

MURRUMBURRAH
HIGH SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL:
MR DALE RANDS

Mercury



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20 March 2020

Dates for Calendar

Week 11

- Last day of Term 1—
Thursday 9 April



Clean up Australia Day

On Wednesday the 18th of March, the SRC ran a Clean up Australia Day that included cleaning up the area of our school. We held this during sport time where we split off into our year groups and cleaned up the most we possibly could, in order to be in the running to be entered into a raffle which the winner will win a canteen voucher!

Each year group enthusiastically cleaned up. With bursts of energy, enjoyment and plenty of smiles we managed to gather and clean up an impressive amount of rubbish. Overall, the winning year group was year 10 but we are extremely happy with the outcome and we are thankful to all students and staff who happily joined in and participated.

Sam Emms

Principal Report

Welcome to Week 8 and what a wonderful week it has been. Last week the school and the students were sitting in rooms getting on with daily life at school. Playing sport, attending assemblies and year meetings. All the usual parts to a school week. Then I receive an email at 9pm last Sunday night that basically changed the way we do business. I outlined all the new procedures about what we can and cannot do, our school day looks very different.

As a school we can no longer attend school assemblies or year meetings. Only year level meetings that are smaller than a regular class size. Contact sport, indoor sports, all excursions and training for staff are on hold indefinitely. Students, staff and visitors must use social distancing measures and no physical contact is permitted. All rooms have tissues, hand sanitizer and we have good supplies of toilet paper (lucky for us) and soap for all bathrooms. We are working with the Department of Education to ensure our supplies are maintained. We have placed laminated posters of good hygiene practices all over the school and will continue to encourage this practice at every opportunity.

Staff at the school appreciate and understand the many mixed feelings about attending school at the moment and into the next period of time. Lessons in classes are continuing as normal but staff are preparing just in case things change in society without a lot of notice. We have seen this already and we really feel for our local businesses in these very tough times. Drought followed by fire followed by the Coronavirus is absolutely unprecedented and is affecting all of society.

I want to ensure parents that your children are safe with us at school but we would encourage you to keep anyone at home that is sick at all to eliminate the risk of any contamination at this vital time. If your child becomes sick at school at all, they will be sent home after you are called. We cannot risk any infections lowering our ability to fight anything nastier that may come along. All our staff and students need to be fit and healthy.

We will continue providing your child with the best education, but if you are at all concerned about the current situation please contact the school and we will try to answer your questions. At this stage almost all our students are attending every day and unless they are sick or you have a family member that has a serious medical concern they must be at school.

Our community needs to stay strong and support each other. This Coronavirus is not going away anytime soon and we need to be prepared for the long fight.

Mr Dale Rands
Principal



Congratulations!!!

Congratulations to the students listed below who achieved their:

Double Purple Level Certificate

- Beau Abnett

Purple Level Certificate

- Connor Waters



Kindy to Captain

Why did you decide to stand for School Captain?

I chose to be a captain because I thought it was the right thing to do. I enjoy sitting down and listening to people, I'm easily approachable so I thought I should be in the running for captain. Not to mention it looks good on your resume.

What have you learnt as School Captain?

Being a school captain really shows what it's like to help others, the feeling of accomplishment is an amazing feeling. I also learnt how to tie a tie.

What are your plans after school?

My plans for after school is to put the skills I've learnt from being a school captain into a workplace job.



Clean Up Australia Day



Maths @ MHS

Stage 5 Trade Maths

This year we have started off by working through some of our basic fractions and decimal skills as well as looking at financial maths - How we earn money. We have also looked at how we calculate tax.

Recently we have started our unit on Trigonometry.

On Fridays we look at practical applications in Mathematics.

We have looked at constructing a giant chess board outside the Year 10 area and are hoping to complete it soon. This involved looking at making it the best size for the space, making sure the giant pieces will fit, and then looked at how much paint (volume) would be required (calculated the actual area of the painted lines) considering it was concrete we will be painting onto. We also discussed the logistics of getting the lines straight.

Last Friday we decided to look at a different and somewhat unorthodox application - How many toilet rolls would we need to build a dog house? We considered the size of the average toilet roll (radius 12cm and height 10cm). We looked at how we would need to stack the rolls, so the height would need to be a multiple of 10cm. We considered the general size of the dog house and then worked out how many rolls would be needed for each dimension. We worked out that we would need 146 rolls (not including the roof) to build our dog house. This would be 3 packets of 48 rolls plus 2 extra rolls. However, due to the shortage of toilet paper across the nation, we did not construct the dog house.

