-4 :

Patrick WYATT

for EXCELLENCE
on his weekly spelling tests

5-6 :

Tyson NUSKE

for his RESPECT towards others' ideas
and EXCELLENCE when creating the
class story map for writing

WELL DONE

Kindy Transition

The Kindy kids enjoyed their visit to school getting to meet their buddies and sharing a letter and picture with them. We were lucky to have some sunshine, so the kindy kids and their buddies enjoyed a play outside and then a school tour. The Year 5 students read their younger buddies a book in the library and finished with some play time in the primary school. The Kindy kids were a little nervous at the start but after some fun activities with the older students they all left with big smiles. We are all looking forward to seeing the Kindy kids again soon.



Ryan

Connor

Dylan



LMR CROSS COUNTRY REPORT

As per usual, St. Arnaud and mother nature turned on an amazingly cold day for our competitors at the Loddon Mallee Region Cross Country Finals at Lord Nelson Park. The temperature gauge never got above 8 degrees, but the wind chill factor dropped that down dramatically, hovering around the 2 – 3 degree mark for the entire day!

Reece Walker got us under way as our first competitor for the day. He battled away completing the 3km course and coming in 34th place.

Zhoe Willison was our only female competitor for the day. She was passed by 2 competitors in the last 150 metres, shuffling her down the order to 14th place, narrowly missing the State Finals Qualification point of 12th place. Our best results for the day came in the 14 and under Boys race.

Liam Wisneske ran extremely well, coming home in 3rd place, collecting himself a medal in the process.

Harvey Crane followed not long after, placing 5th overall, also with a very impressive run. This will mean that both Liam and Harvey have qualified for the State Finals, to be held in Melbourne early in Term 3.

Noah Ewins took to the course next in the 15 and Under Age Group, where the pace certainly stepped up. He did a really good job and eventually finished in 28th place. That concluded our Secondary School runners, as our older boys who qualified did not compete in St. Arnaud. *Thomas Crane* matched Noah's placing by coming in 28th place in the 11 and Under Age Group. He was probably the unluckiest competitor for the day, as his race was the only one that copped a little bit of rain, albeit not for long! Our final runner for the day was *Patrick Wyatt*, tackling the 9 – 10 Boys section. Patrick found the pace a little too hot, coming in at 56th place, but he can take on the same event next year as a top age competitor.

A massive thanks to the parents who came with the students for support and encouragement, certainly a long day, but a great opportunity for our students. Best of luck to Liam and Harvey when they take on the State's best runners in July.

Andrew Willison
(Sport Coordinator)

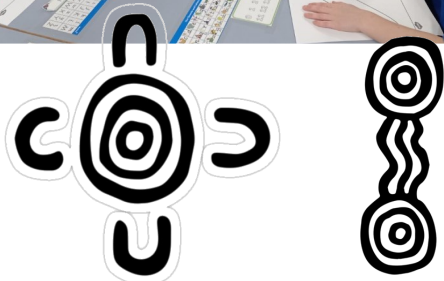
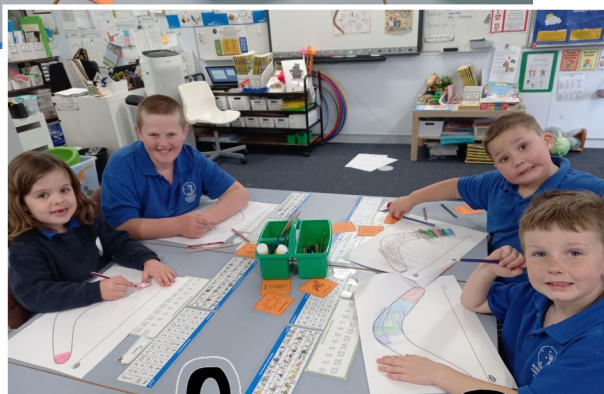




The Preps and their Year 6 Buddies learnt about the importance of Reconciliation and treating everyone equally in an afternoon session together.

They explored this year's theme of 'Being Brave' and standing up for and respecting all Australians equally.

Students then enjoyed learning about and using indigenous symbols to help them create their own boomerang to display in their classroom as a reminder of the learning they had completed together.



27 May - 3 June



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The theme - ***Be Brave, Make Change***

is a challenge to us all to

Be Brave and tackle the unfinished business of reconciliation so we can ***Make Change*** for all.

COLLEGE CALENDAR

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.

9/6	ADF visit to Years 9-12
13/6	Queen's Birthday Holiday
14/6	Student Free Day
16/6	Resilience Builders : Years 7-12
20/6	College Council
24/6	End of Term 2
11/7	Term 3 begins
18-22/7	11/12 Snow Trip
20/7	Resilience Builders : Years 7-12
25/7	College Council
8-10/8	2-4 El Shaddai Camp
12/8	Prep to Arts Show at Pinnaroo PS
18/8	House Athletics
22/8	College Council
31/8	Mallee Div Athletics (Sec) : Ouyen
5/9	Year 7 immunisation
5-9/9	P-6 Dance Week
7/9	Sunraysia Athletics (Prim) : Mildura GAT (Yrs 10-12 VCE)
16/9	End of Term 3
3/10	Term 4 begins



COVID VACCINATIONS

Bendigo Health nurses will be visiting to offer COVID vaccinations to all students, staff, families and the community.

Please come along and take the opportunity to receive any dose (according to eligibility).

When: Monday 6th June – 3.15pm to 6pm

**Where: Murrayville Community College
20 Francis Street, Murrayville 3512**

No bookings required. All are welcome!

Please enter through the College front door and go to the Library area.

Character consists
of what you do
on the third and
fourth tries

Pfizer and Moderna vaccines will be available, as 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th (if eligible!). Consents/paperwork will be done in person - you will just need medicare/ID.

