Welcome back to Term 2.

Technical Skills Centre
Last week an architect company was selected to design the Technical Skills Centre (TSC) which will be built on our school site. The TSC is a joint project with the Department of Education and Training and GOTAFE. There is a consortium of six government schools - the four Better Together Alliance schools as well as Verney Road School and Cobram Secondary College - who will work together with GOTAFE to develop a facility that will cater for trades teaching.

Alliance
You may have noticed the Better Together Alliance advertising on the Top Gun Multimedia screen on the corner of High St and Wyndham St. The advertisements will be displayed two days a week for sixteen weeks. There are the two different slides, look out for them when you are down in the CBD.
School Fete
Our annual fete was held on Friday afternoon and there were a variety of stalls organised by the home groups. We raised a gross amount of $1900 so after expenses are taken out of this we are hoping to raise about $1000. Students will decide how the money is spent to benefit the school.

Anzac Day
School Captains: Shazia Ahmadi and Nathan Leckie proudly represented McGuire College at the Anzac Day service last Saturday where they laid a wreath on behalf of our school community.

Grade 6 Transition
Grade 6 students and families Information night is coming up on Wednesday 20th May, 7.00pm. Our open days will be held on Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th May, 9.15am – 11.15am. If you have any queries please contact Mrs Susan Kerwin.

Jan Gregory
Principal
Blood Bank

There is a strong theme of ‘Paying it Forward’ with our 2015 Year 12 group. The students are enjoying the idea of giving and making another person’s life that little bit nicer or easier. The feeling of belonging to the community is growing. As part of this Pay it Forward program, Year 12 students have taken up the opportunity to donate blood. By giving a couple of hours of their time and a small amount of blood, students were left with that warm fuzzy feeling of pride having given back to their community without any expectation of receiving something in return.

Eight of our year 12 students have so far donated, with several others quickly putting up their hand to be involved.

Where does the blood go?
The majority of donated blood goes to people with cancer, as well as people who have suffered traumatic accidents, burns or those undergoing surgery.
The breakdown of donations is:

The red cells from your donation are being used in the following ways

- **34%** Cancer and blood diseases
- **18%** Surgical patients including open heart surgery and burns
- **10%** Orthopaedic patients including fractures and joint replacements
- **13%** Other medical problems including heart, stomach and kidney disease
- **10%** Obstetrics, including pregnant women, new mothers and young children
- **4%** Trauma including road accidents
- **2%** Other causes of anaemia

McGuire College is registered at the Red Cross Blood service for the Red25 Program – where the number of donations from the school can be tracked. Parents and families can add to this when they donate by simply asking to be added to McGuire College’s Red25 tally. It would be great to get over 50 donations for the year for our school! For more information about blood donation go to [www.donateblood.com.au](http://www.donateblood.com.au)
## Year 9 Taking Care of Me Program

On Friday 13th of March year 9 students participated the Taking Care of Me – sexual health education program. The program had expert guest speakers run education sessions on a range of sexual health topics. The topics covered were: Sexually Transmitted Infections, Contraception, How to use condoms correctly, Sex and the law, The influence of pornography, and Healthy relationships. The students were broken up into small same sex groups of no more than 10, allowing students to feel comfortable. This information will be vital for the year 9 Health program and appropriate for the student’s age. The experts who conducted the education sessions were Suzanne Wallis from GV Health, Dean Lloyd from Victoria Police, Damien Stevens from Kildonan Uniting Care and 3 adolescent health nurses Steven Forrester, Leigh Stanbrook and Mark Metcalf. There was a parent night in February to introduce the program to families and help initiate healthy discussions about sexuality at home.

## Events at the Shepparton Library

**Vietnam War 50th Anniversary Veteran’s Talk**  
Wednesday 29 April  
Ring 1300 374 765 for bookings. Members of the GV Vietnam Veteran’s Association will share their experiences. Morning tea provided.

**Vietnam War Display** - April 20-30 at Shepparton Library  
Learn about our war Heritage. Find out about this special display during the Anzac Centenary and learn about our war heritage. View our display and resources available for loan.

## Your Child’s Dental Health

**Accessing the Goulburn Valley Dental Services**

The Goulburn Valley Dental Service situated at Goulburn Valley Health Shepparton, is responsible for the dental care of students previously seen by the School Dental Service.

### Who can access Dental Services at Goulburn Valley Dental Service?

1. All primary school children in grades Prep to Six  
2. All children enrolled in a special or special developmental school  
3. Children in year levels Seven to Twelve from families with a Health Care card or Pension Card  
4. All children aged Two to Seventeen Years eligible for the Child Dental Benefit Schedule (Funded by Medicare)

### How do I make an appointment?

Parents of children already enrolled in the School Dental Program will receive a recall letter from Goulburn Valley Dental Service offering them an opportunity to make another appointment for their child.

If you are unsure whether your child is enrolled or would like to enrol your child in the School Dental Service at Goulburn Valley Dental Clinic please call 03 58 323 006 between 8.30 and 5.pm

### Where is the Goulburn Valley Dental Clinic located?

Goulburn Valley Health Clinic  
Graham St  
Shepparton

### I Need More Information:

Please telephone Goulburn Valley Dental Clinic on 03 58 323 006 between 8.30 and 5.pm Monday to Friday for more information.