Stranger Danger
We have been advised this week of a concerning increase in unwanted person(s) loitering in close proximity to some schools in our region. Schools in other areas have reported that on occasion, there have been attempts to engage students in conversation and trying to get students into cars by offering lifts, cigarettes, gifts, foods etc. This has occurred before, during and after school. It is probably timely to remind our students about personal safety strategies including walking home in pairs, not talking to strangers and telling a trusted adult if they are approached or feel unsafe.

Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser
Congratulations to our VCAL students and Mrs Gregg for their work in organising a Sausage Sizzle and Free Dress Day to raise funds for Cancer research.

Primary Cross Country
Our primary students in Years 3 to 6 participated in the Inter-house Cross Country on Tuesday. All participants did their very best and are to be congratulated for their enthusiasm. Winners and placegetters of each age group were presented with ribbons. Those with qualifying times will now compete in the Underbool & District event next Friday, May 17th.

NAPLAN
As mentioned last week, students in Years 3, 5, 7 & 9 will sit NAPLAN tests Tuesday and Wednesday next week. Please contact us if you have any queries.

Education Week
Planning is in progress for a range of activities to celebrate education in Ouyen during Education Week – May 20th to 25th. More information will be available on next week’s newsletter.

Marie O’Connor
VCE Coordinator

Passengers in motor vehicles:
With a number of Year 12 students starting to drive private vehicles to school, it is important that both students and parents understand the Department policy regarding students driving other students to school.

Following are the DEECD guidelines on this:
Students are not permitted under any circumstances (except in accordance with an approved Pre-Licence Driver Education program, Traffic Safety Education) to transport other students in private cars in connection with any school program or function, whether held during normal school hours or at other times.

This includes driving to and from school and at lunch times.
I would ask for both parent and student cooperation in this matter.

Leanne Dawes
Principal

Passengers in motor vehicles:

Monday
◊ Free dress day
◊ Main day for jobs
◊ No student will miss English or Math classes.
Tuesday - Friday
◊ Empty bins (during afternoon Home Group time)
◊ No classes will be missed.

PARENTS ASSOCIATION MEETING: Monday, May 13th - Primary Campus, 7pm
WEDNESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST PROGRAM:

When: Every Wednesday morning
Where: Primary Campus Multi-Purpose Room
Time: 8:30am
Cost: FREE for all students (Prep-Year 6)

Just turn up and enjoy breakfast with your friends!!

Please note: For this program to continue it relies on voluntary services. Assistance from parents would be greatly appreciated each Wednesday mornings if possible.

Thanking you in advance -
Ouyen St Vinnies Conference Volunteers

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LITERATURE CIRCLES:
Literature Circles in the Year 5/6 classroom are well underway for the term. However, this term there is a bit of a twist! Each student has a GOLDEN TICKET. This golden ticket will allow the student to participate in the end of semester celebrations for their fantastic achievements in Literature Circles so far this year. Each week that the Year 5/6 student completes their reading and role that has been set they will be able to punch a hole for each in the ticket (a bit like a loyalty card). Once the card is full, they will be able to use the ticket.

The most exciting part is that the students have no idea what the ticket is for and are, each week, getting clues from Ms Burns and Mr Stoetzer about what it may involve.

It is our hope that this encourages good homework practices and organisation skills. We really would like all students to get their homework completed at a high standard and their ticket filled.

CULTURAL PERFORMANCE:
Our students and staff alike were most impressed with the performance they attended yesterday called *Journey to the Centre of the Earth*.

One performer was able to present the story by changing characters, using puppets and managing his own props and special effects.

The special effects were non-techno and we were amazed at how simple everyday items were transformed, for example a snowstorm in an umbrella.

The Performer was also a master of expression, gesture and body language.

This was a true live theatre experience and one that re-affirmed the importance of cultural performances for our students.

Please look out for the novel *Journey to the Centre of the Earth* by Jules Verne. There are versions available that are suitable for students in Years 3-6.

