



Mallacoota P-12 College

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Tuesday 13th September 2022
Week 10 of 10

OUT AND ABOUT AT MP-12

Wow, what a week we have had- from camps and excursions to interschool athletics competitions and a music concert. I'm exhausted just thinking about it.

Last week, the Yr5/6 & 7/8 students attended 'Up the Creek' camp. Our Yr5/6 students camped on the banks of Long Arm- Lake Tyers, while the Yr7/8s paddled from Nowa Nowa to Fisherman's Landing, also on Lake Tyers. Both groups faced many individual and team challenges over the course of the 5 day camp, but rose to the challenges superbly and really benefited from the experiences. I accompanied the Yr5/6 group and their positive attitude, team spirit and willingness to step outside of their comfort zones contributed to the huge success of the camp. I know the Yr7/8 group had a much more physically challenging program, but from all reports, they also had an amazing week. It was a truly memorable week and I'd like to thank all of the students and the other staff (Cheryle, Dani and Sofia) for making the camps such a success.

Also last week, Bridie, Halle, Mikayla and Winter represented the school and East Gippsland at the Secondary Regional Athletics. The four girls teamed up for the 4x100m relay and placed third. Winter and Halle have both qualified to compete at the State Championships, to be held in week 3 of Term 4. Congratulations to all four students and good luck to Halle and Winter.

Last Friday, Peter Barnett arranged a science/ environmental expedition on the Wallagaraugh River, with East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and former student, Bryce Watts Parker. Students, accompanied by Peter and Ketzia benefitted from their expertise and learnt about EGCMA works that have occurred along our waterways and what the role of the EGCMA is.

On Monday we spent a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon at our Music Matinee. The afternoon was a wonderful celebration of the learning students have done through our music program under the guidance of Lisa Broome. During Terms 2&3, we have also benefited from the expertise of Justin Brady, through the Rural arts Victoria

funded 'Student Voice for Recovery' project. Well done to all of the students who performed, to Lisa, Justin, Padma and Don whose teaching, mentoring and support helped to make it all happen.



On Tuesday, at our P-12 assembly, we farewelled Tim Cashmore who has formally retired from the Department of Education. Tim has had a long career in education, spending over ten years with us at Mallacoota. Tim made many positive contributions to our school and community and we wish him all the very best as he embarks on his next adventures.

As part of our ongoing emergency preparedness program, we will be holding an emergency drill this Friday. We encourage parents to discuss this with their children, to help them understand that by practising, we can all be prepared and know what to do in the unlikely event of a real emergency.

As we wrap up the term, I'd like to inform our community of upcoming works on the school entrance and carpark area. Last year we received notification that an application for a grant to upgrade our carpark area had been successful, but we placed this on hold until our Admin upgrade was completed. The time has now come for the works to be carried out and this is scheduled for during the upcoming holidays. During this period, entry to the school via the main entry point will be closed. One of our main aims of the upgrade is to provide separation between the students' play spaces and the car park. Vegetation will be used to provide a visual and physical barrier, whilst also moving pedestrian access away from the driveway. The current rock pillars will be relocated

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to provide a focal point for the pedestrian access and a more visual nod to their historical significance.

We wish all of our students, families and staff a restful and re-energising break and look forward to welcoming everyone back next term.

Have a great week.

Kathy

School Council Community Update

School Councillors met on 31/8/22 for the final meeting for Term 3. Councillors were updated on the progress of the Compass proposal, which appears to be all coming together. While a timeline is yet to be confirmed, fingers are crossed for a Term 4/Term 1 transfer from Ueduca-teUs to the new Compass system.

Hopefully everyone has received their Parent Opinion Survey and are eagerly providing feedback. Discussions were had surrounding the suggestion of changing the Primary levels language subject from French to Auslan, an online educational resource.

In facilities news, repair works happening at the Bucknall St House have now been completed, ready for a new principal. Quotes are being sourced to roof the Rage Cage area, as well as update the senior lockers.

There are some great activities coming over the next few months, including a Learn to Surf day for Gr5 – Yr12, hosted by This Girl Can, and Arts Fest which will take place in early December; an exciting event that has the support of many locals and businesses, organised by young people, for young people.

