Calendar

Please go to the McGuire College Website to view all Term 4 calendar dates.
http://www.mcguireco.vic.edu.au

Upcoming Events:

- **December**
  - Grade 6, Information Night – Monday 5th
  - Grade 6, Orientation Day – Tuesday 6th
  - Presentation Night – Tuesday 13th - Eastbank Centre Shepparton- 7.00pm
  - Euroa Pool Day – Friday 16th

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Dear Families,

We are looking for donations of books/magazines that are no longer required at your house. We are happy with any type of good quality picture book, novel (of variable readability) and specialist magazines (cars, bikes, gaming, camping, hobbies etc). Your donation will be much appreciated.

Please make these donations to the general office.
**Final Assembly & Valedictory Dinner**
On Friday 18th November, we said our final goodbyes to our Year 12 2016 students, their exams are over, they are free to reflect and celebrate 13 years of schooling and their time at McGuire College. As a collective and as individuals they have made an excellent contribution to our College. The Final Assembly was extremely well supported by families and friends, and a great way to celebrate this wonderful achievement of our Year 12’s with our College Community. The Valedictory Dinner was a night where each individual was recognised for their time at the College. I would like to thank parents/guardians/friends and staff for attending and sharing this important step in each students life.

**Year 12 (2017) Early Commencement**
Thank you to our class of 2017 who have spent the last two weeks actively engaged with our Early Commencement program. This has been an opportunity for our class of 2017 to get a head start on the work of their final year studies. Those students who have attended and engaged each day now have a solid base on which to build an outstanding 2017. As a part of this year’s Early Commencement program and in an effort to ensure our students success in 2017 we invited guest speakers Success Integrated to work with our students earlier this week. This was an action and information filled day, designed to motivate, challenge and inspire our students to bring out their best in 2017.

**Year 10 Final Exams & Year 11 (2017) Early Commencement**
Congratulations to our Year 10 students who have today completed their end of year exams. The next two weeks will involve an opportunity for our Year 10s to step up into Year 11 and engage with their 2017 curriculum for two weeks. Where possible students will be taught by their teachers for 2017, giving them a great opportunity to get ahead before 2017 even commences. Students and parents are reminded that this is part of the school program and that all students are required to be in attendance until the end of Friday, 9th December.

**College Presentation Night**
Eastbank is again the venue for this year’s McGuire College Awards night to be held on Tuesday 13th December. It is a special evening at which we recognise the students who have achieved exceptional academic results and made outstanding contributions to the College and their learning throughout the year. Students who will be receiving an award or who will be performing during the award ceremony will receive an invitation during the week beginning Monday 5th December 2016.

**Better Together Alliance**
As many of you are aware, McGuire College is a partner in the Better Together Alliance, striving to provide enhanced opportunities for the youth of Shepparton by working in collaboration and cooperation with our neighbouring Government Secondary Schools. It gives me great pleasure to announce that as part of our work in the Better Together Alliance that the following initiatives are now available to our students:

- **Better Together Alliance Production for 2017** – The Alliance schools have combined resources to appoint a Director to lead our students and staff for the 2017 production of “Grease”. Yesterday, 68 of our students had a taste of what is to come, as they expressed interest in our taster day. Stay tuned for more information about the opportunities ahead.

- **Cultural Experience Days** – Later this Term our Year 7 students will have the opportunity to participate in two local cultural experience days. This will be a wonderful opportunity that will provide a learning experience for our Year 7 students to improve their understanding of the cultures and religions that are represented in our community. Permission slips are due back now.

Kind regards

Brad Moyle
Principal
Year 12 - Last Day Celebrations

Italian Remembrance Day Commemorations

Photography courtesy of Tracy Lyle
Photography News!

It is that time of year when VCE students are finishing their study of “Studio Arts, Photography” – congratulations to those who have completed unit four, and for those students who have just completed unit two, I look forward to seeing your skills develop even further in 2017.

Special congratulations to our Year 12 students whose work has been selected for inclusion in the annual SAM VCE exhibition. Rachel Claney will have all three of her photographs on display and Josh Sadkowski will have one. Katharine Parker (who did Studio Arts by correspondence) will also have a piece of her artwork included. Official opening of this exhibition is on Friday, December 9 at 6 pm.

I would also like to take this opportunity to point out to all photography students the new additions to ‘our’ section in the library. Not only are there two new books on various photographers (from Ms Doddrell’s favourite ‘masters of photography’ to current day) but there are also various publications guiding you through Photoshop (and the contents are definitely not just for beginners.) As well as this, the library has just started a subscription to “Australian Photography” magazine. So next time you are looking for something to read, please visit 770 (and the periodicals) in the library!

Kylie Doddrell

24/7 by Rachel Claney has been selected as part of the Shepparton Art Museum’s VCE 2017 exhibition. Rachel’s Year 12 folio was based on exploring “Modern Life.”

