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June

Tue 4th Gippsland Soccer
Desal Excursion
Wed 5th Yr 9 Camp
Thur 6th Yr 9 Camp
Fri 7th Yr 9 Camp
Mon 10th Queen's Birthday Holiday
Tue 11th Yr 11 Exams Begin
Wed 12th Yr 10 Exams Begin
GAT Yr 11-12
First Aid Day Yr 9
Thur 13th First Aid Day Yr 9
Gippsland Cross Country

Mon 17th Robot High Rehearsal
School Council Meeting
Tue 18th Robot High Rehearsal
Yr 11 First Aid Training
Wed 19th **Robot High Performance**
Girls Football Clinic
Thur 20th **Robot High Performance**
Fri 21st Yr 7 & 8 Health Day
Yr 9 Round Tables
Thur 27th German Play Competition Yr 9
Fri 28th End of Term 2

July

Mon 15th Start of Term 3

From the Principal



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Well its amazing how quickly second term is flying away. Given our recent cold snap it reminds me that winter is just around the corner. Where has the year gone?

So during this later part of the term – there is much happening:

School Production – ROBOT HIGH

On June 19th and June 20th Mirboo North Secondary College will be presenting the school production – ROBOT HIGH. This will be held in the shire hall and provides our students with an opportunity to showcase their performing arts skills. Clayton Cupples has been leading the charge as the production Director. I commend him for his initiative and passion. More details of ticketing etc is included in this newsletter.

The plot thickens:

Plot Overview: *The play is set in a future time where humans and other alien species have learned to live in harmony. Then, along comes a spaceship full of A.I. robots with a mind for world domination! Planet Earth are no match for the superior robot invaders and falls rapidly to its might. All seems lost until one of the students discovers their deceased great-grandfather was the genius who created the robots that are now taking over their planet! The robots find out about this and become obsessed with getting our young hero to go back in time to retrieve something mysterious called the FINAL INSTALMENT from his great grandfather. What follows are a series of crazy and heart-warming events guaranteed to entertain even the hardest critic!*

Hope to see you there!

China Exchange Program 2019

Yes it is happening this year. Our sister school – Changshu Senior High School will be visiting Mirboo North Secondary College from August 2nd (Arriving Friday afternoon)– August 8th. Departing Thursday morning. . This will include 11 students and 1 staff member. Whilst we have a number of applicants from our school for the exchange program, we are looking for more families to host a Chinese student during this time. If you are interested please let me know so that we can provide a rich cultural experience for the visiting students. This is a great chance for families to interact with Chinese students and learning from and with them. Having hosted Chinese students myself, it's a great experience and provides insights and understanding into a different culture.

Thank-you to the students that have applied for the exchange program with China. We will be having student interviews next week to finalise which students will be selected to participate. Once this has happened there will be an information night where parents will be invited to attend and we will provide all relevant information. This provides our students with an exciting opportunity to experience a vastly different culture than ours.

Chaplaincy Update

This week we welcomed Jim Barratt as our replacement Chaplain whilst Norm is on leave. Jim joins our well-being team and will continue to provide quality skills as a Chaplain to support our students and staff.

House Athletics Results

House athletics occurred back in term one on a miserable day, with 100s, 200s, and 4x100m relays all taking place at lunchtimes following the day.

Final results were: Equal 3rd on 626 points were both **Narracan** and **Mardan**.

2nd place finished with 663 points, while the winners were well ahead on 823, with most of their lead due to the extra numbers of participation. In 2nd place was **Allambee**, so that leaves **Mirboo** as the overall winners on 823 points.

The age group Champions are below

Under 13's: Jewel Kendall-Jones and Hunter Little

Under 14's: Clara Linn and Darby Kratzat

Under 15's: Ella Snell and Tarmah Little

Under 16's: Miki Kunziak and Ian Linn

Under 17's: Taleisha Snell and Daniel Powell

Seniors: Lucinda Graeme and Shannon Kennedy



Cross Country results

Weather was much more inviting, this took place last Friday around the rail trail and rec reserve.

It was a much closer result than house athletics, with only 39 points separating 1st from 4th.

4th with 490 was Mardan

3rd with 501 was Mirboo

2nd with 510 was Narracan

Winners on 529 were Allambee



Age group champions were

13's: Hunter Little and Hayley Kamphuis and Kayla Wilson multi class

14's: Bailey Piedrafitia and Sienna Cheffers

15's: Liam Hillman and Flynn Burgess-Pincini

16's: Harry Mahoney and Isabella Randall

Seniors: Daniel Powell and Jaime Chila



Interschool Sport

Badminton: held at Leongatha Secondary College.