Year 12 Standard Maths.

Year 12 Standard Maths are currently preparing for their upcoming mid-course exams. This semester they have been looking at Financial Maths - Investments, Credit Cards, depreciation as well as Measurement - Rates and Ratio applications and Non-right angle Trigonometry. They have been undertaking assessments for learning that involved looking at the affordability of a mortgage and the design, construction and running costing and sustainability of a small teenager retreat. All assessments encourage students to look at real life applications of mathematics.

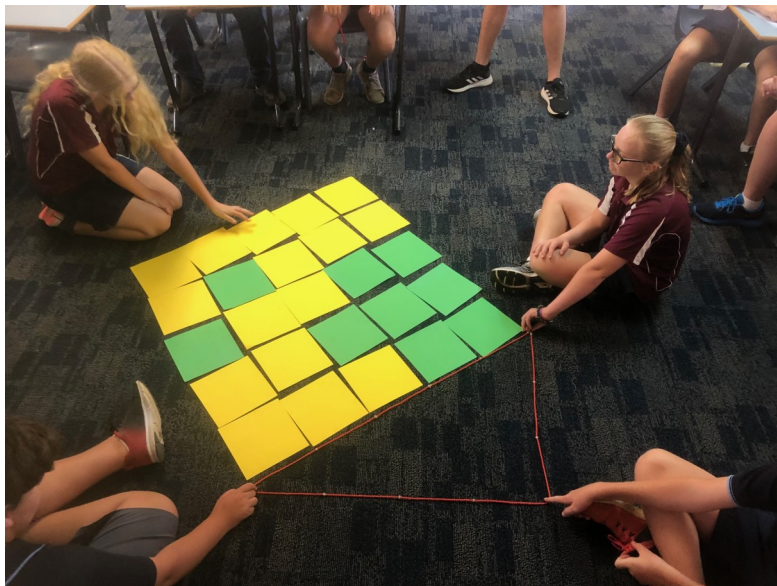


Year 12 Standard Maths trialling video conferencing using different devices.

Maths @ MHS

Maths with Ms Ward

Stage 4 - Started the year with some basic Number Skills, then moved on to learning about Pythagoras. Two classes have finished this topic and moved onto learning about Ratio.



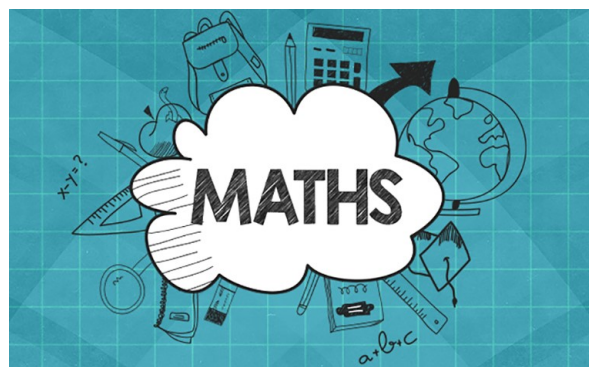
Stage 5 - Learnt about Earning Money and Simple Interest, they have done really well at this topic and have now moved onto Trigonometry.

Stage 6 - Preliminary Standard Maths have covered many aspects on Financial Maths and Budgeting. They are also working towards the completion of their first Assessment Task which covers the aspects of finding a job, buying a car, finding somewhere to live and budgeting.

Tips for Parents: Helping Your Child Succeed with Mathematics

There are many things parents can do to help their children learn, understand, and appreciate mathematics before they begin school and during the school years. The following link gives a list of tips for parents that will help them to help their children succeed.

[Engaging Maths](#)



Year 11 Art

Year 11 have been busy designing and creating their Assemblage Art.

Loren has been inspired by the bushfires that ravaged the Nation and reflects on the benefits of Indigenous management of land.

Dakota is exploring the contemporary issue of travel and also inability to travel. She pays tribute to the benefits of travel within Australia.



White Card Course

Murrumburrah High School conducted the Construction White Card Course this year. Congratulations to the students, who all did well and successfully completed the course.



Farm Club at Boorowa Show



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Preparing our students for tomorrow's challenges through learning

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MHS School Driver Training Program

1 hour = 3 Log book hours

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