

MURRUMBURRAH
HIGH SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL:
MR DALE RANDS

Mercury



Term 2

- **Staff Development Day**
Monday 12 July
- **Students return to school**
Tuesday 13 July

Mercury

25 June 2021



Nic Nadycz Retires

What can I say Nic? Thanks just doesn't seem enough for all you have done for us.

You have weeded, mowed, put up, taken down, set up and dismantled things and walked thousands of kilometres for us for nearly 30 years. You have been helper and friend to all, even being our official guide for every class reunion that has wanted to re-visit MHS and MPS.

But what I must say is, thanks to your parents for bringing their young boy all the way from Europe to settle in our little country town.

That young boy grew up to be one of the most remarkable men this community has ever seen and it is a privilege to have worked with you and be your friend.

Enjoy your retirement and keep-on keeping-on, being YOU.

Mrs Bev Stevenson
School Admin Manager

Principal's Report

Hello again and welcome to the end of Term 2.

Since our last newsletter in Week 6, we have had a few activities filling our days. I have spent my time mostly in administrative duties but have had a chance to get out and about to watch some of our wonderful staff and students undertake lessons both indoors and outdoors. It is always a pleasure to see students enjoying what they do at school.

I have been working with Beth Allen owner of 180 Embroidery on our uniform situation. The short answer is that the companies that have been providing our uniform for a long time are no longer able to do so in either the colours we need, the style we want, or the type of material for our hot summers. Beth has spent a lot of her time since taking over the business sourcing uniform providers that will meet our needs. Unfortunately, as a small school, we don't have a lot of buying power and are restricted to what is currently available to keep the price realistic for families. The photos show the new shirts that have been decided upon. The new sports shirt has mesh armpit fill-ins for better breathability and cooling. The junior shirt is in the new style as is the senior shirt (some of you will recognise this shirt design from Primary school days). Beth is getting her supplies embroidered and ready for sale. All current uniforms are still fully acceptable at school. I do not want families going out and buying a new shirt unless they really need to. Beth also has a full range of other uniform supplies and is happy to take your orders.



Junior polos



Senior polos

The MHS sport gazebos have been around for a couple of years and have not lasted very well. We now only have 1 fully operational one left which we will now use for excursions etc. The photo of our new heavy-duty commercial tents with heavy duty waterproof material, rear wall and thicker/stronger framing. These should last a lot longer. Also, below is a photo of the volunteers who helped me assemble the gazebos for their first viewing by the school staff and students. They then helped me pack them all up. Thank you boys, it was a learning experience for us all and I appreciate your help on the day.



My final wishes for this term are best wishes for Nic Nadycz. Nic was employed by the Department of Education back in 1993 as a casual General Assistant (GA) and had been employed by the school for 6 years in this capacity before gaining permanency in 1999, Term 4. Nic has been GA at the school since that time but has now announced his retirement after taking a period of leave over the last few months. We at Murrumburrah High School wish Nic all the best in his retirement and know that with all the community events that Nic has been involved in over many years, he will keep very busy. All the best from the staff and students. Nic received his retirement medal at a morning tea held at the school this week.

I wish everyone a pleasant and safe holiday ready for students to start back on Tuesday 13th July. Please stay COVID safe.

Mr Dale Rands
Principal

⚡ Captains Corner ⚡

On Monday the 7th of June we took an overnight trip to Sydney for the purpose of a parliamentary education program. We departed school at 12pm to reach Sydney at a reasonable time in the afternoon. After checking in, we visited Woolworths where a glass bottle of chilli sauce miraculously appeared on the ground after a loud bang!!! With sauce and of course glass everywhere, the somewhat totally enthusiastic employee saw to it that a trolley was moved over the spill.

After we returned to the Meriton Hotel someone thought it would be a good idea to let us out onto the town. We really enjoyed this however, ferrying our way across the harbour, trialling the light rail network and of course walking, a lot of walking phew!! Dinner was amazing but in comparison to country portions it was miniscule, and the wind did pick up a little making it quite chilly.

