Welcome to week 4 term 2. We wish Mr Argall and his VCE Outdoor Education class all the best for their week in the snow at Mount Bogong. Thank you to the whole College community for your efforts with the P-6 parent/teacher interviews. This occurred last Thursday August 1 and the feedback I have received is that that it was a very productive afternoon and evening.

Friday was ‘Jeans for Genes’ day. It was a great day and the College community raised just over $1,000. A HUGE thank you to Ms Ashlea Bigham, her support staff and the SRC for their efforts! It was wonderful to see everybody dress appropriately and contribute a ‘gold’ coin towards the fund raising efforts.

This week sees the P-6 students go on their Bendigo science excursion on Tuesday. Also, Tuesday afternoon is the year 7 to 12 student’s parent/teacher interviews. All parents/guardians are encouraged to make an effort to come to the interviews. The 1 on 1 conversations with staff about your children is invaluable and this is a great opportunity to do that. I look forward to meeting many parents!

The year 7 to 12 students have the Maths completion on Thursday this week.

On Thursday August 21 the Dunmunkle Athletics Sports will be held at the Murtoa football oval. The students are practicing and preparing for a day of athletics and various activities. Parents are invited to join in the day by coming and supporting all the students.

**PARENT OPINION SURVEY**

Thank you to the many parents who have returned their completed surveys. We are very keen to get as many back as possible, so are extending the due date until this Friday, August 8. Please send your completed survey to the General Office.
PRIMARY NEWS

IMPORTANT DATES

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Parents-Student-Teacher Interviews

Thank you to all of the parents, guardians and family members who attended interviews last week. We met with most people on Thursday or arranged more appropriate times where necessary. If you did not meet with a teacher last week, please arrange for a suitable time in the coming weeks. It is very important to discuss the past results and essential to put steps in place for future learning too.

Jeans for Genes Day

As always we had an excellent response to Jeans for Genes Day and helped to raise a significant amount of money for an important cause. We will continue to have some further fundraising activities throughout the year and will ensure there is suitable notice. Thank you for your support and kind donations.

Bendigo Discovery Centre – Excursion

The Bendigo Discovery Centre excursion is tomorrow, Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> August and students need to be at school by 7.15am for buses to depart at 7.30am. We will be returning to school by 4.30pm.

Students need to remember to bring a packed snack, lunch and drink. We will be provided a piece of fruit for students to eat. Please do not bring iPods, iPads, mobile phones or other electronic devices.

Dunmunkle Primary Athletic Sports

The Dunmunkle Athletic Sports are on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> of August at Murtoa. A roster for parent helpers will be sent home later in the week.

Pie Drive

A reminder The Sharp’s Bakery pie drive order form and money are due back at school by Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> August. See attached order form later in this newsletter.

Birthdays

Will Coutts Monday 4<sup>th</sup> August
Seth Callaby Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> August
Bridget Botterill Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August
Foundation/One:
On Monday the 28th of July, it was the 100th day of school. We celebrated all day, by participating in a variety of hands-on tasks that were all centered around the number 100. Students were asked to bring in 100 of something to school. There were 100 buttons, 100 m&m’s, 100 pieces of paper, 100 drops of water, 100 words, 100 chickpeas, 100 beans, 100 pieces of lego and 100 pieces of yummy slice. Charlett decided to put her 100 gummy bears into 10 separate bags, each with 10 lollies. Whereas Noah placed 20 rocks in 5 bags. Great thinking! At the end of the day we enjoyed a class disco, using songs that include the number 100. I wonder if we’ll reach 200 days of school this year?

We have been very busy growing things and making observations so far this term as part of our CCS topic ‘How does your garden grow?’ We started by investigating the needs of a plant, and determining the best conditions for growing seeds. We then began to grow a variety of seeds and observe the changes over a number of days, in personal science journals. We even planted some magic beans just like in the fairy tale ‘Jack and the Beanstalk’. If only there was a golden hen at the top waiting for us! We welcomed Jenna Barratt into our classroom last week. Miss Barratt is a pre-service teacher from Federation University. We are lucky to have her teaching the Foundation/One students and she is working with myself to provide a fantastic classroom environment for our students.

It was wonderful to meet with parents and carers last Thursday. Thank you for maintaining a fantastic home/school relationship.

Sally Venn
Foundation/One Teacher
Marie & Fiona celebrated Canteen Week with some great specials and bright decorations.

Basketball

Names for the 2014 – 15 basketball competition for juniors and seniors need to be given to Marie by Friday 22nd August. Contact Marie on 53852604 or 0419 852 227.

MMFNC Football/Netball Information

Training in Minyip this week

U17’s

We will need a Team Manager for season 2015, Mark will be ‘retiring’, would be easy to learn the ropes alongside Mark this year, not many games remaining, see Mark Schache or Malcom Schier if you can do it. This position MUST be filled!

