Principal’s Report

This week sees us hit the halfway point of the term – and it has been a busy one! There is no sign yet of things slowing down either!

Some of our year 11 students and their parents have been to Melbourne for the Careers Trip. Once again the organisation and planning from Mrs Sue Sly ensured that this was a valuable and enjoyable trip. Thanks to Sue and to Karen Pain for attending also.

Yesterday everyone wore their very best smiles for photo day and there were also smiles all round today at the Primary Athletics. A big thank you to Mrs Michelle Morris, staff, students and helpers. These days can’t run successfully without many hands.

A reminder that next week our year 10 students will be on work experience and today have enjoyed “try-a-trade” in Mildura. Thanks again to Sue Sly for her planning and to Renee McCuish for attending with the students.

Thank you to those families who completed the parent opinion surveys. These surveys, sent out to school families selected at random, provide information to help us plan for the future.

The brochure attached to this newsletter is interesting reading for all. Tiqbiz allows easy communication between school and parents and I encourage you all to download the app using the instructions provided.

Shelley Cross
Acting Principal

THANK YOU:

Ouyen P-12 College would like to thank Greggs Electrical for their generous donation of $1708 that was part of money raised at their Greggs Golf Weekend. This money is to be put toward our Memorial Garden project in honour of Cathy McKechnie. Pictured are Donna & Barry Gregg with James Phillips who accepted the money on behalf of the SRC.
P-4 WEEKLY AWARDS

Super Star of the Week:
Prep: Ruby Clarke
Grade 1 & 2: Adam Grace
Grade 3 & 4: Brylie Allender

Grade 1:
Mia Munro

Grade 1/2:
Gareth Morrish

Grade 2:
Eli Revel

Grade 3:
Francey Brown

Grade 4:
Brylie Allender

Attendance Bear:
Grade 4

Literacy Award:
Prep: Macey Pengelly
Grade 1: Janea Taylor
Grade 1/2: Meilyn Lam
Grade 3: Bridie Clarke
Grade 4: Annahera Martin

Numeracy Award:
Prep: Mia Munro
Grade 1: Gareth Morrish
Grade 2: Eli Revel
Grade 3: Matthew Erhardt
Grade 4: Jack O’Shannessy

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

No matter what people tell you, words and ideas can change the world.
Robin Williams

SHEEP SALE ROSTER:

August 18th
WORKERS
Melinda Lynch 5094 6238
Kerryn Harker
Sally Renkin
Vicki Manley
ONE MORE REQUIRED

August 25th
WORKERS
Jo Linklater
Seija Peck
COOKS
Kathryn John
Lois O’Callaghan
Debbie Rickard

September 1st
WORKERS
Megan Hastings 0417 353 631
Francey Brown
COOKS
Joanne Mallinson
Nicole Magnisalis
Alice Farnsworth

SHEEP SALE CHANGES:
The cash tin and keys for the sheep sales can be picked up from the Ouyen Newsagency from 8am on sale days. However, due to an update to auditing processes, these must be returned to the Ouyen P-12 College General Office after each sale. If there is any need to pick the tin up earlier than Thursday morning please contact the school on 5092 1182. Arrangements will be made with the worker in charge during the school holidays.
YEAR 12 AG HORT CROP TOUR:
With a focus on sustainable management of agricultural businesses, Nic Vine and Chloe Phillips this week toured local farms with Mallee CMA Project Officer, Derrick Boord. Derrick identified land degradation issues relevant to the Mallee and discussed various methods of rectifying these issues. We thank Derrick and the Mallee CMA for their assistance with our studies.

AG NEWS:
Lots has been happening up at the patch in recent weeks. We have built and filled garden beds for the primary classes, planted seeds and fruit trees, planted native trees, harvested various fruits & vegetables, picked flowers, watered, weeded and welcomed two new young goats!
**Balloon Powered Cars:**
We are learning about transport and travel in our class in Term 3. We worked on a project to make a balloon powered car and used recyclable materials. I used a tissue box, old CDs, a balloon and straws. The air from the balloon goes into the straw and the air comes out of the straw and moves the car along the ground. I had a big problem, the wheels fell off after I used it a lot.

