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LIONS YOUTH OF THE YEAR



Lions Youth of the year is designed to encourage student interest in leadership and the qualities required to take an active and constructive role in the community.

A high level of academic, leadership, sporting, public speaking and citizenship achievement is sought in its potential winners.

Oliver Lepkhammony and Amy Scammell have participated in this year's event. Both students were required to participate in an interview focused on their achievements and general knowledge. They then participated at a public speaking event that required them to answer two impromptu questions followed by delivery of their 5 minute prepared speech.

It was a pleasure to attend this event, congratulations to both students on their participation and to Amy who was awarded winner of the public speaking.

Natarsha Onley

Deputy Principal

WHAT'S COMING UP?		
March 11– 13	Year 7 Camp	
March 17	Year 7 Vaccination	
March 20	Albury Gold Cup - 1/2 day holiday	
March 19 & 24	Parent Teacher Interviews 5.00pm-7.00pm	
April 8	School Cross Country	
April 9	End of Term 1	

YEAR 7 INFORMATION EVENING -2021

On Monday March 09, 2020 we held our 2021, Year 7 Information Evening at Murray High School. This provided the opportunity for current year 6 students to come to our school grounds and hear from our principal, Norman Meader and myself, Lucy Celin, Year 7-Student Advisor 2021. It was a wonderful night which involved an information talk on enrolments, subjects and what to expect from high school and finished off with a tour of our school. Our amazing Deja Brew team provided coffee and hot chocolate for our visitors whilst on the tour. Thank you to all the families who attended and staff and students who volunteered their time. It was very much appreciated and the night could not have ran as smoothly as it did without all of of their participation.

Lucy Celin

Year 7 Year Advisor 2021

Chinese

Chinese Corner Term 1 2020

你好 nǐhao and 欢迎来马瑞中学 huān yíng lài Mǎ Ruì Zhōngxué! (Hello and welcome to Murray High School).

Language is a mandatory (compulsory) subject for ALL NSW students, for one school year. Chinese (Mandarin) 中文 is the main language taught at MHS with 7L studying Indonesian. All students have a Language work book and your child's teachers would love for you to have a look at the workbook and possibly have a go at learning some language yourself. They also have access to Education (Language) Perfect. This online language learning program can be used at any time, perfect for extension work, revision, holidays etc. We will be participating in local, national and world wide competitions later in the year. Feel free to hop on and see what you can learn. In addition this year, most classes will have a google classroom they can access with video clips, extension tasks and some class work.

In Chinese classes this term, students have been researching Chinese New Year. They are creating beautiful red packets (红包) which will be sent to a buddy student in a Year 7 Chinese language class at Rouse Hill High School.

This exchange program will continue through the year.

再见 zàijiàn (goodbye)

马老师 Mă Lăoshī (Ms Valeri)

Teacher of Chinese

UPDATE YOUR EMAIL

Are you receiving emails from the school?

If you are not can you please ensure that we have the correct email address for your family.

Please contact the school.

UNIFORMS

Murray High School is seeking donations of any good quality uniform items that are no longer required by your family.

Donations can be given to the front office.

Thanks in advance for supporting Murray High School students.

All of **Year 7** have recently completed a basic mathematical skills task. The results of this task will be used to rearrange mathematics classes. New classes will begin on Monday, March 02.

Mr Brownlaw

Head Teacher Mathematics/Computing/Library

FROM THE RED SHED

HSC DRAMA

The HSC Drama class has recently returned from Sydney where they saw a number of shows and participated in workshops to help prepare for their HSC performances. We were joined by the HSC Drama class from James Fallon High, their teacher, Anni Gifford and Mr Guy Lewis (MHS).

The main focus of the trip was to attend *OnStage*, which is a performance program of the exemplary 2019 HSC Individual and Group performances. The students were able to see what it takes to make a highly ranked piece.

