Term 3 Week 5

Whole School Assembly
This Thursday August 18 is the third term whole school assembly. As usual we will be celebrating plenty of the student’s successes over the recent period of time. These will include Values awards, Academic awards and Sporting awards. It is always a pleasure to acknowledge the students who are doing well in a variety of areas. I would like to invite the whole college community to join us for these celebrations. The assembly details are as follows:

Date: 18/08/2016
Day: Thursday
Time: 9.00am
Venue: Stadium

F-6 Dunmunkle Athletics Carnival
The 2016 F-6 Dunmunkle Athletics Carnival is going to take place this Friday. All the F-6 students will make their own way to Marnoo for the day and participate in the annual Athletics carnival. It is a great day of activity and fun watching the younger students of the college running, jumping and participating in relays. I will be at the carnival and I look forward to seeing all our student participating and demonstrating a variety of our school values. I would like to invite any parents and friends of our students to join us at Marnoo.

Science Week
This week is Science Week at the College. The students and staff will be celebrating Science Week with a variety of activities.

The week that was! (Week 5 Term 3)

Sheridan Baker wins at Royal South Street
Congratulations to Sheridan Baker who has won the Piano Solo by an Australian Composer (Mendelson) in the 16 years and under category at the recent Royal South Street Competitions in Ballarat. This is Sheridan’s 7th year competing in the RSSC and each year she has been able to medal her respective category. This is an amazing result for a student who is passionate about her music. This year she passed her grade 6 piano practice with great results and this helped her with the performance at the RSSC. Her teacher Anne Hammerton needs to be thanked for making this journey over the last 7 years such a pleasure. Well done Sheridan!
Eadie Garth-Lindsay’s Netball success
Eadie Garth-Lindsay had success with her Netball last week. She came third in the MVP voting in the under 17 Wimmera Netball competition. This is great recognition for Eadie who generally plays in defence for the Minyip/Murtoa U/17 Netball Team. Congratulations Eadie!

Year 10 Parent Information Session – For students going into year 11
The parent information session that was held last Wednesday, August 10 to outline the year 11 educational options available to students in 2017 was well supported. 80% of our year 10 cohort attended with at least one family member. The session provided information about VCE, VET, VCAL, SBA and other options available to students intending to continue their education into year 11 and 12. The evening introduced parents to the appropriate staff who will be able to provide assistance and direction throughout their child’s year 11 and 12 schooling. I would like to thank Mr Andrew Vague for organising the evening and also thank the staff who attended and provided advice and support.

Jason Sleep
Jason Sleep came and spoke to all students in year 5 to 10 last week. As you can see he is an amputee who as a young person took risks that changed his life forever. The talk he gave to the students was amazing and very informative. He discussed the risk taking and decision making, and how these things affect your life. He then got the students into wheel chairs and gave them the chance to experience life as he sees it. Thank you to Mr Venn for organising this interesting speaker.

Tony Goodwin
Principal

CONGRATULATIONS SHERIDAN
Foundation - Year 6 News

The time has finally arrived for our annual Dunmunkle Schools Sports Association Athletics. Please ensure your child/ren arrive by 9AM at Marnoo Recreational Reserve this Friday. It is likely to be a cool day, so keep an eye on the weather forecast and make sure you and your children are dressed accordingly. Our students are required to wear their school polo shirts to make them identifiable to us, the other competing schools and coordinating teachers. We encourage our students to participate in every event and demonstrate The College values throughout the day.

Thank you to all of the families who returned the Pie Drive orders last week. It is wonderful fundraiser for the Foundation to Year 6 section of the school. The funds allow us to invest in events and resources that we may otherwise not be able to.

**African Drumming**

Last Tuesday we had an African Drumming incursion in the Multi-Purpose Room. Our F-6 students attended in two groups and were given their own drum to use during the session. They were repeating patterns, creating new drum beats and actively involved throughout the incursion. It was an engaging, entertaining and educational experience for all involved.
On Thursday, Jason Sleep returned to Murtoa College to deliver his WheelTalk School Awareness Program to the Year 5 to 9 students. The aim of the program is to raise disability awareness and promote the benefits of a healthy lifestyle. The program encourages students to think about diversity, acceptance and disability sports as well as give a greater understanding to the issues facing people with disability. Jason delivered a series of powerful messages to our students in a charismatic and often confronting manner. His love of extreme sports and seeking adrenaline rushes saw him take huge risks from an early age. So when an injury from a quad-bike accident left Jason paraplegic, he was determined to pick himself up and follow his passions. He is a World Champion water-skier and four-time Australian champion who lives life to its fullest and left our students with one final message - "Never focus on what you can't do, focus on what you can."

Important Dates

Week 6 - Thursday 18th August - Whole School Assembly at 9AM in the Stadium
Week 6 - Friday 19th August - DSSA Athletics in Marnoo
Week 7 - Thursday 25th August - Mini-Olympics
Week 7 - Friday 26th August - Casual Clothes Day
Week 8 - Thursday 1st & Friday 2nd September - Nhill Dental Clinic
Week 10 - Friday 16th September - Casual Clothes Day and Last Day of Term 3 (2:30PM finish)

Foundation - Year 6 Assembly Schedule

Week 6 - Year F/1 with Miss Barratt
Week 7 - Mini-Olympics
Week 8 - Year 5/6 with Mrs Noonan
Week 9 - Year 3/4 with Ms Boehm
Week 10 - Year 1/2/3 with Mrs Venn

Birthdays

Wednesday 10th August - Bridget
Friday 12th August - Alyssa
Saturday 20th August - Emily B
Scholastic Book Club

Issue 6 brochures were sent home last week. Orders need to be finalised by this Wednesday, August 31.

Premier’s Reading Challenge

The Premier’s Reading Challenge finishes up on Friday 9th September. No data can be entered after this date. It is preferable that you enter the data yourself as I only have access to the books that students borrow through our library. See me in the library or visit the website for information on the Challenge.

http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/events/prc/Pages/default.aspx

Congratulations to the 32 students who have finished the Challenge.

Sport Dates for 2016

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Basketball

Basketball is to go ahead for the 2016/17 season. Referees are a major issue affecting the survival and continuation of the successful basketball competition in Murtoa that has developed over a 20yr period.

We are requesting more involvement of interesting people in the running of the competition by way of refereeing, coaching, scoring and any other contribution that is brought to our attention. A Level ‘O’ referee course will be held before the start of the next competition. If interested names must be given to Marie.

Players names for next competition taken by Marie 0419 852 227 by Friday 26th August,
Do you love swimming? Want to have fun? Want to meet new friends? Want to learn new skills? Have access to great coaches? Do you love the thrill of a race? Do you dream of becoming a FUTURE OLYMPIAN?

Swimming is for EVERYBODY

Then why not come along and see what Horsham "SHARKS" Swimming club is all about at our COME AND TRY NIGHTS

6:30pm - 8pm Monday 22\textsuperscript{nd} & Wednesday 24\textsuperscript{th} August

Where: Horsham Aquatic centre

Prerequisite: Ability to swim two different strokes as 50m

Information: Provided by club representatives and coaches on the night

contact: 0409 189 037 for further information.