New Term

I would like to welcome the whole Murtoa College community to term 3 or semester 2, 2015. Like I have said before it is great to be back. I am looking forward to working with the community to continue the good work that occurred in semester 1. The weather has been very cold lately and I would like to encourage families to make sure students are dressed appropriately for the cold weather. I look forward to the students and staff continuing the good learning and teaching that goes on at this college everyday of every school week.

Parent/Teacher Interviews and Curriculum Day

I would like to give the whole community advance notice that Parent/Teacher interviews to discuss student’s semester 1 progress will be held in week 3. The interviews will be held on Tuesday July 28 for the whole college. Bookings to see staff will again be via the portal and more notice about the timeline for these will be forth coming. The day after the interviews will be a curriculum day and will be pupil free so that the staff can do some professional development. I encourage families to plan ahead for these two dates.

Xuno

It has been brought to our attention that accessing student reports and assessment through Assessment Results in Xuno has been problematic recently. It would appear that when you log on through the portal the process has been very slow. Please note that as we are going through the process of upgrading our server and while this is occurring access through Xuno maybe slow.

Newsletter in term 3

The newsletter is one of the major ways of communicating to college community. Mrs Julie Maxfield in the office does a great job of editing and publishing the newsletter to make sure that the whole community is kept up to date with what is happening at the college. The newsletter has traditionally been sent home to families in hard copy. As of the start of term 3 the newsletter will not be sent home in hard copy. It will be distributed electronically. It will be available on the website, through XUNO, Facebook and email. I encourage the college community to access it through their preferred medium to keep up to date with the college activities. We will make a limited number of hard copies available for those who wish to continue accessing the information through the traditional method. If anyone wants a hard copy they can drop into the office and pick up a newsletter.
Woolworths Earn & Learn 2015
This year we will again be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From Wednesday 15 July to Tuesday 8 September, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it’s complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at Horsham Woolworths.

At the end of the promotion, we’ll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you’d like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn.

The Week that was! (Last week of term 2)

Careers Expo
Tuesday, June 23 was the Western Victoria Careers Expo day. Our year 10, 11 and 12 cohort attended the Expo at Longerenong College. The students who attended started the process of ‘life after school’ and where to when it comes to a career. It was a great way for them to explore endless possibilities of job opportunities. I enjoyed sharing the day with our students and helping them to start thinking about what is possible after they finish their secondary education.

Tony Goodwin
Principal
**Parent Survey**

We have created a survey based on the school culture at Murtoa College which will inform us of your opinions on a range of school functions. It is very important to include our school community and gain accurate and relevant information, rather than base decisions on assumptions. If you could please complete this survey (see link below) on your smartphone, iPad, laptop or desktop computer we would be very appreciative. **SURVEY CLOSES on Sunday 26th July, 2015.**

[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KSWK7VK](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KSWK7VK)

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**PRIMARY NEWS**

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Welcome back! We trust that everybody had a safe and enjoyable holiday. This term will be quite busy for the Foundation to Year 6 students with interviews, Murtoa College Science Awards, athletics, incursions and excursions, a Curriculum Day, Book Week and Literacy Week.

On Tuesday 28th July we will be conducting Parent-Teacher Interviews from 1:30pm to 6pm. The secondary students will also be having interviews on the same day from 3:30pm to 6pm. This will be the first year time that parents of F-6 students will need to book interviews online using the Xuno Parent and Student Portal. Instructions will be published in next week’s newsletter and on our Facebook page.

On Wednesday 29th July we (the staff) will be having a Curriculum Day in Horsham to work on school improvement policies and curriculum development. The day is very important for school and students will not be expected at school on that day. We thank you for your understanding.

We would like to welcome Mrs Linda Kelly who is filling in for Mrs Noonan for the first 2 weeks of this term. Mrs Kelly is a very experienced teacher who has worked with us on numerous occasions in the past. Miss Prue Eldridge is also joining us for the entire term in place of Mrs Coutts who is on leave too. Miss Eldridge is a very passionate and enthusiastic teacher from Horsham who we are very excited to have in the Year 2/3 and Year 3/4 classes. We trust that you will all make them both feel welcome, so please introduce yourself if you have the opportunity.