We had an intermediate boys team and a Year 8 boys team. The intermediate boys won and are through to the Gippsland Finals on July 25 at Morwell, while the Year 8's improved throughout the day and won a couple of doubles matches.



Football held at Leongatha Rec Reserve and Velodrome

The intermediate girls football at the Leongatha Rec Reserve played 3 games, losing all but doing really well considering they were short of players compared to their opponents. The team showed some good passages of play and kicked some really well constructed goals in the final game.

Scores:

MNSC 2.1.13 v MMCRC 4.1.25

MNSC 0.0.0 v WSC 8.3.51

MNSC 2.0.12 v KSC 5.4.34



Junior Girls football at the velodrome won all their games by a couple of goals, and move on to the Gippsland Finals on Thursday, May 23rd at Traralgon.

An excellent effort for a combined 7/8 team that were only able to field a full team due to a couple of late ring-ins.



A Great Arty Day Out

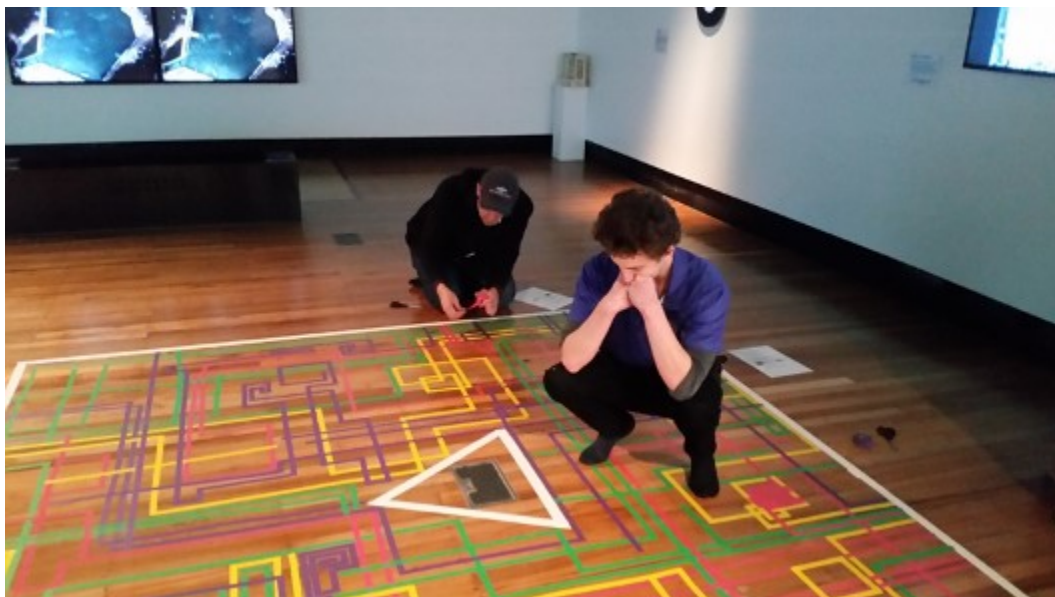
On Tuesday the 7th of May the VCE Studio Arts students spent the day out looking at some amazing Art. The Latrobe Regional Gallery (LRG) provided a bus free of charge for the day. We spent two hours at the LRG looking at several engaging exhibitions, being hosted by the gallery staff who provided the students with much insight about the gallery spaces and exhibitions.

We then went out to Yinnar Arc to view the sculpture exhibition throughout the main street and in the gallery. We were given a tour of the Arc space, where artists can hire studio space, or attend workshop classes.