Some of the highlights of the trip were: seeing *Six the Musical* at the Sydney Opera House and then meeting the cast after the show at Stage Door; the tour of NIDA followed by a workshop on Multi Discipline Theatre; the performance of *OnStage* at the Seymour Centre.

The students would like to extend a huge thank you to Ms Gifford, Ms Waugh and Mr Lewis for giving them the opportunity to experience life in the city and see a selection of high quality theatre.

Shakespeare Carnival

Students from years 8-11 have started preparing for the Shakespeare Carnival coordinated by Sydney Company Sport for Jove. This year the carnival is running as an extra-curricular program with rehearsals on a Monday after school.

HSC Drama student, Kyle Peters is directing the carnival ably assisted by Ms Waugh.

Murray High has a recent history of success at State level for the Shakespeare and hope to continue the tradition. The School Carnival will be held on Thursday, 30 April in the Red Shed at 6:00pm. All welcome to join the audience.



DRAMA NEWS CONTINUED

Cast Announcement School Play – Shellshock by Justin Fleming

This year the drama department will produce a senior school play called *Shellshock* by Justin Fleming. *Shellshock* is a love story. Granted, an unusual love story... between an Australian teenager and his mate Herman, a tortoise – the oldest living survivor of the Gallipoli campaign.

When a newspaper article reveals the surprising identity of this last survivor, a mysterious woman from Turkey arrives at the Lindsay farm. Fourteen year old Tom, his father Jack, and feisty grandmother June, become embroiled in a drama that takes them to the other side of the world, in search of answers, and the true origin of Herman.

KAZAN, narrator Ellie Taylor

MATTHEW LINDSAY/ TOM LINDSAY Brayden Berkhout

NURSE/ADILE GOYMEN Amy Scammell

JACK LINDSAY Kyle Peters

JUNE LINDSAY Rebecca Taylor

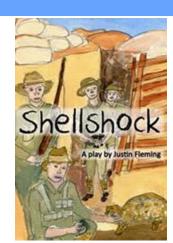
SECURITY GUARD Decklan Heinjus

HERMAN, tortoise Himself

Rehearsals are underway every Tuesday and Thursday after school. Shellshock will be

performed at the Butter Factory Theatre on Friday 29th May at 11am and 7:30pm and Saturday 30th May at 2pm.

Tickets will be available from HotHouse Theatre. Keep an eye on the MHS Facebook page for when tickets are on sale.



DANCE NEWS

Riverina Dance Ensemble

Well done to all students who auditioned for the Albury Dance Ensemble at the end of last year. A big congratulations to Kyan Assi, Lilly Daley, Charlee Grentell and Ester Musemu who were selected as members of the 2020 Ensemble.

Riverina Dance Camp

Next week, three keen dancers will head down to James Fallon High School for the 3 day Riverina Dance Camp. Kyan Assi, Lilly Daley and Micheline Kiyobe will participate in workshop sessions across a range of dance techniques, styles and choreography. The camp will conclude with a showcase of the new skills learnt. Have a great time!

Theatre in the Community...

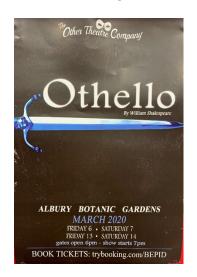
Get your tickets to The Other Theatre Company's production of Othello.

Check out 2019 graduate Jack Jackson as Lago,

our current Vice Captain as Roderigo and past staff member,

Mrs Anne Dobson as Lodovico. Chookas for a great season!





DRAMA NEWS CONTINUED







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SCHOOL SPORT

MHS School Sport 2020... what to look forward to

We have a fantastic year of sport ahead of us in 2020. This year will bring more changes and excitement in the Sport Department. The aim of our sporting program is to enable all students to be challenged and rewarded in their sporting experiences. The Department of Education outlines that students in Years K-10 participate in a minimum of 150 minutes of planned moderate with some vigorous physical activity across the school week. This time includes planned weekly sport.