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

Auskick/U 12’s

Training is Thursday night at 5pm, hopefully the rain will stay away!
There is a game in Minyip on Saturday against Warracknabeal. Please be at the ground by 9.40am for a 10am start.

Nat Johnston 0428852308
natalie.johnson8@bigpond.com
Dear Year 10 Students and Parents,

You are invited to a VCE Parent Information Night for parents and students commencing Year 11 in 2015. The meeting will be held on Wednesday 13th of August starting at 7.00pm at Murtoa College in Rooms 3 & 4. The purpose of the evening is to inform parents of the format and administration of the VCE for Year 11 students in 2015. The night will help parents to understand the terminology of the VCE, VET and VCAL. It will introduce the processes and procedures students will undertake in their final years of schooling.

The Agenda for the night will include:

- **7.00 pm** Welcome and Explanation of Agenda.
- **7.10 pm** Year 11 and 12 the Years Ahead (Principal Mr Tony Goodwin).
- **7.20pm** VCE Expectations (Vice Principal Ms Anne Gawith).
- **7.30 pm** Satisfying VCE or VCAL Requirements. (Mr Andrew Vague).
- **7.50pm** Careers and Selection of VCE program (Mr Andrew Vague, Ms Anne Randall).
- **8.05 pm** VET / SBA (SBNA) Overview and Application Procedures (Mr Andrew Vague).
- **8.15pm** Subject Selection, Organization of Blockings for 2015 (All Staff).
- **8.30pm** Question Time and Discussion.

A light supper will be served after the meeting.

I hope both students and parents can attend this important event and look forward to talking with you about any concerns on the night.
Murtoa College Visits
2015 Foundation Students and Families

Open Afternoon
Thursday August 7
2.00pm -- 3.15pm
This is an opportunity to have a look at our wonderful school in action. You might even like to stay and watch the Primary School Assembly.

Parent Information Evening
Thursday August 28
6.00pm
This is an opportunity to meet staff, ask questions and hear about our Early Years Program. Childcare available onsite and light refreshments provided.

Transition Dates — 2014
Friday November 21
9.00am - 10.35am
(please bring food for recess)
Friday November 28
9.00am — 1.15pm
(please bring food for recess)
Parents are invited to come and enjoy a BBQ lunch with our Primary students and staff from 12.30pm to 1.15pm.

STEPS DAY
Tuesday December 9
9.00am — 3.15pm
(please bring food for recess & lunch)
Parent teacher interviews for all secondary students will take place on **Tuesday August 5th**. Bookings are now available from **4:00pm until 6:30pm** with your student’s teachers.

If you wish to book interviews you can do so now by visiting the school interviews website at the URL shown below.

![School Interviews Website](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/)

After entering the event code below you will be guided through the booking process. Bookings can be created and edited until 9:00am on **Tuesday August 5th**.

If you cannot access the school interviews website please contact the general office and they will assist you with the booking process.
2014/15 Representative Squad tryouts

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Sunday 10th August 3pm - 4pm  
Wednesday 13th August 4.30pm - 5.30pm |
| Under 12 Boys (2004-2005 born) | Monday 11th August 4pm - 5pm  
Monday 25th August 4pm - 5pm |
Sunday 24th August 11am – 12n |
| Under 14 Boys (2002-2003 born) | Sunday 10th August 11am – 12n  
Sunday 24th August 11am – 12n |
| Under 16 Girls (2000-2001 born) | Friday 8th August 6.45pm-7.45pm  
Sunday 17th August 2pm-3pm |
| Under 16 Boys (2000-2001 born) | Wednesday 20th August 5pm – 5.50pm  
Sunday 24th August 4pm – 5pm |
| Under 18 Girls (1998-1999 born) | Wednesday 20th August 5pm – 5.50pm  
Sunday 24th August 4pm – 5pm |
| Under 18 Boys (1998-1999 born) | Wednesday 20th August 5pm – 5.50pm  
Sunday 24th August 4pm – 5pm |

Good luck and we look forward to seeing as many players try out as possible.

Tony Sleep  
Junior Representative Director

0419666775
Murtoa College Pie Drive 2014

Name: _____________________ Contact No: _____________

ORDERS & PAYMENT DUE BY TUESDAY 12TH AUGUST 2014

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Cheques Payable to Murtoa College

Total Amount Due: $ _____________

Completed order forms and payment (cash or cheque made payable to Murtoa College) can be returned to Nicole Noonan or Melinda Keel at Murtoa College. All orders and money are due by Tuesday 12th August, 2014. Delivery date is approximately Thursday 28th August, a time and date will be advised.

Thankyou for supporting Murtoa College