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 Principal ● Zlatko Pear

*Inspirational.*

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## Calendar

### August

#### 5 Student Free Day

5 Parent/Student/  
Teacher Forums

6 Yr 10 Catch Up  
Immunisations

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## A few words from the Principal....Zlatko Pear

### Face Coverings

As you would be aware, the Victorian Government has made a significant announcement in relation to face covering in rural Victoria. The Victorian Chief Health Officer has confirmed that, as of midnight on Sunday, the use of face masks or coverings will be mandatory across all areas of the state.

This means that all adults and secondary school students will be required to wear a mask at school. However, teachers and support staff will not be required to wear face coverings while teaching but may do so. Primary school students are not required to wear a face covering.

This morning the Department delivered 300 single use masks to the school. These are meant for emergency use. School staff and secondary students are required to supply their own masks.

We thank you for your cooperation and as you know, our school is mandated to follow the Education Department and Government guidelines. I will keep you informed of any new information as we receive it. Please contact me at the College if you have any questions or concerns.

### Semester One Reports/Learning Conferences

Semester one reports were released on Compass at the end of last week. Parent/Teacher Learning Conferences will take place on Wednesday 5th August. Learning Conferences will begin at 12:30pm and conclude at 6:00pm. This year, due to the COVID situation, we will be conducting these conferences virtually, using Webex. You should have already received instructions on how to book a conference time and how to connect to teachers on Webex.

This is the first time we have attempted to conduct conferences virtually and it will be a learning experience for all of us. We are confident that it will work well if we all stay within the time allotted. This is an important opportunity to discuss your child's progress and we look forward to seeing you on Wednesday (virtually).

### No school on Wednesday 5th August

Classes will not run on Wednesday 5th August. Teachers will be involved in professional learning in the morning and will be conducting Learning Conferences in the afternoon. The office will be open as normal and regular classes will resume on Thursday 6th August.

.....Zlatko Pear

**Myrtleford P12 College is a Child Safe School.**

All our Child Safe policies can be accessed on the College website.

<http://www.myrtlefordp12.vic.edu.au>

# 100 days in Prep!

On Thursday the 30<sup>th</sup> of July, Prep students at Myrtleford P12 College celebrated their 100<sup>th</sup> day of learning. The day was full of fun and activities including a special cake made by Heiners Bakery. The students thoroughly enjoyed their 100 themed activities as the classrooms were filled with laughter and smiles. The Prep teachers Mrs Kath Lock and Miss Candice Hourigan are extremely proud of how well their students have taken on board this challenging year.



Making 100 glasses



Mrs Lock and Miss Hourigan



Eating cake



Making crowns

# 100 days in Prep!



Our very proud  
Prep students!

# College News....



Unfortunately due to ongoing COVID 19 restrictions, school banking will not resume during Term 3.

Students can however, continue their saving habits by visiting their local Commonwealth Bank.

## CANTEEN NEWS

**OPEN MONDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY**

**CLOSED TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY**

Students will need to bring food from home on the days the canteen is closed.

### Wellbeing Support during COVID 19 pandemic

#### FOR STUDENTS

[Beyond Blue Surviving School before, during and after COVID 19.](#)

[A guide to dealing with constant change due to COVID 19](#)

[5 steps to study success at home](#)

[7 tips to help with stress and anxiety](#)

[Tips to keep good mental health](#)

#### FOR PARENTS

[How to have a great conversation](#)

[Tips for supporting a teenager who is stressed](#)

[Surviving Year 12 \(for parents\)](#)

## NEW PRIMARY SPORTS TROLLEY

In response to student voice about available equipment at play times, a sports trolley for the primary students has been set up. It uses a sign out system, and is run each recess and lunch by Year 6 House Captains and volunteers. It has been a big hit with many students and many are more active in their play times.

*Donna Bigger*



It doesn't happen every day.....  
in Year 12!

Year 12 student Charlie Crisp was awarded his pen licence on Thursday afternoon in Accounting class. Charlie didn't make the cut in Year 4, but Mr Selway feels he is deserving of it now! Proud mum Susan, and brothers, Sam and Tom both attended a very special surprise presentation, at which Mr Selway had much pleasure in presenting Charlie with his certificate and pen!

