



**September 20th  
2024**

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## Principal's Report

### **End of Term**

How busy was that! From a term that started with NAIDOC Week and a Year 5/6 Camp, it's hard to believe that we fit everything into 10 weeks. As our senior students selected subjects and courses for 2025, plenty of excursions/camps and our school athletes got to show off their abilities. There has been plenty for our students to be a part of, highlighting the ample opportunities provided by the school. Our staff even managed to get away for some insightful and enjoyable professional development. For our regular newsletter readers, I'm sure you'll be aware that the production of The Lion King Jr was certainly a highlight of mine.

While all of this might seem like the everyday workings of a school, I did want to highlight the contributions of staff, parents and in particular students for making these events possible.

Our range of student led events has grown significantly over the last few years, and it is so pleasing to be able to have so many events designed and run by our wonderful students.

### **Athletics Sports**

Some great results as we dominated the Secondary Mallee Division sports, with many students heading off to Bendigo for the region athletics next term. We will also see a few of our younger students participating in the Primary version, with a lot of their success due to the extra training sessions taking place during lunchtimes.

### **Camps & Excursions**

Camps start early next term with our Year 9 Rubicon Camp scheduled to take place in Week 2. We are in the fortunate position of being able to run our camps with no cost to parents, and hope to continue this into the future. With a few other camps to see out the year, we are really excited to provide a camp (or excursion for the F-2) to every year level across the school in 2024.

### **VCE Students**

As our Year 12 students move closer to the end of their schooling journey at Ouyen P-12, I wanted to wish them luck on their last term break as they head into revision lectures, practice exams and their final assessments.

We are also starting to see some of our VCE Vocational Major students finish their course for 2024, and look forward to hearing from them as they start either working or participating in other study.

### **Picnic at the Patch**

Last week we were treated to a great day (with great weather) for our Picnic at the Patch, organised by Year 9 student Gareth Morrish and supported by his Year 9 Community Class. It was great to see community members of all ages enjoy our area, and there is plenty of excitement around what it will look like over the spring!

Have a great break and see you all in Term 4,

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NO PLAY***

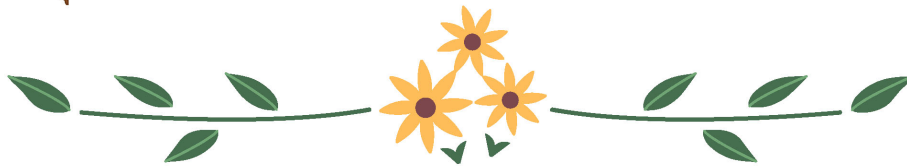
Hats are to be worn in Term 4 as per our Sunsmart Policy.



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# THE Month



Mia Munro

Gareth Morrish



For showing inclusion and offering to help students around the college.



For mateship and inclusion by organising 'picnic at the patch' and encouraging both the school and wider community to come together.



# **Prep-2 Celebration**

**FRIDAY 18TH OCTOBER**

**4PM - 7PM**

**DINNER PROVIDED**

**P-2 STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO JOIN US AT SCHOOL FOR AN AFTERNOON OF FUN TO CELEBRATE ALL THINGS PREP-2! THE GRADE 2S WILL THEN STAY ON FOR A SLEEPOVER.**

**GRADE 2 STUDENTS WILL NEED TO BE COLLECTED FROM THE SCHOOL LIBRARY ON SATURDAY 19TH OCT BY 8AM.**

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# Champions

5-8 ACTIVITY DAY

FRIDAY 18TH OF OCTOBER

Join us for a day of champions as we celebrate those who are heroes in our eyes or in our lives. Come dressed as someone who you admire, or someone who is a 'champion' to you.





Dear parents and carers,

In Term 4, 2024, families with a child enrolled in a government school from Prep to Year 12 in 2025 will receive the one-off \$400 School Saving Bonus.

The \$400 School Saving Bonus provides families with support for education-related costs, such as school activities and/or school uniforms and textbooks.

