**The week that was!**

Tuesday saw Carolyn Woodhouse present the school peer review to the staff and the school council. The report was very good and as Carolyn concluded we do have a future that we should be proud of. We listened with interest and will now adopt the recommendations to assist the College in improving its teaching and learning. The recommendations will be adopted in our new strategic plan.

This week celebrated Science week with a host of activities. The highlight was on Thursday when we saw some great science experiments in the court yard as the various student’s showed the student body how to make different volcanoes. Thanks to Ms Lewis, Ms Teggerth and Mrs Adler for organizing and running a wonderful science week.

Thursday night was the Foundation (Prep) Information session for the 2015 new students. The session went across well with the parents who attended. Thanks to Mrs Venn and Mrs Noonan for the great effort in organizing and running the session.

Friday was a big day with the Cancer Council research day, casual clothes day for students and a football clinic for the year 4 to 6 students. Thank you to Mrs Chapman for organizing the Cancer Council research program. Students were asked to donate a gold coin for wearing casual clothes with the theme of ‘your favorite sporting team’ to help raise money and awareness for Disabilities Sports and Recreation Victoria. It was hoped that the students could raise enough money to buy a sport wheelchair for a disabled athlete. Thanks to the hard work of Ms Bingham and her helpers the student body raised over $700 which will help to buy a wheelchair. Finally, thank you to Mr Venn, Ms Boehm, Mrs Coutts and Mrs Berger for assisting the year 4, 5 and 6 students with the football clinic that was organized through the Minyip-Murtoa Football Club and run at the local football ground. Well done everybody!

**Literacy Week**

This week will see plenty of activities occurring to celebrate literacy week. There will be a spelling bee competition on Wednesday for the Primary students and on Thursday for the Secondary students. The week will also have other interesting competitions for students to get involved in.

**Primary Athletics**

I would like to wish all the Primary students who are competing at The Black Ranges Athletics carnival on Tuesday the best of luck!

Naplan results will be distributed this week. Please remember that these results are of your child’s progress at one point in time; the school uses a wide range of assessment tools to report on your child’s learning. If you have any queries please contact the college.
Rupanyup Tennis Club
The AGM will be held on Tuesday 2nd September 2014 @ 7.30pm
at the Rupanyup Community Centre.
All new and existing players welcome.

Basketball
Congratulations to the Senior Boys making the Grand Final in the Horsham Comp on Monday night.
Team: F. Schier, J. Ballagh, J. Boak, J. McQueen, J. Gardy, J. Exell and K. Priestly.
Coach: Bruce Gardy

Good luck to the Murtoa Magic

Murtoa Basketball Association Meeting at Maries @ 7pm tomorrow, Tuesday 2nd September. Ph 53852604

ARE YOU AN EX NAVY, ARMY OR AIR FORCE?
Then Carry ON (Victoria) may be able to help you with education costs if you meet our eligibility criteria.

If you have served in the Australian Defence Forces or Allied Forces and you wish to apply for a Secondary Education Grant for 2015, please telephone Carry On (Victoria) on 03 9629 2648 to establish eligibility and request an application form.

Carry On (Victoria) assists Secondary School students in Years 7 – 12 with grants for expenses such as fees, books, uniforms, excursions etc. For those students going on to Tertiary Education a grant may also be available.

Children whose Parent/s or Legal Guardian/s have a need for financial assistance and comply with our eligibility criteria may apply. All grants are income tested and applications should be submitted by 30 October 2014.

Term 4 Sport Dates

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PHOTOS

Closing date for ordering additional photos is Wednesday 3rd September. Please return order form and money to the General Office.
It was another busy week in the primary section with the Foundation/1 class running assembly, casual clothes day and sausage sizzle fundraiser and the Minyip-Murtoa football clinic for years 3 to 6. We certainly had a lot to present at assembly last week with reflections on the Science Fair and athletics, Science Awards presented by Jessica Sautner from Federation University and an extraordinary number of reading awards. On Friday we also announced the first four winners from the Values Box which students are nominated for their outside behaviour. We also had fantastic support for the sports themed casual clothes and sausage sizzle where our fundraising efforts were enough to purchase one sports wheelchair! This is an incredible effort which all of the primary section should be proud. To round out the week the years 3 to 6 students walked down to Murtoa Oval for a clinic organised by Scott Arnold and the Burras. A few of the players were on hand to put the students through their paces. It was a great day and all of the students were awarded with a small football for their positive participation.

**St John’s First Aid Incursion**

This Friday St John’s will be coming into each class for a first aid course. It is a wonderful opportunity to teach students basic first aid aimed at their age and ability levels. These courses are only an overview, however, if parents are interested in gaining further qualifications for themselves or family members please contact St John’s.

**Black Ranges Athletics**

On Tuesday we have a number of athletes who will be participating in the Black Ranges Athletics carnival in Stawell. We certainly hope the weather of our athletics day can be replicated tomorrow. We wish all participants the best of luck and know they will all uphold the desired values and levels of sportsmanship.

**Father’s Day Breakfast**
7.30am – 8.15am

Parents and Friends would like to host a Father’s Day breakfast on Friday 5th September from 7.30am up until 8.15am at Murtoa College. Weather permitting this will be held on the decking area in the Primary section. If you would like to come along and join us for breakfast please fill in the below note and return to Mrs Noonan by Wednesday 3rd September.
Reading Awards

Reece Hammond, Nicholas Adler, Jake Maher, Liam Wheeler, Matthes Gardy and Mason Coombe

Ayden Nash, Charlett Saligari, Emily Moore, Matilda Gawith, Charlie Gawith and Blade Foster.