On Tuesday we had the opportunity to go to Government House and meet our current Governor Her Excellency the Honourable Margret Beasley AC QC. We had a tour of the house and listened to her speech on what makes a good leader. We were able to ask questions on her role and the importance her job has in Australia. While at Government House we met the Governor's Official Secretary Mr. Michael Miller who spoke to us individually and gave great insight into his job and the roles within politics.

Shortly after this, we did a short walk to Parliament House in Sydney. Here we met with the local members for various areas of NSW. They each gave a short but inspirational speech on the values and importance of leadership. Our local Member Ms. Steph Cooke took us on a tour of the house along with Mr. Geoff Provest Member for Tweed. This was amazing thing to be able to see, and we asked questions on problems in our country and discussed all issues and ideas fellow captains had.

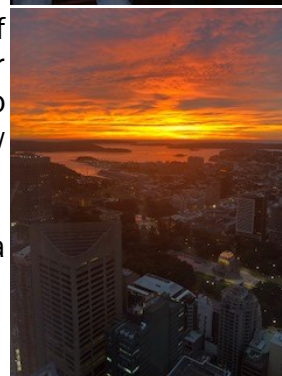
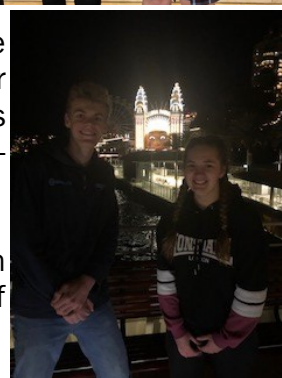
Overall, our experience in Sydney was a great opportunity for us to learn about our own roles as captains and what we should be doing in support of students here at Murrumburrah High School.

On a different note, on Tuesday the 22nd of June, the SRC did a 'Splash of Pink' day and a gold coin donation in support of Chloe Wade and her fundraising for Breast Cancer Trials as well as her marathon. We were so happy to see students not only supporting a great cause but a fellow student in her goals.

We thank everyone for such a successful term and we look forward to a new term ahead.

Thank you,

Amity & Jordan



÷ Positive Level Awards ÷

Congratulations to students listed.

Blue Level	Purple Level
• Austin Franklin	• Jade Schulz
• Annie Coulton	• Masson Williams
• Samantha Beal	



÷ Congratulations Mr. Clancy ÷

Congratulations Mr. Clancy for achieving your teacher accreditation, we are very lucky to have you at Murrumburrah High School.

The staff and students look forward to a long and productive career with you.



÷ Riverina Cross Country ÷

Congratulations to Year 7 student Sam Manwaring who came first in the 12 years boys at the Riverina Cross Country at Gundagai on Friday 11 June.

Sam will be heading to the Cross Country State Championships in Eastern Creek on Friday 16 July 2021.

Good luck Sam!



MHS School Driver Training Program

1 hour = 3 Log book hours

Contact the School to find out more information.

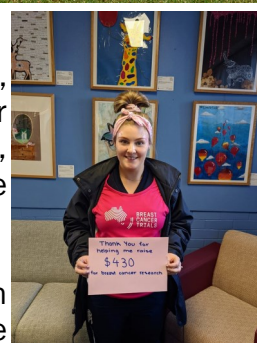
÷ 2021 Semester 1 SRC Report ÷

Helen Keller famously said, "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much," and so is true for the efforts of the SRC so far this year.

In Term 1, we started the year off with a Valentine's Day fundraiser, with roses and cards distributed throughout the school. This event raised over \$100 for the school body. In Term 2, we continued the momentum, with many meetings discussing ideas to improve the school and to promote student wellbeing.