Riggs Lanigan

In Term 3 we made a balloon powered car because we are learning about travel and transport in and around the community. I used recyclable materials like a water bottle, skewers, straws, plastic lids and masking tape to put it together. The straw has to be aimed at the ground for the air to make the car move forward. I had one problem, the wheels were bent.

Brock Payne

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**Footy Colours Day**
On Tuesday, August 30th, the Year 9 Community group will be holding a Footy Colours Day, where all students can come to school in their favourite football team colours over their uniform. A gold coin donation will go towards the cancer foundation. Students in Prep to Year 4 will take part in activities during periods 1 & 2. There will be prizes and give-aways kindly donated by AFL, NRL and soccer clubs.

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**Secondary Sport**

**SSV Mallee Division Athletics**
The SSV Mallee Division Secondary Athletics carnival will be held on our oval on Wednesday, August 31st. We will welcome competitors from Robinvale, Manangatang, Murrayville, Werrimull, St. Mary’s and Tyrrell.

**Starting Time - 10.00 a.m.**

At present we are finalising challenges and most students have been training well. It is important that all relay team members are present for lunchtime practice on Tuesdays and Friday sport time or as has been organised by individual teams to ensure that the team members are all familiar with the baton changing process. All selected students are expected to attend a minimum of 3 training sessions each week, one of which is sport. Students will be notified as to when High Jump training will be scheduled. If a student is unable to meet these requirements for any reason, they need to discuss this with Mrs. Lonergan. Communication is vital.

Thank you to the few parents who have offered their assistance in running the sports, however, we would appreciate the help of anyone else willing to give us some time on Wednesday, 31st August. Please let the office know if you are available.

**Lunchtime Training**

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday**

**Relays - Tuesday & Friday (Sport), or as Organised by the Teams**

**High Jump - To Be Advised**

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**Forthcoming Dates**

**SSV - MD Athletics**
Wednesday, 31st August
Ouyen

**SSV LMR Athletics**
Thursday, 6th October
Bendigo
University Open Day: Check out the University online planners to save the information sessions that interest you to your personal online planner.
Plan your Day—go to the information sessions you’re interested in.

Go on a Campus Tour—find out more about university life, and get a feel for the really fun stuff, with free activities, food trucks, giveaways and live music.

La Trobe University New Education Courses for 2017
Undergraduate:
- Bachelor of Education (Primary) — Bendigo, Melbourne, Mildura
- Bachelor of Education (Secondary) — Bendigo, Melbourne, Mildura
- Bachelor of Early Childhood and Primary Education — Bendigo, Shepparton
- Bachelor of Physical, Health and Outdoor Education (3 year non VIT registered course) — Bendigo
- Bachelor of Technology Education — Bendigo, Melbourne

Revised Bachelor of Educational Studies — PATHWAY for UG Education Degrees

Nursing / Midwifery error in the newest addition of the Course Guide, check online for correct information.

Myfuture: students will be able to explore courses, occupations, take a mini career quiz and an entrepreneurship quiz, and develop job-seeking skills, https://myfuture.edu.au/

The Good Careers Guide: You can search over 400 different occupations narrowed down by the field or type of work you would like to do in the future (e.g., helping/advising), http://bit.ly/2azGwOZ

Good Universities Guide: will be able to find courses, compare university ratings, search for scholarships and explore careers, http://bit.ly/1n6x3Fk


Maths Addz: view career profiles of people working in interesting maths careers, and also find out about how maths is used in careers such as electrician and meteorologist, http://bit.ly/1WWajoe


MASEmploymentMildura is an Australian Apprenticeship Support Network that provides support Services to employers and apprentices. Breece Stevens and Fiona Dimasi from the Mildura office spoke to a group of our Year 11 & 12 students this week about what is involved in becoming an apprentice, the benefits, training and career advice when looking for your first job. For more information they can be contacted by phone 50239666 or www.masexperience.com.au


Sue Sly
Careers Coordinator
For more information contact Tania Down on 0438 074462.

