

MURRUMBURRAH
HIGH SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL:
MR DALE RANDS

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3 July 2020

Week 1

- **Monday 20 July**
Staff Development
Day
- **Tuesday 21 July**
Students return to
school



Principal's Report

Welcome to the end of Term 2.

It has been certainly a busy term, but everyone is glad to see the back of it. The last two weeks of school have really seen all our students completing classwork exercises, practical projects and artworks ready for the end of term. Many students are also probably thinking about how and/or where they might be going for holidays. Looks like none of us will be going to Victoria for a while.

Principal's Report

Over the holidays the school will be getting our new stage curtains installed from a professional stage company in Sydney (STE Australia Pty Ltd – Theatrequip) as not many companies manufacture these massive fire-retardant curtains in NSW. The old gold ones will be retired after many years of service (going to the tip) and will be replaced by some fantastic navy velour professional ones. They will look brilliant on stage and will be operated by a powered motor to make things very easy indeed. After all the painting, new hall kitchen, new emergency doors and a general tidy up, the stage curtains will really provide our students with a fantastic venue for events. We will be having a school assembly first day back as we are allowed to have 15 minute school assemblies from next term. At this assembly, we will hand out new timetables but students should pack ready for day 2 on their current timetable. No major changes are expected, just a few room/class changes for some students.

Our senior students should be spending some time over the holidays preparing for their upcoming exams. Year 12 trial exams in mid Term 3 and Year 11 final exams at the end of term. The holiday time is an excellent time to read over, summarise and consolidate knowledge. It is also a great time to find out the topics that they may need some going over and can see their teachers upon returning next term for some extra tuition on these topics.

The school has installed a new swipe card system at the front office for ease of use for students and to minimise contact. It is vital that all students carry their School ID cards with them at all times and as a back up take a photo on their phone as this works just as well by the reader. Some students are starting to be forgetful and it does take time out of our busy office staff day to manually do the work that students have the responsibility for. Please remind you children to bring their cards at all times.

Now that school is relatively normal or will be from next term, it is timely that I also remind parents and carers to let the school know of an absence. If you know ahead of time please call the office to advise or if you get a text message regarding the absence, please reply to that message on the day. If you miss replying that day you will need to contact the school as the message is only valid on the day it is sent.

Thank you everyone for an interesting term and enjoy your holidays just not in Victoria yet.

Mr Dale Rands
Principal



P&C News

Our Canteen Manager, Rosie is currently working on a new menu, which will show all weekly meal specials for the rest of the school year. We are just awaiting final approval from the relevant departments to ensure that it meets the Healthy Canteen criteria.

As of next term we are able to hold P&C Meetings again! We hope to see you on Monday 10th August at 6pm in the Staff Common Room.

Sarah Rowan
P&C President

P&C Update

SRC Report

The SRC were amazed by the amount of people that put in the effort last Friday and dressed up through the decades! There were wacky and wild outfits that were all brilliant!

All our funds will be donated to Mission Australia as we raised \$95 and we will continue fundraising for Mission Australia during upcoming events!

We are all excited for next term as there will be SRC events during the first few weeks after returning to school.

We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday!!

SRC



SRC - Dress Up Day



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IVY9 Community Day project



The idea behind the Community Day project is to involve students in the broader community across school, local and state. The project IVY9 students have nominated is to collect items that will be beneficial to the homeless of the Canberra region. The IVY9 group chose this as their project based on their acknowledgement of the worrying statistics of homelessness across Australia, and their ability to give something concrete to people less fortunate than themselves.

Emily Schulz, Coralie Vasquez and Lily Shorrock are driving the organisation of the project ensuring that students work either individually or in pairs to each collect and contribute different items that will be of use over the next couple of seasons. Students have devised plans detailing how they will gather the items and have created fliers that will be distributed to their families and friends as well as around the school asking for donations.