Mr Brad Venn  
Acting Assistant Principal
Students of the Week

Back row: Makai, Tilda, James, Reece, Ryan and Lochie.
Front row: Logi

Reading Awards

Back row: Barney, Lochie and Josiah.

Primary Assembly Hosting

Week 1 – Year 5/6
Week 2 – Year 3/4
Week 3 – Year 2/3
Week 4 – Year F/1
Week 5 – Year 5/6
Week 6 – Year 3/4
Week 7 – Year 2/3
Week 8 – Year F/1
## Murtoa College

### Sport Dates for Term 3 & 4, 2015

#### Term 3

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For more information and details of GWR and State events please refer to SSV website. See below.

[www.ssv.vic.edu.au](http://www.ssv.vic.edu.au)

The place to go to find all information regarding Victorian School Sport

“Save it in your favourites”

Once in the site, navigate your way using the blue rectangular buttons down the left hand side.

You will find; dates, draws, competition conditions, results and photos.

On the 'Home' pages you will find a calendar as well as important competition dates and Coordinator contact details.

For the Greater Western Region information:

- Sports Regions
- Greater Western Sports Region
- Greater Western Sports
- (Select the required sport)

For your Division information:

- Sports Regions
- Greater Western Sports Region
- Greater Western Secondary Division
- (Select your Division name)
- (Select ‘Division Name’ Sports)
- (Select the required sport)

Please look at any other relevant pages on the website.

You will find the most up to date information on all aspects of School Sport in Victoria.
Semester Two Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent teacher interviews for all secondary students will take place on **Tuesday July 28**\(^{th}\). 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 logging on to the XUNO portal at the address below using your username and password that the college has sent to you.

![portal.murtoasc.vic.edu.au](https://example.com/portal.murtoasc.vic.edu.au)

After logging on, navigate your way to the interviews using the menu.

Bookings can be created and edited until **MIDDAY on Tuesday July 28**\(^{th}\).

If you cannot access the XUNO website please contact the general office and they will arrange bookings with your student’s teachers.
MMFNC Football/Netball Information

Training in Murtoa

Team Photo’s – Link to Web Page - www.picprint.com.au, follow the prompts.

Football

U17’s
Well what a big week it has been in football, the under 17 boys have been hard at it over the holidays. First we played Nhill and the progress toward a win was on show but the boys we're badly beaten, there was some great team goals and improvement throughout the day.
Goals; Jake Ballagh 1 David Horvat 1 and Hayden Farlow 1
Best; Fergus Schier, Josh Boak, Jake Ballagh, Hayden Farlow, Charlie Taylor and Sam Leith

The following week we welcomed Dimboola to Murtoa and BINGO the boys finally came away with a well deserved win, great team football and encouragement, Captain decided to be in everything as did Josh P, Fergus and Sam with Nic and Joe hitting the scoreboard hard, well done a relieved couple of coaches kept their jobs a bit longer.
Goals; Nic Kelson 4, Joe Gardy 3, Josh Boak 2 Riley Keel, Connor Marsh, David Horvat 1 each
Best; Nic Kelson, Josh Petering, Fergus Schier, Sam Leith, Connor Marsh and Aaron McQueen

Back to Back wins who would have thought, confidence growing, belief soaring and goals a plenty for the mighty Burra juggernaut, Nic and Ferg were again in everything as were Sam, Boaky and Andy "the Bolt " Edgerton the coaches and manager could get used to this winning feeling, go boys.
Goals; Nic Kelson 4, Joe Gardy 2, Sam Leith 2, and Andy Edgerton 1
Best; Nic Kelson, Fergus Schier, Sam Leith, Josh Boak, Andy Edgerton and Riley Keel.
Let's keep that winning feeling, training at Murtoa this week

Derek Cameron 0428 316 319 derekjcameron30@gmail.com
Bruce Gardy 0428 861 922 jbgardy@bigpond.com

