Friday, September 6th 2013
Term 3, Week 8

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

There is plenty happening at our college for the start of the Spring season. Last Friday we had primary students, representing the Underbool District, competing in the Mini Olympics (athletics) in Mildura with a great deal of success; a number qualifying for the next level in Bendigo.

On Tuesday this week our school hosted the Mallee District Secondary Athletics carnival. I was most impressed by the level of commitment and with the spirit shown by all competitors. This year Ouyen students not competing in events assisted. Alicia Hogan did a great job announcing while others spent a very warm day running score sheets and helping out wherever they were needed. I was very proud of all of our students. A big thank you to those involved in the organising and running of the SRC barbecue and drinks stall. As usual, Mr Amos had done a fantastic job of preparing the grounds for the day.

This week we welcomed back Miss Amanda McGregor into the 3/4 classroom. Miss McGregor will have plenty of stories to share of her adventures overseas over the last few months.

Footy Colours Day took place on Thursday as anyone passing the Primary Campus would have seen and heard. As I arrived a re-enactment of the ANZAC Day clash between Collingwood and Essendon was about to take place. I was invited to participate but unfortunately had no suitable footwear! Our Year 9 Community Group organised a range of activities for this day along with pies for lunch. What is the footy without a hot pie?

Our Year 6 students have been in Melbourne on camp this week and were joined by those from Tempy and Underbool. Thank you to Mr Stoetzer, Mrs Torpey and Mr Cresp for accompanying the students. I am sure a great time will have been had by all.

Next week we have Book Week with Book Day on Wednesday when everyone is invited to dress as a book character and take part in our book parade. Our Primary Book Fair is also taking place and everyone is invited to come along and browse. All funds raised will go towards equipping our new library.

Primary Student Led Conferences will be held this coming Monday, September 9th from 1.30pm with Secondary Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews the week after.

Leanne Dawes
Principal

VCE NEWS:
The College will be holding a VCE Information Evening on Wednesday, September 18th for both parents and students.

Two sessions will be held:
Session 1:
7pm - 8pm—for students entering Year 11 in 2014
Session 2:
8pm - 9pm—for students entering Year 12 in 2014

Both sessions will be held in Room 9.
All students and their parents are encouraged to attend.

SECONDARY CAMPUS SCHOOL SERVICE
Laura Hayter & Charlotte Vine
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.

Leanne Dawes
Principal

SEPTEMBER Dates

SEPTEMBER
9th - Student Led Conferences
9th - Book Fair Week

OCTOBER
14th-18th - Year 5 camp
16th-18th - Year 3/4 camp

PARENTS ASSOCIATION MEETING: September 9th, 7pm, Primary Campus Staffroom

STUDENT LED CONFERENCES:
A reminder to all parents of Primary campus students that our Student Led Conferences will be held at the Primary Campus on Monday. Please check your time and which room your conference will be held in. It is important that parents are not late, as this will shorten your fifteen minute allotted session.

September Attendances

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LITERACY WEEK ACTIVITIES:
All next week (September 9th - 13th) we will be holding our Book Fair in the library. The Book Fair will be open from 1.30pm – 2.00pm each day and again from 3.30pm – 4.30pm. Please feel free to call in and have a look at the range of books on sale. All profits from the sale of books will go towards the new library. To tie in with this, we will also be having Book Day on Wednesday, September 11th. Students (and staff) are encouraged to dress up as their favourite literary character. We will be having breakfast in the multi-purpose room before school, followed by a grand parade of costumes at 9.00am. Parents are most welcome to come along!

AUSSIE OF THE MONTH:
Congratulations to Connor Bosch for being a good friend, being sensible with trucks and for helping with the bins and in the garden. You have been awarded Aussie of the Month.

Work is progressing rapidly on the new P-8 building.
What is numeracy?

To be numerate is to confidently and effectively use mathematics to meet the everyday demands of life.

Why is numeracy important?

Numeracy enables you to develop logical thinking and reasoning strategies in your daily life. We need numeracy to solve problems and make sense of time, numbers, patterns and shapes for activities like cooking, reading a map or bill, reading instructions and even playing sport. Ways to support your child’s numeracy development. Research has shown that children’s motivation and achievement improve when their parents or carers are involved in their education.

Numeracy Fact Sheet
Why is Numeracy Important?

What can you do?

