**IMPORTANT DATES**

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**Term 3 Week 7**

**Naplan Results**
The college Naplan 2015 reporting package results have been posted out. Students in year 3, 5, 7 and 9 who sat the Naplan tests have had their individual reports posted to their home address. The Naplan student reports are confidential documents that contain personal information about each student. I know parents are very interested in the results but these results are just one measure used in monitoring student growth. If, any parents have questions or are concerned about the results please contact the college for assistance. The information being passed onto the college from the VCAA is comprehensive and the teachers will be using this data to help assist them in making sure all students are achieving the required academic growth.

**Planned Maintenance Funding**
The college received some positive news from the Department of Education and Training (DET) last week. We have been allocated $158,000 for planned maintenance of our Technology wing. This is part of the Victorian Government 2015-16 planned maintenance program. The wing is very old and some parts of the audit report indicate that parts of the building are in a poor state. This funding will allow us to undertake a long overdue upgrade. We welcome this funding and over the next few months the upgrade will occur. I will keep you informed.

**Grampians Secondary School Principals’ Network Meeting**
Last week I attended the Grampians Secondary School Principals’ Network meeting held at Dimboola Memorial Secondary College. This meeting provides a unique opportunity to gain direct feedback from a DET Senior Education Officer and also from a representative of the Victorian Association of Secondary School Principals. The information provided is invaluable in assisting schools to keep informed of the latest developments in education across Victoria. Other guest speakers and regular reports from various education sub-committees also serve to keep schools across the Wimmera/Central Grampians region well informed. All principals involved value the opportunity provided to network directly with other principals. We are able to seek and provide advice and to share good news stories about what is happening in their schools.

**Staff Survey**
From Monday 24th August the School Staff Survey will be open for all staff in Victorian Government schools. This year staff will be required to complete the School Climate and School Leadership modules. Staff will also be asked to complete additional modules on Staff Safety and Wellbeing, and Teaching and Learning. The survey results will provide the college leadership team with valuable feedback. We can determine the areas where the school is working well and the areas needing improvement. Moving forward this will give us a focus in the areas of School Climate and School Leadership.
Casual Clothes day
This Friday is the last day of the month and as such is casual clothes day for all who attended the college. I would like to ask students to wear casual clothes and donate a gold coin. This month’s donation will go to St. John’s Ambulance.

The week that was! (Week 3 Term 4)
Outdoor Education Camp to Bogong
Last week our Outdoor Education VCE students attended the Bogong Outdoor Education camp as part of their course. The week was a fantastic opportunity for students to spend time in an outdoor environment and to hone their skills that they have been learning in class here at the college. The snow was plentiful and the reports from the students I have spoken to have all been about a positive experience. I would like to thank Shannon Argall for organising this very successful camp.

F-6 Dunmunkle Athletics Carnival
The 2015 F-6 Dunmunkle Athletics Carnival took place last Friday August 2. All the F-6 students went to Minyip for the day and participate in the annual Athletics carnival. It was great day of activity and fun watching the younger students of the college running, jumping, throwing and participating in relays. I enjoyed my visit to the carnival and enjoyed seeing our student participating and demonstrating a variety of our school values. I would like to thank all our staff, students and families for making the day a fun and memorable day.

Tony Goodwin
Principal

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Dear parents, please excuse any apostrophe related grammatical errors in the Student and Parent Portal assessment task comments. The program is failing to consistently hold the punctuation in many comments and after numerous attempts by staff to ensure their reporting is error free; they have had to surrender until The Xuno team can amend the errors in their programming. We aim to provide timely and accurate feedback to all parents, but we are bound by the systems we have in place. Please accept our sincerest apologies
VCAL Projects

Over the last 5 months in VCAL the year 11 students have been working on many different projects. All of the projects that have completed are for the school and the local town of Murtoa. Some of the projects that have been undertaken are nail painting for the elderly at the flats, cleaning up the court yard, cleaning up the chairs, boxing up slabs for benches at the lake and also making of a picnic table for the school.

By Jackson Welsh and Angus Gilsenan.

Brandon is painting rust guard on his seat.

Georgia is painting Dot Chenoweth’s nails at her house

Jack grinding his table to clean it up

Rhys and Ryan laying some pavers in the magical garden
Would you like the chance of winning $1 000 and a $25 000 Kitchen Kart for Murtoa College? Keep reading then!

Thanks to a partnership with Get Kids Cooking, AIS and Nestlé Healthy Active Kids Program is giving parents and carers the opportunity to nominate their child’s school to win a Kitchen Kart valued at $25,000. The winning entry also receives $1000 cash to go towards keeping their family healthy and active!

We are asking parents and carers to visit the Healthy Active Kids website and enter Murtoa College in the competition - Enter in 100 words or less, “Why is it important to get your kids cooking?”

Ensure you include the following details on the entry form; Murtoa College, Webb St, Murtoa, VIC, 3390 and Principal – Tony Goodwin.