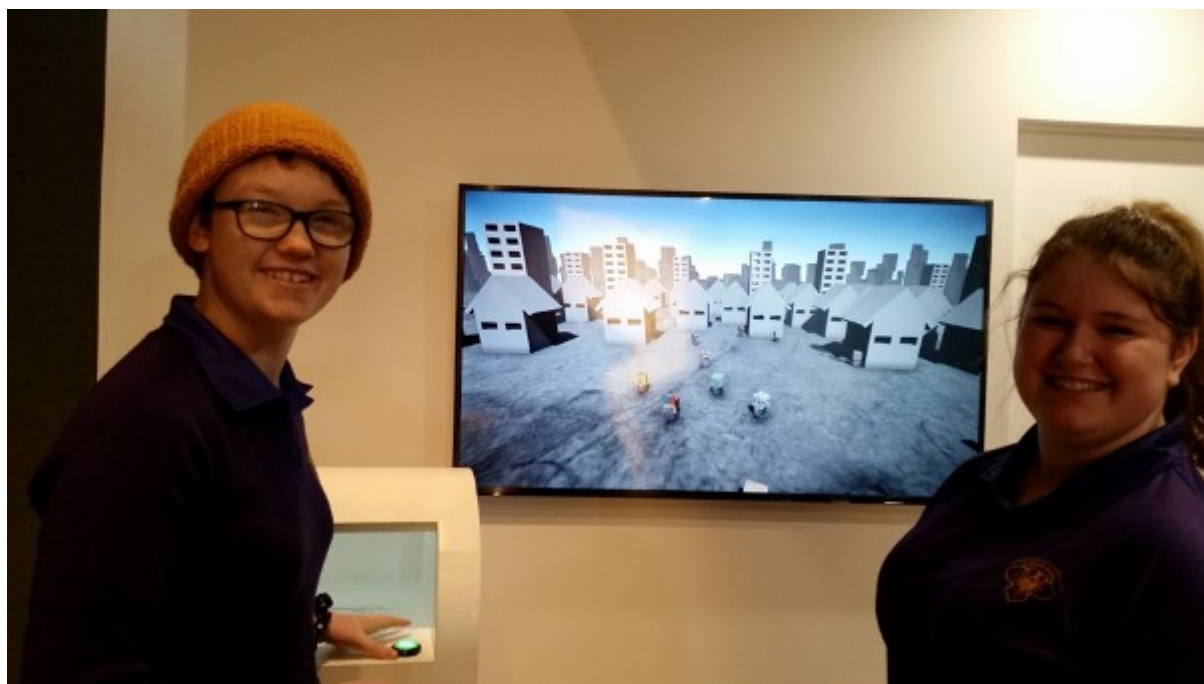
It was an inspiring day that has provided the students with many ideas and great detailed information for the Year 12's to write their major analysis. It was also a big compliment to have the bus driver and the gallery education officer, Meghan Bye, who is an X student of Mirboo North Secondary College, taught by Mr Cupples, to say that the students were the best ever through the gallery as they were excellent!

It was an awesome day. Check out the artworks that we saw!

Mrs Lisa Benn



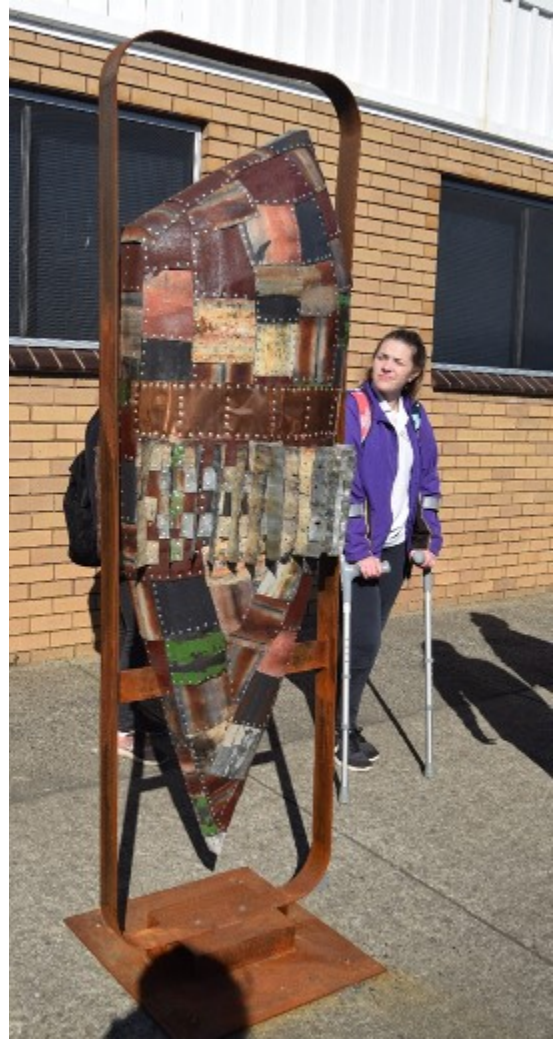
Mr Cupples and Jessie Smith



Francis Brunton and Katie O'Reilly



Amy Shervell, Elissa Barry, Abbey McColl



Samantha Moore



Sculpture in the street, Yinnar



Outside Arc around the mirrored car, our favourite artwork, made by Kristy Mills

JUNIOR BOYS FOOTBALL

The junior boys' football that went to Foster, they lost both of their games, but improved throughout the day and lost by only 3 points in their last game. Best players were Daniel Masters, who kicked all of our goals for the day, Flynn Schill, Nathan Giardina, Bailey Piedrafita, and Ollie Mahoney.