Shelley Woodall
UPCOMING EVENTS:
Friday, May 17th – Underbool Cross Country – students aged 9, 10, 11 & 12+ years
Tuesday, May 21st – Sunraysia Cross Country – selected students

CROSS COUNTRY
Warm, humid conditions greeted the runners as they lined up to compete in the cross country on Tuesday afternoon. This did not deter the runners from trying their hardest or dampen their enthusiasm, with the majority of Year 3-6 students completing the course.

Congratulations to all students on their efforts and they will now have the chance to compete again at the Underbool sports next Friday, May 17th. Their goal should be to try and beat the times they were able to run this week.

A HUGE thank you to the following people who assisted to ensure the event ran so smoothly:
** Mr Amos for setting up, marking out and preparing the course – a huge job
** All staff and parents who manned checkpoints, recorded and time kept
** Bree, Julie and Cameron for their great photos
** the parents, grandparents and friends who came along and supported the runners

UNDERBOOL SPORTS
The Underbool sports will commence at 11.30am, with the students once again walking to the secondary campus oval as a group. Students are encouraged to wear a maroon shirt to run in on the day. With the sports concluding by 2.00pm, students will be expected to go back to school for afternoon classes.

SUNRAYSIA SOUTH CROSS COUNTRY
At the completion of the Underbool sports, a team will be selected to attend the Sunraysia South cross country, which will be held in Mildura on TUESDAY, MAY 21ST. A letter outlining travel arrangements and other details will be given out next Friday afternoon. There will be a tight deadline with returning forms for this event, so thank you in advance to everyone for their cooperation.

Runners who finish in the top 10 of this event, will get the opportunity to progress to the regional cross country, which will be held in St. Arnaud on Tuesday, June 5th.
SECONDARY CAMPUS SPORTS REPORT

**North West Athletics—Ouyen High School: DVD Programs**

Following are some of the DVD programs available

If you want a copy, you need to clearly identify which DVD(s) ..

YOUR Name & Address.

(You may wish more than one ... That’s OK .. It may just take more time)

There are many programs that have not been copied to DVD or are yet to be copied to DVD.

An example is offered on youtube (NWA Swimming–Drills & Progressions)

http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCB_WYyi0g3LMxst_2Xae3ug

2. Ouyen High School, 1985: General + Presentation to Teachers’ Colleges / Wind-Up Week
4. Ouyen High School 1991 Revue .. Holding Out for a Hero
5. Ouyen High School .. Colgate Cup (1992 and 1993) + School activities
7. NWA—Athletics Australia Tour of Europe ('95) & Tour of New Zealand (Jan. '96)
8. NWA—Swimming—Basic Drills & Progressions
9. NWA—Drills for Speed & Agility
10. NWA—Hurdle Drills: An Intro
11. NWA—General Bar Circuits 1 & 2
12. Agility Ladder Drills
13. Movement Based Games
14. DFK .. DFK Interview with Sharelle McMahon; DFK Camp 1993
15. NWA: Pallikoodam 2007; Commitment; Training Diaries
16. NWA: Profiles: Jarrod; Tom Jones; Kylie & Simone; Lauren Hewitt; Scott Thom; Teaghan; Brianna.
17. NWA: Jarrod Monaghan—Development
18. NWA: Various—Coaching & Teaching Strategies; Learning New Skills is Fun; Why Drills? Skill & Motivation Tags.
20. NWA: Jarrod—Recovery: All Schools Athletics and APS T&F, Jarrod Development. 1995 World Champs Devers/Bailey
21. NWA: General Bar Circuits 1 & 2

A more detailed outline of what is on each DVD is available on request.

Russell Parsons, North West Athletics, 2/72 Hopwood Street, ECHUCA, 3564, AUSTRALIA

www.nwaswimaths.com

(crashed in late 2011, but still on line .. Resources—Presentations—Programs);

nwa@iinet.net.au (fortnightly NWA Newsletters and attachments);

03-54-801705  0438-318-528

Check out: Are we still challenging our athletes? The DFK Program raised the question in 1992 .... Today???