It's also packed full of educational games, videos, recipes and activities to help kids live a healthy, active life at school and at home. [https://www.healthyactivekids.com.au](https://www.healthyactivekids.com.au)

Dates:

- Tuesday 25th August, CEP Performance in Rupanyup
- Tuesday 25th August, 2016 Foundation Parent Information Session
- Friday 28th August, Casual Clothes Day
- Friday 18th September, Final Day of Term

Primary News

We are incredibly proud of the Foundation to Year 6 students for their efforts, endeavour, sportsmanship and positive behaviour throughout the day. The weather may have been challenging, but that was not enough to dampen their spirits or desire to perform at their personal best. Congratulations to our wonderful students! (Please visit our Facebook page for photos)

Thank you to all of the parents and family members who attended, supported and assisted in running events. It would not have been possible without you! Thank you to the Advance students and Mr Sachse for providing extra assistance, coordinating events and offering help where required. Thank you to the support staff; Andrea, Leanne, Min, Sharon and Sheryl for assisting with specific age groups, giving staff breaks and promoting positive relationships.

Finally, thank you to the teaching staff; Miss Barratt, Mrs Venn, Ms Boehm, Miss Eldridge, Mrs Noonan and Mrs Jenion. Your management and positivity was evident throughout the day and allowed our students to compete in a manner which reflects our college values.
The Murtoa College Science Awards were a fantastic success last week. Our students proudly presented and discussed their experiments and investigations with the judges, other students, teachers, family members and the community. The projects were of an incredibly high standard which is a credit to the students and staff who should all be incredibly proud of their achievements.

This week we have a number of exciting events too! This week is National Book Week and next week is Literacy Week, so we will have a huge focus on literacy over the fortnight with some great activities and events too. On Tuesday we’ll all head off to Rupanyup for the CEP performance ‘The Bremen Town Musicians’ and then return just in time for the kindergarten students visit and 2016 Foundation Parent Information Session at 12:45pm. It is also Casual Clothes Day on Friday.

Mr Brad Venn
Assistant Principal

Students of the Week

Everyone involved in the Science Awards and DSSA Athletics last week!

Primary Assembly Hosting

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Birthdays

- Tuesday 25\textsuperscript{th} August - Jake’s 8\textsuperscript{th} birthday
- Sunday 30\textsuperscript{th} August – Larrissa’s 12\textsuperscript{th} birthday

Primary Art - Donations of recycled items.

Thank you to those parents who have been bringing in boxes and containers for our primary art program. We appreciate your donations. At present we have enough materials to last for the next few months and do not require any more donated items. We will keep you informed when we are in need of more items.
# Sport Dates for Term 3 & 4, 2015

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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:

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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.
MMFNC Football/Netball Information

Training in Murtoa

Junior Presentation Day – 20th September @ Minyip

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

Football

U17’s

"Jesaulenko, You Beauty" What a great way to end a challenging yet fulfilling season, miles of improvement, heaps of determination, and heaps of enthusiasm, but best of all a great win. This week the boys took on a determined Warrack Eagles who were also looking for that elusive win to end the season, but the Burra Boys weren't going in half-hearted and gave their all from the first bounce to the final siren.

Dom was into everything in the mid field or up forward, Dave was patrolling half back, The on-ballers were getting first use of the ball and moving it forward with heaps of skill and precision, a wildcard was sent forward by the name of Aaron McQueen and immediate results were had, 2 first quarter goals and another to Hayden, Great move by the Super Coaches.

After half time the boys continued the pressure and the results were very pleasing indeed, Matt was taking strong marks, Josh Leith was playing well in the ruck and Nic was getting busy around the ground, all in all a fantastic win and well deserved.

Congratulations to Jake Ballagh on getting a "Spirit of Football" award, well deserved.

Goals; Aaron McQueen 2, Hayden Farlow 1, Corey Chenoweth 1, Charlie Taylor 1, Nic Kelso 1, Dave Horvat 1

Best; Dominic Hateley, Dave Horvat, Sam Leith, Jake Ballagh, Aaron McQueen, Joe Gardy

Derek Cameron 0428 316 319 derejkcameron30@gmail.com
Bruce Gardy 0428 861 922 jbgardy@bigpond.com

U14’s

Last game for the season on Saturday was an arm wrestle from the get go. Down a couple of goals at half time, the boys had a ripper third quarter to level it up at three quarter time. Even last quarter going down by just one goal at the final siren.

All boys showed great improvement throughout the year. Many thanks must go to coach Gavin Young for his great work.


