Principal’s Report

CWA Knitting
This week our Year 5 students began their knitting program with a group of ladies from the CWA. This program does much more than teach children to knit; it gives our students a chance to interact with members of the community who act as mentors and someone who has the time to listen. I would like to thank all these volunteers for giving up their time to spend with us.

Scholarship
Congratulations to our former student Ben Gloster for being awarded the Constance Finlayson Scholarship at St Ann’s College at Adelaide University. It is great to see Ouyen students thriving on their chosen pathway.

Cybersafety
Following a recent spate of cybersafety concerns in our community involving sexting I have been pondering the world in which our young people are growing up. While I know that technology has really made a positive difference to society with the advent of the internet and mobile phone, to mention only two, I also realise the extra stresses and dangers these inventions have brought about.

The world in which I grew up was very simple compared to that of today. If someone wanted to bully me out of school hours they had to ring the family home where I would take the call from the family lounge room on the landline in front of everyone. Needless to say it didn’t happen! If someone wanted to take inappropriate photos they had to have the film developed and then post them in an envelope – yes a much simpler world.

However the internet and all its associated uses have changed our world, social media is here to stay so we can only educate our children to protect them from the dangers inappropriate use and unscrupulous people pose.

As the DET cybersafety advice sheet says: The internet offers the chance to explore a virtually limitless world without the constraints of the ‘real’ world. Content on the internet is not broken into age or developmentally appropriate areas. Without supervision and guidance, a young child can either unintentionally or purposely find content that is disturbing, explicit or inappropriate.

Just as you would ensure that the books you read to your child are age appropriate and the TV shows they watch are suitably rated, you should monitor what your child is doing, and where they are going, online.

The role the school plays in cybersafety is to begin the conversations, to raise parental awareness and to inform and hopefully educate students. Our school has cybersafety programs at all year levels. Next week we will have a visiting speaker from Victoria Police to try to ‘hammer home’ to students the risks and consequences of inappropriate online practices.

Leanne Dawes
Principal

CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER:
It is vitally important that you keep the school up to date with changed phone numbers and addresses.

Communication between the school and families is severely hampered when we do not have the correct information.

If you have recently moved, changed your phone number or changed employment, please advise the school.
P-4 WEEKLY AWARDS

Super Star of the Week:
Prep: Sharon Gurung
Grade 1 & 2: Bianca Nikolovski
Grade 3 & 4: Regan Eames

Literacy Award:
Prep: Kai Wethers
Grade 1: Lucy O’Shanessy
Grade 1/2: Adam Grace
Grade 3: Kristy Higgins
Grade 4: David Gall

Numeracy Award:
Prep: Maya Barry
Grade 1: Will Shaddock
Grade 2: Sienna Hulland
Grade 3: Imogen Ezzy
Grade 4: Porscha Vasic

Attendance Bear:
Grade 4

SHEEP SALE ROSTER:

July 28th
WORKERS
Amanda Hayter 0428 946 398
Bree O’Shanessy
COOKS
Janelle Latta
Lara Wakefield
Karen Wisneske

August 4th
WORKERS
Carmel Vallance 50921684
Fiona Scott
COOKS
Loretta Smith
Renae Bonica
ONE MORE REQUIRED

August 11th
WORKERS
Jo Linklater
Marcella Sharp
COOKS
Trish Torpey
Mila Kerr
Jenna Singleton

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Somewhere, something incredible is waiting to be known
Curt Sagan

NIGHT NETBALL SEMI FINAL MATCHES
MONDAY 25TH JULY

4pm: Komodo Dragons vs Iguanas (Scorers – one player from Drop Tails and Geckos)
5pm: Drop Tails vs Geckos (Scorers – one player from Komodo Dragons and Iguanas)

Steps to update and activate your new tiqbiz

1. Open the tiqbiz app
2. Fill in country of origin (Australia)
3. Click ‘Confirm’

Note: If you don’t have this screen, go to your app store and update tiqbiz.

New families are asked to install tiqbiz on their smartphone so we can contact you at any time and you can contact us without a phone call.
If you’d like to know more about tiqbiz visit us at the General Office for information.
SENIOR DEBATING FINAL:
The final for the senior house debating competition will be held on Wednesday, July 27th at 6.30pm. The event will take place in Room 9 of the senior building. The students who have qualified to compete in this final round are:

Megan O’Connor  Sarah O’Connor
Samantha Sharp  Maddy Hastings
Jessica Down   Charlotte Vine

All parents and friends are welcome to come and support the students.