The School Saving Bonus is not available for full-fee international students, home schooled students, TAFE students and students attending kindergarten in 2025.

**Actions for parents and carers**

Before 18 October 2024, the Department of Education is asking parents and carers to:

- **Complete enrolment:** If your child, or children are changing government school for Term 1 2025, or starting Prep or Year 7 in 2025. For more information, read about [Enrolling in School](#).
- **Check your contact information:** Ensure your email address and phone number is up to date with us. You can check this information by contacting us directly.

We need to ensure your contact information is up to date as the Department of Education will email you twice:

- in October, to verify your email address
- in November, with your \$400 School Saving Bonus.

Please check your junk mail regularly to make sure you do not miss an important email.

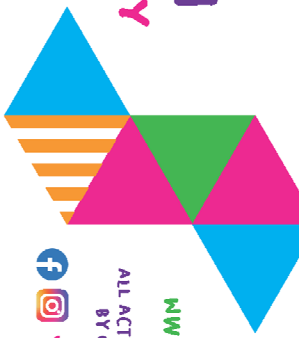
To learn more about the School Saving Bonus, download the [School Saving Bonus Information sheet for government school parents and carers](#) or visit [vic.gov.au/school-saving-bonus](http://vic.gov.au/school-saving-bonus).



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# FREE YOUTH SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



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 ALL ACTIVITIES ARE FULLY SUPERVISED  
 BY OUR FRIENDLY TRAINED STAFF  
 YOUTH ENGAGEMENT SERVICES

## WEEK ONE ACTIVITIES

**Saturday 21 September – 9am-4pm**

**Sunday 22 September – 9am-4pm**

**Accredited Pool Lifeguard Training**

**Waves Mildura, 180-190 Deakin Avenue**

**Ages: 16-25**

Ever wanted to be a Pool Lifeguard at one of our community pools? We are offering a two-day FREE training course to become a qualified pool lifeguard. You MUST be 16 years and hold an accredited First Aid Certificate to undertake this course. Bring your own lunch and snacks.

**Monday 23 September – 2pm-4pm**

**Arnie's Laserforce, 62 Orange Ave Mildura**

**Ages: 12-17**

Join in for an action-packed two hours of Laserforce. Play Laserforce games and enjoy free access to the arcade games. Snacks provided.

**Tuesday 24 September – 1pm-3.30pm**

**Skateboard Art**

**Mildura Scout Hall, 39 Twelfth Street, Mildura**

**Ages: 12-17**

As part of the YMCA Skate event, we are holding a creative skateboard session. Design your own artwork on a skateboard provided. Then on 4 October, you can give your new board a flex @ the workshop @ Mildura skate park. Snacks provided.



Scan here to book



Arrive 15 minutes prior to the event starting.



Bring a water bottle to each activity.



Extra snacks can be purchased at most activities.

**SUN SAFETY**

Council encourage the use of protective clothing, hats and sunscreen. 30+ sunscreen is provided, however young people can bring their own.

**Friday 27 September**  
**AFL Victorian Public Holiday – no activities**

**Thursday 26 September – 11am-1pm**  
**Sports Day – Pickleball, & Basketball & Indoor Cricket**

**Mildura Sporting Precinct, 684 Deakin Avenue, Mildura**

**Ages: 12-17**

We are providing three come and try sport opportunities; pickleball, basketball and indoor cricket. We will have expert coaches on hand to run mini comps. Pizza and snacks provided.

**Wednesday 25 September – 11am-2pm**  
**Chef for a day – Pasta Dish**  
**SuniTAFE, 453 Benetook Ave Mildura**

**Ages: 12-17**

A qualified Chef will show you how to make your own creative Pasta Dish in the TAFE Kitchen. You get to enjoy eating your own dish. Chef & Nadine will demonstrate and guide you in the kitchen.