Jai Satori-Billman, Seth Callaby, Mikaela Wright, Darcie Telpuk, Wayne Nash and Cooper McCallum.
Lily Adler, Bronte Kerrins, Nadene Adler, Jenna McCallum, Jorja Gardy and Oliver Moore.

Elijah Berger, Lloyd Baker, Noah Horvat, Fraser Adler, Nic Ballagh and Oscar Gawith.

Darcy Keel, Will Coutts, Bridget Botterill, Brent Phillips, Finley Goodin and Alyssa Whyte.

Back row: Troy Johnson, Cameron Newell, Deacan Campbell, Will Dingwall, Brylee Briggs and Eloise Harkess.

Front row: Hannah Whyte, Lucy Spriggs, Will Gellatly, Darcy Schultz and Patrick Schier.
Values Awards

Clare Whyte, Caitlin Adler, Jonathon Baker and Will Dingwall.

MMFNC Football/Netball Information

*Remember – Photo order forms to be completed/paid and back to team manager by NOW.*

Our Junior Vote Count and Presentation is on 21st September at Murtoa, starting around 11.30, Footballers to bring a Salad and Netballers a ‘Sweet’.

U17’s

The playing year is over, we gave a committed team effort but couldn’t match a faster bigger Ararat, each and every participant from the trainers to the coach deserve enormous accolades for getting as far as they got, a terrific team achievement. All players were in the best.

*We will need a Team Manager for season 2015, Mark will be ‘retiring’, 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](mailto:markschache@bigpond.com) – U17 Team Manager

Netball

15 & Under B

The same as the U17 football, everyone deserves a huge pat on the back for getting this far. The girls performed to their best but it wasn’t quite enough, shows we have a big future, well done.

Minyip Murtoa 13 to Nhill 25
Murtoa College played against some tough opposition at the Black Ranges Basketball Championships, Ararat last week. Two teams from Year 8 (including Year 7 students), went up against Horsham, St Brigid’s, Stawell, Marian, Ararat and Warracknabeal schools in the best of two pools to play off in a final, to progress on to Greater Western Region later this term.

**Year 8 Boys**

**Game 1**
Murtoa 29 Horsham College B 2
Best Players: David Horvat, Darcy Edgerton, Jordan Delahunty

**Game 2**
Murtoa 17 St Brigid’s 13
Best Players: David Horvat, Jordan Delahunty, Patrick Newell

**Game 3**
Murtoa 9 Warracknabeal 13
Best Players: David Horvat, Caleb Hatcher, Jordan Delahunty

**Final (Winner of Pool B v Winner of Pool A)**
Murtoa 8 Marian College 15
Best Players: David Horvat, Darcy Edgerton

**Year 8 Girls**

**Game 1**
Murtoa 16 St Brigid’s 10
Best Players: Eadie Garth-Lindsay, Courtney Campbell, Emma Schache

**Game 2**
Murtoa 10 Horsham College B 8
Best Players: Eadie Garth-Lindsay, Emma Schache, Bridget Drum, Maddi Morgan

The students played with enthusiasm and determination, at times displaying great teamwork and skill. They are to be commended for their efforts.

Thanks to Mr Tony Goodwin for taking the time over the past three weeks training these students during lunch time. Our students were certainly put through their paces and no doubt improved for the experience.

Special thanks to Fergus Schier, Jake Ballagh and Joe Gardy for coaching the boys on the day. They too, gave up their lunchtimes to assist Mr Goodwin in coaching and preparing these students for this competition.

If students would like a copy of the photos, please bring a USB to Joanne Baker.
Murtoa College Activities Day

Last Friday the SRC held an Activities Day to raise money for Disability Sports and Recreation Victoria. The aim was to raise $700 to purchase two sports wheelchairs for disabled children that would be used all around the state.

It began with a casual dress day with ‘sports’ as the theme for both primary and secondary students, followed by BBQ lunch run by the senior SRC. Activities such as dodge ball and tunnel ball were organized, with a Science themed ‘paper plane’ challenge also taking place in the stadium.

Andrew King from the Red Cross attended to promote awareness about drug and alcohol safety to the secondary students and Kane and Sam King volunteered to entertain the crowd with some acoustic music; a big thank-you to them for their generosity and time. Another thank you to Minyip IGA who donated 5 kilograms of sausages and two slabs of soft drink and to Woody’s Top Cut Meats who provided discounted sausages for the event.

Students had a fantastic time and the organisers couldn’t have been happier with the outcome. The Senior SRC students did a wonderful job of running lunchtime activities and cooking the food. Through their efforts and the support of the Murtoa College students, parents, staff and friends, a total of $738.95 was raised to support this cause.
The week began with a crossword based on various study areas in Science and the entries flooded in. The final winner was selected from all correct entries received. Congratulations to Tyson Lingham. Well done!

On Wednesday, Year 7’s demonstrated their separating techniques to the school community.

On Thursday, the earth moved for the Yr 8 & 9 Volcano presentation.

And Friday saw the running of the annual Paper Plane competition which was taken out by: Noah Horvat for distance and Richard Maher for longest hang time.