Students in Year 7 have commenced their Intensive Swimming Program. Students have been tested and allocated to a Swimming group based on their level of ability, for stroke improvement, personal survival, or learn to swim. The groups will participate in the program at the Lavington Pool. We are looking forward to another success Intensive Swimming Program that benefits our Year 7 cohort

The Sports Organisers will be available in the morning from 8:30am in the PE staffroom to address any organisational requirements that may arise. Any student wishing to make changes to their sport, borrow a bus pass or money or sign out early must come to the PE staffroom before school or at recess. Students wishing to sign out early for appointments must bring a note from home clearly outlining the reason for leaving, the time of departure and who will be collecting the student. A contact name and phone number are also required.

Sport Uniform

On sport day students are to wear their sports uniform - MHS light blue shirt with school logo, navy shorts, or navy tracksuit pants in winter. Appropriate footwear is essential fully enclosed sport shoes ('skate' type, or slip on shoes are not acceptable).

WASP Award

In 2020 we are continuing an incentive for participation in sport entitled the WASP award (Weekly Achievement for Sport Participation). Each week during school sport, five students are recognised for their efforts and given and a WASP award to go into the draw for a weekly canteen voucher or to have their sport paid for a term. The tally of each Sporting House is recorded and the WASP Cup is awarded at the end of the year. The tally points so far...





1 st Lille	30 points
2 nd McKay	28 points
3 rd Rosewall	25 points
4 th Goolagong	14 point

We have many opportunities for MHS students to participate in sporting events in 2020. MHS has entered over 30 Combined High School knockout trials/ competitions for 2020. We encourage all students to have a go at something and get involved in the great tradition of sporting excellence at MHS.

We look forward to providing many opportunities for success through sport in 2020.

SCHOOL SPORT CONTINUED

MHS Swimming Carnival, 2020

The MHS Swimming Carnival was held on Wednesday 13th February at Lavington Swim Centre. This year the format of the carnival changed to competitors only as well as all of Year 7 and 8 to attend. The reason for this was to increase participation in events which we did have at the carnival. The carnival was a great success with many students achieving excellent results, and everyone joining in the spirit of the carnival. Between competitive races, students had opportunities to contribute to their house point tally by participating in the novelty events and house point swim.





The behaviour of all the students from MHS who attended was outstanding and their efforts are to be commended. We would also like to thank the Sporting House Captains and the PASS and SLR students who assisted with the organisation of the day and kept the team spirits high!

The Sporting House Team results were:		
1st LILLEE	520	
2nd McKAY	502	
3rd ROSEWALL	358	
4 th GOOLAGONG	349	

12 Year Female		12 Years Male	Troy Doughty
13 Year Female	Tarni Evett	13 Years Male	Patrick Breed
14 Year Female	Audrey Smith	14 Years Male	Jackson Chomatek
15 Year Female	Cienna Twyford	15 Years Male	Jack McInty
16 Year Female	Grace Hay	16 Years Male	Jack Routley
17 Year Female	Lilly Owen & Mykayla Fenn	17 Years Male	Tyson Mutsch

SCHOOL SPORT CONTINUED

Zone

Congratulations to all our students who represented the school at the Zone Carnival on Wednesday, 19 February. What was one of our smallest teams in recent years competed with great sportsmanship and enthusiasm.

The following students were successful in being selected to represent MHS at the Riverina Carnival held last Monday in Leeton

Anstis	Isaac	Boys 15 year 100 backstroke
Anstis	Isaac	Boys 15 year 50m freestyle
Anstis	Isaac	Boys 15 year 100m freestyle
Anstis	Isaac	Boys 15 year 100m butterfly
McKinty	Jack	Boys 15 year 100 backstroke
McKinty	Jack	Boys 15 year 100m breaststroke
McKinty	Jack	Boys 15 year 100m butterfly
Murray		Boys 14 year 4x50m freestyle
Murray		Boys 15 year 4x50m freestyle
Murray		Girls all age 6x50m freestyle relay

Riverina Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to Jack McKinty, Isaac Anstis and Brodie Taylor who competed in individual events at the Riverina Swimming Carnival last week.

