From the Principal’s desk …

Anzac Day Service
Our Grade 6’s delivered an Anzac Service to be proud of last Friday. Thank you to Doug Messer and Bill Saunders for attending on behalf of the RSL.
Our School Captains, Deakin and Tayla spoke beautifully at the Dawn Service as they remembered Edward James McHarry, a local soldier who was lucky to return from his experience at war.
Well done to Amber and Denni who sang the National Anthem as part of the service.
All students represented themselves, their school, their families and community with pride!

House Cross Country
Our House Cross Country event is fast approaching and we are hoping you can come along and encourage the children as they run! It will be held on Friday May 6 at the park, starting at midday. Children are encouraged to wear their house coloured t-shirt for the event.
We are also looking for helpers – if you are available please let us know! Thank you!

Transition to Secondary School
Local Secondary Schools are currently offering Information Nights and Open Days for students going into year 7 in 2017. Families of students in Grades 4 and 5 are also encouraged to attend.

Information Nights
Rushworth P – 12 College Wednesday May 4 at 6pm
Wanganui SC Monday May 9 at 7pm
Shepparton HS Tuesday May 10 at 7pm
Mooroopna SC Wednesday May 11 at 7pm
McGuire College Thursday May 12 at 7pm

Open Days
Mooroopna SC, Shepparton HS, Wanganui SC and McGuire College will hold Open Days on Wednesday May 18 and Thursday May 19 at 9:15am and 11:15am. If these times don’t suit you, please contact the relevant schools to arrange an appointment.

Attendance – ‘Every Day Counts’
A reminder that if your child is away from school to please contact us and let us know on the morning of this absence. You also need to provide a written explanation (e.g. illness) using an absence note found in the newsletter, a note from home or using the tiq biz app.
Thank you!

First Aid in Schools program
Next Wednesday May 4, all children in participate in a 45 minute basic First Aid session with a St. John’s Ambulance member. The topics include:
Foundation – Grade 2: Looking for danger; Staying safe; Checking for response (talk and squeeze); How to call for an ambulance; and recognising a paramedic.
Grades 3 – 6: Introduction and principles of first aid; How to call for an ambulance; Dealing with an unconscious casualty; and Recovery position demonstration and practice.

Mother’s Day Stall
The Mother’s Day Stall is coming up on Friday May 6. Gifts range from $1.00 to $5.00. Children will visit the stall with their class and make their purchases to take home. Thank you to Michelle Donders, for providing this opportunity to our students.

School Photos
School Photos will be taken on Wednesday May 18. Information regarding the ordering process is being sent home to families this week.

Melissa Houlihan
Principal
**AROUND THE SCHOOL:**
Keys to Success - Getting Along, Confidence, Organisation, Persistence & Resilience

Our Students fantastic ANZAC art work

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- **ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY**
- **Mother’s Day Stall House Cross Country**
- **WOOD AUCTION**
- **Curriculum Day Holiday**
- **Reports go Home**
- **Regional Cross Country**
- **Parent Teacher Interviews**
- **School Council**
SCHOOL BANKING EACH WEDNESDAY AT MURCHISON PS - See Shelly for information about opening an account so you can become a weekly saver too.

**MURCHISON SUPA VALU CENTRE** – proud sponsor of the School Newsletter

**CELEBRATING 25 YEAR’S SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY**

**SUPERMARKET** **MILKBAR** **NEWSAGENCY**

Shop Hours: Mon – Thurs- 5:00am - 7:00pm,  
Fri- 5:00am – 7:30pm, Sat- 6:00am – 7:30pm,  
Sun- 7:00am – 7:00pm.

**BATTERY RECYCLE DEPOT**  
**SHOP LOCALLY FOR CONVENIENCE & SERVICE** **CITYLINK PASSES** **available**

**PARENT-CHILD MOTHER GOOSE PROGRAM:** There is nothing more important than the bond between parent and child. Parents and grandparents with children aged from 0 years are invited to come along to a morning filled with singing songs, action finger rhymes and story telling! The Parent-Child Mother Goose Program will take place at Murchison Primary School every **Friday from 9.30am-10.30am** during the school term. Sessions are fun, free and morning tea is provided! For more information contact (03) 58262391.

**RESOURCESMART:** Murchison Primary School is working towards becoming a Resource Smart School in the four areas of waste and litter management, energy use, water use and biodiversity. Each week there will be a change we can make to the way we live to reduce our impact on the environment.

**Tip 10: REPLACE OLD LIGHT GLOBES WITH CFLs & LEDs!** Replace old light globes with energy efficient lighting (CFLs and LEDs). Switch off lights when not in use.

**Tip 11: CLEAN YOUR HOME THE GREEN WAY!** Use non-toxic methods of cleaning including warm water and a textured cloth or vinegar and warm water.

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**Murchison Primary School Student Absence Form**

Name: ________________________________

Class: ____________________ Date: __________________

Reason: _________________________________

Parent’s Signature: ____________________________
NAGAMBIE SPEEDWAY: This Saturday & Sunday April 30 & May 1 and Saturday & Sunday May 14 & 15. Gates open at 11:00am. Entry $20, children under 12 FREE. Follow us on facebook at Nagambie Speedway.

SPORTING SCHOOLS
We will be having AFL sessions after school for 6 weeks on Thursdays starting tomorrow April 28, after school. See Shelly for more information.

MASK: We have been very busy bees in MASK over the last two weeks. We have enjoyed learning about sign language and practicing the alphabet and our names in sign. We made a fantastic Anzac display in the hallway, learnt all about the Anzac history and even made some yummy Anzac biscuits to enjoy with our families. Wednesday’s have been a favourite as we have been conducting science experiments! Through our experiment last week we learnt how things grow and where plants get their nutrients from. We turned white roses’ different colours and they look amazing! Our theme for next week is Mother’s Day and we will have some lovely activities to share with everybody next edition.

We have been having large groups so please remember to let the office know if your children are attending MASK. Also a friendly reminder that MASK runs Monday-Friday 3.20pm-6pm.

Please keep your accounts up to date and make sure enrolment forms are handed in.

Thank you. Jenna.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB- Issue 3 is due back: Tomorrow Thursday April 28

Thank you to the families that have supported MPS by making purchases from Book Club so far this year. Issue 3 will arrive home this week. It is the first of two issues for Term 2. On each edition this year you will find a selection of books available for $1 or $2 each as Scholastic are aiming to make books affordable to everyone. If you would like to place an order please return the completed paperwork with correct payment or alternatively go online and place your own order. Follow the L.O.O.P. directions on the bottom of each brochure. If paying by cheque make it out to Scholastic Australia. Thanks! Felicity and Kellie.