Please go to the McGuire College Website to view all Term 4 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**
  - Term 4 commences - Monday 3rd
  - 50th Anniversary Celebrations – Sat 15th & Sun 16th

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**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.
What an amazing term we have had in Term 3 with numerous events and happenings that have showcased the rich diversity of learning and community that we have here at McGuire College. Throughout the term to date we have had students and staff involved in programs such as:

- Engineers without borders
- Latrobe university experience programs
- Better Together Alliance activities such as the Alliance Student Council and LaTrobe University Outreach Program
- Outdoor Education camps and activities throughout this bumper snow season
- Maths Competitions
- Debating and Public Speaking
- Year 7 Lighthouse Project Mentoring
- Resource Smart Experience Day
- Our staff working with leading researchers from the University of Melbourne, Deakin University and Monash University to develop their skills and capacity to deliver programs to support students in achieving great things.

We have received fantastic coverage of a large number of events by the Shepparton News, if you haven’t seen this, do check out our noticeboard in the Office Foyer or our College Facebook page. It has been great to see an increase in traffic to our Facebook and Twitter pages, if you haven’t yet followed us, please consider doing so.

As a College we have also celebrated the success of students and the outstanding gains being made around their core work of learning.

- Early in the Term I wrote to 65 parents to celebrate students showing an improvement in their SPA result of 0.2 or greater between Report 2 to 3 and am delighted to say that earlier this month I had to write to 112 parents to inform them that their son or daughters SPA result had improved by 0.2 or more since the June reports.
- Twice this term we have held Principal Team lunches for students who have received a SPA average of 4.5 or higher, on both occasions we had more than 65 students join us, with a growing number of senior students this month.
On a daily basis, it has been fantastic to see an increase in the number of students wearing uniform each day and the percentage of students who are making the most of every opportunity by being in class, every session, every day.

We are now down to the business end of the year, the time where we really stress that we want to see the best in everyone. For our Year 12 students the next 5 and a half weeks are about making the most of your time here and embedding that knowledge and understanding before sharing it in an exam situation later in the year or putting it to use in a work placement.

For all of you, the remainder of the year needs to be about being your best. My advice around this is to make your best reflect our REAL Values.

RESPECT – At times some of you are challenged by the concept of respecting those around you, try and put these feelings aside and work hard to respect your peers and your teachers in order to make the most of each and every class. Instead of engaging in back chat or an argument, take a step back and realise that whilst this may seem a great idea at the time, in the long run it rarely delivers a win for anyone. Build relationships based on respect and talk to us if you want help to do this.

Environment – Take pride in the space around you and start with those things you can control. Keep your workspace and environment clean and tidy, keep it in good repair and look after those things that we use and share together.

Accountability – Understand that we all need to own our behaviours and actions. For those students making the correct choices on a daily basis we hope to catch you doing the right thing and let you reap the rewards of being a positive learner and leader at McGuire College. In the case where you may not make the right choice, be prepared and understand that there are always consequences and if you don’t like the consequence, then rethink your initial action.

Learning – Lap it up and engage, take the opportunity to be the best you can be. Your work, whilst a student is to learn and we have a strong and dedicated staff team here to help you. Take the opportunity – be here often, be attentive and make the most of the teaching and assistance that is available.

Let’s finish the term strongly, with a great two weeks before a well-deserved term break.

Kind regards,

Brad Moyle
Principal
Senior Formal
Shepparton Harness Racing Club
19th August
Outdoor Education

Week 7 of Term 3, McGuire College combined with Shepparton High School for our Unit 2 snow trip to Mt Hotham.

We were treated to 3 days of fantastic weather and great snow conditions, with both groups combining fantastically. We were lucky to have accommodation at Bundarra lodge in the village which was fantastic with a great common area and awesome cooking facilities.

The students had 2 lessons on the Tuesday and Wednesday for an hour and a half before heading out to test the amazing conditions. Nights were spent next to the fire with both schools engaging in some epic games of Uno while enjoying each other’s company.

The trip was a great success and it is a credit to both groups of students for the way they combined.

Andrew Nicholls – Outdoor Education Domain Leader

Inter School Concert

Some of our musicians will joining other groups from the Secondary Colleges in Shepparton in a Concert next Friday, 9th September at 8 p.m. The Concert will be held at Goulburn Valley Grammar School Hall and has been organised by a committee of students and staff as a fundraiser for a local charity - "People Supporting People".

McGuire musicians will include the Marimba Ensemble and Jazz Ensemble. Further details will be available from the College after our inter school meeting, Thursday September 1st.

School communities including family and friends are encouraged to attend the Concert. Students will be given detail in class. Please see information on page 8 of this newsletter.

Ms Gabrielle Ryan – Music
ICI Conference –

On Friday 26th August, 3 students from our Alliance Schools, including Taylor Parker from McGuire College, were selected to attend the International Congress of Immunology (ICI) Conference in Melbourne. Leaving bright and early, students had an opportunity to meet scientists from around the world and experience a conference on an international level. Students met leading Immunologists and discussed working in research and the field of immunology. Their final part of the program for the day was to hear from Nobel Laureate, Professor Peter Doherty. It was a great day of learning and opportunity.