Year 11 Career Trip Melbourne / Ballarat
It’s safe to say that the Careers trip to Melbourne was a very enjoyable trip for everyone … even with the 5am start on Sunday morning! The Universities explored over the three days included Deakin, Burwood, Latrobe Bundoora, The University of Melbourne and Federation University Ballarat. All of the universities offer different options for individual interest and needs and are all unique in their own ways. The trip gave students and our parents an overview of what university life is like, and provided a snapshot of what the future may hold for some of us. Thanks to Xav Healy Ormond College, Bryce Kerr La Trobe University, Hannah Down and Lauren McLean Federation University for sharing their thoughts on their transition into University and college life in general.

Thank you to College staff, Miss Pain and Sue for organising the trip, parents Amanda, Lynda, Therese, Kim & Vanessa who supported us over the three days.

Thanks to Peter, who nothing fazed him tackling the Melbourne traffic and making sure that we were at our destinations on time. Laura Hayter
‘Lots of information available on whatever pathway I was looking at. Everyone is really helpful,’
‘I learnt that there are more ways into a course’
‘The University of Melbourne was too big and confusing,’
‘Impressed with all the inclusions with college fees’
‘Deakin accommodation was the best so far, really good layout of the Uni’
‘Good country feel to the Uni’
‘Great trip – it was great to have ex locals speak to us about their experiences’

Laura Hayter

I learnt that there are more ways into a course

Term 3, 2016
When: Thursday 15th September 2016
Time: Arrival and registration 6.15pm
Session 6.30 pm – 8.30 pm
Where: Ouyen Kindergarten, 78 Ole Street, Ouyen
Cost: Free
Childcare: Not provided
Facilitators: Jo and Linda (Family Education Services CatholicCare Sandhurst)

Groups are subject to maximum and minimum numbers determined seven working days prior to the commencement date. Early registration is encouraged

Contact Louise at Ouyen Kindergarten on 5092 1347 or ouyen.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au

Young, Rural & Motivated?

Enter + Win the Opportunity of a Lifetime

Win a free ‘Power Trip’ to Canberra to meet high-profile politicians and CEOs. Plus, score inspiring leadership training, mentorship opportunities, public speaking sessions with TEDxCanberra, access to exclusive events & more!

At least 10 regional, rural or remote, young women will win the 2016 prize.

Just submit a 400-word essay or a 2-minute video or podcast answering the following question:

Why is gender equality important to you and your community?

Competition opens 27 July and closes at 11PM AEST 9 September 2016.
Open to Year 10, 11, 12 female rural students.
Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander students are encouraged to apply.
*ACT excluded. See our website for Terms and Conditions, including ‘rural’ definition.

For more information contact Tania Down on 0438 074462.
PARENTS ASSOCIATION NEWS:

Well done - to all the Primary students and staff for your efforts at today’s Athletics Sports. The children used a lot of their You Can Do It skills with persistence, getting along, organisation, confidence and resilience all on display, along with much laughter and smiling. Best wishes to those who will get into training for the next stage.

Meeting – under our new schedule, PA will meet at 6:30 p.m. next Tuesday evening – August 16th. Head to the Conference Room.

Catering –

P.E Professional Development event – Monday, August 15 – morning and afternoon tea for two separate groups of 12, lunch for some - Years 9/10. Fiona is keen to hear from you.

SES Dinner – August 22nd - Years 5/6 are being asked to look after the SES dinner for 30 at the SES building [cooking in Community Centre].

