Thank you to the parents who completed and returned the Parent Opinion Surveys. The information gathered will assist us in planning for the future. A reminder to complete the survey attached to this newsletter if you haven’t already done so. As we move into our next 4-year strategic planning phase it is important to us that we have feedback from parents about our performance.

A public meeting was held on Tuesday at the MRCC offices in Ouyen regarding the demolition of the Primary School Buildings. Representatives from DET explained the process and the reasons for the demolition. In a nutshell – after demolition and clean-up of the site, it will be offered to other government departments who may have a use for it. If not, it will be offered to the MRCC who may have plans for its use. After this process, which will include re-zoning of the land, if neither the state or local government is interested, it will be offered for public sale.

On Wednesday, all secondary students and the staff attended sessions with Mitch from ‘Headspace’. They gained valuable information about mental health. It was great to see parents join in the sessions.

Primary students competed in their Athletics Sports today. It is always terrific to see families come along and support these events. Thanks to Mrs Morrish, Mrs Stone and Mr Emms for preparing and training the students, and all teachers and parents who filled the many roles required in order for events like these to go ahead.

Our Year 9 students attended the MTH&CS Health Expo today. This annual event showcases the careers available in the health industry and also promotes our college’s strong links with our community.

**Next Wednesday is a pupil free day**. Staff will be completing first aid training, with Anaphylaxis as the focus. During the morning, teams of teachers will be analysing data in preparation for strategic planning and review. We will be focussing on Numeracy, Literacy, Well-being and Engagement, VCE and Curriculum.

*Shelley Kay*
Acting Principal

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**Principal’s Report**

Expressions of interest for Pre Kinder (3 year old kinder) to be held in Term 4 2015, are now being taken. Any child who turns 4 by April 30th 2016 is eligible to attend. To register interest for your child, please contact the Enrolment Officer, Narelle Latta, on 0428 288 864 by Friday, August 14th.
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

A laugh is a smile that bursts.

~ Mary H. Waldrip

WEEKLY AWARDS

Super Star of the Week:
Prep:
Grade 1:
Grade 2:
Grade 3:
Grade 4:

Literacy Award:
Prep:
Grade 1:
Grade 2:
Grade 3:
Grade 4:

Numeracy Award:
Prep:
Grade 1:
Grade 2:
Grade 3:
Grade 4:

Attendance Bear: Year

Pen License:

TIQBIZ:
Have you downloaded tiqbiz to your smartphone? If you have, ask your friends if they are using it too. Encourage other parents to use the app.

EARN & LEARN:
Woolworths Earn and Learn has started. We are asking people who shop in Mildura to collect their stickers for our school. Previously, our school has been the recipient of sporting & classroom equipment through this program.

SRC NEWS:
After discussions with Ms Cross it has been decided that like last term, a week of free dress will be awarded to the class with the highest attendance throughout Term 3. The winning year level will have the opportunity to wear free dress during the last week of term.

SRC Executive

WE ARE GIVING UP, TO BRING HUNGER DOWN! YOU CAN HELP BY DONATING!

A team of Year 9 students is participating in the 40 Hour Famine. To raise money we are running a Guess the Lollies in the Jar game. This will be held between Monday, August 3rd until Thursday, August 6th at a cost of a $1 per guess.

We will be bringing the jar around during Reading Time so make sure you have your money ready. The person who is correct or closest will win the lollies and the jar!

All money raised will be given to World Vision so we can help make a difference in third world countries.

Our team is:
Lucy Morrish, Alana Linklater, Megan O’Connor, Maddy Hastings, Samantha Sharp, Natasha Beckman, Lorean Nunan, Toby Harker & Lockie McCormack.

Megan O’Connor, Lucy Morrish & Alana Linklater
CLOSING CEREMONY PROGRAM:
Sunday, August 2nd

OUYEN PRIMARY SITE – HUNT STREET
1.30pm  Welcome
1.35pm  National Anthem
1.35 - 1.50pm  School History
1.50pm  Time capsule is lifted
1.55pm  School flag is lowered
2.00pm  End of proceedings at primary site. Group moves to new school site

OUYEN P-12 COLLEGE SITE
2.15pm  Welcome to new school site (Gathering is at front entrance)
2.20pm  Time capsule is reburied
2.25pm  Flag is raised
2.30pm  Tours of the new school building/Afternoon tea in new dining area
CANBERRA:

Last week the Year 10s travelled to chilly Canberra for a huge few days of activities. We arrived in Canberra at 6.30pm on Monday night, ate dinner and went straight up to the Telstra Tower. We had a brilliant view of the city we would be exploring for the week.

