

Values: Be Safe, Be Responsible, Be Respectful & Be a Learner

From the Principal's desk ...

School Council

School Council nominations have officially closed for 2022. Welcome and congratulations to Miranda Anthony and Will Morgan to School Council. Congratulations also to Natasha Boyle on her re-election.

We would like to thank Cecilie Munro for her time on School Council it has been very much appreciated. Cecilie was a member for 7 years and held the position of School Council President for the past 6 years.

Our AGM will be held on March 29.

Year 3-6 Melbourne Camp

For those who may have missed the post on Skool Loop, I have been advised that our planned camp to Melbourne has needed to be postponed until December. We are all disappointed however this is beyond our control. It is still our intention to offer two camps this year if possible. We will keep you updated as details come to hand.

School Attendance

Research shows a clear relationship between regular school attendance and achievement.

Please see the flyer later in the newsletter.

Remember that the best place for a sick child is at home and please go on Skool Loop, give us a call or send an email on the morning of your child's absence.

Foundation Students

Next week will be the first full week of school for our Foundation students. They are settling into the school routines well and are excited about learning.

Permission Forms

Permission forms for students to engage with Chappy have been sent home today. Please take the time to read this information and contact me if you have any questions.

Division Sports

Congratulations to the 5 students who participate in the Division Sports in Seymour today. We are

proud of your efforts and thank you for representing our school. Well done to Lily, Wally, Joe, Max and Frankie. Congratulations to Wally for making it through to the Regional Swimming Carnival after swimming the fastest time for in the 9/10year old Breaststroke.

Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund is available to eligible families. If you are the holder of a Health Care Card you are eligible. Please see Shelly for more information or an application form by February 28.

Student Information Update

Next Monday we complete the Department's school census. It is important that all details are correct at this time. Thank you to the parents who have updated student information, could all parents please let Shelly know if there has been any changes of student/parent details. It is important that we have all the current medical conditions, employment details, contact names and numbers, especially for emergencies.

Crossing Safety

A reminder to all students and families to use our crossing out the front of the school when arriving and departing from school. Whilst the crossing is not manned in the morning, the flags are displayed and anyone crossing from the opposite side of the road to the school should use this crossing. After school, our crossing is manned by a staff member and all students and caregivers crossing the road should follow the direction of the crossing supervisor.

Child Safe Standards

Murchison Primary School is proudly a Child Safe School, including being a leading school in Respectful Relationships.

Have a great week of learning!

Karen Goodwin





'Be The Best You Can Be'

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Left to Right

Zara, Lexie, Shawn, Hailey & Jacob

Gr F-1WV – Jacob W – For being a quiet achiever, and a great learner in our classroom. Keep going Jacob!

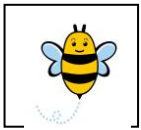
Gr 1-2FF – Lyla H – Lyla has been the 'Best Learner' she can be by working very hard to read independently. Well done Lyla!

Gr 3-4WW – Zara B – by showing confidence in sharing her writing with the class and regularly completing her work. Great stuff Zara!

Gr 3-4WW – Lexie K – For showing great enthusiasm for learning and happily contributing her ideas in class discussions.

Gr 5-6BC – Hailey G – Hailey is a kind and caring student. She is always willing to help others.

Gr 5-6BC – Shawn S – For having a red hot go with your maths, 5 and 6 digit numbers, place value and extending out numbers. Great work Shawn!



BEE FOCUS: - Being Safe- use playground equipment correctly. ie going down the slide not running up it.

★ **HAPPY** ★
BIRTHDAY!

Friday Feb 25, Melina H
Sunday Feb 27, Paisley D



Charlotte R

WEEKLY REMINDERS



Don't forget to bring a water bottle to school everyday



Broad-brimmed hats are a must during Term 1 - no hat, no play



Lunch Orders
Mon, Wed & Fri

TERM 1 PLANNER

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
4	21	22	23	24 Playgroup JABBA BUS 2:00-4:30pm	25 Bee Shop POOL CARNIVAL	26	27
5	28 Assembly 8:50	March 1	2 Year 6 Leadership Day and Badge Presentation	3 Playgroup	4 Mother Goose Clean Up Aust. Day	5	6
6	7 Assembly 8:50	8 Coffee Club	9	10	11 Mother Goose Bee Shop	12	13
7	14 Labour Day Holiday	15	16	17 Playgroup	18 Mother Goose	19	20
8	21 Assembly 8:50	22 Coffee Club Life Ed	23 Life Ed	24 Playgroup SSS Rehearsal	25 Mother Goose Ride to School Bee Shop	26	27
9	28 Assembly 8:50	29 School Council AGM	30	31 Playgroup SSS Rehearsal	April 1 Mother Goose	2	3
10	4 Assembly 8:50	5 Coffee Club	6	7 Playgroup	8 Mother Goose Bee Shop Last Day Term 1 2:20 finish	9	10

MASK: New to the school or never had to use MASK! I'd like to take you on a quick rundown of our time together. We meet at the front door of the old building, walk in and the children place their bags in the shelf on the right, before entering our room, (first door on the left) they wash their hands and we do a roll call. They then get to play with the wide variety of toys and games that we have while I get afternoon tea ready. We sit at the table to eat. While the dishes are being done they can play again. We decide as a group to continue to play inside or go outside. We go back inside whenever the group decides. This week in MASK we have tried fruit smoothies - some loved them, some not so much. Where learning its ok to not like it as long as you have a try! Friday provided us with enough wind to try and fly our kites! With our numbers growing, and this is great to see, it is important for casual bookings to let either Shelly or myself know. We have child ratios we need to comply with. Cheers, Sharon