Should any members of the school community have these items that they can donate please speak with these members of IVY9 -

Lily, Emily and Coralie - back packs
Brody and Oscar - socks and shoes
Jayda and Molly - blankets
Hayley and Lily - pants
Bianca - jumpers and coats
Regan and Heidi - sanitary packs

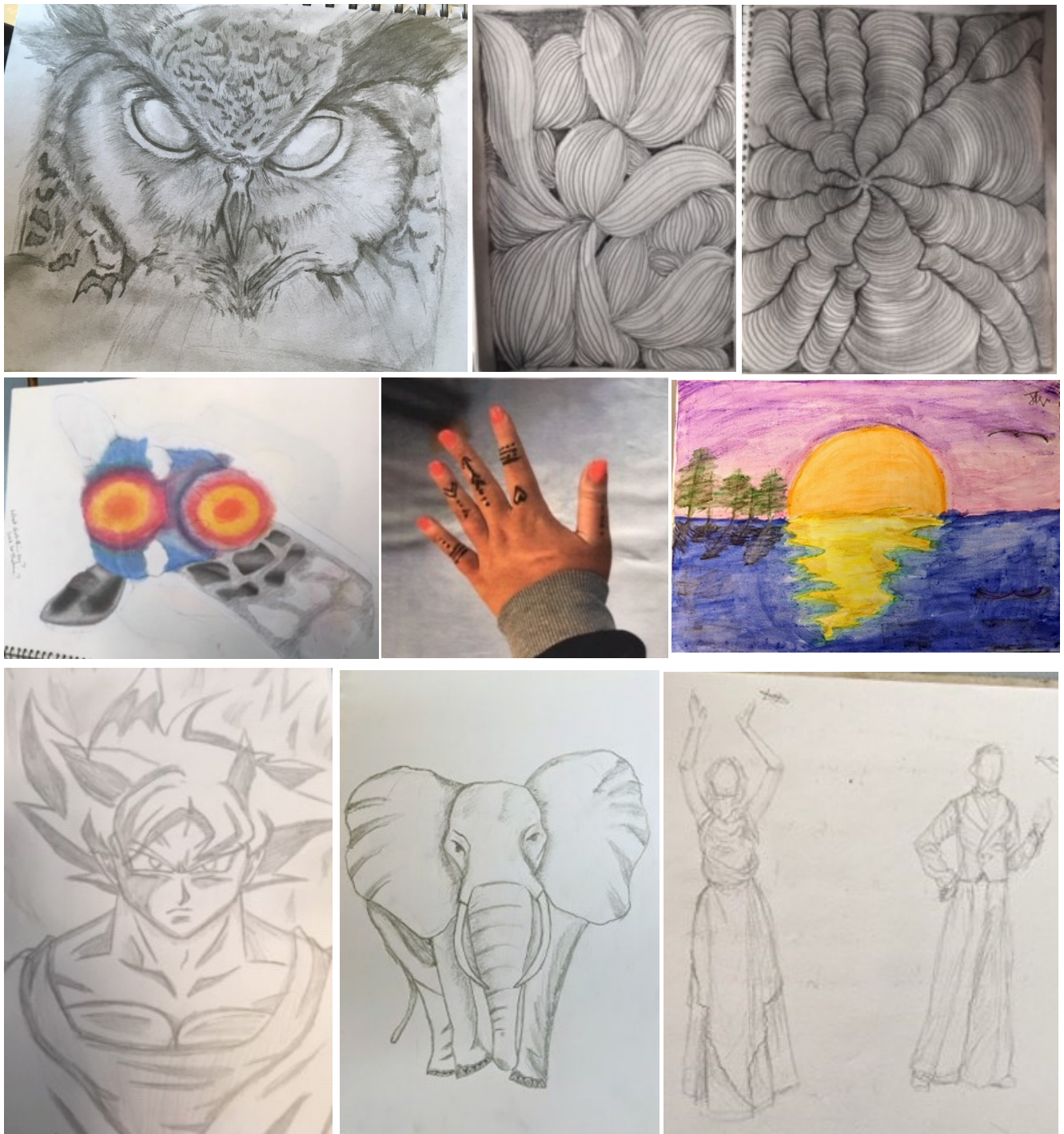
IVY9 are hoping to hold a bake sale at school during Term 3 to raise some funds to purchase the sanitary packs. Homeless organisations in Canberra have been contacted regarding their policies in accepting the items.

