Term 3 Calendar

Please go to the McGuire College Website to view all Term 3 calendar dates.

http://www.mcguireco.vic.edu.au

Upcoming Events:

- **September**
  - Pupil free Day – Wednesday 7th
  - Junior Summer Sport – Tuesday 13th
  - Last day Term 3 – Friday 16th
- **October**
  - 50th Anniversary Celebrations – Sat 15th & Sun 16th

McGuire College Coffee Club – Coming Soon

Come and have a drink on us and tell us what you think!!

We are very interested in your input on what we can do to make the College more accessible to you and make it a better place for your children.

This is an opportunity to sit and have a chat with the Principal Team and give us some feedback on how you think the College is going.

We plan to run the Coffee Club every four weeks at Degani’s in Riverside Plaza and will be sending out text message invitations to randomly selected families.

If you are really keen to be involved then don’t wait for the text, call Ashley Robinson on 5858 9800 and he will book you into a session that suits you.
Did you know?
Over the last couple of weeks as parents have been at the school for parent teacher interviews or we have had visiting guests here or been attending meetings it has become clear that a lot of the great things happening around the College are not always getting out beyond our school gates. So this week in a quest to share more of our current work with you I have included below some of the things we are currently working on that support our students to be the best they can be on their path to developing as lifelong learners and leaders.

McGuire College proudly supports the learning needs of students capable of working at a faster pace and in greater depth through its Select Entry Accelerated Learning (SEAL) Program. Our SEAL program caters for students from Year 7-12 and we are extremely proud of the achievements of not only our graduating SEAL students but also our current crop of SEAL students.

This year McGuire College has joined the University Of Melbourne’s Network of Schools. This is a group of like-minded schools across the Goulburn Valley who are working together to improve the outcomes for students within our schools. Work this year is around building the capacity of teachers to effectively teach reading and reading comprehension, essential skills for success in all areas of learning. We have been working together to implement and embed research based, best practice teaching approaches to support our students.

The four government Secondary Colleges in Greater Shepparton are united in their vision to provide an excellent education for every young person in Greater Shepparton. By forming an Alliance of Schools, working closely together, sharing resources and bringing together the strength of each College, the school will focus on being “Better Together”. McGuire College is proud to be a member of the Better Together Alliance.

This is just a taste of some of the great things happening around McGuire College, to find out more please do not hesitate to drop in and talk to us further. Our Principal Team of Ashley Robinson, Megan Michalaidis and I are always available to talk with you about our work and how it can support your son or daughter to be a lifetime learner and leader.

Kind regards,

Brad Moyle
Principal
As part of the Better Together Alliance we have very fortunately been chosen to introduce the Lighthouse Project’s Mentoring Program into our school. This involves 20 current Year 7 students being paired with Mentors from the broader community.

The Mentors come from a range of career backgrounds, including: Law, the Police force, Business, Teaching and Local council; they will regularly meet with their Mentee (Year 7 student) and will be an extra support person to these young people. On Monday the students met their Mentors and participated in a range of activities. The Presentation Room was abuzz with conversation as they got to know one another.

McGuire College would like to thank Sandy Gunn (Executive Officer of the Better Together Alliance), Lisa McKenzie (Executive Officer of the Lighthouse Project) and all of the Mentors for giving up their time in order to make the project possible.

Susan Kerwin
Year 7-9 Transition and Pathways Leader

Below are some student reflections on Monday’s activities:

Today I met my mentor Bella, a very interesting and fun lady. It turns out we have a lot in common, like enjoying coffee, reading, movies and more. I am happy to be part of the Lighthouse Project’s Program, and I am looking forward to working more with Bella. Tahlia

The activities we participated in today were really interesting. I enjoyed working with Lisa and getting to know her. It was great to see a policeman involved in the program; I’m interested in joining the police force myself when I’m older. Mohammad

Today I met my mentor Hilary, she is a very nice, kind, athletic lady who shares lots of the same interests as me. I feel like we really connect when we talk to each other and we always have a great time. Hilary to me will be a friend for life. Zoe

Today I met a well-mannered gentleman who understood me and who I think will be a great role model for me. I hope we can get along with each other for as long as possible. Dylan
Reminders:

- **‘INSIDE MONASH’ UNIVERSITY SEMINARS** – Final seminars in the series: Science - August 24; Teaching - September 13; Details and bookings: [www.monash.edu/inside-monash](http://www.monash.edu/inside-monash)
- **YEAR 12 VICTORIAN TERTIARY ADMISSIONS CENTRE (VTAC) applications** are open; timely applications close 29 Sept (see [www.vtac.edu.au](http://www.vtac.edu.au))
- **MONASH ART, DESIGN & ARCHITECTURE (MADA) WORKSHOPS** - 26 & 27 Sept, MADA (Caulfield campus) for Year 11 & 12’s; Bookings: [www.monash.edu/mada/workshops](http://www.monash.edu/mada/workshops).