Isaac Anstis PB 100m Butterfly

Jack McKinty Qualified 400m Freestyle CHS Finals. We wish him all the very best and look forward to hearing about his efforts.

Congratulations also to our 14 years Boys Relay team (Jackson Chomatek, Hunter Anstis, Zack Clarke and Tyler Waslander) who finished a close third in the $4\times50m$ Freestyle Relay

Thunder Cup

The inter-schools Rugby League and League Tag competition is starting in week 8, 16 March at Green Field Park. Students who are interested in playing for the MHS teams need to nominate their names and should be attending training during sport time. MHS has had great success in the competition in previous years and we hope to further our achievements and bring home the trophy in all divi-



Junior Girls – year 7 to 9 Senior Girls – Open age Junior Boys – Under 15 (Country Cup) Senior Boys – Opens Country Cup

Final -Wednesday 08 April

Monday, 16 March – Xavier v Murray Wednesday, 18 March – Albury v James Week 2 – Monday, 23 March – Xavier v Albury Wednesday, 25 March – James v Murray Week 3 – Monday, 30 March – Xavier v James

Water Polo

Congratulations to those students who participated in the Riverina Open Water Polo knockout last week.

Week 1 -

The boys team, lead by Tyson and Elih Mutsch, made it to the final against Albury High School but unfortunately for them they couldn't progress to the state finals.

Big thank you to Mr Lord for stepping to assist with the running of the day.

SCHOOL SPORT CONTINUED

Riverina Sporting Representatives

Best wishes to **Brandon Hume** who are away this week representing the Riverina in Softball at Camden. We look forward to hearing of their success.

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected into Riverina teams this term:

Jonte Craig Softball
Chelsea McGrath Tennis
Thomas Rowlands Basketball
Ethan Semple Touch Football
Ella Semple Touch Football



Important Dates for 2020

MHS Cross Country	Term 1	Wednesday 8th April
Zone Cross County	Term 2	Friday 8th May
MHS Athletics Carnival	Term 2	Wednesday 10 th June
Riverina Cross Country	Term 2	Friday 12th June
Zone Athletics Carnival	Term 2	Monday 22 nd June
NSW CHS Cross Country	Term 3	Friday 23 rd July
Riverina Athletics Carnival	Term 3	Friday 31 st July
NSW CHS Athletics Carnival	Term 3	Wednesday 2nd – Friday 4th Sept

Riverina Trials

Information can be accessed from the Riverina Sports website at the following link address:

https://app.education.nsw.gov.au/sport/riverina

Upcoming Trials

Girls Open Basketball (9th March) see Mr Rice

Girls Open Soccer (10th March) see Mr Hogan

Boys Open Rugby Union (18th March) see Mr Lord

Boys Open Soccer (23rd March) see Mr Hogan

Boys & Girls Hockey (25th March) see Mr Morrison

Girls Netball (26th March) see Ms Vine

Boys & Girls Water Polo (27th March) see Mr Hogan

Boys Australian Rules Under 15 (30th March) see Mr Jory

Girls Australian Rules Under 15 (6th April) see Ms Doughty

Sporting Knockouts

The Riverina Sport calendar outlines Riverina Trial dates and Combined High School knockouts which can be located on the website below. Students can view the calendar on the sports noticeboard outside the PDHPE staffroom. All information regarding Riverina trails and knockouts will be communicated to students through the daily student notices.

http://www.sports.det.nsw.edu.au/riverina/welcome.htm

Alternatively, please do not hesitate to contact your school Sport Organisers.

Stuart Morrison & Matthew Hogan

CAREERS IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