U14’s
Gallant effort by the young Burras against Warrack Eagles this week. Controlled allot of the field play, just unable to apply the scoreboard pressure. Jordy Del continued his good form with a best on ground performance. Bailey Young had his best game for the year.
Goals; Ronan Garth-Lindsay, Darcy Edgerton, Nic Ballagh, Connor Drum
Best; Jordy Del (Minyip Comm Bank) Darcy Edgerton (Milford Stores) Bailey Young (Bellvue Trading) Riley Drum, Rhys Pidgeon, Dom Hateley
Result: MM 4/5/29 Warrack 7/3/45
Gavin Young 0417 372 120
Team Manager – Leigh Bell 0427 861 409 bellvale552@gmail.com

Auskick/U 12’s
Training this Thursday.
Winter certainly hit in Minyip on Saturday. Warrack were just too tall and seemed to be everywhere. Final scores were 28 to 39. Goal kickers were one a piece to Alex Dean, Jack Dean, Will Burke and Brazer McKenzie.
There are no games for the next 2 weeks.
Just a reminder that the U12’s team photo is available online for purchase at www.picprint.com.au.

Nat Johnston 0428852308 natalie.johnson8@bigpond.com
Community Health Centre
23-25 Church St. MINYIP 3382
PH. 53 83 1200

Hospital/Nursing Home
89 Cromie St. RUPANYUP 3388
PH. 53 85 5700

Community Health Centre
20 Mara St. MURTOA 3390
PH. 53 83 0400

Surgery Rupanyup
91 Cromie St. RUPANYUP 3388
PH. 53 85 3715

Community Bus to Horsham
2nd Tuesday of the month
14 July, 11 Aug, 8 Sept, 13 Oct, 10 Nov, 8 Dec.
Pick up times approx
Minyip - 9.30 am
Rupanyup - 9.50 am
Murtoa - 10.10 am
Pamphlet available.

Take-A-Break
Occasional Childcare
Rupanyup: 13 & 27 Jul. 10 & 24 Aug
Minyip: 17 & 31 Jul, 14 & 28
Your infant/pre-school child can be cared for by qualified carers (who undergo regular ‘Working With Children’ and ‘Police Checks’) at the local kindergarten for 3-hours, 9 am till 12 midday.
Please supply a piece of fruit for your child along with nappies, formula and any other necessities.
Milk and water is supplied.
Child Care subsidy is available to reduce the cost of childcare. Families can apply for CCB by phoning the Family Assistance Office on 136 150 or visiting the Medicare Office. Pamphlet & info available from the Take-A-Break Carer or Minyip CHC.
Bookings essential: 53631 200

AMALGAMATION UP-DATE
It has been a long wait from the community and staff consultations review in August 2014 till this point in time - July 2015. This review illustrated that our Dunmuckle communities valued the broad range of community health services, having access to a medical practitioner and maintaining the Rupanyup Nursing Home for residential aged care. It was in order to retain these valuable core services that the Board considered amalgamation.
Over this time there has been constant discussion about a possible merger/amalgamation with West Wimmera Health Service but no concrete outcome to report at this time.

Thank You
Donations from our Ladies Auxiliaries have been huge in this last 12-months amounting to close to $15,000. Purchases have included the following.
- Replacement lifting machine for the nursing home
- Carpet steam cleaner to be used at each campus
- Automatic blood pressure monitor-Murtoa
- Sphygmomanometer (BP) units
- Ophthalmoscope/otoscope-Rupanyup surgery
- $1000 toward education costs the doctor
- Toe-nail clippers and file for use across all campuses.
- Replacement cuffs and bladders for BP units
- A Battery for the Arjo lifting machine and a ‘standing sling’ for nursing home.
- Drug trolley for nursing home
- Hobo Pendant/Temp Alarm Loggers with Pendant Base Station and Alarm Thermometer to be used at the nursing home.
These extremely generous and hard-working ladies undertake morning teas, catering, raffles and cake stalls to supply the items that support our health service, work for which we are extremely grateful.

Healthy Bones Week coming up on August
Come and enjoy morning tea at the Minyip Community Heath Centre for a $2 donation.
We’re going to talk about the importance of keeping our bones strong and healthy and provide information about arthritis and osteoporosis.
Date to be advertised in the August edition!

Report on the Men’s Lunch for National Men’s Health Week
20 men took attended the lunch and were moved and impressed with guest speaker Gerry Smith who spoke of his health journey. His message for the men was to seek a second opinion if needed and to be aware of any changes in your body.