There are many everyday things you can do to encourage numeracy learning. These include:

- encouraging your child to use mathematical language — how much, how big, how small, how many
- discussing the use of numbers, patterns and shapes in your day-to-day life — numbers found on library books, spatial patterns or shapes in playgrounds, in the home and architecture
- talking about occasions when you are using mathematics in daily jobs and real life situations — cooking, map reading, building and playing sport
- exploring situations using money such as shopping, budgets and credit cards
- estimating, measuring and comparing lengths and heights, how heavy or light things are and how much containers hold
- talking about different ways to solve a problem
- using everyday tools like tape measures or kitchen scales and discussing the units of measure
- asking ‘does that make sense?’, ‘is the answer reasonable?’ or ‘what other ways could we do this?’
- observing and using timetables, calendars and clocks for different purposes like study periods, holiday planning and catching public transport
- helping your child to work out how much things cost and what change they will receive
- playing number games using magazines, books, newspapers and number plates
- organising, categorising and counting collections of things like toys, books, clothing and shoes
CAREERS NEWS

Year 12 Important Dates
All Year 12 students who are applying for Victorian or South Australian University or TAFE courses should have their applications completed by Friday, September 27th.

IF YOU HAVE NOT YET DONE THIS please note the following timelines for submission of your information.

- Remember also:
  - All documents relating to study claims, and Personal Statement support documents need to be certified hard-copies
  - Make sure you attach your personalized VTAC documentation cover sheet which can be found in your VTAC User Account under the ‘Coversheets’ tab

VICTORIA

VTAC Course Application close Friday, September 28th (5pm)
Change of preference closes Friday, October 25th (5pm)
Re opens Monday, November 25th
Closes Monday Dec 23rd (12 noon)

SEAS Application close Tuesday, October 8th (5pm)

Scholarship Application close Friday, October 18th (5pm)

Personal History Online Form close Friday, October 25th (5pm)

STAT see VTAC/SATAC guides for closing dates Mildura sittings
Mildura SAT dates - Saturday, October 19th
Saturday, November 23rd

VCE and ATAR results Monday, December 16th (7am)

Early Round Offers Friday, November 22nd
Round 1 offers Thursday, January 17th 2014
Round 2 Offers Wednesday, February 6th 2014

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

SATAC Course Application closing date Friday, September 27th for most courses
Change of preference closes Monday, January 6th 2014

STAT applications see VTAC/SATAC guide
Change of preference close Monday, January 6th 2014
Round 1 offers Thursday, January 7th 2014

SCHOLARSHIP NEWS - C.A.S HAWKER SCHOLARSHIP
Opens Monday, December 9th & closes on Friday, January 3rd 2014.
Valued at up to $45,000 over three years. Selection is largely based on personal qualities and demonstrated leadership as well as academic ability. Undergraduate Hawker Scholars are able to attend a range of Australian educational institutions and Cambridge University UK. The application form is now available - www.hawkerscholarship.org

CHANCES FOR CHILDREN
This fund is primarily for children & young people who wish to undertake Uni or TAFE studies, who wish to further excel at sport or music or who require extra academic support.
Applications close on Friday, October 18th.
http://www.chancesforchildren.com.au

BECOME A PHARMACY ASSISTANT COURSE
This course is designed as an induction into the community pharmacy industry. It is ideal for new pharmacy staff or school students looking to work in the pharmacy industry.

Course Outcomes
- At the end of the course participants will be prepared for employment in a pharmacy and have basic knowledge of:
  - medicine scheduling including pharmacy only and pharmacist only medication
  - pharmacy operations and administration
  - prescription processes
  - the responsibilities of pharmacists and pharmacy assistants

The course provides product specific information in a range of areas including allergy, baby care, cosmetics, incontinence, skin care, vitamins and wound care.

Course Dates contact Guild Training on 03 9810 9988
Course Duration 10 days (9.30 am - 4.30 pm Monday-Friday)
Prerequisites Year 10 education or equivalent.
Good English language skills, numeracy and communication skills.
Venue Guild House, 40 Burwood Road, Hawthorn - Victoria or alternate centrally located venues
Fees $795
Further Information Phone 03 9810 9988
Email: training@vic.guild.org.au Website: www.guild.org.au/vic

AUSLAN COURSES – INTRODUCTION AND INTERMEDIATE
Where: SunTAFE Mildura
Time: 6pm – 8pm
Enrolments close: 7th of October.
Proposed Commence Date: Wednesday 9th October for 6 weeks
Costs: $300 per person

Learning outcomes:
- Explain the communication methods used by the deaf community
- Use the Australian finger spelling alphabet & numbers in context
- Navigate resources such as Signbank
More details from the Careers Office

LA TROBE UNIVERSITY ADVISORY DAY!
Choosing a university course may be the biggest decision you’ve made to date. With the close of timely VTAC applications fast approaching this is your chance to talk with expert staff before you choose your preferences.