CULTURAL PERFORMANCE:
The New Zealand Playhouse will be performing for our students on Friday 5th August. “#The Fairest of Them All” is for all primary students (P-6) at 9.00am and is described as a sequel to "Snow White" with a technological twist!
“As You Write It” is based on the works of Shakespeare and is for our secondary students in Years 7/8/9 & 10. The cost of this performance is $5 per student. We are looking forward to this outstanding opportunity to experience professional live theatre.

NATIONAL TREE DAY:
Friday, July 29th
In conjunction with Planet Ark’s National Tree Day, next Friday all primary students will participate in a jam-packed day of environmental activities and tree planting. The day will connect students first hand with nature, allow them to make a difference to the community, contribute to beautification of the school grounds and inspire positive environmental change.
Student are able to wear suitable free dress and will need sturdy shoes. If you have gardening gloves please bring them along.
We are all looking forward to an exciting day, stay tuned for more information early next week.

The Year 9 Food Tech class has been enjoying preparing a delicious array of foods this semester. The students are learning cooking techniques, including some knife skills, while trying foods they may not have tried previously.
This week’s meal was pasta casserole and a tossed salad.

SCHOOL PHOTOS:  PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE
The school photographers will be taking photos on Thursday, August 11th
Please ensure your child/ren are wearing correct winter uniform that day.
We have a new Careers website – a ‘One Stop Shop’ for everything you need with Career Planning.

Our aim is to provide you with all the latest information that will help you make decisions about your future career and your life beyond school.

You can use this site to locate University, TAFE and any other type of course across Australia, get information about the VCE, search for job vacancies and much more.

Feel free to drop into the Careers Office if you have any questions or would like to know more about the program.

Check it out now www.ouyenp-12collegecareers.com

VTAC / SATAC / ...... Work Experience
Latest News and Events Find a Job
Do an Interest Test Gap Year
Choose a University Defence Careers
Create a Resume Youth Allowance and more

The best way to predict the future is to create it.

**Upcoming Events**

Monday 25th July – Uni S.A Presentation, 1.20pm. Yr 11 & 12.
Monday 25th July –TIS Mildura, evening event, Yr 12 / parents
Monday 1st August – VTAC / SATAC Opens
Sunday 8th Tuesday 10 August Careers Trip Melbourne Year 11
Friday 12th August Try a Trade Mildura Year 10
Sunday 14th August – Uni S.A, Adelaide Uni Open Day
Monday 15th Friday 19th August – Work Experience, Year 10
Friday 22nd September – Fed Uni Presentation Year 10 & 11

**Year 11 VCE Career Trip Melbourne**

**Sunday 7th Tuesday 9th August** – Invoices have been sent home with students attending the VCE Careers Trip

**Uni S.A / Adelaide University - Open Day Bus Trip**

Date: Sunday 14th August. Cost: $25per person

Open to: Students and Parents

Payment required by Friday 29th July.

A range of accommodation tours will be available on the day.

**Flinders University Open day for 2016 is Friday 12th August**


**Flinders University**

A range of accommodation tours will be available on the day.

**Openday and be there when relevant information sessions**

Don’t wander aimlessly.....try these:

◊ Make a Postcard, You can find a postcard on the Flinders website
◊ Create a Resume
◊ Do an Interest Test
◊ Find a Job
◊ Try a Trade

**Register at www.lleo.com.au**

Youth Allowance and more

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**VTAC Community Information Evening**

Date: Monday 25th July
Time: 6-8pm
Where: Mildura Senior College

This event is of particular relevance to students (and Parents) currently competing VCE who are considering their post-Year 12 study options.

Register at www.lleo.com.au

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**La Trobe University News**

**Aspire - Early Admissions Program**

Year 12 Students

www.latrobe.edu.au/aspire

**The Aspire Generation?** Year 10-12 students. This is a community of young people connected by their aspiration to make a difference through community service and leadership. Register interest www.aspire.latrobe

**Available from the Careers Office**

Bendigo TAFE 2017 Course Guides or download in PDF format www.bendigotafe.edu.au/Courses/Pages/Default.aspx

