

Dates to **REMEMBER**

30 APRIL - GRIP Conference

3 MAY – School Cross Country (2pm)

6 MAY - K.T.H.S Year 7 Trans

7 MAY - B.H.S year 7 Trans

OSTPONED School Council Meeting 4pm

8 MAY – Mackillop year 7 Trans

12 MAY – Mother's Day

14 MAY - Mallee Cross Country (S/Hill)

17 MAY - Jump Rope Ends

28 MAY - Regional Cross Country

29 MAY - K.C.C Year 7 Trans

4 JUNE - School Council Meeting 4pm

10 JUNE – Kings Birthday

14 JUNE – Winter Sport

20 JUNE - School Lions Speeches (9-11am)

Reminders

Market Morning Teas:

Maclean, Thomas,

Morton, Lea

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Surnett, Pappin, Murray,

Danson, Heffer

Principal's Updates

The weather has been kind this week ... cool mornings making way for sunny play times later in the day! The students have been eagerly waiting for the installation of the GAGA pit, which we were expecting this week.

Miss Taylor has been away on sick leave this week and the P-2s have adapted to, and welcomed, a variety of CRTs. Thanks to Ms Flood, Miss H and Miss Green for their work in the P-2 room. Staff and parents were informed on Thursday that Miss Taylor has made the difficult and sad decision not to return to Murrabit Group School. We thank her for her contributions to the school and wish her well in the future.

Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) started this week with Kat and Darcy providing supervision, snacks and activities. Activities run from 7:30 - 8:30 am before school and 3:30 - 6:00 pm after school. Students have been doing art activities, playing checkers and are keen to learn Chess.

PLEASE NOTE SCHOOL COUNCIL WILL BE POSTPONED FROM NEXT TUESDAY AT 4PM UNTIL A LATER DATE.



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ANZAC Day

Thank you to all the families and students who attend the Murrabit ANZAC Day Service – it was great to see so many of our students paying their respects.





Year 6 Parents

The GRIP Leadership Conference is this Tuesday in Bendigo. We will be travelling by bus from Koondrook; leaving at 6:35am and returning to Koondrook at 4:45pm. Students will need their packed recess, lunch, drinks and a pen.

Premier's Readers Challenge

Don't forget out Premier's Reading Challenge has started for 2024.

Prep to Year 2

- Number of books: 30
- Number of books from the Challenge book list: 20 or more

Year 3 to Year 9

- Number of books: 15
- Number of books from the Challenge book list: 10 or more

If you have any questions, please see Mrs Coulter.

Art

In Art, to commemorate ANZAC Day, P-2 students made cut out poppies using some paper skills and were guided to draw other features using oil pastels. Grade 3/4 students drew a field of poppies with oil pastels and added a resist wash. Grade 5/6 used portfolio pastels to draw poppies and added some text to their presentation.







Parents & Friends

We're making a cookbook! Please collate your recipes and send them into school so that they can be shared far and wide with our community. We also will have a Mother's Day Gift Stall this year – it will be \$5 per present that needs to be at school by Wednesday 8th May for the stall the be held on Friday 10th May.

May Helen Digby

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

P/1/2



Lilly Monk for excellence and persistence in the classroom.

STEAM



Lilly Monk
for her persistence in the 'How Do Lungs
Work?" activity and also using great teamwork
skills helping others who needed it.

KITCHEN/GARDEN



Xx XX

3/4



for focus and persistence during arrays with multiplication and for rising to the challenge with his daily reading.

ITALIAN



Xavier Hein
for a great discussion and
observation about
Michaelangelo, the Polymath.

PE



Eve Murray
for her great organisation and consistency
in helping to set-up PE & sport lessons as
a MGS Sports Captain.

Pippy Morton

for her constant persistence and practise
for all areas of her learning as well as her
intrinsic motivation to challenge herself in
her learning.

ITALIAN



Casey Heffer
for a great discussion and
observation about Michaelangelo,
the Polymath.

PRINCIPAL



Xx XX

PREP/1/2 CLASSROOM NEWS

The P/1/2 students continued their learning about narrative writing using the "first ... then ... after ... finally ..." process with Mrs Flood and Miss H. In Maths they have continued their work on ordinal numbers.





I have absolutely loved being a part of Murrabit Group School. It has been a privilege to be a part of such a small, supportive community and to work alongside such dedicated colleagues and enthusiastic students. I wish you all the very best and hopefully I can visit very soon. Teaghen and Frankie.

KITCHEN/GARDEN

On Tuesday afternoon Miss Digby and Miss H took the Grade 5/6s for a cooking session. Given the focus has been on the ANZACs this week, we cooked ANZAC biscuits ... like (great) grandma used to in the 'old days'!! No fancy measuring cups ... just a cup and a spoon and a bit of a guess. We did do some calculations on our recipe sheets to halve the recipe and work out how many spoons/cups we might need to use. We had 5 groups and ultimately 5 different looking batches of biscuits went into and came out of the ovens. After tasting, we decided that, despite the differences in the mixture and appearance, they all tasted like ANZAC biscuits and were delicious.