The SRC also conducted "Splash of Pink Day" on Tuesday the 22nd of June, to support Chloe running a 42.2km marathon and her fundraising efforts for breast cancer research. With pink filling the hallways and classrooms, students were also able to have their faces painted during the breaks. The day was a huge success, with total funds raised being \$440.



This year, the SRC have also continued the connection with Hilltops Youth Action Group, with both myself and Samantha representing the Youth of the region on a council committee, which actively helped to coordinate community youth focussed events.

Next semester, the SRC are seeking to conduct student surveys on how the SRC can better support all students within Murrumburrah High School. We are also looking forward to planning more great fundraisers and wellbeing initiatives and events.

Thank you for your support this semester. Have a safe and happy 'COVID Safe' holiday.

Chloe Wade and Samantha Emms
Student Executive

÷ Work Placement ÷

Amity Sheargold our School Captain completed work placement during Week 7. Amity chose to go to Boorowa Vet Clinic for her work placement for her Animal studies course. Amity had a great time and had lots of cuddles with the animals. Amity's Animals Studies course is one of the subjects for her HSC and she is studying this via blended delivery, some face-to-face time at TAFE in Goulburn and some distance delivery. Well done Amity!



Corey Doohan completed his first work placement for hospitality at the Long Track Pantry in Jugiong. Corey gained a lot of awesome skills and a new found confidence for his hospitality studies on coming back to school.



Thankyou to the Long Track Pantry for hosting Corey and supporting his studies.

HSIE News

As we come to the end of a very busy term, it is interesting to reflect on what has been happening in our HSIE classrooms.

Stage 4 History have been looking at ancient societies, starting off with Ancient China, and concluding with Ancient Greece. Ms Masson and her class recently had a Greek feast where the students were introduced to a variety of foods from Greece including Greek yoghurt, tzatziki, flat bread and olives. It is surprising how continuous the food from the ancient world has been!

Stage 4 Geography have finished this semester with a look at the ways that they are interconnected to the rest of the world. Students explored how transport, trade and information and communication technologies link people to many places. In undertaking their studies, students have been exposed to numerous geographic tools. Here we see Stage 4 students learning to use a magnetic compass, a fundamental tool of navigation.

The aim of the geography course is to stimulate students engagement with their world. **Stage 5 Geography** students have finished a topic on human wellbeing, where the nature of and differences in wellbeing were examined. Ways of measuring a countries development were also investigated.

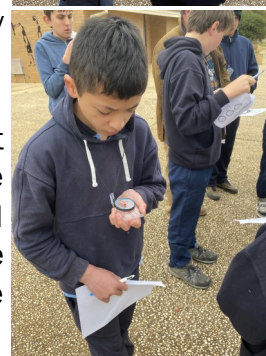
Stage 5 History have followed on from their studies of the Holocaust to learn about Changing Rights and Freedoms in Australia, while in geography they have been learning about human wellbeing.

Stage 5 elective Crimes and Catastrophes have studied one of the most famous cold cases, if not the most famous cold case in the world, the mystery of Jack the Ripper. They have made up evidence boards and explored primary sources related to the case. Additionally they have examined some of the evidence exploring the identity of the suspects. There are over 20 possibilities!

Ancient History students in **Year 11** have just finished their personality study while **Year 12** is exploring the Cities of Vesuvius, the cities that were destroyed by the eruption of Mt Vesuvius in 79AD.

Ms Adrienne Beck

Head Teacher — English/HSIE/CAPA/LOTE/Library/LaST



≡ Semester 1 Merit Assembly ≡



Congratulations to all students who were presented with merits at our Merit Assembly this week.

≡ The Little Tractor That Could ≡

Surprise Surprise.....it has finally arrived. Students at Murrumburrah High School now have their new student learning tractor that arrived just before Term 2 ended for the holidays. The bright orange and very clean Kubota Tractor came fitted out with all the safety inclusions such as emergency cut off switch, beacon light, hazard alarms, remote engine kill, seatbelt, side exclusion rails and high range lock out function. Students not only get to learn how to drive the tractor but how to use the rotary hoe and slasher attachments that came with the tractor.



