From the Assistant Principal

As reported in the last edition of the Pipeline, I accompanied the Year 11 General Maths class to Manangatang where they met their teacher and fellow class mates. Both VCE Maths classes have now had the opportunity to meet their ‘virtual’ class mates and teachers.

Voting for the 2014 Student Representative Council (SRC) took place this morning. At Werrimull P-12 School, the SRC exists to provide opportunities for students to address the interests and concerns of students and to develop leadership skills. Mrs Harris and Ms Hall will share the role of coordinating the SRC this year. Regular meetings will be held where motions are put forward and voted on. Fundraising and the organisation of special events is undertaken by the SRC; the SRC fundraising events were listed in the 2014 calendar. Congratulations to the following SRC representatives:

P-6 Dana Kingi & Holly Harmer
7 & 8 Raymond Henschke & Morgan Ruchel
9 & 10 Ashlyn Roads & Shay Lambert
VCE Mark Thomson & Sammy-Jo Sly

Congratulations to the first 2014 Aussie of the Month recipient, Tom Fox and this week’s citizen of the week, Dana Kingi. Both Dana & Tom left for Somers Camp early this morning where they will participate in a nine-day Outdoor Education program with an emphasis on Environmental Studies and Sustainability. The camp provides a variety of activities such as bush cooking, boating, drama, orienteering, indoor rock climbing, ropes courses, flying fox and the challenge swing.

Well done to the students who have represented Werrimull P-12 School in the recent MMM swimming and the Mallee District swimming carnival. I would like to make special mention of Morgan Ruchel who won the age group champion award at the MMM event. Read Mr Bamford’s report for further details.

Please note the change of date for the Tri school (Koorlong/Sunnycliffs/Werrimull) cross country. Koorlong requested a change of date as they have a number of staff on leave. The event is now in term 2; Friday 2nd May.

Today is Shrove Tuesday, commonly referred to as Pancake Day in Australia. It is the last day before Lent for many Christians. Mrs Donnelly, with the support of the year 7 – 10 Food Technology class, prepared pancakes for the whole school to enjoy at recess. Check out our Facebook page for photographs.

I would like to thank Judy Donnelly for her work over the past few weeks. I trust Judy has enjoyed her time at Werrimull P-12 School while Mr Donnelly has maintained the household in her absence (and done a very good job of it by all reports!).

Thank you to everyone who returned the new media consent forms. It is pleasing to see so many families embracing the popular 21st Century media, including Facebook and YouTube. I would also like to remind families that these tools are used simply for educational purposes and the settings are more secure than those of our school website.

This Monday is the Labour Day Public Holiday. Enjoy your long weekend!
MMM Swimming Sports Report

On the 20th of February we had seven secondary students represent the school in the MMM swimming sports at Mildura Waves. The recent drop in morning temperatures made it a cool start to the meet for the competitors.

The step up in the size of the pool was also a concern for some with a few fearing they wouldn’t make it to the other end. Their fears were quickly gone as competition got underway and strong performances were delivered.

Ashlyn Roads was competitive against her rivals and consistent in finishing third throughout her events during the day. Next year she will no doubt be looking at getting one back over the students from Manangatang and Murrayville.

Shay Lambert got off to a flying start claiming a second place in the breaststroke, qualifying her for the Mallee District finals. Nathan Kingi produced a fast finish to claim third in the backstroke.

Morgan Ruchel was a solid performer throughout the day and showed that demonstrating correct technique over speed is the real winner with several of his competitors being disqualified allowing him to take full advantage. As a result Morgan was crowned the joint age group champion in the 14 Years Boys section. Congratulations Morgan!

Well done to all our students who competed on the day and put in their very best efforts. Thanks to Cheryl Kingi for driving.

MDSSSA Swimming Sports Report

From the results of the MMM swimming sports we had two students, Shay Lambert and Morgan Ruchel, compete at the MDSSSA swimming sports last Friday.

Bright sunshine with clear skies was the order of the day with students from Ouyen, Robinvale, Tyrell, Manangatang and Murrayville in attendance. The step up in the level of competition was noticeable with many of the competitors from other schools being part of swimming clubs.

Both Shay and Morgan put in outstanding efforts in the breaststroke and butterfly respectively. Morgan also competed in the freestyle relay as part of the MMM team. Unfortunately neither of them were able qualification for the Loddon Mallee Region finals as only first place moves on. Qualifying for the MDSSSA swimming sports is a fantastic achievement and they should be proud with their performances.

Thanks to Darie Ruchel for driving Morgan and Shay.