Year 11/12 - A reminder to parents of students who may be heading to Uni/ TAFE/ Trade School in the next year or three that now is the time to be planning visits to Open Days, researching scholarships to apply for, and booking in for subject lectures for exam preparation. Sue Sly’s newsletter page is full of info. Happy exploring to all the students and parents heading off to Uni open days over the next few weekends.

Safe Schools program - Are you interested in how this will come into effect at Ouyen P-12 College? If there is enough parent interest, Parents Association will organise an event where the program will be explained along with what will be mandatory and what is optional, and what does it really mean for this school and the students/ staff.

Still missing a dish? There are two good dishes/ plates left from the Cluster catering.

CATERING:

Professional Development Day, August 15th – Year 9/10 families – contact Fiona Latta on 0427141515

Please deliver to the Community Centre by 9:30a.m.

1 small savoury platter 1 doz scones with jam and cream
3 doz mixed cake/ slice [3 or 4 varieties] 1 pkt mixed sandwiches
2L juice 2L milk
2L soup 1 doz sausage rolls
Small platter fruit
2 workers to serve and clear

SES Dinner, August 22nd - Year 5/6 families – contact Melanie Grace on 0437 865 010

250g butter
½ mini loaf bread crumbed
2kg carrots
1 bunch spring onions
17 firm medium tomatoes 1 small jar honey
35 small to medium potatoes 2 kg beans
500mL sour cream 1 Kent pumpkin
1 jar cranberry sauce 2 kiwi fruit
2 trays cauliflower/ broccoli au gratin (tray supplied) 1 punnet strawberries
2L milk 2L milk
1 x 600ml cream 2L milk
Donations towards cost of meat, rolls, etc

Workers:
Monday 2:00p.m. – some food preparation: 2 or 3 people
Monday 5:30p.m. (TBC)– cooking, heating, gravy: 2 or 3 workers
6:45(tbc) – to transfer food from Community Centre to SES headquarters, plating up - 5 or 6 plus 3 or 4 to wait table
Clean up
Thanks in anticipation
Well done to the students who competed in the high jump events conducted during the past week. The students participated enthusiastically and cheered each other on as they attempted to jump the heights set. Students should be very pleased with their efforts and hopefully, they enjoyed the sports today.

Results from the sports will be in the newsletter next week, but a big thank you to the following people:

- The staff – especially primary staff who assisted on the day
- The year 9 boys who assisted in leading groups, measuring, raking and starting races
- Mr Amos and Mr Vine for their work to prepare the track
- Staff and parents who assisted with setting up and packing away
- Mr Clark, Mrs Munro and Miss Lacey who assisted with the high jump events during the week
- Mrs Lonergan, Mr Hussey, Mr Clark and Mr Morrish who have offered and assisted at lunch time training for the students

The Underbool sports will be held on: FRIDAY, 26TH AUGUST, commencing at 9.40am. Further details will be in the newsletter next week. Once again, the school would be grateful for any offers of assistance on the day.

After the Underbool sports, a team will be selected to represent the school at the Sunraysia South athletics to be held in Mildura on Tuesday, 13TH September.

MINI OLYMPICS:

Last Thursday, the prep students participated in a Mini Olympics competition organised by the Year 11 Physical Education class. Students represented Australia, Jamaica, USA, China and Iceland. After an inspiring opening ceremony, where the countries completed a lap around the tennis courts with their flags and team leaders, led by Janece with the Olympic torch, the competition began. The athletes rotated through a range of different activities including an obstacle course, target throw, bean bag, ring toss and goal shooting. Mia Munro representing Jamaica scooped the pool in two events – bean bag and target throw, Neil Shine and Blythe Revell representing Iceland won the obstacle course and ring toss respectively, and T’arni Hodge from China was the champion in netball goal shooting.

The winning country on the day was Jamaica represented by Rory Nihill, Kai Wethers, Mia Munro and Jolie Latta and team captain was Allie Winslow.

Well done to the Year 11 group for their organisation and fun activities and the prep students for their positive and enthusiastic efforts on the day.