**IMPORTANT DATES**

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**Term 4 Week 7**

**Student Leaders for 2016**

One of the most important aspects of school governance is the student voice. This is an element that involves the students having clear leadership opportunities and the ability to have their ideas heard. Murtoa College has always provided opportunities for students to develop their leadership and we have continued to provide these opportunities in a range of ways.

The college captains for 2016 have been decided. The aim of this was to have senior and junior students be the school leaders of the student body and for them to represent the college. We have been well served by the previous college captains and vice captains. They are listed on the honour board in the foyer of the administration building.

The selection process for both the senior captains and junior captains for 2016 occurred earlier this term. Year 11 and Year 5 student’s nominated themselves to be considered for the college captains and vice-captains positions. The two selection panel were spoilt for choice. At the conclusion of the process, the panel decided on two captains and two vice-captains in both the senior and junior area of the college. In 2016 Murtoa College Captains and Vice Captains are listed below.

I am looking forward to them being outstanding leaders of the college and I believe that they will continue in the same vein as their predecessors.

The place of leadership in the college context can be best summed up by the former US president John Quincy Adams, who stated “If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader.”

**Senior School Leaders**

**Captain**

- Fergus Schier

**Captain**

- Erika Ritosa

**Vice Captain**

- Corey Chenoweth

**Vice Captain**

- Jessica Boan
VCE Exams
Our year 12 students have finished sitting their VCE exams. The feedback I have gained from speaking to the students who have completed exams is a sense of relief and one of being nervous as they now wait for the results to come out on Monday December 14.

Finish of term 4
The 2015 academic year now focuses on year 11 and 10 exams. Our year 11 cohort have their last week of formal classes in preparation for their exams staring on Monday November 23. The year 10’s follow them in week 9. While all this is going on we welcome our 2016 new foundation students next Friday for their first transition day. These kindergarten students are looking forward to starting primary school and over the next few weeks will attend the college to prepare for the 2016 school year. The rest of our current students will also experience the upcoming transition period in early December to prepare for moving up a year level in 2016.

Presentation Evening
I would like to remind The Murtoa community that our presentation evening is on Wednesday December 16. I look forward to seeing many of you at that night to help us celebrate the year that was for our student body.

Remembrance Day
This year the 11th of November marked the 97th anniversary of the Armistice which ended the First World War (1914–18). I would like to congratulate the whole school on the excellent behaviour displayed during our Remembrance Day Commemorations, showing the greatest respect to those who have died or suffered in all wars and armed conflicts. Special thanks go to the year 10 students, year 8 students and junior school captains who attended the Murtoa cenotaph with various staff and laid a wreath. Also thanks to Fergus Schier and Erika Ritosa who read out the remembrance oath to the whole school.

Tony Goodwin
Principal


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As mentioned last week the Murtoa College end of year Presentation Evening is fast approaching. This night acknowledges the excellent efforts of our students and the support given to our college by our valued sponsors. The second award to be highlighted is ‘The Marg Hamilton Visual Arts Prize’.

**THE MARG HAMILTON VISUAL ARTS PRIZE**

This award is in memory of Marg Hamilton, whose passion, enthusiasm and promotion of the visual arts was an inspiration to all.

Marg was appointed to Murtoa High School in the mid 70s as an Art Teacher. She quickly established herself as a dedicated teacher. She was very community minded and always willing to lend a hand. Around the College and the town there are many lasting reminders of Marg’s artistic flair. Ceramic sculptures in the quadrangle and friezes attached to the staffroom wall are products of special projects undertaken by Marg’s classes.

The criteria for this award is: The student must have an affinity to work with a range of materials and techniques. A willingness to take risks to explore their creative potential along with an appreciation for other students and artists work. They must have sensitivity towards the Arts and a creative flair. The award is valued at $50.

**MS FOOD TECHNOLOGY**

**FOOD STALL - Tuesday 17th November**

Pizza Pinwheels and Fruit Sticks. = 50 cents each

Tomorrow (Tuesday) the second group of 9/10 MS Food & Technology students will have their food stall as part of their assessment for the unit on ‘Catering for Others’. Students will be selling their produce at lunchtime near the canteen with funds going towards the end of year camps and excursions.

The MS Food & Technology students that held their food stall last Friday would like to thank the students and staff of the College for supporting their venture.
Victorian All Schools Track & Field Championships

Albert Park

Friday November 6th - Sunday November 8th 2015

Darcy Edgerton competed again, against top Victorian students at the Athletics Victoria All Schools event at Lakeside Stadium in Melbourne earlier this month.

He was entered into 100m and Javelin for the Under 15 Years boys group.

Again, an outstanding performance by competing at this level and we congratulate Darcy on his efforts.

Darcy Edgerton

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Thank you to Darcy’s family for entering and taking him to this event.

ZooWhiz expiry date extended

Apparently parents have been interested in this program and have requested an extension on the offer past the expiry date printed on the Home Access Discount Cards. I have been informed that this has happened and is now 31st December, 2015.

If you have lost your Home Access Discount Card use the code below:

CWRD-EUWD-YCHG

I have been given a detailed sheet if you are interested. Please see Mrs Reading or visit www.zoowhiz.com/csp or call 02 6776 0200 if you have any questions!

Scholastic Book Club

Scholastic has extended the closing date for Issue 8 orders to November 30th. If you would like to collect your order personally, just let me know and I will ring you when they arrive.

Book Fair – last week!

The Scholastic book fair finishes this Friday 20th November. Still plenty of bargain books available. Thanks to all those that have supported the Fair so far. I will be drawing winners of the buyer’s prizes later in the week, as well as incentive prizes for the Premiers Reading Challenge.

Jenny Reading
Primary News

Last week the Foundation to Year 6 students were exceptionally well behaved on the excursion to Marnoo for our final County Education Program performance for the year. The Man from Ironbark was told charismatically and with musical support. From all reports it was another good show. We are currently planning the 2016 program and will once again attempt to expose the students to a range of presentations.

On Tuesday the Year 6 students will be ‘stepping up’ to Year 7 for the day. They will also be joined by students from Horsham, Minyip, Murtoa and Rupanyup. The students have been split into two classes and will be accessing a range of subjects taught by (predominantly) Year 7 teachers. We hope the students have an enjoyable day. To ensure that they are prepared for Year 7 we will also be inviting the Dunmunkle Year 6 students to visit again next Tuesday from recess until lunch.

Mr Brad Venn
Assistant Principal

Students of the Week

Back row: Cleo and Larrissa.
Front row: Hayley, Ebony, Emily and Zachary.

Reading Awards

Back row: Zachary, Josiah, Kobe, Johnno, Elijah, Archie and Reece.
Front row: Natalie, Hayley, Noah, Will and Lily.
State Primary Track & Field

Albert Park

Monday October 26th 2015

Cleo Baker (Year 6) and Noah Horvat (Year 4) represented our Primary School at the State Finals for Track and Field this year.

At the Greater Western Region Finals last month, Cleo qualified for State by winning the 100m and Triple Jump, and Noah in Long Jump and Triple Jump.

It was a HUGE experience for both students and one they will always remember as the competed against the top Track and Field athletes in their age groups in Victoria. We celebrate their abilities in coming this far.

Thank you to the families for taking them to this event.

Cleo Baker
12-13 years girls
- 100m  9th out of 14 competitors  14.39 sec
- Triple Jump  12th out of 16 competitors  8.74m

Noah Horvat
9-10 years boys
- Long Jump  13th out of 15 competitors  4.54m
- Triple Jump  10th out of 16 competitors  7.98m
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