- Speak with us one on one about your dream course.
- Register now for one of our events on campus.
  - Melbourne campus – Tuesday, September 24th 11am – 2 pm
  - Bendigo campus – Thursday, September 26th 11am – 2pm
For more information contact us on 1300 135 045

Choosing your career path
If you’re not sure which career path you want to take, La Trobe Career Architect can help. It considers your strengths & personality, and then suggests careers and courses you could consider. It takes 10 minutes to complete and is totally confidential. http://latribe.custhelp.com/ci/documents/detail/2/ca2014

M YFUTURE is Australia’s national career information & exploration service. The interactive website contains career tools & information for all Australians seeking information about their own career development. The newest feature is the myfuture Forum, which allows individuals to have discussions with somebody who works in an occupation that they are interested in. Each session, a different person will be online to answer users’ questions.

You can follow myfuture on Facebook and Twitter to keep up-to-date with the redevelopment.

myfuture is a joint initiative of the Australian, state and territory governments www.myfuture.edu.au

FOUNDATION FOR YOUNG AUSTRALIANS – CHANGE IT UP
Mildura Rural City Council is currently calling for nominations from young people aged 14 – 19 years to be a part of Change It Up, a leadership development program.
The Change It Up program aims to supports young people to contribute to local decision making and have a voice in determining the future of their local community.
Young people will attend workshops & learn how to pitch their ideas for to local government, business & community leaders.
The 2-day Change It Up workshop will be held at the MYCentre, 48 Twelfth St Mildura on September 23rd and 24th.
The program will conclude with participants pitching their ideas for change at a Pitch Up session. As part of the Pitch Up session, Council will provide $1,000 cash investment to the winning idea.
Encourage young people to nominate for this program by completing the Nomination Form which can be downloaded from: www.mildura.vic.gov.au/youth
Nominations close at 5pm on Friday, September 13th.
Further information is available on the Foundation for Young Australians website www.fya.org.au
If you have any queries contact Barbara Clifford, Youth Planner - Mildura Rural City Council, Phone: 5018 8289.
A hot sunny Spring day made it a challenging day for the students contesting the annual SSV Mallee Division Athletics Carnival.

Mr. Amos had the oval well prepared and looking professional. We are extremely lucky to have such a dedicated groundsman. His efforts go beyond the call of duty.

As seems to happen each year, several changes needed to be made prior to and during the sports to accommodate illness and injury. Thank you to the students who valiantly took up the challenge of events they were not prepared for.

The competition was fierce, but a consistent effort by all Ouyen athletes competing determinedly in events, resulted in all six Age Group Aggregate and six Age Group Champions, along with many students placing in the top 4 of their age group. Well done to all, the training does pay off!!

At present, approximately 50 students have qualified to compete at the Loddon Mallee Region carnival in Bendigo on October 10th. Qualifiers will be notified via the noticeboards in the senior building.

Congratulations to the following Ouyen Secondary College Students who were named Champions of their age groups.

**GIRLS**

- **12-13 Years**  Demi Elliott
- **16 Years**  Ellie Morrish
- **17 Years**  Esther Manley
- **18-20 Years**  Stephanie Boyd

**BOYS**

- **16 Years**  Samuel Mead
- **17 Years**  Luke Coates

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**FORTHCOMING DATES**

**LMR Athletic Carnival**

Thursday, October 10th
Bendigo.

**SSV State Finals Athletic Carnival**

Tuesday, October 22nd
Melbourne

**SPORTS SINGLETS WE NEED THEM!!!**

Can all students return the athletics singlets that were worn Tuesday? These shirts are school property and are only loaned out to students. It is important that the shirts are returned as soon as possible as we need to do a stock take.

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**LUNCHTIME TRAINING**

**MONDAY & FRIDAY**

All other events.

**WEDNESDAY**

High Jump & All other events.

**TUESDAY & THURSDAY**

Relay Training.
Events for non relay competitors.

Individuals and Relays who do not fulfill training requirements will be withdrawn from the next event.

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**Thank you**

- to the parent helpers - Pam Elliott, Helen Gloster, Janece Latta, Sally O’Connor-Byrne and Peter Lonergan who offered their assistance all day and others who helped during the day, helper students and staff members whose assistance was vital to the successful running of the carnival.