# 1S enjoy Year 4's Information Reports



Both Year 4 classes have been busy writing Information Reports. They have researched, then written their very own reports and binded them into a small book. They have kindly left them in the library so that other students can look at what they have done.

Year 1 W were in the library last week, and had a fabulous time reading through the reports. There were lots of "wows" and "look at this" and "I love this one". Some students found the report written by their siblings, and they were very proud. Thankyou to the students of Year 4 for sharing their fantastic reports.



training  
 Training is also important in soccer  
 Training makes you better and can  
 make your fitness better. You can  
 do training anywhere if you have a  
 ball. They even do training before a  
 match.



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**Battery:** something in the bonnet that helps it start the car.  
**Transportation:** it is for getting around.  
**Burnouts:** where cars burn rubber using their handbrake and accelerating which makes smoke come from tires.  
**Air:** it is where you get your car fixed.

**Who created electricity?**  
 So the man who created electricity is very smart and wise because his name is Benjamin Franklin. Here is a photo of him. So as you might know he is the creator of electricity. He was born on the 17th of April 1706 and died on the 17th of April 1790. His father was Josiah Franklin and his mother was Sarah Franklin Bache and then Francis Folger Franklin. His children were William Franklin and Sarah Franklin. His lovely wife is Deborah Read.



This is a photo of Benjamin Franklin in the 17's.

**An Owl's features**  
 Several owl species have ear tufts on their heads. An owl can turn its head 360 degrees. Their tubed-shaped eyes are completely immobile, providing binocular vision which fully focuses on their prey and boosts depth perception.




Ruby and Charli were very excited to find the reports written by brother Zack and sister Sahra.



# Paragraph Writing in Year 5W

This term Year 5s have been focusing on writing informative texts. This week they were learning how to structure a paragraph. They were given a topic sentence and then had to then write their own facts in a logical order and add a concluding sentence. Please enjoy reading their paragraphs.

Mrs Watson

## Cupcakes

Cupcakes are small cakes designed to be eaten by one person. In the 1700's cupcakes were originally referred to as number cakes. The first cupcake recipe was invented in 1776. The record for eating the most cupcakes in the shortest time is 29 cupcakes in 30 seconds. Designed to be eaten by one person these small cakes have even been around since the 1700s.

By Kobe

## Airports

Airports allow passengers to travel on planes to far off places. In most airports, they sell lost luggage within 90 days of losing it. Did you know nearly every airport is designed to stop you from getting lost? The biggest airport in the world is in Atlanta and it is the world's busiest airport. Airports are a good way to travel and you can find different airports in various sizes.

By Kyran

## EARTHQUAKES!

Earthquakes can be dangerous and destructive natural disasters. Scientists use seismic waves to measure how big an earthquake is. Earthquakes usually occur on the edges of large sections of the earth's crust called tectonic plates. Generally, before and after a large earthquake there will be small earthquakes. Although many earthquakes are destructive, some are only small.

By Ryder

## Reading Books!

Reading expands your vocabulary and imagination.

It also expands your memory, removes stress and anxiety.

If you read for twenty minutes a day, you will read 1,800,000 words a day!

Do you realise you are reading now?

So, reading is good for the brain's growth and development.

By Olive

## Farm Animals

Farm animals have an important role to make food products for humans. If you sell your animals, you will usually get money for selling them. In salami months, you can shoot the pigs, cut them up, make salami, and eat it. You put the cattle in the stockyards to drench, ear tag, put in cattle trucks, pull calves from mother cows, and put calves back with their mothers. Farm animals can be used to make food for humans.

By Riley

## BALLS

Balls come in all shapes and sizes and can be used for many activities. Rubber balls will bounce higher. You can use a ball to help with stress. Balls can be made from different materials. Golf balls were once made from leather and feathers. These are some facts about balls.