On Friday the Grade 3/4s spent time with Miss Green weeding the vegetable garden beds ... a necessary but never ending job!

3/4 CLASSROOM NEWS

We have been learning multiplication tables at our level of understanding, arrays of them with counters and board games. In Writing and Reading we have been learning about the features of non-fiction texts and studying bugs and animals. Come into the classroom and meet our red back spider, Bob! In Inquiry we have been classifying living things. For fun, we have been preparing for Mother's Day.





Mrs Angie Jones & Ms Makayla Green



MUSIC/LOTE

In Italian this week 5/6 were learning facts about famous Italians and where they were from. We played matching games and tested one another with our word knowledge. 3/4 continued building their personal Italian translation chart. P/1 were practising greeting and matching cards English to Italian.

Due to the ANZAC Day Public Holiday there was no Music this week.



5/6 CLASSROOM NEWS

In the % classroom this week we had a lot of excitement with Miss Bath's dog 'Daisy' joining us on Friday – she loved coming in to school again and seeing all the students.

For our learning in Maths this week we have spent time looking at inverse operations, missing number equations and fact families – students now should have a developed understanding of how we can interchange and link sums/numbers to make maths sums easier and quicker to calculate than before. In our Literacy lessons we have continued looking and comprehending Newspaper articles – this week we looked at an article about 'TikTok' trends and how they can be dangerous; we linked this to things that we have experienced ourselves, that we have read about before and that we can connect it to in our world. Our inquiry lesson focussed on "What is biology?" rather than me tell you what it is; hear it from the students:

- "Biology is where you get to study living things and get to have fun." Hudson
- "I think biology is about plants." Austin.
- "Biology is the science of life and living organisms." Evan & Casey
- "Biology is the study of animals, and we can see how much they have developed over the years." Charlotte, Darcy & Jaz

Hudson's Week 2 Recap:

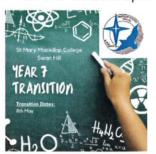
Hello everybody, hope you have had a great week.

In maths we have been focusing on factor family's and the kids have been getting very good at it. In reading groups, we did a newspaper article on the TikTok trend of toffee fruit.

Last Thursday most of the kids went to the ANZAC day service at the Hall and the Cenotaph.

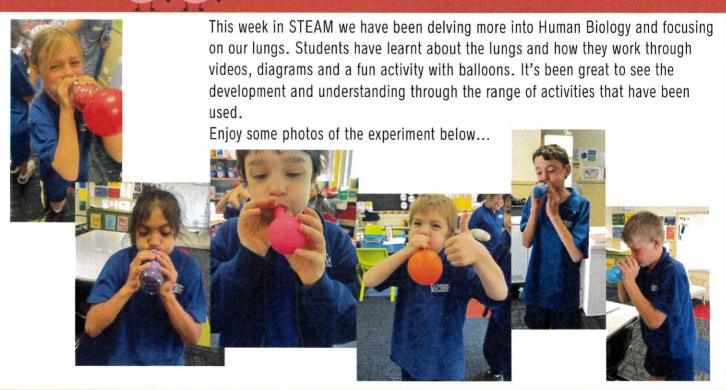






Miss Bath

STEAM





In P.E. and sport we are focused on two key activities at the moment: the School Cross Country and Jump Rope for Heart. Students are running laps around the oval each morning and the Sports Captains are keeping a tally.

Lap Leaders from each class:

P/1/2 - Dillan

3/4 - Brax

5/6 - Zeik

In P-2 we have been playing games to build stamina and coordination. Last week we learnt a new game called "Big Momma" (a variation of Boot Ball) which develops kicking and throwing coordination skills. On Monday we had a go at running under the rope for skipping.



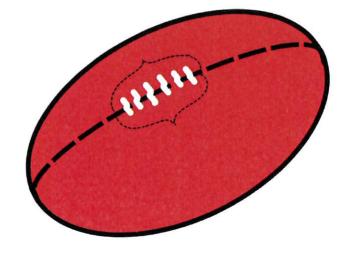




FOOTY TIPPING

Round 7

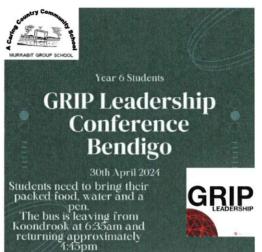
Most Correct Tips –
Darcy M (9/9)
Overall Leader/s –
Judi (42/59)





COMING UP













We acknowledge and show respect to all Traditional Owners/Custodians of the land on which we learn, the Barapa Barapa people and pay our respects to their Elders, past and present and emerging'.



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