The next School Council meeting will take place on 26th October.

Kayley Etherton, School Council

Engagement and Wellbeing update

Last week we had the wonderful Darron Crocker from the Positive Parenting Program present a session on 'Supporting your teens'. The session was extremely well received and full of practical advice on what to do when you have run out of ideas with your teenager. It also included a biological explanation for why our teenagers present the way they do, how to promote good decision making and how to go easy on yourself when it doesn't go right. The session was supported by Michelle from the Royal Flying Doctors Service, Zoe and Tess, our local DOA nurses, and our secondary staff. A big thank you to Darron and those who supported the session.

As the feedback was so good we are planning on organising more sessions. The school would love to have more families in attendance next time. In order to facilitate this, we have set up a survey on some of the barriers to getting to these sessions. We would like to be able to cater for more families. The survey should take no more than a few minutes - <https://forms.gle/gEPTxw6qGtda8CGK9>

A big thank you to Helen, Trindi and Michelle for organising this amazing session for our families.

Year 6-7 Transition

As we look forward to the final term the school has begun planning our Transition program for our Grade 6 students into Secondary. Next term Grade 6 students will move into Home Groups with the secondary students. They will begin working on the Student planned and led Activity Week in teams with Year 7 and 8 peers. Parents will also be invited into school for a Transition meeting, which usually occurs around week 3, please keep an eye on the calendar. If you have any questions please contact Simon through the office.

Respecting Learning Striving



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Regional Athletics Championships

On Tuesday 6th September the Mallacoota P12 team competed at the Regional Athletics Championships in Newborough. It was a fantastic day with so many schools from across the region coming along to make it a great atmosphere for a fun day of competition. Our team had some great successes, Zara placed 4th in Discuss. Mikayla placed 2nd in Javelin and Discus. Bridie placed 2nd in Triple jump. The 12/13 girls relay team placed 3rd. Halle and Winter qualified for the state championships in 1500m and 800m respectively. Thank you to everyone that made it possible for us to compete on the day, parents and grandparents. The MP12 Athletics team



WHAT'S ON

- 13 Sept** MP-12 School Assembly 2:30pm
- 14 Sept** Women/Girls Beach Day
- 15 Sept** Yr 7/8 Enterprise Market Day -
POSTPONED till term 4
- 16 Sept** Parent/Carer Survey closes
- 16 Sept** Last day of term 3-finish at 2:30pm
- 03 Oct** Term 3 Starts
- 05 Oct** Yr 7 Immunisations
- 10 Oct** World Mental Health Day
- 11 Oct** Primary Region Athletics Newborough
- 12 Oct** Feel Good Day
- 13 Oct** Primary Assembly 10:30am
- 17 Oct** Secondary State Athletics
- 17 Oct** Yr 9/10 EACH Camp (Mon 17th-21st)
- 24 Oct** Safety Awareness Week
- 26 Oct** School Council Meeting 7pm
- 28 Oct** Report Writing Day (no students required at school)
- 31 Oct** Pupil Free Day (no students required at school)
- 01 Nov** Melbourne Cup (no students required at school)

East Gippsland Basketball Tournament

On the final day of winter 21 of our students headed to Bairnsdale to play in a round-robin basketball tournament. We ended up with 3 teams, the most we have sent in my time, and played a total of 10 games. It was super enjoyable to take our students who were supportive, respectful and great to be around. Big shout out to Bec who supported the basketball and then completed school council - a 14-hour work day, what a legend! Please see below for student reports on each of the teams. - Simon

Year 7 Girls - On Wednesday August 31, some year 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11s went down to Bairnsdale for the East Gippsland basketball tournament. The first match was the year 7/ 8 mixed team against Swifts Creek, Mallacoota won. The second match was the Mallacoota 9/10/11 team vs Swifts Creek, Mallacoota won. Then was the year 7 / 8 mixed team vs Nagle, Nagle won. The third match was the 7/ 8 mixed team vs Lakes. Last was the year 7 girls team vs Nagle, Nagle won. Overall it was a fun day and everyone had a great time.

By Year 7

Year 7.8 Mixed - Basketball was fun and we won 2 out of 4 matches. It was good to see people having fun.

We did really well considering we don't play too much basketball. It was a good experience to play basketball against other schools.