**Deakin College**

Student Guide – excellent pathway to Deakin University

**Flinders University Information brochures**

Kangan Institute Course Guide www.kangan.edu.au/courses

**Longerenong College – Course Guide**

**Monash University Undergraduate Course Guide**

**The University of Melbourne** Undergraduate Prospectus for 2017

**Some Open Day Dates for 2016:**

- Sun 31 July – Swinburne University
- Sat 6 Aug – Monash (Peninsula)
- Sun 7 Aug – Deakin University (Warrnambool)
- La Trobe University (Bundoora)
- Monash University (Caufield & Clayton)
- Sun 14 Aug – Australian Catholic University (Melbourne), La Trobe University (Bendigo)
- RMIT University
- William Angliss Institute
- Sun 21 Aug – Box Hill (Lilydale campus)
- Deakin University (Waterfront & Warrn Ponds); University of Melbourne; Monash (Parkville)
- Sun 28 Aug – ACU (Ballarat)
- Box Hill Institute (Box Hill)
- Deakin University (Burwood)
- Federation University
- Victoria University (Footscray campus)

**How To Get The Best Out of An Open Day**

- Don’t wander aimlessly.....try these:
- Get an Open Day Guide, eg from www.deakin.edu.au/openday; www.openday.unimelb.edu.au, or www.monash.edu/openday or http://www.latrobe.edu.au/openday and be there when relevant information sessions are on
- Allow sufficient time for your visit;
- Speak to staff/students about courses which interest you - note your questions beforehand
- Collect information/brochures
- Ask about industry based-learning (IBL) opportunities; these can assist with gaining employment
- Ask about international study opportunities – a popular option
- Consider transport issues; is the campus accessible from where you live?
- Check the environment where you will study; will you be happy there for three/four years?
- Consider the facilities/clubs offered at your preferred institution
- Consider a rural campus - ATAR’s are often lower at rural campuses and they often offer other advantages.

**NOTE:** If you plan to apply for a course involving an interview/folio presentation/audition as part of the selection process, attendance is A MUST! You might be asked what you learned at Open Day.

**Sue Sly**

Careers Coordinator
AG NEWS:
FRUIT TREES

This week there has been plenty of action happening at the Ag patch. Nine new fruit trees were planted by the Year 9 Ag Science students. Irrigation will be installed next week. In time to come we hope that these trees will provide fresh fruit for our students to enjoy as well as fresh produce for the Food Tech students to cook with. We thank the Parents Association for the funding to purchase these trees.
**FORTHCOMING DATES**

House Athletics
Friday, 29th July
Ouyen

SSV MD Athletics
Wednesday 31st August
Ouyen

**SSV STATE CROSS COUNTRY**

Well Done and congratulations to - Kaitlin Latta, Charlee Pengelly, Jessica Down, Abbey Latta and Lauren Grace who travelled to Melbourne to represent Ouyen P-12 at the SSV State Cross Country last Thursday. A big Thank-you to Mrs Narelle Latta (our school representative) with the support of Fiona Latta and Tania Down who transported and supported our students at this event.

The Bundoora weather was kind to our runners as they tackled the 3km course - Kaitlin in the 16 Yrs Girls as an individual and Charlee, Jessica, Abbey and Lauren running as a team in the 17 -20 Yrs event.

All girls ran well in strongly contested races to achieve the following placings and times.

**GIRLS 16 Yrs 3km**
Kaitlin Latta 11:59 mins 41st

**GIRLS 17-20 Yrs 3km**
Abbey Latta 11:55 mins 26th
Lauren Grace 13:03 mins 60th
Jessica Down 14:43 mins 74th
Charlee Pengelly 14:45 mins 75th

**TEAM PLACING - 5th**
Behind 3 Melbourne schools and Ballarat High School.

**HOUSE ATHLETICS**

The House Athletics Sports will be held next Friday 29th July. House Captains are currently selecting teams from the choices that students have made.

High Jump events will be completed during Sport, however those students who have not competed will need to do so during lunch times next week.

**HELP NEEDED**

The House and Mallee Division Athletics Sports are fast approaching and we will again require assistance from our parent body to run events. If you can help at either or both of these sporting days, could you please let the sports staff or General Office know.

**REMINDERS FOR SPORTS**

All students are expected to be appropriately attired in House colours and House Shirts on sports day.

NO casual/fashion Tshirts will be allowed.

Inappropriate sports uniform will lead to disqualification. Track pants can only be worn to compete in Shot Put, Javelin and Discus events. Track suits/ rugby tops should be worn between events if the weather is cool.

