



Term 2 Week 7

6 June 2016

Farewell to Lui

Last Friday was one of the saddest days with many staff and families from Murrumburrah Public attending Lui Polimeni's funeral at Jugiong. During our special Sports Assembly, we held one minute silence to show our respect for Lui and his family. Lui's infectious personality touched so many lives; he will be dearly missed by so many people, young and old. We are encouraging students to seek out someone to talk to when need be. Their teachers are able to support them, as am I, and our school counselling service can also provide support for students.

External Exams

One of our priorities within our School Plan is to build the learning culture within our school. If the number of students participating in external exams is a measure, we are well on the way. The number of students sitting for UNI exams

has doubled between 2014 and 2016. Last year several students received distinctions and credit in the prestigious exam.

Public Speaking

Choosing only two public speakers from each class to deliver their speeches during our Special Public Speaking assembly on Wednesday has proven to be a difficult task for teachers. The calibre of the speeches is much higher this year and students are more confident to speak before of an audience. Congratulations to all students. We hope you are able to join us for this special event.

From my desk

Clare Crawford
Principal

Learning Coach

During the past couple of weeks all class teachers have been involved in working hard to identify, plan and evaluate each student's learning needs with me as the Learning Coach. This collaborative approach is an integral part of our School Plan direction to improve Numeracy and Literacy outcomes for all students.

It has been an exciting process with all teachers pin-pointing where students are at with their learning and where to next.



Congratulations
Pheonix Daries -
Silver Reading
Award

**Athletics Carnival
Encouragement Award
Recipients
Liam Ryan and
Lillee Cummins-Davis**



KINDERGARTEN 2017 ENROLMENTS NOW BEING TAKEN

Help our 2017 planning by getting your enrolments forms in

What's Happening

Event	Classes	Activity date	Cost	Notes / Money due
Debating	Debating teams	Tuesday 7 June	\$6	
Final Genius Hour	Participating students	Tuesday 7 June 3.30pm to 4.30pm	Free	
Public Speaking Assembly	Selected students	Wednesday 8 June 12.30pm	Free	All welcome
Year 1 Excursion to Canberra 'Hippo Hippo'	Year 1	Friday 10 June	\$20	
QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY		MONDAY 13 JUNE		
P&C Meeting	All welcome	Tuesday 14 June 7.00pm	Free	
Riverina Cross Country	Qualifying students	Thursday 16 June		

Wagga Debating workshop

Earlier in the year our debating teams attended the very informative debating workshop in Wagga. They learnt about the structure of a debate, the roles of each team member and what constitutes a worthy debate. There were many scenarios presented where the teams needed to think collaboratively and present arguments. The day provided an opportunity to listen to other speakers and speak to a larger audience. Congratulations to all those in attendance and a special thank you to Mr Phillip Woodhead for giving up his valuable time to drive the students to Wagga in the community bus.

Debating Coordinator
Mary Dodd



Murrumburrah Debaters

Last week our debating teams hosted Round 1 of the Premier's Debating Challenge. There were strong arguments presented by both teams but Young Public School was successful in winning the debate. Although both our teams were defeated, they were very successful in collaborating to argue affirmative points on the following topics:

'That we should ban all tests in Primary Schools.'

Murrumburrah Kookaburras – Amelia Leitner-Ford, Samantha Emms, Chloe Wade, Hayley Carnell, Ruby Woodhead and Beau Abnett

'That we should only have eight weeks of holidays each year.'

Murrumburrah Magpies – Molly Glover, Annie Brooker, Jasmin Chesworth, Jayda Kelly, Xaydia Montgomery and Phoebe Lenehan

Round 2 will be held at Murringo Public School on Tuesday 7 June.

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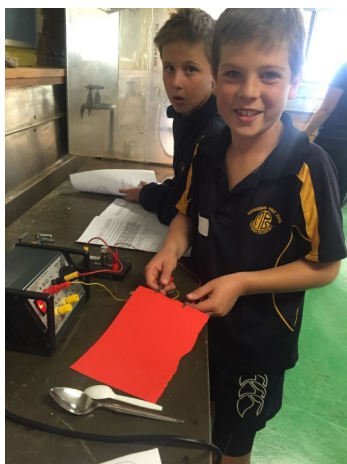
Lost Property

Our lost property is still overflowing with unnamed and unclaimed items. Please, please come and have a look if your child is missing items.

Please also ensure all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name so misplaced items can be returned to them.

Genius Hour

Genius Hour has ignited the passion for science, with Years 3 to 6 students excited about their learning. They travel to Murrumburrah High School each Tuesday afternoon where Mrs Young, along with other science teachers shares their passion for science with students.



What's happening in Year 3

Fitness: We are still enjoying our morning fitness sessions with Year 4. We have started to play a new game "Golden Child". This game has proved to be a hit as the two classes are competing against each other whilst improving our basketball shooting skills.

Literacy: We have been focusing on improving our comprehension strategy-summarising. We have been looking at ways in which we can identify the main parts of the narrative 'Stellaluna' by using a film strip summary. The film strip summary has also allowed us to understand the structure of a narrative and helped us plan very interesting stories based on the theme presented in Stellaluna (differences).

Vegetable Garden: Thank you to the families who have donated seeds to plant in our vegetable garden. We have planted a variety of winter vegetables and now it's time to ensure we water and keep our vegetables alive so we can harvest them a little bit later.

We are excited to have Miss Pembroke taking on more of the teaching load and have enjoyed the exciting activities she has prepared for us so far.



P&C News

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Thank you to Sarah Bunt who coordinated the Athletics Carnival canteen. Sarah really appreciated the help of Sandra Weston, Sandra Ballard, Emily Parker, Nikki Danassis, Clare Challen, Rach Coulton, Ari Schlesinger, Peggy Hocking, Judy Nelder, Lisa Brown and Jules Lenehan. Great job ladies. It was another great fundraiser for the P&C.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Orders from the Scholastic Book Club must be returned to school, with payment, by Friday 10 June



Sporting Schools

As a part of the funding provided by Sporting School Australia all students from K-6 began tennis lessons last Thursday. We are very fortunate to have Mr Colin Maher coming over from Young Tennis Club to provide his expert tennis coaching skills. Each class will participate in a 30 minute coaching session each Thursday for the next 5 weeks, during school time.

This program will be a part of the Physical Education program for Term 2. It is a wonderful opportunity for our students to develop and improve their existing tennis skills and by looking at the photos I think you can see that all students thoroughly enjoyed the sessions with Mr Maher.



Girls League Tag

Last Wednesday we competed in the Mortimer Shield held at Young. We sent 2 League tag teams. Both teams played exceptionally.

Murrumburrah team 1 went on to win all 3 of their games. All games were tough; they held them through great defence and huge credit to Phoebe Lenehan who was savage in getting so many tags!!! Chloe Wade received player of the day for her skills and continuing to break through the opponent's line!

Murrumburrah team 2 should be commended on their have a go attitude and continued improvement they made individually and as a team in all 3 games they played. They had some tough teams in their Pool but to their credit they never gave up and showed true sportsmanship throughout the day! Jayda Kelly was awarded their player of the day for her gutsy performance and never giving up attitude!



Mortimer Shield

Boys Rugby League

The year 5/6 boys played 3 very tough games of rugby league. The boys did extremely well considering they only had 9 players due to other children from other schools pulling out at the eleventh hour! All boys played with sheer determination and great sportsmanship. Player of the day was to the tackling machine Brock Prosser!



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'Learn to Live'



Lunchtime fun in the library. With cold and wet weather, students have been enjoying some indoor play.