Principal’s Report

Sports Uniform
There has recently been some confusion about the school’s Sports Uniform. At present guidelines specify navy blue or black shorts with a plain, white polo shirt or a school sports shirt (can be any of the school’s house or inter-school shirts), white socks and sports shoes. We understand that it is difficult to buy plain navy shorts so a small logo or stripes down the sides are acceptable. Multi-coloured board shorts or extremely short shorts are not acceptable.

We really appreciate the effort parents and students go to relating to uniform and hope that this clarifies the situation. We will be asking the SRC, parents and staff to review the Sports Uniforms next year but in the meantime ask that everyone abide by this policy.

End of Year Dates
A reminder that school finishes for 2015 on December 18th. Students in Year 11 may leave after their last exam. Students in Year 10 may finish on Friday, December 4th providing parents make a request in writing and provide evidence that the student has employment.

Prep Transition
It has been great to see small groups of children who will be our Prep class in 2016 visiting the school recently. The purpose of the transition program is to introduce children slowly to the school environment. A whole day transition will take place towards the end of the year. A Parent Information Session will also be held to answer any questions parents may have and to welcome any newcomers to the school. More information will be sent home shortly about these days. Miss Lacey will also be sending home appointment times for literacy and numeracy testing to help us to plan for individual prep student needs for 2016. The assessments help to give us an indication of where students are up to in their development.

Leanne Dawes
Principal

Next Parents Association Meeting - Monday, December 14th

Our Prep students require shoe boxes for an activity. If you have one/some at home we would love to take them off your hands. Thank you.

Our Year 11 SRC Executive provided us with an exceptional Remembrance Day commemoration on Wednesday morning. Well done to Sarah, Harry, Aidan, Adriana & Nic.
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"It is better to light one small candle than to curse the darkness."
~ Confucius ~

SUPER STAR OF THE WEEK:
Prep: Adam Grace
Grade 1: Ava Wakefield
Grade 2: Luke Payne
Grade 3: Makenzie Clarke
Grade 4: Imogen Hastings

NUMERACY AWARD:
Prep: Terah Martin
Grade 1: Caleb Gall
Grade 2: Arley Munro
Grade 3: Jim Vallance
Grade 4: Savanna Arnold Rickard

LITERACY AWARD:
Prep: Tanner Eames
Grade 1: Milly O'Shannessy
Grade 2: Nav Forse
Grade 3: Lachie O'Callaghan
Grade 4: Rhyce Sielaff

ATTENDEANCE BEAR:
Year 3

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH
5.00-6.30PM
ALL SAINTS CHURCH PARISH CENTRE, HUNT STREET, OUYEN

CRAFT ACTIVITIES, ART & FUN
CHRISTMAS STORY AND SONG
A MEAL AND DRINKS WILL BE PROVIDED
GOLD COIN DONATION TO COVER COSTS
CHILDREN TO BE ACCOMPANYED BY AN ADULT OR GUARDIAN

WEEKLY AWARDS

SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES
FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 12 TO 16 YEARS
HURRY LIMITED SPACES!

Monday 11 January
Putt Putt & Aqua Coaster
Tuesday 12 January
Laserforce
Wednesday 13 January
Mildura Waves
Thursday 14 January
Movies & Pizza
Friday 15 January
House of Bounce
Saturday 16 January
Cupcakes & Nail Art
Wednesday 20 January
Lawn Bowls & Ten Pin Bowling
Thursday 21 January
Merbein Pool
Friday 22 January
Freestyle Art

To secure your child's place in activities, full payment must be made when returning the Holiday
Activity Intake Form to Mildura Waves Avenue of Under the
Mildura Aywunii Customer
Service Counter.

ALL PARTICIPANTS NEED TO COMPLETE THE 2016
INTAKE FORM.
Thanks to some leftover dry ice from a Year 11 chemistry prac the Year 8 science class had the chance to conduct some experiments.

Jema, Kaitlin, Bailey, Dylan, Ben, Oscar & Lachie thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to see how liquids respond to dry ice.