By Jamie, Matthew and Finn =)

Year 9.10 Mixed - Our first game of the day was against Swifts creek who put up a good fight but were not skilled enough to beat us. They even had to take two of our players, Isaac and Kai but still couldn't manage to catch up. Our second game was against one of the Nagle teams who were state champions. Sadly we got thrashed, but kept them on their toes and we put up a good fight and our third game was against the other Nagle team. By then we were exhausted and tired but we were no match for them and they came out on top. Over all everyone had a really fun day and everyone enjoyed their Maccas on the way home.

By Tristan





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CELEBRATING & EMPOWERING GIRLS & WOMEN: BEACH DAY @ BASTION

Year 5 to Year 12 join us
Wednesday 9am - 1pm.
Learn to surf, beach activities
& yoga

14th
September

"There is no limit to what we, as women, can accomplish"

redink australia RUPA LIFE SAVING Mallicott Medical Centre CHIRP SURF SHACK

Year 7/8 Enterprise Market Day

Thursday 15 Sept 2022

Time: 11.00am - 2.00pm

Place: Mallacoota P- 12 under cover court

Dear Parents and Mallacoota community members.

For the last of the Year 7/8 Enterprise project tasks, the students will be offering a Market Day at the school. This will be open to all parents and community members.

If you or anyone you know has any interesting small/medium sized items that need a second home, and are in good to excellent condition, please donate these to the 7/8 enterprise project. Items can be left at the school office during school hours.

We are not able to accept any electrical items, liquids or any potentially hazardous or dangerous items. Please ensure items donated are in good to excellent condition.

Donations of goods can be made from Tuesday 30th August up until Wednesday the 14th of September.

In addition to this the school will also be selling some larger items on the day that need a second home. Items such as a double door freezer, large safe and some filing cabinets.

If you have any questions about this Market day or the goods that can be donated, then please contact the school office to discuss. Phone 51580 254

CASH SALES ONLY - no preorder and prepayment sales.

Happy Birthday

Janaina

Holiday Birthdays

R.B
Angus
Liv
Bridie

Please Return

We still have a number of our **school sporting shirts** outstanding. If your child has attended a sporting event i.e. athletics, soccer, basketball and has signed out a sporting school shirt, could they please be returned to the school office, Priya or Simon by Wednesday 14th September.

Thank you!



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Music Soiree

Well done to all of the students who performed, to Lisa, Justin, Padma and Don whose teaching, mentoring and support made for a fantastic afternoon of music.



School Wide Basketball Coaching

Some of our Later Years students are having a wonderful time finishing their Certificate 3 in Sport and Recreation with the Prep – One students.





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TERM THREE CALENDAR

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 10	September 12 th Music Soiree	September 13 th *MP-12 School Assembly 2:30pm	September 14 th This Girl Can-surf/beach day	September 15 th	September 16 th Last day of term 3 – finish at 2.30pm

TERM 4 2022 CALENDAR

WEEK 1	October 3 rd Term 3 Starts	October 4 th	October 5 th Yr 7 Immunisations	October 6 th	October 7 th
WEEK 2	October 10 th World Mental Health Day	October 11 th Primary Region Athletics Newborough	October 12 th 'Feel Good Day'	October 13 th Primary Assembly 10:30am	October 14 th
WEEK 3	October 17 th Secondary State Athletics Yr9/10 EACH Camp	October 18 th Yr9/10 EACH Camp	October 19 th Yr9/10 EACH Camp	October 20 th Yr9/10 EACH Camp	October 21 st Yr9/10 EACH Camp
WEEK 4	October 24 th Safety Awareness Week	October 25 th	October 26 th	October 27 th Primary Assembly 10:30am	October 28 th *Report Writing Day *Day for Daniel

A friendly reminder
all students need to
wear hats outdoors
in term 4.



Choir

When: Lunchtime on Wednesdays

1.40- 2.20 pm

Where: Room 7

All welcome!



Teen Clinic is open 12:30 to 5 pm Mondays and Thursdays for
face to face chats with Carla or Helen. Plus - teens can ask to speak
with a teen nurse Tues, Wed, Fri 9-12 pm and 2-5 pm.
Free confidential service.