**Important Dates**

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**Attendance**

Education is about team effort. Parents, students and teachers are part of a team that is helping to educate each student to the highest level. Every day missed is a missed opportunity. Please ensure your child is at school unless they are sick or have a valid reason.

**Working Bee Thanks**

Thank you to Nicole and Daniel Noonan, Min Keel, Justin Moore, and Heath Callaby for their work on the north wall of the Tech wing. The wall was sanded at the start of the holidays to prepare it for a facelift.

Thanks also to J & K Baker for the great job they did to remove the hedge at the front of the school. It has really opened up the front of the administration building. Stay tuned for the landscaping as it progresses.

Thanks also to Jodie and Bomber for the landscaping that is happening at the front of the hockey oval. This will become a beautiful native garden area.

**Anzac Day Representatives**

Thank you to all the students and their families who attended Anzac Day ceremonies. It was lovely to see so many students choosing to wear their school uniform. Special thank you to the students who laid flowers on behalf of the college.

Murtoa
- Lily Horvat
- Logan Petering
- David Horvat
- Richard Maher

Rupanyup
- Ellen Huebner (reading the poem)
- Corey Morgan

Minyip
- Karina Drum
- Sophie Drum

Horsham
- Abbey Riddell
- Britany Harris
Congratulations to Tyson Lingham who is this year’s Ken Daggett Award winner. The Ken Daggett Memorial Award was established in 2012, in annual recognition of a senior student at Murtoa College who embodies the qualities displayed by Ken Daggett and other Returned Services personnel.

Tim Boan was runner up.

Lola Daggett and Gayle Daggett-Emmett presenting the award.

Seeking Feedback
Thank you to all the families who completed the January survey that was mailed out in the transition pack. My apologies for the length of time it has taken me to compile the responses. A number of parents wrote feedback, all of which was helpful, thank you.

As we begin our Self-Evaluation process prior to our formal School Review and setting of our four year goals. I would like to ask all parents to please reflect on the following five points. School council members are also being asked to speak to parents about these points. At the end of this newsletter is a proforma for your responses (please ask students to drop them in to the office), but you are welcome to also email your thoughts directly to my email address, as listed below, or to the Murtoa College email address. I would also welcome any personal discussions that parents might wish to have with me.

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Sport Dates for 2014

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Primary News

It was a great start to the term last week and all of the classes were back busily working on a range of interesting activities. This week the 10+ year old students will be participating in Cross Country at Rabl Park on Friday. There will be 2 and 3 kilometre tracks to cater for the various age groups. Long distance running involves significant persistence and resilience, but it’s very rewarding to reach the finish. We are hoping to send a number of our top runners to the Black Ranges Cross Country on Tuesday 20th May.

Eight Year 5 and 6 students have been away at Somers Camp this term and we are excitedly awaiting their return to school on Thursday. We are sure to hear many interesting tales of their adventures.

Last term the Year 5 and 6 students were researching influential and inspirational leaders. They have created displays in the hallway leading up to the library. The displays consist of biographies, timelines, leadership qualities, achievements and maps. Some students even added extra information including photos, drawings, quotes and ‘fun facts’ to add greater impact to their displays. The displays will remain in the hallway for a few more weeks, so please come and have a look.

Primary Assembly Timetable for Term 2
Assemblies are held weekly on Thursday afternoon in the Year 1/2/3 classroom and begin at 2:35pm. Any changes to the timetable will be recorded in future newsletters.

Week 2 – Year 3/4/5
Week 3 – Year 1/2/3
Week 4 – Year F/1
Week 5 – Year 5/6
Week 6 – Year 3/4/5
Week 7 – Year 1/2/3
Week 8 – Year F/1
Week 9 – Year 5/6
Week 10 – Year 3/4/5

Book Club
Issue 2 Book Club brochures were sent home with today’s newsletter. Orders and money need to be returned to Mrs Reading in the library by Friday May 9th.

Read more in May
To celebrate the National Family Reading Month, Scholastic Books is offering students the chance to win $250 worth of book vouchers. All you have to do is read for at least 10 minutes every day in May, total up your Reading Minutes and enter this online at www.scholastic.com.au/readmoreinmay on the 1st of June. Those wishing to participate can collect a reading log sheet from Mrs. Reading.

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Murtoa Golf Club is offering **Friday afternoon clinics and competitions** for any students year 3 and above, wishing to try the game of golf.

**On Friday’s in term 2, starting this Friday the 2nd of May, students will be given the opportunity to learn the basics of the game of golf and play modified competitions.**

Golf club members will supervise the sessions from 3.45 to 5.15pm.

Students are encouraged to bring their own equipment but some clubs and bags will be provided. A bus pass for the Lubeck bus may enable students to travel out to the golf club.

For $2: students will be provided with a drink and snack.

Thanks to Victorian Golf Foundation for supporting this initiative.

**Starting this Friday the 2nd of May,**

More information; Phyll Loeliger (53 596283)

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**MMFNC Football Information**

Games on Saturday are 4 hrs after what would be normal starting time – U14’s will start @ 1.00pm, then U12’s, U17’s etc.

**Training in Murtoa this week**

**Under 17’s**

Once again with 3-4 boys unavailable, we had to call upon 4-5 under 14’s player, to step up.
Thanks to Jordan Delahunty, Aaron McQueen, Darcy Edgerton, Keegan Fallon and Hayden Farlow, these boys put in a great effort and helped our team’s victory

Saturday’s game was a great team effort, by everyone. The older boys were led well by, Max Koschman, Adam Schache and Jye Weyburg with our encouragement award going to Darcy Edgerton.

Most of the boys played in many positions, throughout the game, of which they adapted very well too..... It was terrific to see them take this on board and learn to play in different positions, this way we were able to give all the boys a fair amount of playing and field time. Well done to Mitch Delahunty 4 goals and Brylie Cameron with 2 goals. Training is Tuesday and Thursday 5.00...under 14’s are more than welcome to join in on Tuesday night. Looking forward to next week against Horsham (look out Bailey Batchelor!!!!!), at Murtoa under lights.

**COACH CAMERON.........**

Derek Cameron 0428 316 319, Mark Schache 0429 433 688  markschache@bigpond.com – U17 Team Manager

**Under 14’s**

We put up a good fight but were beaten by size, all players put in and stuck to the task, plenty of potential was shown, a win not far away.

Wayne Robbins 0427 857 367  wnrobbins@optusnet.com.au

**Auskick/U 12’s**

Training this Thursday night at 5pm.
Thrilling game on Saturday by the boys ably led by coach Pidge. Were able to take the match by 2 points. Awards were Minyip Community Bank - Deacan Campbell; McDonalds - Lloyd Baker, Darcy Keel, Oscar Gawith and Seth Talbot. Great team work by all, well done!

We are aiming to have a game this Saturday, 3rd May, against Horsham in Murtoa. It will commence immediately after the U14’s, approximately 2pm. I will notify everyone this week of the details.

Nat Johnston 0428852308  natalie.johnson8@bigpond.com
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The Victoria State Emergency Service is recruiting for Murtoa, Rupanyup, Lubeck and Minyip area!

You are invited to the Victoria State Emergency Service (SES) information night to find out more about the interesting volunteer roles available in SES. Find out how your individual skills can support your community in a variety of flexible ways through SES:

Date: 7 May 2014  
Time: 7pm  
Location: VICSES Unit, 2 Wood Street, Rupanyup

Come along to learn about SES from Volunteers and staff and enjoy some light refreshments. Contact SES Mid West Region for further information, please phone Kendra on 9256 9802.