Inspiring PRIDE

Persistence Respect Independence Determination Excellence

MURRAYVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

From the Principal …

Christmas in July Social –
Congratulations to the Prefects and the SRC for organizing the fabulous Christmas in July Social. The Music room was transformed into a fabulous Christmas wonderland! It sounds like the lunch was awesome and lots of dancing and fun followed!

Lightning Premierships –
Last Wednesday most of our Year 5/6 students and some of our Year 4 students travelled to Red Cliffs to compete in the Sunraysia South Lightning Premierships. Our students combined with students from Underbool and Tempy to form a netball and soccer team. The students enjoyed their day although they were met with stiff competition in most games - both teams had one win each, which was a highlight for them. Thank you to Andrew Willison and Stacey for taking the students.

Regional Director visit –
On Tuesday we had Tip Kennedy, the Regional Director for Schools in Northwest Victoria visited our school. Although it was a relatively quick visit, she was very impressed with the level of engagement of our students and the high-quality spaces and resources available to the students at our school. She commented on how well looked after everything was and the obvious respect that the students here have for their environment. She also wanted to discuss the strengths and challenges that we face as a small remote school.

Student illness –
We have had a number of students and staff away over the past two weeks with a very nasty cold/flu virus, it seems like it is very contagious, so I ask that parents continue to keep their children home while they are unwell and if students are away for extended periods please check compass or contact teachers directly for any work that they may be up to completing.

Victorian Fisheries Little Anglers Kits –
On Thursday we had Little Anglers Kits arrive for our students in Grades 5 & 6 to take home for free. These kits were part of a Government commitment and included a fishing rod, reel with line, tackle box with some hooks, sinkers, swivels and a lure, as well as a *Kids Guide to Fishing*.

Athletics season –
As a little bit of a spring feel has been in the air over the last couple of days it is a reminder that we are coming up to Athletics sports. The students have been preparing in PE lessons and Mr Watson has been running a weekly lunchtime session for the primary students. The Primary students have their first hit-out next Friday (14th) in Ouyen for the UDSSA (Underbool & District School Sports Association) event and then our House Athletics will be held the following Thursday (20th). Hopefully we get nice sunny days for both events.

Natasha Mudie - Principal

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Double Sushi
2 x Sushi Rolls
$9

Single Sushi Box
1 x Sushi Roll
Sweet Treat (nut free)
Fruit
$9

Double Sushi Box
2 x Sushi Rolls
Sweet Treat (nut free)
Fruit
$12

Demi's Kitchen

TO ORDER:

Text your order to Demi by **Wednesday 7pm**
0459 624 619
remember to include student name and MCC

Submit payment:
Demi Kitchen
BSB: 085-005
ACC: 928300932
REF: student name + MCC

Available Sushi Flavours

Collect orders at the school canteen Friday lunchtimes

Chicken
Prawn
Squid
Crabstick
Tuna
Cauliflower

CANTEEN

FROZEN LUNCHES ONLY
MONDAY-WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY & FRIDAY
*THE ITEMS BELOW AVAILABLE **HOT***
PLUS PIZZAS ($2.50)

Please - no more than $10 to be tendered
EFTPOS available

Pies $4.50
Pasties $4.50
Sausage Rolls $4.00
Sauce 20¢

Hot foods may be ordered at the front office before school Thursday & Friday

Drinks ,Yoghurts, Iceblocks/creams and Snacks in the canteen at lunchtime

PRIDE Awards

Joshua WALTERS-JOHNS
for showing INDEPENDENCE
when organising his learning materials
in the morning and afternoon

2/3
Sophie EDWARDS
for always showing RESPECT
towards her classmates and putting her best effort into her learning

4-6
Noah AURICHT
for demonstrating RESPECT,
empathy and kindness towards others.
When a new classmate joined our class, Noah stepped up without hesitation, offering a helping hand and making sure they felt welcomed, cared for and included. He has shown what it means to be a compassionate classmate.
Thank you, Noah, for making our classroom a safe and supportive place for everyone.

Christmas

• IN JULY •

GRINCH

Merry Christmas

School preparations for the bushfire season

Each year, we undertake a range of activities to ensure the safety of our school and to prepare for bushfires and grassfires.

