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From the Principal



NAPLAN Results –

Students in Years 3,5,7 and 9 received their NAPLAN results last week and these were sent home to parents. On the whole, even though apart from Year 9 these are small cohorts these results reinforced that our students are making good progress in literacy and numeracy. The way the results are presented have changed this year and instead of categorizing the results into bands they now fall into four proficiency levels: Exceeding, Strong, Developing and Needs Additional Support. Students in Year 9 whose results put them in the ‘Exceeding’ category are awarded a Certificate of Achievement. Congratulations to Brodie Matthews for being awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Reading.

Extra-Curricular Activities –

I just wanted to do quick shout out to our teachers and highlight some of the awesome extra-curricular activities that are on offer at the moment at school. We have just wrapped up the **Lunchtime Indoor Soccer competition** – congratulations to Brooklyn, Phoenix M and Tyson for their goal and point scoring across this competition! A big thanks to Mr Watson for organising this lunchtime activity. Mrs Willison is going to be offering a **lunchtime Netball competition** during this term. This was very popular with the students last year. Other activities that students are engaging with are **Chess club** and **Minecraft club**, both facilitated by Mr Brown. Miss Grant has taken over the **STEAM club**, which offers an extension of the activities that the students did during the ‘Mission to Mars’ excursion in Melbourne. She is also taking charge of the **Print-a-Car Challenge** that a number of the Year 7/8 students have entered.

HPV –

Another fantastic extra-curricular activity is Human Powered Vehicle (HPV) racing. Since Mr Milde has left, the parents have kindly offered to take over the preparations for the racing cars. Parents have also been supervising the trainings and will be vital on race day. A big thanks to Jess McKee, who has taken over the administration of the HPV team and preparing the paperwork and logistics prior to race day. Momentum and Mallee Madness have an 8 hour race coming up next Saturday (5th of August) at the Bend racecourse in Tailm Bend – I wish all of the riders and the parents supporting them the very best of luck! Thanks again to those parents whose input has ensured the success of this program.

School Review –

2023 is our review year and this review will be over a number of days in August. The school will be visited by Natalie Toohey (Department reviewer), the Senior Education Improvement Leader for the Northern Mallee (Andrew Ough), the Education Improvement Leader for Northern Mallee (Matt Mcleod) and the Principal of Ouyen P-12 College (Fel Cua). Our school Council President, Carly Heintze will also participate in the review process. This is an opportunity to critically evaluate how the school has been operating over the past 4 years and make suggestions about how we can improve moving forward and advise our next 4-year Strategic Plan. Obviously there have been some exceptional circumstances with the pandemic that we have had to operate under over the past four years, but I am really looking forward to the opportunity to leave this in the past and to formulating an inspiring Strategic plan for the future.

Welcome –

I would like to take this opportunity to warmly welcome 3 new students to our school. Emirose, Bella and Christo Charm have commenced in Year 10, Year 8 and Year 6. Please make them feel welcome if you see them.



Natasha Mudie - Principal



at MCC : September 7

PRIDE Awards

Prep

Connor SCHROEDER

for showing PERSISTENCE when learning his letters, sounds and tricky words

1

Scarlett WILLISON

for showing DETERMINATION to read different books and discuss them

2-3

Billy KELLY

for showing EXCELLENCE in connecting his own experiences and knowledge to the novels he reads