Josh Sadkowski took photographs at music venues to capture the atmosphere of a rock concert.
Independent Reading

Year 7 to 9 students have embarked on an exciting new reading journey. For 45 minutes per week students have devoted reading time. This time promotes independence and high level self-management. Students have been explicitly taught how to select a ‘just right’ text – that is a book they are:

- Interested in
- Can understand
- Presents some challenge

Through Reading Conferences each child has an individual goal that they collaboratively selected with their teacher.

Have a chat with your child about their reading goal and the evidence that they need to find. We would love to hear some feedback from families.

Please contact Stacie Lundberg or Jamason Lopez if you have any feedback.

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Year 7, 2017 – Transition

It’s that time of year again where we have been busy completing transition activities for our incoming Year 7s. I’ve been out to visit most students in their primary school settings and have been lucky enough to spend time with the students answering their questions about secondary school. We have conducted small group activities for some students. Wilmot Road students from Grade 5 & 6 have been over for Science lessons where they used lemons to conduct electricity. Students from Wilmot Road and St George’s Road Primary schools are visiting for tours next week. This week we held a SEAL transition day where students had a great day getting to know one another whilst doing some hands-on activities such as making hedgehog slice and creating amazing creatures in ceramics.

If you feel that your child requires some additional transition, please contact me as soon as possible.

Orientation Day is on Tuesday, December 6th. There is an information night on Monday, December 5th, starting at 7pm.

Susan Kerwin
Year 7-9 Transition and Pathways Leader
Concert Band Performs at Deakin Edge Theatre, Melbourne

Last Thursday, November 17th, twenty five music students from McGuire College combined with students from Mooroopna Secondary College to make a combined concert band of forty eight players. We played at the Victorian School Music Festival at Deakin Edge Theatre at Federation Square.

It is a fantastic theatre with great acoustics and our band sounded fantastic. We received very complimentary feedback from the two international adjudicators, gaining “excellent” in five out of eight categories. The band performed three pieces- “Market at Marrakesh”, “October Sky” and “Pictures at an Exhibition” by Mussorgsky. You can hear the McGuire Concert Band play each of these pieces at a short concert before the College Presentation Night on December 13th at Eastbank.

Our students had a very long day. In addition to performing we also listened to other bands play and do a playing tutorial with one of the adjudicators. We had fun getting to know the Mooroopna band members, as we had three rehearsals prior to the festival day. Everyone enjoyed a dinner stop at Macca’s in Wallan prior to arriving home at 10 pm.

We were fortunate to gain a place in the festival, as only 30 schools were able to play in our Novice Band section, with 55 schools applying for the places.

Bus travel to the festival was sponsored by the Fairley Foundation, for which we thank them. The event was streamed online at www.finemusiconline.com and may still be viewed. Professional photographs of the band are available. Ms Ryan has contact details for anyone interested.

Well done to the Concert Band!

Gabrielle Ryan
Music/Instrumental Music
Year 7 student, Sardar Asadi recently competed in the ‘Challenge Shepparton’ triathlon in the Trikids events, this consisted of a 100 m swim, 4km ride and 800m run. It was a massive effort to participate in such an event and Sardar should be congratulated for his effort and for supporting the local community. Below is Sardar’s account of the triathlon.  

By: Sardar Asadi  
Year 7

On Saturday the 12th of November I competed in the ‘Challenge Shepparton Triathlon’ in the 10-13 years’ age group. My first event I did was swimming which was one lap of the pool, then I rode my bike around the lake twice and for my last event it was a 5km fun run. I came third overall in the triathlon. I had a good time, it was a fun day. I have never participated in a triathlon before and I am glad that I went in this one.

Georgie Schofield

On Tuesday, 22nd November, fifty year seven students participated in the humanities excursion to Melbourne.

We visited Melbourne University, where some of the lecturers ran sessions with our students on archaeology. Our students got to see different types of ancient pots, had a go at identifying whether remnants were real or fake, and got to see many of the items in the university collection. It was interesting for many of our students to be able to spend some time on a large university campus and get a sense of what university study is like.

We then went to the Hellenic Museum, which is in the old Melbourne mint. Our students learned about how ancient stonemasons worked, saw some examples of Greek and Egyptian statues, and had a go at identifying the age and culture of some of the statues that they saw.

We received an email from the university complementing our students on their excellent behaviour during a very long day! Thank you to Mrs Adam and Ms Songberg for accompanying students on the day.

Jaan Butler  
Humanities Domain Leader
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Bairnsdale 16 Nov
Ballarat 22 Nov
Bendigo 23 Nov
Dunkeld 24 & 25 Nov
Wangaratta 30 Nov
Shepparton 1 Dec
Port Fairy 7 Dec
SHEPPARTON JUNIOR CLASSIC TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Wednesday 7th – Friday 9th December 2016

Shepparton Lawn Tennis Club

10&u, 12&u, 14&u, 16&u, 18&u singles and doubles featuring John Starritt Schoolboys Championship and Adele Ellis Schoolgirls Championship

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