An important part of this process is communicating to parents what will happen when certain fire danger ratings are issued to help ensure the safety of students and staff.

Our school has been identified as being at risk of bushfire or grassfire and is a Category 3 school.

Our school will **close** on a day forecasted as **Catastrophic fire danger rating in the Mallee fire district.**

Closure of the school due to a Catastrophic fire danger rating will be enacted when the Bureau of Meteorology forecast and related public safety messaging are confirmed. Due to uncertainties in the forecast, the timing of this confirmation may vary. Information regarding potential or confirmed Catastrophic fire danger days will be communicated to you by email and text message.

It is also important to be aware that:

- No one will be on site on days where the school is closed due to a forecast Catastrophic day.
- All bus routes that travel through the Catastrophic area will be cancelled.
- School camps will be cancelled if a Catastrophic fire danger rating day is forecast for fire weather district in which the camp is located, or if the travel involves passing through areas that have Catastrophic fire danger.

As part of preparing our school for the fire season, we have updated and completed our Emergency Management Plan and carried out vegetation management that may assist in preparing for the threat of fire and cleared our facility's grounds and gutters.

What can families and the school community do to help us prepare?

- Ensure we have your current contact details, including your mobile phone numbers.
- Keep in touch with us by reading our newsletters, checking our website www.murrayvillecc.vic.edu.au , by talking to your child's teacher or any other member of the teaching staff about our emergency management plan.
- Make sure your family's bushfire survival plan is up-to-date and includes alternative care arrangements if our school is closed due to Catastrophic fire danger. Further information can be found on the CFA's website.
- Action your family's bushfire survival plan if your own triggers are met. Our school community is spread out across many areas and some families may be at higher risk than others. Your family's safety is critical, so please let us know if you are actioning your bushfire survival plan and if your children will be absent on these days.
- If your child is old enough, talk to them about bushfires and your family's bushfire survival plan.

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Families are encouraged to action their Bushfire Survival Plan on Catastrophic fire danger rating days in their district. The safest option is to leave the night before or early on the morning of the Catastrophic day.

On such days, children should never be left at home alone or in the care of older children.

You can find more information on emergencies, warnings and preparedness actions here:

- VicEmergency app – that can be downloaded on your android and iOS mobile devices
- VicEmergency Hotline (1800 226 226)
- Website https://emergency.vic.gov.au
- Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/vicemergency)
- Twitter (https://twitter.com/vicemergency)
- ABC local radio, Sky News and other emergency broadcasters

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the department's policy?

The Department of Education annually assesses the fire risk of all schools and early childhood services with the support of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO). They are allocated a category of risk (categories 0 to 6). Schools and services that are Categories 0-3 are published on the Bushfire At-Risk Register (BARR). Schools at some risk of bushfire and grassfire are published on the Category 4 List.

The department's Bushfire and Grassfire Preparedness Policy requires all schools and early childhood services on the BARR and the Category 4 List to close when a Catastrophic fire danger rating day is forecast in their fire weather district. All school bus routes which travel in or through a district with Catastrophic fire danger must also be cancelled.

The policy also requires that schools at the highest risk of bushfire (those in Categories 0, 1 and 2 of the Bushfire At-Risk Register) enact pre-emptive action plans based on the fire danger forecast for their Local Government Area (LGA).

Who issues fire danger forecasts?

The Bureau of Meteorology (BoM) provides public fire danger rating forecasts each day of the fire danger period using fire weather district areas. In Victoria, there are 9 fire weather districts, which are based on Local Government Area boundaries.

The department uses these forecasts when supporting schools to enact their pre-emptive bushfire actions plans.

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COLLEGE CALENDAR

10/8	College Council
14/8	UDSSA Athletics – Ouyen
17/8	Arts Council activity : P-6
	Music lessons
20/8	MCC House Athletics
25-26/8	Wear it Purple Day
26/8	Mallee Division Athletics
27/8	Sunraysia South Athletics
31/8	Music lessons
3/9	OPEN DAY
4/9	Book Week Day (P-6)
10/9	RU OK Day
14/9	Music lessons
	College Council
16/9	GWM Water (P-6)
18/9	End of Term 3
5/10	Term 4 commences
7/10	Pinnaroo Show
12-14/10	Years 2/3 Camp
17/11	College Council

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.

Get it right today, for today will never come again