Goals: Brayden Rundell, Logan Petering, Darcy Edgerton, Jack Pidgeon

Best: Darcy Edgerton, Jordy Delahunty, Riley Drum, Jordy Weyberg, Logan Petering, Cody Bell

Gavin Young 0417 372 120

Team Manager – Leigh Bell 0427 861 409 bellvale552@gmail.com

Auskick/U 12's

It was our last game for season 2015 yesterday and what a great game it was. The boys were everywhere with the final score being Minyip Murtoa 61 to Warrack 1. Goal kickers were one each to Darcy Keel, Jack Dean, Will Burke and Brazer McKenzie, two to Deacon Campbell and Oscar Gawith three. The Minyip Community Bank Award went to Oscar Gawith.
Wilson Mitchell, Brazer McKenzie, Will Gellatly, Noah Horvat, Deacon Campbell and Will Burke received the McDonalds Awards. Rhys Pidgeon and Jack Dean received the Wendy's Awards.

The boys have done well all season and it’s great to see their confidence and skills develop over the year. I hope it’s been fun. A huge thank you to Gibba and Moon for taking on the coaching positions for Auskick and U12's, fantastic job and I am very grateful to you both. A big thanks to the parents who willingly helped out with umpiring or other jobs on Thursdays and Saturdays, much appreciated.

Also, thanks Mal for your support when needed.

There are still a few jumpers to be handed back now that the season is over. Can parents please get them back to me so they can be ready for the next season.

From ‘SuperCoach’ Gibba – “I would like to thank Nat Johnston for the work she has done in the under 12’s this season.

Nat organises the jumpers, drinks and helmets, Auskick packs, times for the games and general questions and enquiries from parents. I would also like to thank Moon Coutts for his assistance and other parents who helped out during training”.

Nat Johnston 0428852308  natalie.johnson8@bigpond.com

**Netball**

What a great end to the season, finishing up with a pie/quiz night at training on Thursday night, was a great night had by all, then the last round of the season was played at Murtoa against Warrack Eagles before finals kick in next weekend!!

**FINALS ACTION**

We have a few teams playing in some finals next weekend so it would be great to see some of you come along and support these teams if you possibly can.

First of all on Saturday at ARARAT we have our B grade side taking on Horsham Demons at 1.15pm, then what will be an awesome game we have our A graders battling it out with Warrack Eagles at 2.45pm.

Then on Sunday at HORSHAM we have our 15A girls playing Warrack Eagles at 10.50, which will be a great elimination round, wishing all these girls the best of luck!!

**GO BURRAS**

Training for the 15A girls will be Thursday night at MURTOA starting at 5pm

Junior presentation day will be held at MINYIP on the 20th September, more details to follow when they come to hand.

**13 & Under** did very well against Warrack Eagles. Many thanks to our Coaches Stevie Bibby and Kristy Davidson for giving their time and effort into improving the girls in their skills.

Minyip Murtoa 7 to Warrack Eagles 44

Awards went to Jaye Farlow, Lily Horvat and everyone!

**15 & Under A** played a very strong game against Warrack Eagles. Positional changes worked well and the girls put in for the whole four quarters demonstrating why they will be playing finals next week!

Minyip Murtoa 37 to Warrack Eagles 23

Maddi Morgan was best on court, followed by Eadie Garth-Lindsay and Courtney Campbell.

**17 & Under.** A wonderful come from behind win in the last quarter! All the girls “put in” under extreme pressure and never gave up. Many thanks to Kristin Starick for coaching, Alison Adams for Team Manager Duties and Louise Chesterfield for First Aid.

Minyip Murtoa 22 to Warrack Eagles 21

Awards went to Karina Drum, Jessica Warrick and Maddison Watts.

Jess Whyte - 0428 837381  MMNC Junior Coordinator
ARE YOU 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 2016, 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 29 October 2015.

THE PORTSEA CAMP
2016

FOR ALL CHILDREN OF THE YARRIAMIACK SHIRE COUNCIL

Monday 11th January to Sunday 17th January 2016

The Yarramiack Shire Council is offering a fun filled seaside holiday for all children of the Shire between the ages of 9 to 12 years. The Shire Council has provided the opportunity for children to attend this camp for many years. The children who attended have totally enjoyed themselves and many wish to return the following year.

The Portsea Camp has been running since 1946 and has a well deserved reputation for providing, safe holidays and entertainment for. Entertainment includes: snorkeling, swimming, high ropes, flying fox, giant swing, canoeing, arts & craft activities, strolls on the beach, movies, plus many more other fun things to do. If not sit back relax and watch the ferries float past and maybe see a dolphin or two swim by. A HOLIDAY NOT TO BE MISSED!!!

Total cost for each child to attend The Portsea Camp is $227.00. Yarramiack Shire subsidise $100.00 per child for up to 30 children. If these spaces are filled the opportunity for more children to attend is available at full cost of $327.00.

All applications and payment must be handed in to Yarramiack Shire Council office by Friday 20th November 2015. Application forms are available at the Shire Council Office (Warracknabeal). Please phone 5398 0100 if you require an application form to be posted.

Any Volunteers interested in attending the camp willing to assist with children, or have any queries please contact Michelle Hallam (03) 5398 0100.