- Mr Amos for his many hours of preparation on the ovals.

- Mr. Stewart and Mr. Binks who had an early start with Mr. Amos, helping set up the oval. Your assistance was greatly appreciated.

- to Mrs. M. Morrish, Mr. Emms and Mr Stewart for their assistance coaching training sessions at lunchtimes.

- to all student helpers with special mention to Shania Evans and Iesha Corp who assisted in the stressful job of results calculations in the recording shed, Alicia Hogan and Caitlin Vine who were our announcers, and Alex Maynard and Josh Petersen who walked a mini marathon carrying marshalling and results sheets all day.

- to the SRC for providing the BBQ.

- Again, Mrs. Sly deserves a special mention for the many hours spent organising the marshalling sheets and the recording information. Her efforts are invaluable and greatly appreciated.

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**2013 NWSSSA RECORDS**

**BROKEN RECORDS**

- **G14Yrs Javelin** · Lexi Thomas, 21.22m MMM (L.Felise, Robinvale, 18.96m, 2012)
- **G15Yrs Shot Put** · Luisa-Maria Felise 11.29m, ROB (Charlotte Nixon, Ouyen, 9.33m, 2012)
- **G16Yrs Javelin** · Larraine Ralph, 28.20m, OUY (B. Noonan, Tyrrell, 23.47, 2012)
- **G17Yrs Shot Put** · Kalisi Taulani, 10.39m, ROB (T. Nunn, Tyrrell, 9.62m, 2012)
- **B14Yrs Discus** · Thomas Hedley 38.46m, OUY (Corey Stadon, Tyrrell, 38.34m, 2004)
- **B14Yrs Shot** · Vaka Minoneti, 11.50m, ROB (B.Turner, MMM, 10.78, 2011)
- **B14Yrs Javelin** · Jack Cook, 33.0m, OUY (Toby Simmonds, Ouyen, 31.33m, 2009)
Our Individual Champions

Demi Elliott  Stephanie Boyd  Ellie Morrish  Samuel Mead  Luke Coates  Esther Manley
SHEEP SALE ROSTER:

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Meeting: Our next meeting is set for next Monday, September 9th. The suggestion for a meeting while parents are already at the school got no response so we’ll go with the usual 7:00p.m. in the Primary Campus staffroom. Hope you’ll come out again in the evening.

Catering: The Year 5 families are taking on the catering for the Lions’ Club dinner on Thursday, September 19th at Blackburn Park to help out with the Pushcart fundraising target. (Same night as the school Formal). This group is the smallest in the school – 8 or 9 families - and will be grateful for any offers of help from school families, or students not going to the formal. It will be a two course meal (roast plus dessert). Contact Raelene [0407849174] if you think you may be able to help.

Sheep Sale: Our display fridge has decided to quit. We will be purchasing a new one asap. We shall also be buying an insect zapper for the kiosk to try to minimise the bug impact there. The price of sausage rolls has gone up to $2.50.

Pedestrian Crossing: Parents Association has been pressing for pedestrian crossing markings to be painted at the Oke and Cooper St intersection for quite some time. There are regular close shaves at the intersection as children make their way home or to the street. This will remain an intersection of interest after the school is on one site being the northern entrance to the main business precinct, and an access area for Senior Citizens, mobile library users, Preschool, and Maternal and Child Health Centre users. Any parents wishing to write their own letters to MRCC or VicRoads supporting this notion is encouraged to do so.

Justine Cresp – President
Raelene Vine – Secretary

Year 5 Catering – Lions Club Dinner

- 2L milk
- 250g butter
- 3 x 1kg carrots
- 1 punnet strawberries
- 4 kiwi fruit
- 28 firm medium tomatoes
- 60 potatoes
- 1 x 600ml cream,
- 2 x 300g sour cream
- 1 bunch spring onions
- 3 or 4 trays cauliflower au gratin (tray supplied)
- 1 jar cranberry sauce
- ½ loaf bread crumbed
- 1 small jar honey
- 1 bag each white and milk chocolate melts
- 3 kg beans
- 1 pumpkin (from school garden)
- 3 trifles

Please contact Raelene Vine (0407 849 174) with questions, suggestions, offers

Thanks in anticipation

Tabby, Raelene, Nola – need more, please
We trust that all the dads had a marvellous day on Sunday. We take this opportunity to acknowledge and honour your role as husbands and fathers and want you to know how important you are to your children.

Marie Kilpatrick SWW

Underbool Primary School would love you to join our

GARDEN WALK
Friday 25th October, 2013
from 9.00am.