Please help IVY9 help others.

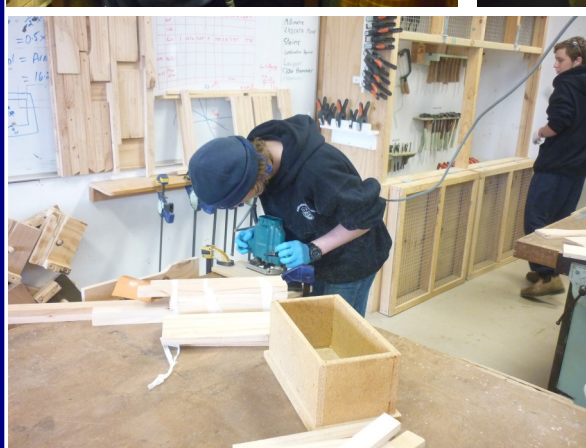
Art Room News

MHS art room is changing; new taps, tiles and sinks, along with fresh coat of paint have transformed our creative space. The landscape mural made by Stage 5 art students, last year, is hanging majestically on the art room wall.

Henna designs, drawings and 3D printing using Tinkercad have been explored by Stage 6. Stage 5 have been extending concepts of Colour and Light. Stage 4 have been deep in 'Line' work. Classes have been experimenting with Auto desk Sketchbook and digital drawing with stylus pens, with thanks to our technology support at MHS.



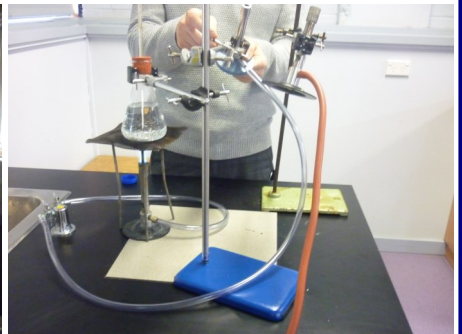
Timber & Metals



Lamb Marking



Science



Around the School



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NSW PREMIER'S SPORTING CHALLENGE



Dear Parents/Carers

This year our school has registered to participate in the NSW Premier's Sporting Challenge.

The purpose of the Challenge is to encourage students to participate in sport and physical activity to lead a healthy lifestyle.

Over a ten week period in term 3 our school will be monitoring physical activity levels during class time, at recess and lunch as well as during sport lessons. Physical activity outside school hours will also count towards the Challenge award. The aim is to work towards an average at least 60 minutes of activity a day for ten weeks.

Our school will be working towards an individual student award at the conclusion of the Challenge.

We would like to invite families to support us in encouraging students' healthy use of leisure time and to experience the joy of being active together.

For secondary students: Students are encouraged to download the free PSC Tracker app for smart phones, to aide in recording and monitoring their physical activity levels OR students will be issued with a logbook to record their daily physical activity.

Students completing the Challenge will receive a personalised certificate (Diamond, Gold, Silver or Bronze), signed by the Premier of New South Wales.

Physical activity is valued for its physical, social and emotional benefits. It also helps young people to develop communication skills, confidence and resilience.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of the Challenge, please contact Ms Hyland or Mr Pigram who will be pleased to talk further with you.

Yours sincerely

Dale Rands

Principal, Murrumburrah High School

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Reminder

Students are reminded
to please bring their
pencil cases with pens,
pencils and calculator to
school.



Skoolbag

Please note that the
school no longer uses
the Skoolbag App for
any correspondence or
updates



Preparing our students for tomorrow's challenges through learning



**Thank you to Josh Black and his supplier
Lincoln Stead from Blackies Power
Equipment Cootamundra for the test ride
with the new Bobcat ProCat 6000!**



**Thank you to Matt and
the boys from
Berridge's Building for
erecting our new
school bus shed.**

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newsletter, photos, events and more.



School Facebook Page - <https://www.facebook.com/murrumburrahhigh/>



Newsletter - The school newsletter is uploaded to the School website and
Facebook



Parent Portal murrumburrahhs.sentral.com.au

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