## WEEK TWO ACTIVITIES

**Monday 30 September – 9am-4pm**  
**Responsible Service of Alcohol Training**  
**MADEC Community College**  
**126-130 Deakin Ave**

**Ages: 17-25**

An RSA is required to serve alcoholic beverages at restaurants, bars, cafes and events. This FREE course provides you with a pathway into the hospitality industry. Upon registration, there will be a separate enrolment form. Bring your own lunch and snacks.

**Tuesday 1 October – 4.15pm-5.15pm**  
**Paddle Vessel Cruise**

**Mildura Wharf, Hugh King Drive, Mildura**

**Ages: 12-24**

Ever wanted to take a cruise along the Murray? Enjoy an hour-long Murray River cruise on the Paddle Vessel Rothbury, built in 1881. It will be an informative and chilled afternoon cruise. Snacks provided.

**Wednesday 2 October – 11.30am-2pm**

**Smart Farm SuniTAFE**

**161 Dairtunk Ave, Inympe**

**Ages: 12-17**

We take a tour of SuniTAFE Smart Farm. This tour will give you an opportunity look into the future of farming or maybe give you an idea of career opportunities in horticulture. Some fun activities are planned. Lunch and transport are provided or make your own way there.

**Thursday 3 October – 11am-2pm**  
**Ouyen Lake, NW Road, Ouyen**

**Transport provided**

**Ages: 12-17**

Join us for a bus trip to Ouyen and try your luck at landing a fish at Ouyen Lake. There will be other fun activities to enjoy or a time to chill. Snacks and transport provided.

**Friday 4 October 2024 – 1pm-3pm**  
**YMCA FreeZA All Aboard 5**  
**Skateboard - Workshop**  
**Mildura Skate Park, Hugh King Drive**

**Ages: All**

Expert skate coaches from YMCA will hold a two-hour workshop. Learn new skills ahead of the Mildura Skate Park Competition on Saturday 5 October. Sessions are FREE! Skateboards and safety equipment included. Snacks provided.

**Saturday 5 October – 10am-3pm**  
**YMCA FreeZA Scoot, BMX & Skate Competition**

**Mildura Skate Park, Hugh King Drive**

**Ages: All**

Open to all corners and all ages and abilities, this is your chance to showcase your skills across the three categories of Scoot, BMX and Skate. Free face painting. Free sausage sizzle and snacks provided.

**Saturday 12 October – 9am-4pm**

**Accredited Swim Teaching Training Course**

**Mildura Waves, 180-190 Deakin Ave Mildura**

**Ages: 16-25**

Ever wanted to be a Swim Teacher at one of our community pools? We are offering a FREE one-day training course to become a qualified swim teacher. You MUST be 16 years and hold an accredited First Aid Certificate to undertake this course. Bring your own lunch and snacks.





# MALLEE

# ROOT

# 2024

# Festival



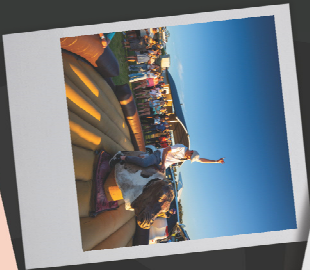
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BUY TICKETS AND FIND MORE INFO ON OUR WEBSITE!

**SATURDAY  
SEPTEMBER  
28TH  
2PM-LATE  
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CAMPING AVAILABLE AT THE LAKE- BOOK VIA WEBSITE



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LIVE MUSIC  
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FOOD VANS  
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AFL ON THE BIG SCREEN  
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# WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND OUYEN P-12 COLLEGE

## TERM 4



Thursday 10th October

LMR Athletics Secondary Bendigo

Monday 14th October

LMR Athletics Primary Bendigo

Monday 14th -18th October

Yr.9 Camp- Rubicon

Tuesday 15th October

College Council

Friday 18th October

P-2 Celebration/Grade 2 Sleepover  
(more information to come)

Year 12 Last Day

Wednesday Oct 30th- Friday Nov 1st

3/4 Camp - Bendigo



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