The Year 7 students are continuing to care for the chickens that hatched a number of weeks ago. They visit them during the week to ensure they have food and water. Thanks to Mrs Pearson for the food scraps. The chickens love to be visited by their owners, with lots of pecking and chasing taking place.
SECONDARY SPORT:

SPORTS SINGLETS
Due to an issue with sizing, we need to return some of the new Ouyen P-12 Athletics Singlets.
Could all students who purchased a singlet please return them to Mrs. Lonergan by Monday, November 16th so that they can be packed up for this return. Please attach your name to the singlet. Any other students with singlets from Athletics should return them by Monday, November 16th as well.

WANTED TO BUY OR BORROW:
Second hand copies of Cookery the Australian Way 7th edition. (It has a green background with a large yellow and red apple on the front cover)
The Food Technology students in 2016 would benefit greatly from access to this text, which is now out of print.
Please contact the office if you can part with or lend us your valued copy.
Glenda Pearson

PARENTS ASSOCIATION:
Meeting: Our next meeting is scheduled for December 14th. It will be a dinner meeting at the Victoria Hotel.

Energy Breakthrough: Best wishes to all students, staff and parents heading off to the Energy Breakthrough event at Maryborough: Push Carts – Year 5 and Human Powered Vehicle – Year 10. No doubt it will be educational, challenging, and enjoyable.

Best wishes - to Year 12s now looking ahead to planning the next step of their journey, whether in further education or in the work force.
Well done – to the students and staff involved in school cricket competitions this week. Team work and fun were evident.

Catering:
Friday, November 27th – we have a finger food tea [plus fruit salad] to provide for the Garden Club Christmas do at Lois and Gary Manley’s. Years 7 and 8 will have the pleasure of this last task for 2015.
Details below. Fiona Latta is the contact person. Please smooth the way for her and catch up with her as to whether you can help, and how.

Time rolls on: Both Justine Cresp [President] and Raelene Vine [secretary] have done extra time in their PA offices. Please consider taking on one of these roles for/from 2016 as their terms expire.
Interested? Talk to them about the tasks that go with the job.

Garden Club Christmas break up catering – November 27th, 2015 – at Lois and Gary Manley’s – North West Rd, Ouyen. Catering numbers to be confirmed.
Please Contact Fe Latta 0427 141 515

1 x sandwich ring
1 mini loaf mixed sandwiches – wholemeal bread
1 mini loaf mixed sandwiches – white bread
3 doz sausage rolls
bruschetta - 1 French stick’s worth
savoury eggs - 1 doz [24 serves]
spring rolls etc [ 1 box of 56 pieces]
savoury platter
quiche or similar - 3 doz mini quiche or frittata or zucchini slice
sushi
fresh fruit salad
2 L icecream,
300ml whipped cream
Will need 3 or 4 workers to plate up and serve and clear away.

Times and delivery to be advised
SWIMMING INTENSIVE PROGRAM:
This program will commence in December and involve all students in prep – Year 6. The program will be staffed by teachers with swimming qualifications and the aim is for each group to have the same instructor to ensure continuity. Students without a seasons pass will need to pay $2 per swim. A family pass for the pool is $70, which is good value as the students will also swim during the 2016 school year. Further details and the swimming time table will be on the newsletter next week. Parents with questions can contact Mrs Morrish.

T-20 BLAST CRICKET:
Congratulations to the students who participated in the Milo T-20 blast cricket competition on Tuesday. The students participated enthusiastically and displayed good sportsmanship. Well done to the winning team of Sam Scott, Adrian Fidge, Darcy Cresp, Jarn Clarke, Lauren Grace, Molly Grigg, Ella Hastings and Nat Nihill, who turned the tables on Tempy in the final. The school now has the opportunity to enter a boys and girls team at the Regional final in Swan Hill on Wednesday, November 25th. Students selected in the teams will be provided with carnival details early next week and they will be required to attend training sessions at lunchtime.