Please remember the internet was not available, nor were the copying skills of today, until the late 1990’s. Even in the 1990’s it was cumbersome video cameras and equally cumbersome conversions and editing to video ... no such thing as DVD or BluRay or youtube ... of course, by the time you read this DVD & Bluray, may be obsolete.

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**SSV Mallee Division CROSS COUNTRY TEAM TRAINING**

The SSV Mallee Cross Country will be held in Ouyen on

Wednesday, May 22nd

At this time the majority of squad members are on track to complete the training requirements for the Interschool Cross Country event.

It is important that these students make every effort to prepare themselves to perform at their best.

Cross Country Training is the priority on the calendar at this time of the year so students need to plan their week to ensure they fulfill their training requirements. If they are not prepared to commit to this, they can ask to be removed from the squad.

As students are completing a training session during sport, they only need to commit to two lunchtime training sessions. Students should see training at school as an opportunity to support the sporting endeavours they have away from school. Everyone can improve their fitness levels.

Any students carrying injuries or fighting off illnesses and unable to train should have the courtesy to see Mrs. Morrish or myself to let us know and not just absent themselves from training.

**Forthcoming Dates**

**SSV Mallee Division Cross Country**

Wednesday, May 22nd

Ouyen

**SSV Loddon Mallee Cross Country**

Tuesday, June 4th

St. Arnaud

**SSV State Finals Cross Country**

Tuesday, July 18th

Bundoora, Melbourne
MUSIC:
With the redevelopment work and Debutante Ball preparations at the Community Centre, Music classes have now relocated to rooms in the Administration wing. We are busily turning our space into a Music Room. The new music elective, coupled with the Wednesday music option is seeing some leaps forward in knowledge, interest, and skill as the students have access to regular theory and practice time. Some great sounds are filling the quadrangle (on warm days with the doors open).
Photos: Tom and Xavier playing a duet of Gotye’s “Somebody that I used to know” on xylophone - sounded superb!
Michael and Moi - learning melody and chords for “Aura Lee”
Iesha - getting a beautiful tone on flute - mastered another tune.

VCAL SAUSAGE SIZZLE:
Our sausage sizzle and free dress day raised $520 for childhood cancer. The VCAL students cooked 225 sausages & delivered 145 sausages to the primary school. Ouyen Lions Club lent us their BBQ and we gave them the money after we had it all collected. Well done everyone, it was a great effort.

Adam Funcke
Woolworths ‘Earn & Learn’:

Whilst we encourage local shopping we understand that some people do shop out of town.

Please collect your stickers from Woolies and leave them at either campus office.

This is a worthy promotion as our students benefit from it. As our tally increases we are able to select from a range of products including arts & crafts, sporting goods, English resources and science equipment.

Parents Victoria Online Conference

Education Week - Sunday, May 19th from 6am
(non stop until the end of Education Week)

Topics include:

♦ Reporting
♦ School Canteens
♦ Teachers
♦ Inclusive Education
♦ Education Funding
♦ The Impact of Technology
♦ Bus Safety
♦ The Role of the School

Each day there will be a special guest/host who will be able to respond to comments and stimulate discussion.

To register go to http://wwwstraighttothepoint.co/pv/default.php

Email - office@parents.victoria.asn.au

Telephone - (03) 9380 2158

Website - www.parents.victoria.asn.au
THE MACPHERSON SMITH RURAL FOUNDATION

Applications for 2014 MSRF Foundation Scholarships are now open, and will close on Thursday, July 18th. They are targeted at Year 12 students from regional/rural Victoria who aspire to achieve tertiary qualifications, and who have demonstrated significant leadership capabilities. Financial support is valued at $45,000 ($15,000 per annum for three years).