By Isaac

## The Weekend

The weekend is a time for people to relax, away from school and work. You do not have to do any schoolwork so you will have time to relax. Relaxing makes you prepared for the next week of school or work. You can spend time doing things like; playing with friends, watching a movie, or making a puzzle. Some times in summer you could go swimming in the river, beach or at a lake or dam. It is where you can hang out with your friends out of school and you can have fun. People relax on the weekend by enjoying different activities.

By Matilda

# Paragraph Writing in Year 5W

## Sleeping

Sleep is needed by all living things for survival. Sleep is a part of everyday living, because it is good for your health. Some animals and plants hibernate through winter by sleeping. Some of these animals can sleep up to 6 months. Overall, you need sleep to survive.

By Paige

## Lions

Lions are wild ferocious cats that live in the grassland of Africa. Lions are the second largest cat species. Male lions look different from females that have a mane and can weigh up to 250 kilograms. A group of lions is called a pride (that only contains one male and several females and their cubs). Lions are ferocious cats and live in prides.

By Indi

## BIRTHDAYS

Birthdays are annual celebrations, which remember the day that a person was born. Some people have parties where they invite their friends. At the parties, you can have decorations and cake. Your friends bring presents and after you open the presents you eat cake. Birthdays are celebrated once a year with cake and presents.

By Machydie

## Bees

Bees are bright yellow insects that live together in large social groups. There are over 2,000 different types of bees. Bees make a home called a hive. Bees love the colour blue and cluster plants like lavender and rose. The Queen bee can lay up to 2,000 eggs a day. Bees are yellow insects that live in hives.

By Charlee

## Zoos

Zoos are special places where animals can be viewed by the public. Zookeepers can train their animals to put on shows for people all over the world. Animals can suffer in zoos with depression, can get frustrated and can harm each other. Some animals get scared and do not like people when they go to their enclosures. Some animals have been in zoos for a long time now.

By Sienna

## Forces

A force is a push or pull that makes an object move. Force is what keeps us orbiting around the sun; the sun's force is strong enough to keep everything moving in our solar system. Force is also pulling us to the ground right now. Force is what is holding everything together and holding everything down where it is. Force is everywhere.

By Luqel

## WINTER

Winter is the season of colder temperatures, cloudy skies and snow. There are 3 months in the winter season. Nights are longer in winter. Earth is the closest to the sun in winter. Winter is colder there are 3 months and nights are longer. Winter is the coldest season of the year.

By Isabella

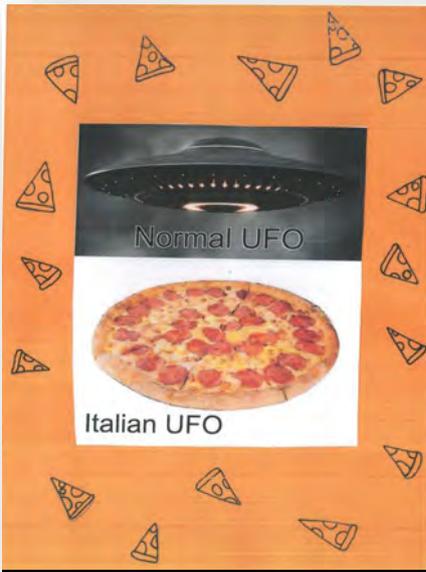
## Halloween

Halloween is a cultural tradition that has been celebrated for centuries. People dress up in so many different types of costumes, mainly scary ones but some people dress up in cute ones or princesses. People decorate their houses with all types of scary decorations e.g. carved pumpkins, scary figures, cobwebs and lots more. You go trick or treating to get lollies, normally you start to go when the sun is starting to set so it is scarier. Halloween is a cultural holiday where you dress up, decorate your houses with scary things, and get lollies.