4-6

Christo CHARM

for showing DETERMINATION and RESILIENCE in starting at a new school

Parker EDWARDS

for EXCELLENCE in Maths in telling the time



WELL DONE

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 \$1.20

Sausage Rolls \$3.50

Sauce 20¢

Pizzas (Ham & Pineapple

or Bacon & Cheese) \$2.50

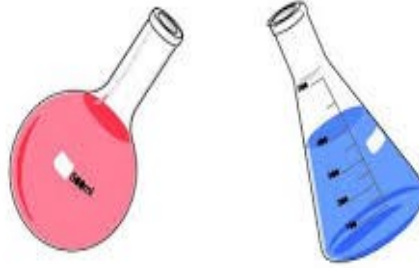
Ham & Cheese Toasties \$2.50

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

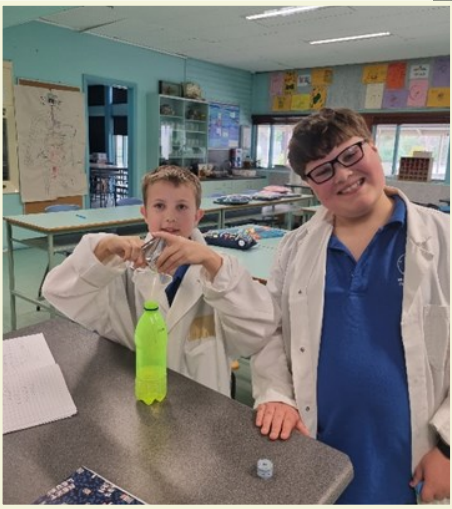
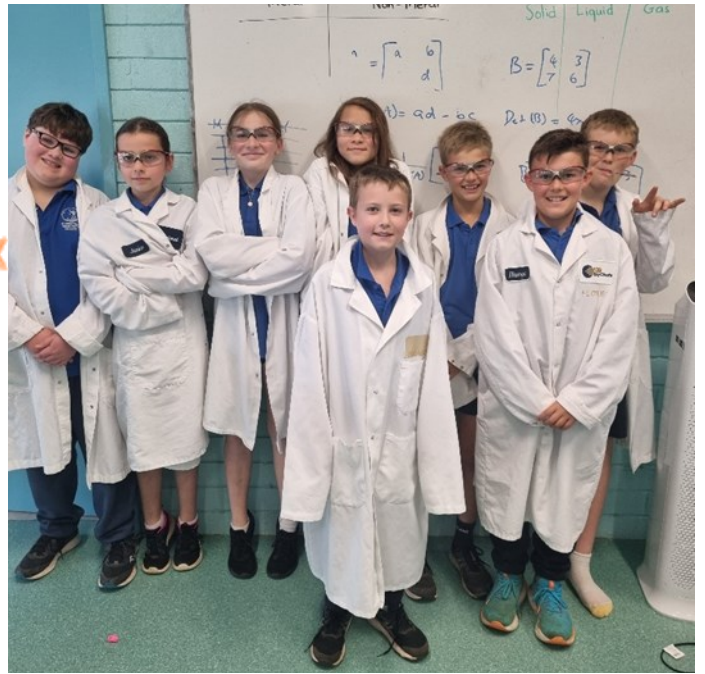
ACIDS AND BASES



Year 9 students in science class are currently exploring the fascinating world of Acids and Bases. As part of their learning, students had the unique opportunity to engage their taste buds by making sherbet. Not only did they have a lot of fun, but they were able to gain a deeper understanding of the properties of acids and bases. It's always exciting to see our students actively engaged in their learning and we can't wait to see what other discoveries they'll make in the future!



SWEET
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SOUR




The grade 5/6 Science class have been investigating the Solar System. They were able to explore conditions on other planets and investigate if a living organism, yeast, would be able to survive on another planet.

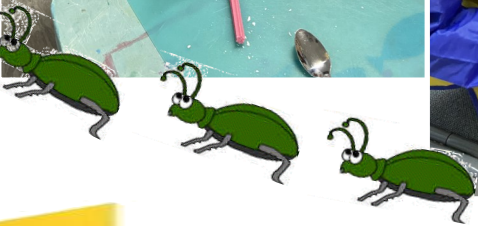


5/6 Science

The Grade 1s have been learning some poems from A.A Milne's collection *Now We Are Six*. They have been reading the poem *Forgiven* about a young boy who catches a beetle and his nanny mistakenly lets it go! So they decided to make some beetle biscuits, which were delicious.



FORGIVEN





COLLEGE CALENDAR

- 2/8 Shaka Project Workshop : 7-12
- 4/8 RFDS flight simulator
- 8/8 Crow Kid performance : P-12
Lightning Prem Netball final
- 9/8 9/10 Girls STEM Idols excursion
- 17/8 House Athletics
- 24/8 Primary Book Week Day
- 25/8 UDSSA Athletics
- 28/8 Student Free Day
- 29/8 VCE English to Ouyen
- 30/8 Mallee Division Athletics
- 6/9 Emergency Services Day
Sunraysia South Athletics
Women's Health Week BBQ
- 7/9 OPEN DAY at MCC
- 8/9 'Brilliant at Being Resilient'
- 14/9 RUOK Day
- 15/9 Term 3 ends
- 2/10 Term 4 commences

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.

MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS

THE SHAKA PROJECT ARE COMING TO MURRAYVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

THIS IS TO IGNITE THE CONVERSATION AROUND YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH WITH OUR YOUNG PEOPLE.

THE INTENTION BEING TO BREAK DOWN STIGMA, RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT WARNING SIGNS AND HIGHLIGHT THE IMPORTANCE OF REACHING OUT.

DATE:
WED 2 AUGUST 2023

TIME:
8.55AM - SESSION 1: YEAR 7/8
9.55AM - SESSION 2: YEAR 9S
11.15AM - SESSION 3: YEAR 10/12S



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Persistence
is the vehicle
in which
you arrive



The Shaka Project are coming to Murrayville Community College to talk to our students about mental health. Sean Wier will talk about his story, including how he changed his life around to help others in need struggling with mental ill health. This is an opportunity for young people to open up about the struggles they may face or talk about what they have seen in their peer groups to break the stigma. Please note there may also be conversations about suicide.