Year 10 D.A.R.E. Excursion to GV Health -

Students from year 10 Health and Vitality class participated in an excursion to GV Health on Monday 29th of August to participate in the D.A.R.E. Program (Drugs Adolescent Risk Education). The students were led by and Emergency Department Nurse, Tunya Jarvis through what happens when a person makes a bad choice, perhaps drives a car too fast, drinks and drives or uses drugs and alcohol. Students were educated on different types of risks and their consequences. Students were guided through the Emergency Department and were able to see Doctors and Nurses in action and were able to take part in a ‘Mock Trauma’ and saw the high pressure and high impact situations that happen everyday form peoples poor choices.
To finish the session students participated in a rehab session where students had played the role of a person who had been injured and had to wear the splints, neck braces, try to communicate with others when you can’t talk, and try to eat with a broken jaw. Feedback from students has been very positive and was a great learning experience. Shepparton High School hopes to run the D.A.R.E. Program each year for the Health & Vitality unit.
LIBRARY NEWS
SEPTEMBER
We have added over 40 new titles to our library shelves this month some of which are shown below.

Don’t forget to download your free wheeler’s ePlatform App for 24/7 reading even during the school holidays there are over 1000 titles to choose from.
INTERSCHOOL CONCERT

Mooroopna Secondary College ● Goulburn Valley Grammar School
Notre Dame College ● Wanganui Park Secondary College ● McGuire College
Shepparton High School ● Shepparton Christian College

When: 7:00 PM on the 9th of September
Where: Founders Hall, Goulburn Valley Grammar School
Raising funds for local charity: People Supporting People
(who will be selling food on the night from 6 PM)
Tickets can be purchased online at https://www.trybooking.com/MRRT or at the door on the night.

Adult: $10 ● Children: $5 ● Family: $28
For inquiries about bookings contact (03)5821 8155
Reminders:

- ‘INSIDE MONASH’ UNIVERSITY SEMINARS One to go – Teaching - Sept 13; Details and bookings: www.monash.edu/inside-monash
- YEAR 12 VICTORIAN TERTIARY ADMISSIONS CENTRE - timely applications close 29 Sept

1. YEAR 12
- APPLY WITH VICTORIAN TERTIARY ADMISSIONS CENTRE (VTAC) - Complete an application for courses for 2017 on the VTAC website www.vtac.edu.au if you have not done so. You can change your application as many times as you wish at no extra cost ($32.00) as long as you apply by 29 Sept. After that it will cost $100.00. Preferences can be changed when you have your ATAR in December.

- DO YOU WANT TO DEFER YOUR STUDY IN 2017? Most courses allow deferment, so even if you plan a break from study in 2017, you are still encouraged to apply in 2016. Institutions have different deferment policies. For the deferment policies of the various institutions see: http://www.vtac.edu.au/courses-inst/institutions/deferment.html.

- SPECIAL ENTRY ACCESS SCHEME (SEAS) – Don’t forget to organise your SEAS application if you are eligible. Category 1 simply requires you to click the YES box. All other categories (2 – 4) require you to supply extra information or evidence. If you need help with your application from school staff, do it soon as applications close at 5pm on 4 Oct. See: http://www.vtac.edu.au/applying/seas.html.

2. MONASH UNIVERSITY NEWS –
- Femmes in STEM – Hosted by the world’s 4th ranked faculty of pharmacy and pharmacology, the Monash inaugural Femmes in STEM event allows girls to meet and be inspired by women changing the world through science. Hear about possible career paths, engage with some of the big scientific challenges of the future, and meet other girls who are just as keen on science as themselves. Who: Year 10-12 girls; When: 11am-2.30pm, Fri 23 Sept; Where: Cossar Hall, Monash Parkville campus; Register: http://www.monash.edu/pharm/femmesinstem

- TAKE CTRL EVENT – Year 11 and 12 students are invited to a taste of Information Technology at the event ‘Take CTRL’. You will be able to meet Monash IT staff, PhD students, and leaders from the IT industry to talk about career opportunities. Activities include: workshop, tour of the immersive data visualisation facility, CAVE2, and a presentation from a guest speaker about where a Monash IT degree can lead. When: 10am-4pm, Tues 27 Sept; Where: Monash Clayton; Details, and to register attendance: www.it.monash.edu/TakeCTRL; Questions: Taylor Maxwell ph. 9905 5845 taylor.maxwell@monash.edu.