REMAINING OPEN DAY DATES:

- **Sun 21 Aug** – Box Hill (Lilydale campus); **Deakin University** (Waterfront & Waurn Ponds); **University of Melbourne**; **Monash** (Parkville – Pharmacy)
- **Sun 28 Aug** – **ACU (Ballarat)**: **Box Hill Institute** (Box Hill); **Deakin University** (Burwood); **Federation University**; **Victoria University** (Footscray campus)

**YEAR 10 AND 11 NEWS** – For **students in Year 10** who will enter VCE next year and for **Year 11 students** considering subjects for 2017, go to [www.vtac.edu.au](http://www.vtac.edu.au) and then find **Explore Course Options** under the heading Search for Courses. You will be able to **enter an entire proposed VCE program** and discover what tertiary courses are available to you (ie. courses for which you have the prerequisite VCE subjects) or find out **whether you need a particular VCE subject** for a course you are considering. **ALL YEAR 10 and 11 students** are advised to use this **EXCELLENT** facility.

**NEW SELECTION TEST INTO TEACHING COURSES** The Commonwealth Government now requires all students undertaking Initial Teacher Education courses in Australia to pass a literacy and numeracy test in order to obtain their degree. These tests will ensure new teachers have the literacy and numeracy skills required to meet the demands of teaching. Information and sample questions: [www.studentsfirst.gov.au/teacher-quality](http://www.studentsfirst.gov.au/teacher-quality)

**CAREERS IN PSYCHOLOGY SEMINAR** – Interested in **studying psychology at university**? Would you like to find out about **specialist areas** of psychology? Each year the Student Committee of the Society (APS) runs a **careers seminar for aspiring students** in Year 10 & 11 and **for their chosen course**. This is an opportunity for you to get your questions answered. **Where**: Cathedral Hall, Australian Catholic University (Footscray campus) **When**: 6.00-9.00pm, Wed 24 August; **Sun 21 Aug** – **Box Hill** Institute (Box Hill); **Deakin University** (Burwood); **Federation University**; **Victoria University** (Footscray campus)

**LOTS OF YEAR 12 NEWS** -

**REMINDER:** applications for courses for 2017 are open on the VTAC website. You will need your **VCAA student number** to create an account, the first step in the application process. **Timely applications close on 29 September** (cost $32.00). Late applications cost $100.00. **Special Entry Access Scheme (SEAS) applications** are also open and can be completed after a VTAC course application (close 4 October). **Scholarship applications** through VTAC close on 14 October. You can change your VTAC course application as much as you wish at no extra charge.

**UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE NEWS FOR YEAR 12’s**

**HOW CAN I ACCESS THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE?** Students from a rural or isolated area or who have a disadvantaged financial background could be eligible for a guaranteed place at Melbourne by applying through **ACCESS MELBOURNE** – even if your ATAR Rank. **Eligibility checklist**:

- completed an Australian Year 12 (or IB) in 2016
- achieved an ATAR or notional ATAR of 78 or more for **Design** or **Science**, 80 or more for **Arts**, 88 or more for **Commerce** and 95 or more for **Biomedicine**. See: [https://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/admissions/access_melbourne_and_equity_programs](https://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/admissions/access_melbourne_and_equity_programs)

DO YOU HAVE AN AUDITION COMING UP? The Victorian College of the Arts (VCA) and the Melbourne Conservatorium of Music (MCM) offer Audition Preparation Workshops that will break down the audition process and equip you with information needed to succeed. These are practical sessions designed to provide you with the techniques and confidence to present yourself in the best light. Workshops are one or two day intensives and registrations are now open. Available in: dance, jazz improvisation, music theatre and theatre. Go to: BOOK NOW

MONASH UNIVERSITY NEWS -

➢ WHAT IS HAPPENING TO THE BERWICK CAMPUS OF MONASH? Monash has announced that it is closing its campus at Berwick. The good news is that it will be taken over by Federation University (pending government approvals). Federation University is a combination of the former University of Ballarat and the former Gippsland campus of Monash University at Churchill. Federation University will offer 15 degree programs at Berwick in 2017 in the fields of business, education, nursing, IT and science. NOTE: Monash students enrolled at Berwick will continue to be taught by Monash staff and, subject to meeting the normal requirements, will graduate with a Monash degree. Some Monash students may remain at Berwick in 2017, while others will transfer to Peninsula and Clayton campuses to complete their courses.

➢ MONASH GUARANTEE NEW CATEGORY – As mentioned previously, Monash University offers guaranteed places in certain circumstances relating to where your school is located and to your financial circumstances. You will now be eligible for a guaranteed place at Monash if:

1. you live in a low socio-economic area or
2. your school is a Monash under-represented school or
3. you have experienced financial disadvantage or
4. you are an Indigenous Australian.

