**IMPORTANT DATES**

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**Term 4 Week 4**

**Year 12 Exams**
This week is the start of year 12 students VCE exams. They will start with English on Wednesday. We wish all our year 12 students the best of luck with their exams in the coming weeks.

**Casual Clothes day**
This Friday is the last day of the month and as usual it is a casual clothes day. All students are encouraged to wear casual clothes and contribute a gold coin. This week the money raised will be donated to our SRC to raise funds for their selected project in 2017.

**SSV State Primary Athletics Championships – Noah Horvat**
Noah will be competing at the SSV State Primary Athletics finals today, Monday October 24. The championships are held at Olympic Park in Melbourne. He is competing in 1 event. (Boys 11 years Long Jump) The college community and I would like to wish him the best of luck.

**Years 4, 5, 6 Camp – Robe, SA**
On Wednesday this week all our years 4, 5 and 6 students will set off on their annual camp. They will travel to Robe in SA for a three day camp with the students from Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic PS. Mr Brad Venn, Mrs Nicole Noonan, Ms Jenna Barratt, Mrs Andrea Berger and Mrs Sheryl Jordan will escort our 43 students for the duration of the camp. We wish them a safe journey and hope they have great fun over the three days.

**Reminder - students to wear hats in the school yard.**
I would like to remind families that the warm weather will arrive soon and that we need students coming to school prepared. Hats must be worn at all times in the yard and we need to carry a water bottle so the students stay hydrated. Also, wear the appropriate school uniform so they do not get too hot.
Holiday Weekend
This weekend coming is a 4 day long weekend for the college community. As such just a gentle reminder that next Monday is a curriculum day for all staff and so students are not required at school and Tuesday is a public holiday (Melbourne Cup) and as such the college will be closed.

The week that was!

Year 12 Final Celebrations
Last Tuesday night saw a wonderful celebration for the 2016 year 12 students. Over 150 people were present at the Horsham Golf club to celebrate the years 12 student’s conclusion to their 13 years of primary and secondary education. Mr Luke Mitton, the Environmental Health Officer for Horsham Rural Council and a past student of Murtoa College was the guest speaker. He did a presentation on his pathway since leaving school and on following your dreams and passions. One can only hope that this will help the outgoing students in their pursuit of their dreams. Thanks to Year 12’s for enjoying the celebration and sharing it with their families. Thank you to Mr Vague and Ricki Plevey for the organization of the evening’s proceedings. 13 current staff attended the evening to support the outgoing students.

Year 12 Final Day
Following on from the Tuesday night the Year 12 students had some fun at the College on the Wednesday morning with a staff run breakfast followed by a final assembly that the year 7 to 11 students attended. I was incredibly impressed with the respect shown by the students during their end of year celebrations. The fun activities were entertaining and done in the right spirit so student safety was at the forefront. It is a true sign of character that this is how students at Murtoa College carry themselves.

Minyip Field and Game School Shoot
Monday October 17 saw 35 of our students compete at the Minyip field and game school shoot competition. Both boys and girls shot well but were unplaced. Thanks to Mr Craig for organizing our students and the whole competition for close to 500 external students. Thanks also for their assistance must go to Mr Baker and Mr Collins.

SSV Athletics Championships – Cleo Baker
Cleo Baker competed at the SSV State Athletics finals for Secondary Schools students on Monday October 17. She represented the College with pride, passion and a great deal of effort. Cleo competed in the 13 years girl’s age group. She finished 7th in her 100m final and 4th in her 400m final. Congratulations and well done!

Last Wednesday afternoon October 19 saw the annual term Country Education Performance (CEP) take place for our F-6 college students. All our F-6 students went to the Mechanics hall for the performance along with students from Minyip PS, Rupanyup PS, Marnoo PS and Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic PS. Richard Scholes did a presentation called Crazy Science – ‘The Weather Report’. From all reports the performance was worth seeing and our students really enjoyed Richard’s crazy way of presenting a weather report.

Bike Marking
On Friday October 21 the Lions Club in conjunction with the local police from Stawell assisted the young people of Murtoa to help make their bikes safer. Mrs Jenny Williams coordinated a bike marking session at the college for all the local young people to bring their bikes to be marked and registered with the police. I would like to thank Mrs Jenny Williams and the Lions Club for organising this activity and helping the young community of Murtoa make their bikes safer.

Tony Goodwin
Principal
State Championships
Secondary Track & Field
Albert Park
Monday October 17th 2016

Cleo Baker was our only athlete competing at the State Finals for Track and Field this year. At the Greater Western Region Finals in Ballarat earlier this month, Cleo qualified for 100m and 400m. We celebrate her ability in coming this far and for placing fourth in 400m and seventh in 100m. Thank you to Cleo’s family for taking her to this event.

Cleo Baker
12-13 years girls

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Foundation – Year 6 News

Students of the Week
Back: Ryan, Finley, Lily, Felicity, Noah and Fraser.
Front: Sarah and Tilley

Reading Awards
Back: Bella, Ayden, Diesal and Indy.
Front: Zac, Tilley, Ruby and Charlie.

Last Wednesday the Year 3/4, 5 and 6 students walked and the F/1 and 1/2/3 bused to the Murtoa Hall for Crazy Science: Wild Weather presented by Richard Scholes. The performance was entertaining, engaging and educational. Furthermore, it tied in beautifully with our current science units for Cross-Curricula Studies. Mathilde and Olivia were both chosen by Richard to participate in different aspects of the performance which was great to see. Overall, it was a worthwhile performance and we will book Richard again in the future.

On Wednesday Mrs Noonan, Miss Barratt, Mrs Berger, Mrs Jordan and Mr Venn will be assisting with the coordination of the Year 4/5/6 Camp to Robe. Our coach will be full of excited campers from The College and OLHC. Please note that students need to arrive at OLHC by 9am with all items in labelled bags. Last time we attended Tarooki Camp at Robe, we had a splendid time working in teams and competing in a range of fun challenges. We are really looking forward arriving at camp and getting straight into activities on Wednesday afternoon. If you have any concerns, please share them with Mrs Noonan or Mr Venn.

Important Dates
Week 4 – Wednesday 26th to Friday 28th October – Year 4/5/6 Tarooki Camp in Robe with OLHC
Week 4 – Friday 28th October – Casual Clothes Day
Week 5 – Monday 31st October – Curriculum Day (student free)
Week 5 – Tuesday 1st November – Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
Week 6 – Tuesday 8th November – Murtoa College Steps Day (Year 6 to Year 7 only)
Week 6 – Friday 11th November – Year 2/3 Sleepover and F/1 Dinner
Week 10 – Friday 9th December – F-6 Celebration and Year 6 Graduation
Week 11 – Tuesday 13th December – Statewide Steps Day (Years F to 9
Foundation – Year 6 Assembly Schedule

Week 4 – Year F/1 (TBC)
Week 5 – Year 5/6 with Mrs Noonan
Week 6 – Year 3/4 with Ms Boehm
Week 7 – Year 1/2/3 with Mrs Venn

Sport Dates for 2016

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Birthdays

Charlett – Tuesday 25th October
Ayden – Wednesday 26th October
Connor – Saturday 29th October

Learn to Swim

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