- MEDICINE, NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES – If you are passionate about promoting good health, preventing disease or managing illness and disability, then consider a Bachelor of Public Health Science, the public health specialisation located in the Bachelor of Health Sciences course. The course provides a solid foundation in health science, with a broad overview of health care and skill development in identifying, investigating, analysing and assessing health issues. Studies include epidemiology, biostatistics, health program planning and health-data management. Careers are in public health research, disease prevention, health promotion, or health planning and management. For more information see: www.study.monash.edu

3. NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DRAMATIC ART (NIDA) – NIDA, a leading institution for dramatic arts education and training, is offering: Bachelor of Fine Arts in Acting, Costume, Design for Performance, Properties and Objects, Staging, and Technical Theatre and Stage Management; Diplomas in Live Production and Technical Services, Musical Theatre, Screen and Media (Specialist Make-up Services) and Stage and Screen Performance. You must demonstrate commitment and passion in relation to the creative and cultural industries. NIDA wants applications from those of diverse backgrounds with varied levels of experience in theatre, film, television, or other area. Applications close: 30 Sept; Auditions/interviews: Nov/Dec in capital cities; Apply: www.apply.nida.edu.au.
4. RMIT UNIVERSITY NEWS –

- SCIENCE IN THE CITY LAB TOURS – Visit RMIT’s state-of-the-art laboratories to learn about courses and discover how RMIT science courses provide the knowledge and practical skills to tackle real-world problems and advance the way we live, travel, learn and work. When: 11am-2pm, 19 Sept; Info/reg. http://www.rmit.edu.au/events/all-events/tours/2016/september/science-in-the-city-lab-tour


5. UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE NEWS –

- The DIPLOMA OF LANGUAGES (DipLang) is a great way to gain a language qualification while completing a degree. On offer: Ancient Greek, Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Hebrew, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese, Latin, Russian and Spanish. Students also have the option of a concurrent Diploma in Informatics, Mathematical Sciences or Music. Info: www.students.unimelb.edu.au/achieve/concurrent-diplomas

- MUSIC AT SOUTHBANK – In 2017 the University commences construction of a new building for the Conservatorium of Music (MCM) in the Melbourne Arts Precinct. It will help consolidate the existing MCM staff and students on the Southbank campus. The existing Conservatorium building will be retained at Parkville. The new building will include a 443-seat auditorium and a public square contributing to the community space plan for the Melbourne Arts Precinct Blueprint. In addition, the Dodds Street Stables redevelopment will redevelop the Dodds Street police stables into a visual arts wing at Southbank, creating a new entry point to the University and opening the campus to students, local business and residents. It is planned to be completed by mid 2017.

6. LA TROBE UNIVERSITY NEWS –

- EDUCATION COURSE OVERHAUL – The accreditation system for initial teacher education (ITE) programs in Australia is experiencing a shakeup. Reforms requiring evidence-based accreditation of ITE programs are coming to ensure graduate teachers are better prepared and ‘classroom ready’. La Trobe is making the mandatory changes but using this opportunity to make improvements across all major education offerings.

- TALK AND TOUR IN THE SEPTEMBER HOLIDAYS – Like a tour of La Trobe with a Student Ambassador? Then email Livio at l.sikora@latrobe.edu.au or ph 9479 5844.

7. SWINBURNE NEWS


- AVIATION INFORMATION NIGHT – Meet industry professionals and graduates; learn about careers in aviation and Swinburne’s aviation courses. When: 7-9pm, Thurs 8 Sept; Where: AMDC301, Hawthorn campus; See: http://www.swinburne.edu.au/events/departments/science-engineering-technology/2016/09/aviation-information-night.php

- NEW BACHELOR OF SCREEN PRODUCTION IN 2017 – This course will prepare you for careers in the new media environment. Gain skills to adapt to the global media industry as it forges new broadcast models. Learn digital literacy and media production skills for multiple broadcast platforms-smartphones, networked environments and social media applications.

8. DEAKIN IGNITED SCHOLARSHIPS – Ignited scholarships are aimed at attracting more female students into non-traditional areas of study such as Engineering, IT and Construction Management. See: www.deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/scholarships-and-awards

Hayfever

Asthma and hayfever are closely linked, and approximately 80% of people with asthma also suffer from hayfever. Research shows that treating hayfever can reduce asthma related emergency department visits and hospitalisations.

Hayfever is the common name for allergic rhinitis. It is an allergic reaction to allergens, or triggers, breathed in through the nose – this causes an immune response in the lining of the nose so the nasal passages to become swollen and inflamed. If you only have it in spring and summer then the problem is usually pollen from grasses, weeds and trees. If you have it all year, it’s more likely to be house dust mite, animal dander (tiny scales shed from animal skin or hair) or mould spores.

The main symptoms of hayfever are:

- blocked nose
- watery, runny nose
- sneezing
- itchy nose
- watery eyes
- bad breath
- snoring

Hayfever can also cause headaches, swollen and itchy eyes, and can affect your sense of smell.

Top tips for people with hayfever

- If you have hayfever and asthma, treating your hayfever will help keep your asthma under control
- Find out what triggers your hayfever and try to avoid those allergens
- Corticosteroid nasal sprays are the most effective medicine for persistent hayfever, or moderate to severe hayfever that happens from time to time, especially if a blocked nose and mucus are the major problems. They need to be taken regularly to work properly.
- Antihistamine tablets or spray are the most common choice for people with mild or occasional hayfever, and help with a runny nose, sneezing, itching and eye symptoms, but aren’t so effective on a blocked nose.
- People with severe hayfever probably need to take nasal sprays long term, and might see a specialist. They may consider you suitable for immunotherapy, where you are gradually exposed to your allergen over a long time to get your immune system used to it.