Please see Sue Sly if you are interested in applying for this scholarship

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH A PASSION FOR WRITING!

Enter The University of Adelaide Creative Writing Competition. Entries close at 5pm on Friday, July 19th. Full details can be found at http://www.hss.adelaide.edu.au/writing-competition/

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN A CAREER IN MEDICINE?

Find out all you need to know
*Curriculum *Question time *Scholarships
*Admission Procedures *Tour of school
*Talk to other med students

Information Evening
Date: Thursday, June 6th
Time: 6.30pm – 9pm
Where: Mildura Regional Clinic
Monash University

Enquiries and RSVP by Tuesday 4th June to Mark Heald on or mark.heald@monash.edu

HOSPITALITY TRIPLE CERTIFICATE COURSES

MADEC MILDURA is running the following courses during the July School Holidays.

Please note that there are maximum numbers attached to the programs.

- Responsible Service of Alcohol $35
- Responsible Service of Gaming $35
- Food Handler’s Certificate $35
- Prepare and Serve Espresso Coffee $75

Total cost for the four courses is $180.00. Students need to be at least 16 years of age at the commencement of the course. Dates and application forms are available from Sue Sly and need to be returned to the school with the money / cheque by Thursday, May 23rd. Book early to secure your place.

Please make the cheque out to MADEC (Mildura and District Education Council).

VISUAL ARTS AND GRAPHIC DESIGN STUDENTS

La Trobe University Bendigo is holding an intensive, but enjoyable 2 day (Visual Arts) / 3 day (Graphic Design) folio preparation program for Years 11 & 12 students wishing to enter university. On completion you will have the skills required to build an impressive professional portfolio, and be able to approach a university pre-selection interview with confidence. Packed with course specific interview tips and other valuable information you will maximize your chances of success. Meals and supervised are accommodation included.

The workshops are being help on:
July 1st & 2nd (Visual Arts) $185
July 1st, 2nd & 3rd (Graphic Design) $195.

For further information and registration forms see Mrs Morrish or email Jennifer – visualarts@latrobe.edu.au

STUDY AT ADFA IN 2014

The Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA), situated in Canberra is a university like no other, offering combined military and leadership training, with a world class degree from the University of New South Wales (UNSW).

WE’LL SPONSOR YOU TO STUDY

ADFA offers degrees in a wide range of disciplines, including Arts, Business, Engineering, Information Technology, Science and Technology. In your first year you will receive a salary package of $38,015 (excluding superannuation) which increases with each year of study. All of your Higher Education Loan Program (HELP) fees (previously known as HECS) will be covered.

The latest information can be found at

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN A CAREER IN RADIATION THERAPY?

Medical Radiations Open Night, Wednesday, May 15th

Bendigo Health, Bendigo Radiotherapy Centre (Enter via Bayne St) at 6pm
RSVP essential – Liam Jukes Ph 5454 9234

The Peter MacCallum Radiotherapy centre in Bendigo, has recently started an initiative to attract more local workers into the profession. With the help of the Bendigo Radiotherapy Foundation, they have been able to create a scholarship to support students only from the Loddon Mallee region who are accepted into a radiation therapy degree. This scholarship will be up to $5000 per semester, which is $10,000 per year and $30,000 over the three year course.

THE MELBOURNE JD SHOWCASE

Melbourne Law School is hosting a one-day JD showcase specifically designed for school students who are interested in pursuing law at university.

Program highlights include:
So Sue Me! (what’s a Negligence action all about?)
Dispute Resolution interactive case
Criminal Law

Details Date: Wednesday, July 3rd
Time: 9.30am-3.30pm
Cost: $66 (inclusive GST) – participants will get morning tea, lunch and a showbag.

Online registration and payment details are available at:
www.law.unimelb.edu.au/jd/future-students/information-for-school-students

Sue Sly
Careers Coordinator
### SHEEP SALE ROSTER:

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### Condolences:
We join with the community in expressing our sincere sympathy to Lorraine, Pete, Corey, Ben, Ron & Margaret, Barry and Donna, and family, colleagues, and close friends on the passing of Rohan; an inspirational, active man who will be greatly missed.