Funds to purchase the tractor came from the trade in of the old tractor and rotary hoe and funds put aside from the Lighthouse Agriculture School grant obtained a few years ago. Squirreling away the funds and saving have allowed our students the advantage of learning their driving and operation skills on an up to date model with all the bells and whistles. Thanks is given to Mr Rands in following up the delays in delivery by persistent emails and follow up phone calls. It goes to show that following protocol and keeping communication lines open is well worth the effort.

Mrs Jan Young
Head Teacher - Science / Maths / TAS

❖ Agriculture Tails in Winter ❖

Nothing goes quiet in winter at the MHS School Farm. Students have been busy “Value Adding” their olive harvest into a premier olive oil that has just been labelled ready to sell at the local Spring markets.



Olive Harvest



*Transport to
Canowindra*



Label Design



*Olive Oil ready for
sale*

Students have been busy training their merino wethers for the wether competition at Dubbo in August. Students have been learning how to tip the sheep onto their ends and how to stand and display the animals for the judge. Both the students and sheep (sort of) have been enjoying the experience.



❖ Agriculture Tails in Winter Continued... ❖



The new line of steers are learning the process of halter breaking. Year 12 have completed an experimental trial on the difference in weight gain between stirry cattle versus calm cattle. The Galloway team from Mr Peter Koppman – Greenthorpe have been a great study with a range of temperaments displayed by the 9 head of steers. Manny, pictured is a steer from the same property that has been on feed since January and is fully broken into lead. His coat and many others will need students to practice their clipping come the warmer weather next term. Steers have been weighed on a regular basis and are now all on a full ration of grain feed and adlib hay for roughage.

The black steer, “on the pull” above is a Santa Gertrudis X Shorthorn/Angus steer from Yass River Road. In the picture he is not enjoying the process as well as his mate beside him but since this picture the students are now grooming him and he is standing up as well as his mate is.

Although the gardens have slowed down in the wet cool weather, students are preparing their plots for the spring plantings. MHS will also be involved in a seed collection and tree propagation program over the next 2 years in conjunction with National Tree Day and the local Hilltops Council initiative.

Mrs Jan Young
Head Teacher - Science / Maths / TAS

MHS UNIFORM STOCKIST—180 EMBROIDERY

Website: <https://180embroidery.com>

Contact: Beth Allen

Telephone: [0435 873 420](tel:0435873420)

Email: embroidery180@yahoo.com

Location: 1 Derby Street, Harden

Deliveries to the High School available.

PARENT
TIPS

Attendance Matters

Keep a regular bedtime and set a morning routine so your children are rested and prepared when they get to school.

ROUTINES



Turn off all electronics at bedtime, including TVs, phones and tablets.

DIGITAL DEVICES



Prior Preparation Prevents Poor Performance:
Make sure clothes and backpacks are ready before going to bed.

5Ps



Call the school if you are not sure about when to keep your child at home due to illness.

HEALTH



COME TO LEARN

Every day at school counts.

We pride ourselves in creating an inclusive learning environment for all students.



PLAN B

Have a back up plan for getting to school if something comes up. Call a family member, neighbour, or another parent to take your child to school.



WELLBEING

Talk to teachers and school counsellors for advice if your student feel anxious about going to school.



MEDICAL

Avoid scheduling doctor's appointments during school time.



HOLIDAYS

Avoid scheduling vacations during school time.

Murrumburrah High School - Term 3, 2021

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August	4	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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September	8	30	31	1	2	3	4	5
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Preparing our students for tomorrow's challenges through learning

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STAFF NEEDED FOR AFTERSCHOOL CARE

Country Kids Club BINALONG

The Before and After School Care program is growing and we need staff to help us keep it going.

We would love to employ local people to work at the program. Training and support will be provided. Applicants must have a current NSW Working With Children Check.

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