By Amelia



# ITALIAN SPACE PROGRAM.... with Ms D'Angelo



Zali Feltrin



Bayden Heywood



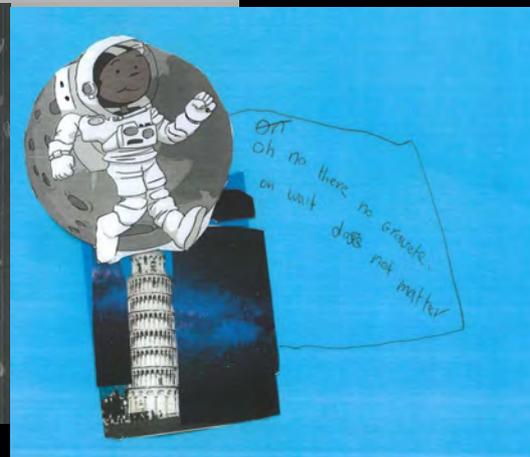
Niamh Hourigan

The Year 7A students were working today on a cultural assignment based on the Italian Space Program and for a bit of fun I asked the students to create a "meme" based on the Italian Space Program. Attached is a sample of the work that came in.

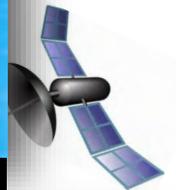
ciao ciao, Ms D'Angelo



Claudia Lennane



Callum Hines



Meah Richardson



Bianca Cunneen

# Industry Experience Days

Each Friday for the next five weeks we have a number of secondary students participating in 'Industry Experience Days'. WIRL (What's it Really Like...) is a program aimed at engaging students with practical industry activities through visits to local businesses. This program is funded by NELLEN and is organised by Norm Madden. Students have their lunch supplied each week and all transport fees are completely funded. Students will be visiting a variety of local agricultural and horticultural industries including: Todpuddle (goats cheese and farm products), Milawa Apiaries (bees), Milawa Organic Beef, Pepo (pumpkin seeds), Buffalo River Nursery, Florabella, Feathertop Winery, Alpine Angus and Wodonga TAFE.



Last week we visited Buffalo River Nursery, with Darrell Perkins, and Florabella, with Sandy Salmon. Students learnt about propagating plants, soil medias, automated watering systems, creek construction, marketing and a variety of 'off shoot' industries involved in horticulture, such as hot house design and construction.

*Sharon Antonello*



Darrel Perkins- Buffalo River Nursery



Sandy Salmon-Florabella

# Year 8 Science

This is a practical activity measuring the bounce efficiency of different types of balls.

*Lia Mitchell*

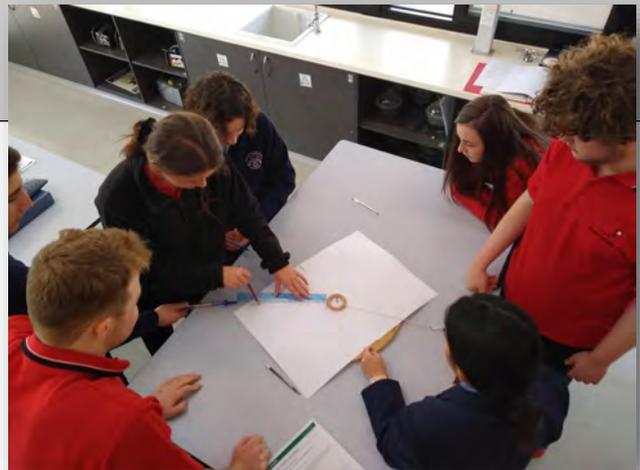


## Ms Vlahandreas Homework

Year 10 Science homework: Due every Friday  
 Year 9 Science homework: Due every Friday  
 Year 9 Maths homework: 1 Module completed at home each week – Due Friday

# Year 11 Physics

Year 11 Physics practical activity measuring total force and force vectors. *Lia Mitchell*



## MYRTLEFORD PARK RUN INITIATIVE

I am looking to start up a Myrtleford Park Run– A Free, 5km timed run every Saturday morning. All about getting the community active. Can you help?– I am looking for volunteers who could be involved in the working party group to get this initiative up and running.

A Facebook page has been set up—“Community Support for a parkrun in Myrtleford”- please have a look and like the page.

If you are interested in being a part of the working party on this initiative, please message via the Facebook page.

Kane Fitzpatrick

## ALPINE SHIRE YOUTH AWARDS 2020



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# Talking About Careers

## with Danielle Caponecchia

Weekly Careers Newsletter: This newsletter is jam packed full of the latest careers news from around the state. It has updates from universities and other institutions. Scholarship, job vacancies, career pathway information and so much more. I encourage both students and parents to take the time to read this.