$25 per person includes:
A walk through 10 beautiful gardens in the Underbool area,
morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.

Major Raffle drawn on the day and plants available for purchase

To attend please register by 11th October, by contacting
Pennie Wisneske: 0437256367 or Amanda Hayter: 0428948398

CRANK IT UP -
MYCentre Holiday Activities for students in Year 7-12
Registration forms from MYCentre, 48 Twelfth St, Mildura or

Week 1
♦ Sept 23rd/24th - Change it Up @ MYCentre
♦ Sept 25th - Canoeing @ Kings Billabong
♦ Sept 26th - Action Painting Workshop @ MYCentre
♦ Sept 27th - Mega Splash Pool Party @ Mildura Waves

Week 2
♦ Sept 30th - Fishing @ Lock 11
♦ Oct 1st - Boys Day @ Formula K Go Carts
♦ Oct 2nd - Orienteering @ Coomealla
♦ Oct 3rd - Masterchef @ SMGT apprentice2chef
♦ Oct 4th - T-Shirt Print Making @ MYCentre

For further information contact MRCC Youth Services on 5018 8280.

SIBLING RIVALRY
Sibling rivalry is a fact of family life. However, constant bickering and arguing between siblings can drive even the most patient parent crazy! Why do brothers and sisters fight so much? They fight because they are jealous. Every child desires the exclusive love of their parents. The sibling rivalry seed is sown the moment a new baby comes home from hospital and gets so much attention including being Mum’s number one priority. The older child’s life is turned upside down, and yet we expect the displaced child to be pleased with the new arrival!
Even if effort is taken to create a happy anticipation on the arrival of their brother or sister, a child can feel duped when this sibling can’t talk, can’t play, and yet gains so much attention. Children are serious when they ask if their parents can give the baby back!
Sibling rivalry is natural, just as it is in the animal kingdom. Rough-housing, spirited play and tussling with animals such as monkeys, is not serious, in fact they have their own ways of keeping fights within safe limits. Neither is it serious with children although parents often worry that it is. It actually teaches children how to defend their rights, assert themselves, and eventually, if uninterrupted, how to compromise.
Much depends on the way parents respond. The response of parents will determine how siblings get along, in childhood and beyond. It also impacts how the child feels about themselves and their parents.
The best decision for parents is to stay out of children’s arguments; just let them settle it themselves.
What if your child comes to you whinging about their sibling? Stay tuned for more tips next week.

Marie Kilpatrick SWW

ALL SCHOOLS SWIM MEET
♦ Thursday, September 19th
♦ Mildura Waves at 5:30pm

Are you of primary school age and enjoy swimming? Would you love to come and try a swim meet? We have the perfect opportunity for you!
Entry is free and open to students from all primary schools in the Sunraysia area.

Events:
♦ 25 metre Freestyle 25 metre Backstroke
♦ 25 metre Breaststroke Freestyle Relays

For further information and entries, please contact
Gaylene on 0407 099 617 or email cveal@bigpond.net.au
MUSIC MEETING:
We are calling a meeting for all students who are, or have been, members of Mrs Woodall’s or Mrs Vine’s music classes this year.
We need to discuss participation and items for the Arts Evening and the Patchewollock Music Festival.
This will take place at lunchtime on Tuesday, September 10th at 1.10pm in the Music Room, where students are free to bring lunch and will receive an information note for parents.
It is anticipated that this will take no longer than ten minutes.

Shelley Woodall
Music Coordinator

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Ouyen Junior Basketball A.G.M.
Ouyen Community Club
Tuesday, September 17th
7pm.
All parents of intending players, please attend.

Ouyen Junior Basketball
If you are aged between 9-17 years and would like to play basketball this season, please put your name down at Gregg’s Electrical by Tuesday, September 17th.

Flying Doctors Opening Eyes in Ouyen
Residents of Ouyen and District will be able to access a new mobile optometry service starting on 19th September.

The program is a partnership between Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) Victoria, the Australian College of Optometry (ACO) and Mallee Track Health and Community Services (MTH&CS)

Under the program, optometrists from the ACO will fly to Mildura and then use a RFDS Mobile Eye Care vehicle to travel to Ouyen and surrounding communities. As well as using the rooms at MTH&CS, ACO optometrists will take eye care and education out to community centres such as kindergartens, schools and aged care facilities.

To book an appointment with the new Mobile Eye Care service call MTH&CS on ph. (03) 5092 1111.