This now wraps up competitive swimming this year as we now look forward to the cross country events starting early in Term 2

Paul Bamford
Sports Co-ordinator
Happy Birthday

Nathan Kingi 4th March
Gus Rowe 11th March
Holly Harmer 12th March

Dates to Remember

March
Pancake Day 4th March
Labour day holiday 10th March
School Council AGM 12th March
Crazy Hair Day 13th March
St Pat’s Day/ Go green for Kieran Fundraiser 17th March
Yr’s10-11 Work experience 17th-21st March

April
Reports Home 1st April
Student/Parent/Teacher Interviews 2nd April
Easter Fair 4th April
End of term 1, 1pm Finish 4th April
Start of Term 2 22nd April
Student/Parent/Teacher Interviews 23rd April
Anzac Day 25th April
Pupil Free Day 28th April

May
Sunraysia Sth Div Trials 1st May
Tri School Cross Country 2nd May
Red Food 2nd May
Mother’s Day Stall 8th May
Cross Country 9th May
Kinder Day 9th May
NAPLAN 13th-15th May
Cuppa for Cancer 14th May

What’s new on the Werrimull P-12 Facebook page?

Swimming Carnival Photos
Swimming Carnival Highlights Video
Primary Buddy Reading Photos
P-2 Music Video to Happy

https://www.facebook.com/Werrimullp12

Please change this date on your calendar

Pupil Free Day 30th April to the 28th April

Dates to Add to Calender

The Primary Tri school cross country event is now in term 2; Friday 2nd May instead of Thursday 3rd April.
Help your town by being a Champion!

What does a healthy Mildura look like to you? Do you have ideas but are not sure how to get things started? Or are you already helping in our community and want to join with others?

Now is your time to stand up and be a real champion.

Healthy Together Mildura wants to bring our local Health Champions together to learn more, think more and do more from the ground up, to make our region healthier. We will provide training and we will support you to make a difference.

Register now to join us by becoming a local Health Champion, and play a part in changing the future of our region.

Free Health Champion Orientation Sessions:
Thursday 13th March: 6 - 9pm
Friday 14th March: 9:30am- 12:30

Both sessions will be held in the Benetook Room, 180 - 190 Deakin Avenue, Mildura.
Sign up by Thursday 6th March. Refreshments provided.

Can you see yourself:
- Leading a walking, cycle, sports, gym or dance group?
- Playing an active role in supporting your kinder, school or work place to become more health promoting?
- Joining or starting a community project to increase healthy eating or physical activity?
- Leading a campaign with others to reduce junk food in school canteens, sporting clube, check outs and food outlets?

Opportunities are limited only by your imagination

To register contact Clare Cooper on 03 502 59608, or ccooper@schs.com.au.

Jamie’s Ministry of Food aims to educate, empower and inspire people to love and enjoy good food, through learning how to cook.

Join us for a basic cooking course where every week you will learn to cook simple, healthy and tasty meals using fresh ingredients.

We will share with you loads of Jamie’s hints, tips and shortcuts.

Classes are held at the same time each week for five weeks and go for 90 minutes. Each class has a maximum of 12 participants and is completely hands on so you get to see, smell, feel and taste everything that you cook!

The course is open to everyone over the age of 12 who want to learn the basics of cooking and have fun in the kitchen! Young people aged between 12 and 16 years must be under the direct supervision of a guardian or carer at all times during the classes.

For full course details and enrolment requirements log onto: www.jamiesministryoffood.com

WITH THE SUPPORT OF HEALTHY TOGETHER MILDURA
JAMIE’S MINISTRY OF FOOD MOBILE KITCHEN IS COMING TO MILDURA

The Mobile Kitchen will be located at:
The Pine Avenue Carpark (corner Pine and 10th Street) Mildura

Cycle 1 Commences Monday 26th May 2014
Cycle 2 Commences Monday 30th June 2014

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Courses cost $10 per class ($50 full course) or $5 per class concession ($25 full course)

For bookings please visit us at www.jamiesministryoffood.com
Citizen of the Week is
24th Feb Riley Douglas
3rd March Dana Kingi

Aussie of the Month is
Tom Fox

EASTER FAIR
4th April

4th of March 2014

The SRC will be holding a Crazy Hair Day on Thursday 13th of March. It is a casual dress day and if you wish to have your hair sprayed with colour, a gold coin donation is required. A prize will be awarded to the person with the craziest hair. The crazier the better!

Sammy Jo Sly
SRC Representative
What's Happening

It’s hard to believe but we’re halfway through the Term already! The children have all settled in and you wouldn't know that some of them have just started this year as they are already comfortably following routines. They are also happily interacting with the students at Werrimull P-12 School in the morning before we walk over to Pre-School or visit the library. It has been wonderful to see the older children modify their play so that the younger children can join in.

Today is Pancake Day (Shrove Tuesday) so we will be celebrating by making our own pancakes at kindergarten. We have already had more than one request from the children for cooking over the past few weeks so they were quite excited to find out that today we were cooking ‘real food’. This ties in with the play that has been happening at the playdough table and in the home corner.

A big thanks to the parents who were able to help out with our working bee on Sunday morning, it was great to see everyone lending a hand.

Although there are still things to get done we ticked quite a few things off our list!

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