On Tuesday, November 10th the Year 5s and 6s participated in the T-20 Blast at Blackburn Park. The event was run by 3 English cricketers and teachers from Underbool, Tempy and Ouyen. The umpires were some Year 10 boys from school. Ouyen filled almost four teams with two from Underbool filling in the fourth side. The teams were Ouyen Renegades, Stars, Sixes and Hurricanes, as well as Underbool and Tempy. All the teams were mixed with boys and girls. Every team played 3 games, after those 3 games you play in a final against one team. Some Ouyen teams had to play against each other. Every school enjoyed competing in T-20 cricket. All of the teams that are going to Swan Hill are Ouyen. Ouyen will enter a boys and girls team into the next competition.

Hollie Munro
**Main Round Offers**
- **Change of preference** you the opportunity to explore the agricultural sciences as a future interest and the wide-range of career opportunities available.

**VICTORIA**
- **Scholarship Application** closes Friday 16th October
- **VTAC Personal Statement and Supporting documentation** closes Friday 4th December
- **STAT** see VTAC/SATAC guides for closing dates for Mildura
- **VCE and ATAR results** Monday 14 December (7am)
- **Round 1 offers** Thursday 18th January 2016
- **Round 2 Offers** Thursday 4th February 2016
- **SOUTH AUSTRALIA**
  - **Equal Consideration** closing date Monday 30th November
  - **STAT applications** see VTAC/SATAC guide for closing dates
  - **Change of preference** close Monday 4th January 2016
  - **Main Round Offers** Tuesday 19th January 2016

**FACE YOUR FACEBOOK**
When applying for courses and jobs, remember that the decision makers can find out about you online. A recent survey by recruitment giant Career Builder reveals that 45% of employers screen potential employees using social media (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, MySpace and blogs). Of the 45% of employers who have screened using social media:
- 35% have not hired a candidate based on their findings
- Only 18% have been persuaded to hire based on their findings.
Ensure your social presence is working for you, not against you. Your presence may include more than your own page, so if you need to ask friends to remove content, now is the time. You should also make sure you have a professional email address and voice mail message. As your first points of contact, they form an employer’s first impression of you.

**MONEY SMART - UNDER 25$**
Are you going through some first-time experiences like buying your first car, moving out of home, first job or getting your first big bill? Everyone’s a rookie first time around and it’s easy to make mistakes - mistakes that could cost you a lot. Be a MoneySmart Rookie and make smart decisions about your money.

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING AGRICULTURAL SCIENTIST?**
Want to learn more and meet like-minded people? The University of Melbourne’s Pre-Ag Club membership gives you the opportunity to explore the agricultural sciences as a study option and the wide-range of career opportunities available in the industry plus much more.
Open to students in Year 9 – 12,
www.Fvas.unimelb.edu.au/pre-ag-club

**DO YOU HAVE AN INTEREST IN MEDICINE, DENTAL SURGERY OR ORAL HEALTH?**
If so check out the following video
Studying Medicine at The University of Adelaide https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ftGRiZatCZY&index=4&list=PLPq4o7bZTQSKwv5LX_CDb8OPxpiCsuDab

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**JOB VACANCY**
**APPRENTICESHIP - AUTOMOTIVE LIGHT VEHICLE**
Davison Motor Group is seeking several enthusiastic first to third year apprentices.
Must have —
- Current Drivers License (or close to obtaining)
- Minimum Year 10 completion
- Mechanical aptitude or Cert II Automotive completion
- Excellent work ethic
- Ability to study on the job
- Passion for mechanics
- Ability to work as a team
Closing Date – Friday 20th November 2015
Requirements: A covering Letter and Resume
More Information available from the Career Office or contact Sally Shelly, SMGT Mildura, sally@smgt.com.au

**INDIGENOUS TRAINEESHIP - MALLEE CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY**
This is a 15 month traineeship commencing early in 2016. A position description is available from www.malleecma.vic.gov/jobs-tenders or contact Jenny Byrnes, 5051 4371 or admin@malleecma.com.au
Closing Date – Friday 27th November 2015

**Sue Sly**
Careers Coordinator

**2016 YEAR 12 ENGLISH TEXTS:**
English texts are available from the General Office. These texts will be required for the VCE preparation days on November 26th & 27th.

**Wuthering Heights** - $11
**Into the Wind** - $18
**No Sugar** - $20

We are awaiting for **Passage to India** to be delivered.