All competitors in 100m, 200m, 400m and 4x100 relay events must use a **crouch start**.

**SHOT / DISCUS / JAVELIN** athletes **MUST** enter and leave through the back of the circle/throwing area. All spectators and waiting competitors must remain well behind the throwing areas.

Please check the program carefully and ensure that you are at the appropriate area on time.

**Running events take priority over field events.**

If you have a clash in events, report to the field event before going to compete in your track event.

After your track event, return promptly to your field event.

**Lunchtime Training**

As the House Athletics Sports are fast approaching, students may like to begin some training. Any students wishing to practice any of their athletics events may attend lunchtime training next week on - Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.
The Grand Final game was between The Spiritual Clan and Black Thunder. The score at the end of the first half was 13 to 15 with The Spiritual Clan leading. The better players for the first half were Christopher as he was working well within his team and scoring goals. Oscar was an awesome goalie and scorer of goals and Nic E was always going for the ball. Jess’s defending skills were also a standout. The score at the end of the game saw The Spiritual Clan defeat Black Thunder 29. The better players for the game were Dylan who was really getting into the game and showing off his skills. Gemma was also smart in Game Play and shooting for goal. Students who tried hard and showed improvement included Jema and Jayde who worked consistently throughout the game.

When the scores for organisation were added to the game scores achieved, The Spiritual Clan (39) were the Premiers of the 2016 Year 9 SEPEP European Handball Competition with Black Thunder (35) the Runners Up.

The Consolation Final was between The Tropics and The Inbetweeners. It was an exciting match with everyone trying to the best of their abilities. The score at the end of the first half of the match saw the Inbetweeners take the lead with 9 over The Tropics 6. The better players for the first half were Nick C, Greta and Liam because they were doing really well with their defence and were trying to get lots and lots of goals. The second half saw a turn around with The Inbetweeners winning with a score of 25 over The Tropics 19. The better players in the second half included Chyna, Liam and Brad who all played consistently for their team. Students who tried hard and showed improvement were Hallie, Greta and Natia because they pushed themselves to their limits.

With the organisation scores added to the game score, The Tropics 31 finished third overall, with The Inbetweeners our wooden spooners. It was unfortunate that they were missing 2 of their players for the finals.
PARENTS ASSOCIATION:
Welcome back - to another hectic term – full of challenges to be met, skills to be learned, connections to make, and plans to brew. Have a great Term 3.

Catering – A huge thank you to all who were able to help in any way with the catering and service of food for Margaret Gregg’s Wake. The Combined Church Ladies were appreciative that PA was on board with them.

Heads up – we have a catering task at the school on Monday, August 15th – mainly morning/afternoon tea food for a Professional Development day. Numbers are unconfirmed at this stage. The following Monday evening, we have been asked to provide a two course sit down dinner for the SES regional handover. Years 5/6 and 9/10 are next on the rotation for catering. Stay tuned.

Meeting - In our new format, our next meeting is scheduled for next Tuesday at 6:30p.m. in the half hour prior to College Council, in the Admin building. With the Sportsman’s night featuring Terry Daniher and the tea time/bath time alignment for some, we appreciate how difficult this might be. We will give it a go and take it from there. Apologies to Raelene Vine – 0407849174 or Helen Lam - 0498201534

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.

Parents Victoria – The Annual Parents Victoria Conference is being held at a later time this year. Including the 90th birthday celebration for Parents Victoria [which has had several titles over the 90 years, beginning with the Victorian Federation of Mothers Clubs], the conference will be held in Melbourne over October 12 and 13.

Still missing a dish? There are two good dishes/plates left from the Cluster catering. Please contact the school or Raelene if you think one might be yours. One is a white square platter, the other a blue fluted quiche dish with pink flowers. 0407849174

DATES TO REMEMBER:
• Athletic sports - Friday, 12th August
• UDSSA Athletic sports - Friday, 26th August
• Sunraysia South athletic sports (selected team members) - Tuesday, 13th September

ATHLETIC TRAINING
Students in Years 5 & 6 are welcome to attend lunchtime training to practice for the sports. A range of activities will be on offer each day. Students are required to change into their sports uniform to be able to participate.

PRIMARY ATHLETIC SPORTS:
PE and sport sessions are being used to help the students practice for the upcoming sports. Further details regarding the sports will be in upcoming newsletters. Any parents who are able to assist on the day are encouraged to contact the office and leave their name. Any questions can be directed to Mrs M Morrish.