### Catering:
We will be joining with St. Joseph’s and All Saints’ church teams to cater for Rohan Gregg’s Funeral on Monday. As you will note, the donations needed list is considerable. We would appreciate your early response to this if you can possibly help out. Thanks.

### Meeting:
After a reasonable break – our next meeting is almost upon us. We’re scheduled to meet on Monday evening, May 13th – 7:00p.m. in the Primary Campus staffroom.

### Membership:
Our annual Parents’ Association memberships are due. This nominal amount entitles you to receive minutes, vote at meetings, and a DEECD insurance cover when working at a PA function. It’s set at $2 per parent/guardian/care-giver. These can be popped in an envelope with your name and contact details for minutes, and returned to either campus. Thanks to those parents who have done this.

### Sheep Sales
— Are back to normal fortnightly operations.

### Building project
— Parents’ Association plans to put funds towards some of the new “play” equipment. Any ideas? Bring them Monday night.

### Parents Victoria Online Conference – 6:00a.m., May 19 - 25. Topics include:
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- Inclusive Education, Education Funding (do you give a Gonski?), the Impact of Technology, Bus Safety, the Role of the School, and the opportunity to comment about other education issues that concern you. Go online to [http://www.straighttothepoint.co/pv/default.php](http://www.straighttothepoint.co/pv/default.php) and register to participate in the conference. You could read about the COAG decisions re Gonski, or of the PV submission to DEECD re the proposed changes to school attendance regulations – interesting reading. Any queries? Go to office@parentsvictoria.asn.au

### Cross Country
— Congratulations to the students Year 3-12 who completed the cross country course events over the past while. Some great efforts were given and witnessed.

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**Justine Cresp – President**  
**Raelene Vine – Secretary**
Parents Association have been asked to help cater for Rohan Greggs funeral on Monday, May 13th.

Donations of money to purchase food items and consumables are always appreciated.

Donations of food and time as follows.

- please contact Loronda Binks on 0417240676

  - 3 large pots soup – 8 L each
  - Mini Quiche – 12 doz
  - Sausage Rolls – 36 doz
  - Party Pies – 30 doz
  - Party pasties – 8 doz
  - Pizza / toasties – 24 doz pieces
  - Wholemeal Sandwiches – 2 Packets – uncut
  - White bread sandwiches – 2 packets – uncut
  - Multigrain bread sandwiches – 1 packet – uncut
  - 4 hot bread dips
  - Cocktail Frankfurts – 12 doz
  - Mini vol-au-vents – 12 doz
  - Quiche/ zucchini slice (some vegetarian) – 12
  - Savoury scones – 8 doz
  - 4 x 1kg bags oven dim sims
  - 4 Entertainment Packs (spring rolls, etc)
  - Items for 3 or 4 savoury platters
  - Items for 2 fruit platters (apple, pear, mandarin, grapes etc)
  - 5 trays slice – hedgehog, jelly, lemon, caramel, vanilla
  - 2 batches scones – jam / cream etc
  - 2 doz cup cakes

We will also need workers to help set up beforehand, help during and then clean up afterwards.

Please let me know if you are able to help.

Thanks in advance,

Loronda Binks
Take control of your health

There’s a new way for you to connect all Medical Practitioners involved in your health care wherever you are in Australia. It’s called a Personally Controlled Electronic Health Record, you control what goes in it and who is allowed to access it.

Want to know more?

The Lower Medicare Local will be visiting Ouyen P-12 College, on Tuesday 14th May from 3pm

Come along so we can assist you with registering for YOUR eHealth record. All you need to bring is the name of your general practice and your Medicare Card.

www.ehealth.gov.au

www.lowermurrayml.com.au 03 5023 8633