Tuesday, we had an icy start as we attended the ANZAC PRD walk and discovered the depths of the war memorial designs. This was followed by the National Library (a favourite amongst students – due to the fact they could have been squashed between the bookshelves and it was run by robots). We were very lucky at the Australian Institute of Sport (another favourite – just ask the girls), as the male gymnasts, volleyball team, swimmers and the gym were open and available for viewing as the athletes trained. We watched Ant Man at the movies that night – just ask Mr. Harrow how much he likes popcorn and his Magic Mike cup!

Wednesday was jam-packed with activities such as the National Museum, the Mint, Australian War Memorial, High Courts, the Botanic Gardens and 2 students walking into poles!! It was surprising the students had enough energy that night to attend iPLAY to use the laser tag, dodgem cars and arcade games!

Thursday was just as busy, exploring the Parliament side of Canberra, Questacon, Electoral Centre and ice-skating. Friday we departed at 7.45am and travelled (very quietly) back to Ouyen where we arrived at 6.30pm looking like zombies.

Thankyou to Mrs Morrish for driving the bus, Mr Harrow for his assistance, Mr Stewart for doing all of the organising and the Year 10s for providing MANY laughs and behaving like young adults. I am extremely grateful for the experience of the camp and look forward to many more in years to come.

Miss McCuish
HIGH JUMP:
Congratulations to Jacob Zanker 6 year boys and Matthew Erhardt 7 year boys. Jacob set a new record and Matthew equalled the record for their age groups.
A big thank you to Mrs Stone for running the high jump events, the year 10 students who assisted on Friday and Miss Ginn who assisted on Monday.

RECORDS:

**6 year boys:**
Jacob Zanker jumped 0.82m

**7 year boys:**
Matthew Erhardt equalled the record with a jump of 0.94m.

Laura Shaddock, Harry Scott & Kyle O’Brien were given an experience of a lifetime when they were selected to play in a half time grid game at Etihad Stadium on Sunday, July 5th. The game was between Bombers & Saints.

RESULTS OF OUR ATHLETIC SPORTS WILL BE IN NEXT WEEK’S NEWSLETTER.
HOUSE ATHLETICS

The House Athletics Sports will be held next Friday, August 7th. House Captains are currently selecting teams from the choices that students have made.

High Jump events have almost been completed during Sport, however those students who have not competed will need to do so during lunch times next week.

Good Luck to all competitors.

REMININDERS FOR SPORTS

All students are expected to be appropriately attired in House colours and House Shirts on sports day. NO casual/fashion T-shirts will be allowed. Inappropriate sports uniform will lead to disqualification. Track pants can only be worn to compete in Shot Put, Javelin and Discus events. Track suits/ rugby tops should be worn between events if the weather is cool.

All competitors in 100m, 200m, 400m and 4x100 relay events must use a crouch start.

SHOT / DISCUS / JAVELIN athletes MUST enter and leave through the back of the circle/throwing area. All spectators and waiting competitors must remain well behind the throwing areas. Please check the program carefully and ensure that you are at the appropriate area on time.

Running events take priority over field events.

If you have a clash in events, report to the field event before going to compete in your track event. After your track event, return promptly to your field event.

FORTHCOMING DATES

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CROUCH STARTS

1. “ON YOUR MARKS”
2. “SET”
3. “GUN”

HELP NEEDED

The House Athletics Sports is scheduled for next Tuesday. For the event to run, we need assistance from our parent body. If you can help, could you please let the sports staff or General Office know.

FOR ME, WINNING ISN’T SOMETHING THAT HAPPENS SUDDENLY ON THE FIELD WHEN THE WHISTLE BLOWS AND THE CROWDS ROAR. WINNING IS SOMETHING THAT BUILDS PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY EVERY DAY THAT YOU TRAIN AND EVERY NIGHT THAT YOU DREAM.

Emmit Smith
UP COMING EVENTS

Tuesday 4th August
– VTAC / SATAC Information evening Mildura Year 12

Friday 7th August
– Fed Uni Presentation, Years 10 & 11

Sunday 9th / Tuesday 11 August
VCE Careers Trip Melbourne Year 11

Monday 10th / Friday 14th August
Work Experience, Year 10

Thursday 13th August
– Girls Exploring Trades, Year 9

Sunday 16th August
– Uni S.A, Adelaide Uni Open Day

Tuesday 18th / Wed 19th August
– TAFE Trade Tour Bendigo Year 11

Friday 28th August
– Try a Trade Mildura, Year 10

YEAR 11 VCE / VCAL CAREER TRIP MELBOURNE
Activities for the three days include

Sunday 9th
Departure Time: 5am sharp Bus Shed
Speed Pick Up: 5.30am
Open Day – La Trobe Bundoora
RMIT City & Bundoora,
Australian Catholic University

Monday 10th
University of Melbourne & Ormond College
Walter & Eliza Institute of Medical Research
Deakin Burwood.
The Project

Tuesday 11th
University of Ballarat - Mt Helen – Camp Street
Estimated time of arrival in Ouyen is 5.30pm.