To access the newsletter go to <https://myrtlefordp12careers.com/> or type in myrtlefordp12careers.com Click on the Careers Newsletter in the drop down box under the 'IMPORTANT INFO' tab on the top row. From there you will see the newsletters from the past six weeks. Click on the top one for the most recent.

Newsletters will go onto the portal every Tuesday.  
Please feel free to contact me with any queries or questions.

### Topics in this week's newsletter:

- Applications for NIDA, WAAPA and the VCA
- Career and course exploration resources
- Electrical apprenticeships (Melbourne and Canberra)
- Creative arts competition
- Learn financial literacy skills and go into the draw to win \$1000!
- Love humanities? Check out these amazing courses and initiatives at 4 universities
- Virtual open days start next week – have you registered your place yet?
- University applications – VTAC opens on Monday and early entry applications closing in August
- STEM quizzes

Upcoming webinars and online career events

## This week's Career Topic

### AUSLAN

AUSLAN is Australian sign language. It is not only used within the deaf community, it is also used to interact with people who are unable to communicate verbally for different reasons.

Emily Cossor, Mirella Mason and I have been studying AUSLAN for the past couple of months. During lock down in Term 2, the girls were looking for something to keep them motivated that was interesting and could work as an advantage towards their career pathways in the future. I have always been interested in sign language too, so we enrolled in both Certificate 1 & 2 of the "Lisa Mills Basic Auslan online" course. We are proud to say that we have all completed Certificate 1 and are more than half way through Certificate 2.

There are many online courses like the one we have are doing, that teaches you basic Auslan so that you may have a simple conversation with a deaf person. Sign language is exactly that 'A Language' it is a language that needs to be learnt". It has different sentence structures, relies on expression, hand movement and position just to name a few. As with many languages, there are different signs (dialects) for different states. Every Country has its own version of sign language too.

To be fluent in AUSLAN you need to study at University and gain a degree. This can take anywhere from 2-4 years. And to become an Interpreter (like the ones you see on TV), you need to do further study after that. It is a very well paid industry that is in high demand.

We were very lucky to have Lisa Selway come to our session last week and inspire us with her learning so far.

Lisa started her AUSLAN journey with "Lisa Mills online" and decided to continue on and will eventually complete her diploma at Melbourne Polytechnic.

If students would like to know more about AUSLAN courses please feel free to come and see me.



## HEALTH CORNER...with Adolescent Health Nurse Rosemary Bunge

MP12 College has had a very close connection with Myrtleford Lodge for the past five years. Our students love to visit and last year we were even holding some Year 10 classes down at the Lodge.

Along came COVID19 and we have been unable to go on our weekly visits to our friends at the Lodge. We have considered ways to keep in touch and before we went into remote learning classes, wrote letters to the Lodge residents and the diversional therapists printed them and put them in a book for all the residents to read. Then came remote learning which made it even harder to keep in contact. During this time, I asked students to write to the residents if they could and get the letters to me to pass on.

Young Bella Turner-Spessot from Year 5 decided to write and send a photo of herself. Bella only moved from New Zealand at the start of the year so had never actually visited in person. However, back in New Zealand she used to visit aged care and sometimes do a gymnastic routine for them. Today Bella received a lovely surprise, a box full of letters from residents at the Lodge. It was heart-warming to see how many people's day she had made by taking the time to get in touch.



Our Intergenerational Learning Program is such a positive and rewarding program for all involved, I am so proud of the students of Myrtleford P12 College.

Rosemary Bunge School Nurse and Intergenerational Program Coordinator.

**Grade 5 puberty classes term 3** - Sexuality education is important and should start when children are young. Talk about feelings, relationships and values. Primary and secondary school children need age-appropriate information about sex and reproduction. At Myrtleford P-12 we will be using a resource developed by the DET as part of standard curriculum. Puberty brings about dramatic physical and emotional changes that may be frightening to an unprepared child. To help prepare students I will be supporting Mrs Watson in **Year 5** over the next few weeks with puberty classes. If you have students in that age group now is a good time to be talking to them about growing up.