Chaplains News

We were so proud of the students who attended swimming in Euroa. Not only did they compete well but the highlight for me was cheering other teams as well. Just last night I was watching an old video where Gary Ablett senior was asked about winning in sport. He said that he taught his kids to "have fun" too much emphasis is placed on "winning". I love competing and do want people to do the best that they can. This of course not only applies to sport but all aspects of life. All the best for today in Seymour, I know you will do your family, your school and yourself proud of your efforts. It was great to see parents enjoying a coffee and hot chocolate on Tuesday. The community has been talking about how our school does this. Let's keep plugging Murchison Primary School as the place to be. Chappy 😊



EVERY DAY COUNTS

Attendance at or above 98%	<p>These students have only missed 4 days or less in a school year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - They have every chance of achieving to the best of their ability - These students are likely to have positive friendship groups
Attendance 95 – 97%	<p>These students have only missed 5-10 days</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - They are more likely to be achieving well at school - With only occasional absences, these students will find it fairly easy to get back in touch with the learning program after absences
Attendance 90 – 94%	<p>These students have missed 11-20 days</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - These students may find it challenging to keep in touch with lessons or with class work - Aim to improve your attendance rate
Attendance 80 – 89%	<p>These students have missed 21-40 days</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - These students have missed up to 1 day every week, which equates to 2 ½ years schooling missed by Year 12 - It will be very difficult to keep in touch with school work and to maintain social connections - Please contact the school immediately to discuss a plan for improving attendance rates
Attendance below 80%	<p>These students have missed more than 40 days</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - These students have missed more than 1 day per week - Students will be 'disconnected' from school. They are almost certain to experience difficulties both academically and socially - Please contact the school immediately to discuss a plan for improving attendance rates

STUDENT ABSENCES: Please phone the school or send a message via Skool Loop if your child is going to be away. Children are expected to be at school every day unless unwell. Please support your child's learning and ensure they are at school by 8.50am **every day.**



Murchison Primary School Student Absence Form

Please hand to
your class
teacher

Name: _____

Class: _____ Date: _____

Reason _____

Parent's Signature: _____

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools this year.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>

MURCHISON-TOOLAMBA FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB - JUNIORS

The MTFNC are ever so close to meeting our target of being able to cater for the whole family at the same place on the same day. Our youngest netball team being 11 & Under and our youngest football team being Under 13s. This arrangement means that all juniors can have their game scheduled between 8:30am and noon, allowing for a great family atmosphere. If you are interested in being involved in any of our junior teams, please attend our Season Launch and Information Evening on Thursday 24th February from 5:30pm.

Our Under 13 Football is open to boys and girls from as young as Grade 3. There is a possibility if there is enough interest to add an Under 9 football team to cater for Grade 1 and 2 students.

The 11 & Under Netball would suit players in Grade 3 and 4.

For more information please attend the Information Night & First Training on Thursday 24th February at 5:30pm or call/message Craig Thompson on 0407465560 for more details.

MTFNC JUNIOR SURVEY QR CODE



MURCHISON-TOOLAMBA FNC

JUNIOR FOOTBALL & NETBALL 2022

THURSDAY 24TH FEBRUARY

TRAINING 5:30PM

FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE & INFORMATION SESSION 6:30PM

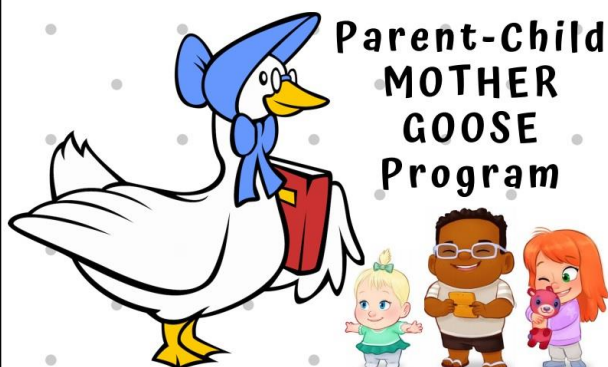
MURCHISON CLUBROOMS

NETBALL: 11&U, 13&U, 15&U, 17&U

FOOTBALL: U13 & U18

UNDER 9S FOOTBALL TO BE DISCUSSED

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/mtfncjunior2022>



The Parent-Child Mother Goose Program is a free drop-in for parents, caregivers, and young children, birth to 6 years old to focus on the pleasure and power of sharing rhymes and songs. Please join us for Singing, Rhymes and Snacks at Murchison Primary School each **Friday during the school term from 9.15am**, starting on March 4 **call the school on 58 262 391 for more details.**



JABBA THE BUS IN MURCHISON

- Date:** Thursday 24th February
- Location:** Murchison Primary School,
8-10 Impey Street, Murchison
- Bus clinic times:** 2:00pm to 4:30pm
- Vaccine available:** Boosters for 16 year olds and over; First or second doses for 12 year olds and above; and Children aged 5-11 years old
Children must be accompanied by their parent/guardian.

Please bring photo ID and Medicare card, if you have one.



activities
in the park

MURCHISON POOL CARNIVAL

Get down to Murchison pool for stacks of fun activities! Inflatables, games and lots more!



Murchison Men's Shed have food available for purchase and pool committee have drinks and lollies

Friday 25 February 2022

Cost: Outdoor Pool Admission
Child \$4.00 Adult \$5.00 Family \$17

**4pm
until
7pm**

www.getmoovingshepparton.com.au

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Download the **FREE Get Mooving App!**

PROUDLY PRESENTED BY



Murchison Men's Shed will be there with food from 4 - 7pm
Sausages, Dim Sims, Hot Dogs \$2.50 & Gourmet Hot Dogs \$5.00
MEMBERS ARE FREE.

Please bring cash as we have no EFT

Please come and enjoy the festivities whilst supporting our community run pool and the Men's Shed