Accommodation is at Parade Inn, Parkville. Breakfast on Monday is included in the cost. All other meals &
movie are at your own expense.

Photo ID & covered in shoes are a must.

Students are encouraged to bring snack food and

drinks.

Staff attending Marie O’Connor & Sue Sly

Please see Bobbie Stacey if you are unsure of your
balance owing.

YEAR 11 VET INDUSTRY VISIT BENDIGO –
Kangan Institute Workshop and Industry Tours,
Tuesday 18th Wednesday 19th August
Activities for the two days include workshop tours and
Trade Tasters at the City and Charleston Road Campus-
es, Industry tours of Keech 3D Advanced Manufactur-
ing, Motherson Elastomer Pty. Ltd, Thales Australia, &
Hofmann Engineering Bendigo.
It’s not too late for VET /VCAL Year 11 students and
Parents to attend this day Industry visit to Bendigo.

VTAC INFORMATION EVENING
Time: 6pm – 8pm
When: Tuesday 4 August 2015
Where: La Trobe University, Mildura Campus

The session will cover information about applying to
Universities, TAFEs and Independent Tertiary Colleg-
es within Victoria, as well as information about the
ATAR, scaling and offers.
You are encouraged to register for this event http://
www.latrobe.edu.au/events/all/vtac-and-satac-
information-night

UNI S.A / ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY - OPEN DAY
BUS TRIP
Date: Sunday 16th August.
Cost: t.b.a
Open to: Students & Parents

Students and parents interested in attending the
Open Days bus trip for Adelaide University and Uni
SA must submit their names to Sue Sly by Friday
31st July.

A range of accommodation tours will be available on
the day.

Flinders University Open day for 2015 is Friday 14th
and Saturday 15th August.

If there is enough interest shown I may be able to
organize a ‘Ghost’ tour.

Names to Sue Sly or add your name to the list in the
Careers Office.

VTAC/SATAC APPLICATIONS
(including SEAS & Scholarship)
VTAC / SATAC Open Monday 3rd August
Close Tuesday 30th September

Year 12 students and parents are welcome to make an
appointment if assistance is required.

LATROBE UNIVERSITY - ASPIRE
Applications open for our early admission program

Open on Monday 1st June
Applications are assessed on a student’s level of com-

munity engagement and a school’s recommendation
will also form part of the assessment.

The Aspire Program recognises that you are worth
more than your ATAR score and gives you the oppor-
tunity to be rewarded for your contribution to your
community. Applications are open to all of our cours-
es and early offers will be conditional upon meeting
the minimum ATAR requirement and prerequisite for
the course.

More information available from http://
www.latrobe.edu.au/study/aspire/minimum-atar-
requirements

Sue Sly
Careers Coordinator
Parents Association:

Primary School 3615: Thank you to those who have offered to help out on Sunday for afternoon tea. So far we have three slices and a batch of scones. If anyone can do a packet of sandwiches or some slice/ biscuits/ cake please let Raelene Vine know – 0407849174. Can be delivered Saturday, if that helps. We have no idea how many might attend – could be anywhere from 50 - 100. We are asking for people to bring in/ send in slices and savouries that we can return if they aren’t needed. Any helpers between mingling and looking at displays would be welcome. We understand there is a lot on this weekend.

It would be great to have a good crowd attend the Farewell, the time capsule lifting and reinterment and share some memories of times spent with OPS 3615 whether as a parent, student, staff member or friend.

School Review: The DET school review cycle is beginning. Parent input is hoped for as the school community sets an agenda of goals for the next three years and looks at what has been achieved over the three years past.

Sheep sale: Parents are encouraged to check the sheep sale roster – there are some gaps – let Michelle Morris know if you can help fill any of them. 50921182 or 50921616.

UDSSSA SPORTS: PA will be helping out with some light lunch options – sandwiches/ rolls. Anyone who can help on Friday, August 14 to prepare, package, sell them – please contact Raelene Vine.

August 2nd – afternoon tea at Community Centre following farewell to Ouyen Primary School 3615 and lifting/ re-interring of time capsule – open to all levels.
August 14 – sandwiches/ rolls for UDSSSA sports

HEADSPACE: This organisation is doing great work Australia-wide for the mental health of young people. They visited the school this week. Talk over what they presented with your children, too.

Parents Victoria – Annual Conference – Ikon Park – August 25th – 26th – Theme: Public Schools are Kicking Goals
Interested in attending? Contact Leisa Cronin or Raelene Vine. Further info available on the Parents Victoria website.

Justine Cresp, President Raelene Vine, Secretary

Ouyen P-12 Strategic Review:

We value your opinion.

Please take a minute to complete the survey below.

Thinking about the following areas –

Student Learning and Student Engagement & Wellbeing at school list some opinions or ideas.

At Ouyen P-12 College:

What do we do well?

What could we do better?

If you could change one thing about the school what would it be?