**Topics we are covering include growing up, changes of puberty and reproduction.**

**Ask your child.... what did you learn today?**

Young people want to talk with their parents and carers about sexual health. Avoiding the subject won't stop young people learning about sex, but it may result in them relying on inaccurate information.

Talking to young people about sex does not encourage sexual experimentation. In fact, research indicates that young people who receive a comprehensive sexuality (sex) education have a lower risk of unintended pregnancy and are less likely to have sex at an early age.

The easiest way to talk to your child about sexuality is to start at an early age, though it's never too late. Answer questions honestly and directly when they come up and find out together what you don't know as you go along.

If you would like more information about how to talk to your child feel free to contact me at the college I am here Tuesday and Friday's.

.....*Rosemary Bunge*

**Quote of the week:**

'A good deed brightens a dark world'

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LIBRARY NEWS

I asked Mrs Watson....

- What is your all time favourite book?  
The Wishing Chair Series by Enid Blyton
- Do you have a favourite author?  
Fiona McCallum
- What is your favourite genre to read?  
Australian Drama
- What are you reading at the moment?  
Nowhere Else by Fiona McCallum

.....Mrs Morgan

Author Focus



Fiona McCallum

- Fiona currently resides in suburban Adelaide.
- Fiona writes heart-warming stories for adults, about life experiences, animals and human nature.
- Her first novel, *Pay cheque*, was published in 2011 and Fiona has written another ten bestselling novels: *Nowhere Else*, *Wattle Creek*, *Saving Grace*, *Time Will Tell*, *Meant To Be*, *Leap of Faith*, *Standing Strong*, *Finding Hannah*, *Making Peace* and *A Life of Her Own*. *The Long Road Home* is Fiona's twelfth novel.

Book Focus -Nowhere Else

Back cover blurb:

From the bestselling author of *Paycheque* comes an epic tale of family and self-discovery in the Australian outback.



On the surface, current affairs reporter Nicola Harvey has the world at her feet — she's at the top of her profession, part of Australian television's A-list, has a wealthy, successful fiancé and a beautiful warehouse conversion in Adelaide.

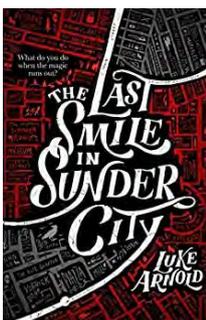
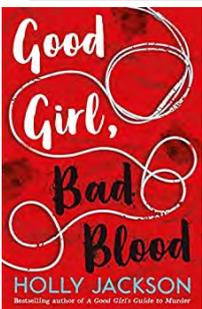
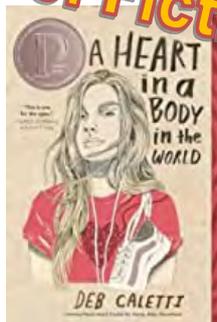
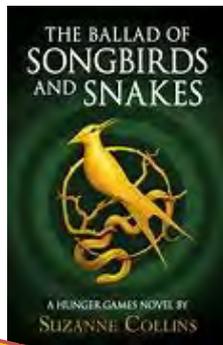
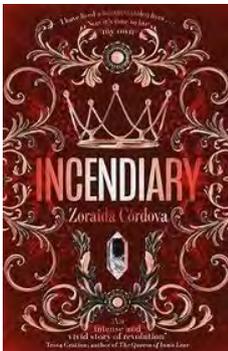
But appearances can be deceiving and not all is perfect in Nicola's world. So when her boss offers to send her on an extended research trip to investigate the effects of the drought, she jumps at the chance to indulge in some country-style R&R.

When Nicola arrives in the small town of Nowhere Else, nothing is as she expected: there's no spa, the locals are tight-lipped, and Nicola senses it's not just the drought that is making the town nervous. So why has her boss sent her out here?

The deeper Nicola digs into the town's history, the more she realises perhaps coming to Nowhere Else wasn't a mistake after all. In fact it may just unlock the mystery of her past. And hold the key to her future happiness...

Please note: We do not stock Fiona McCallum books here in the College library.

NEW High School Fiction



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