You can enter your address into the Monash online calculator to find out if you qualify. See: www.study.monash/how-to-apply/entry-schemes/the-monash-guarantee

➢ MONASH SCHOLARSHIPS – With Monash scholarship programs, students can access a range of services and financial assistance.

'url' Merit scholarships are awarded based on academic achievement and have both financial and academic benefits. The ATAR achieved, one VTAC preference

Equity scholarships are intended for those who identify as Indigenous Strait Islander, or are currently experiencing financial hardship or disadvantage. Students must submit an application for equity scholarships through VTAC, along with the necessary supporting documentation. Applications close on 14 October. See: www.vtac.edu.au/scholarships. For a comprehensive list and details: www.monash.edu.au/scholarships

➢ MONASH PATHWAYS – Pathway courses allow students who may not reach the required ATAR or meet prerequisites, to gain entry into Monash. The Diploma of Tertiary Studies (DoTS) and the Diploma of Higher Education (DoHE) are both equivalent to the first year of a university undergraduate degree and allow students to transition to the second year of their destination degree. Apply through VTAC. In addition, you must submit a Monash University Supplementary Information Form by 31 December.

LA TROBE UNIVERSITY’S HALLMARK PROGRAM - Due to recent changes made to the hallmark program, individual hallmark courses will no longer be made available through the VTAC system. The hallmark program is now exclusive to students who receive the Vice Chancellor’s Excellence Scholarship. Students who have studied their first year at La Trobe who achieve at least a 75% Weighted Average Mark (WAM) also have the opportunity to apply for the hallmark program to commence in their second year of study. For more information see www.latrobe.edu.au/hallmark
DAIRY ASSISTANCE ELIGIBILITY

Students currently enrolled at the start of Term 3, 2016 in government and non-government schools where one or both parents:
- own an operating dairy farm
- are share farmers on a property primarily operating as a dairy farm
- hold a lease for an operating dairy farm
- work as an employee on an operating dairy farm and this is their main source of employment.

Evidence may include:
- a dairy industry license issued by Dairy Food Safety Victoria (DFSV)
- lease documentation
- share farming contract
- agreement with a dairy production/supply company
- a letter from an employer
- a statutory declaration stating the family’s main business or employment is on an operating dairy farm (in cases where other forms of evidence are not available).
- confirmation from a kindergarten that a younger sibling has been approved for the dairy Kindergarten Fee Subsidy on the basis of being an eligible dairy farming family (as above)

The Dairy Assistance Application Form must be lodged at the school by 18 November 2016 along with evidence as required.

PAYMENT AMOUNT

This one-off payment of $375 per student is only available in 2016 and will be paid to the school for the eligible student.

Families who were eligible for the means tested CSEF payment are also eligible to receive the Dairy Assistance payment. However families that have previously qualified for the CSEF drought assistance funding are not able to also access the CSEF dairy assistance funding.

Shepparton Notre Junior Football Club
Information Night for the 2017 Season

When: 14th September 2016
Time: 6pm-7.30pm (6.10pm start)
Where: Shepparton Football Netball Club, FJ Edwards Social Rooms, DEAKIN RESERVE
Who: U/14, U/16 & Youth girls

Shepparton Notre Junior Football Club has established:
- Clear pathways beyond Junior Football.
- Access to broader coaching expertise.
- Enjoyable family club environment.
- A focus on junior football development that is fun.

Don’t miss this opportunity to hear how the Shepparton Notre Junior Football program will operate in 2017. You will hear from a range of people that have been involved in the success of the club in 2016.

For further information about Shepparton Notre Junior Football Club Information Night call David Harcoan on Mobile telephone 0400 211 911.
Are you interested in playing cricket this year for

KARRAMOMUS CRICKET CLUB

The club has a number of accredited coaches
We are enthusiastic about our junior cricketers.
Our focus is on improving our player’s skills whilst enjoying and respecting our teammates.
This year the Association will be an under 10 competition, as well as an all girls team.

Registration and training will be held at Vibert Res
Wednesday September the 7th and 14th at 4.00 pm,

U/16 Training with seniors will commence Sunday

U/14, U/12 and U/10
Training times will be available at Registration Nights

Milo in2cricket to be advised.

Registrations can be done online or at training.

Season Starts October.

We are looking forward to an enjoyable season.
Utilising our great clubrooms, ovals and training facilities.
This season is a great opportunity to join the senior body
with social events for the whole family.

So tell your mates and have a great year.

If you need further information or online details contact

Contact Ken Claney : Ph: 0488 235256
: E Mail kennethclaney5@bigpond.com
Dear Junior Cricketers and Parents,

The Shepparton / Youth Club United Cricket Club welcome you to the 2016/17 season. We look forward to having another great season together and many more years of development and enjoyment throughout our cricket programs.

We invite all existing and new junior members to:

Registration Night
Friday 9th September 2016
6.30pm at Princess Park
Quinan Parade Shepparton
(Swans Club Rooms)

For more information please contact

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