YEAR 8 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

The girls' volleyball was at Morwell on Friday, 10th May. The girls played 3 games against schools from all across Gippsland, and managed to win one game and lose 2 to finish 3rd overall. It was a good effort, particularly after losing Shanique to injury early in the first game.



A Word from Jim!

I'm now in my second week at MNSC and very pleased to write that it has been, from my perspective, extremely fulfilling. I shall endeavour to give you all a snap shot of my life's journey (hopefully better than the photo!)



I was born, bred and educated in Northcote (inner suburb of Melbourne). My High School experience, although not exceptional academically, was very active in sport, choir and cadets. My favorite subjects were Art, Music, Manual, English, Science and Geography. My first job was a cadetship with a scientific instrument company. I became a representative of the company visiting all Government and private laboratories in Victoria. After a number of years I was invited to try my hand in financial services where upon I became branch manager. I realised I had an affinity for helping families, particularly youth. I then became a Youth Welfare Officer in Social Welfare Department of Victoria at Turana and Winlaton. Although taxing, I appreciated working with the more academic to provide rehabilitation plans for youth.

After a major adjustment in my family life I returned to the finance industry and eventually became a licenced financial insurance adviser. Once again I found myself interviewing families and assisting parents provide financial security for their children. I was self employed in this role and eventually retired a year ago. But, the passion to be a servant was not quenched so I became a Chaplain with Sports Chaplaincy Australia, appointed to Latrobe Valley Umpires Association. Now I am here!

On a personal nature, I'm married to my devoted wife, Helen, have had 5 children and blessed with 9 grandchildren. My interests have been Aussie Rules Umpiring (20 odd years with VFL and smaller groups), singing (since age 9, sung in numerous choirs, light operatic including Victoria Opera) golf (member Churchill) art (oils and acrylics).

Knitted into this brief autobiography is my faith. Hopefully the substance reflects my character and reason for my role as Chaplain of this fine institution.

Cerberus

A small group of students were lucky to have the opportunity to tour the HMAS Cerberus Naval base at Crib Point. During the day, we visited various locations on the base and were given an insight into what life in the Navy is like. We took a tour of the Recruit School, where we learnt about what the cadets are taught and we also got to see what their accommodation is like on the base. At the School of Survivability and Ships Safety, we saw their firefighting training facilities and walked through what looked like a shipping container, but inside was a galley kitchen, which they set on fire. We also took a close look at a mock up of a boat which they fill with water while cadets try to plug up leaks. We toured the sport and recreation facilities, which included the pool, gym, a brand new running track and high ropes course. At the seamanship school 2 sailors talked about their experiences in the Navy and the different types of boats that the Navy has. At this point we also watched some cadets doing some training, where they were thrown in the ocean and had to try to tow each other to safety. We went on to the engineering facility, where we had a look at the engines that the cadets work on. The highlight of the day for many was the small arms department, where we were able to look at some of the weapons that sailors are trained to use. We finished off the day with a performance from the Navy stage band. The day was a great insight into what the Navy do and also the careers that are possible with the ADF.



Music Concert

On Tuesday 7th May, the first concert of the year for both Senior Concert Band and Junior Band was held in the College Auditorium.

Diana Reardon (new instrumental teacher replacing Justin Abicare for the year) conducts the Senior Band and Bec Woodall conducts the Junior Band.

We invited parents and families of both bands and the Grade 3 & 4's from primary school to be the audience for this very important concert.

The audience were treated to Instrument demonstrations by both junior and senior students and a conducting debut performance by Bella Dyer a grade 4 student. The concert and individual performances were very well received and great preparation for the Senior Band who are performing at the SGSMP Gala Variety night at Wonthaggi Workman's Club at 7.30pm, Friday 17th May.



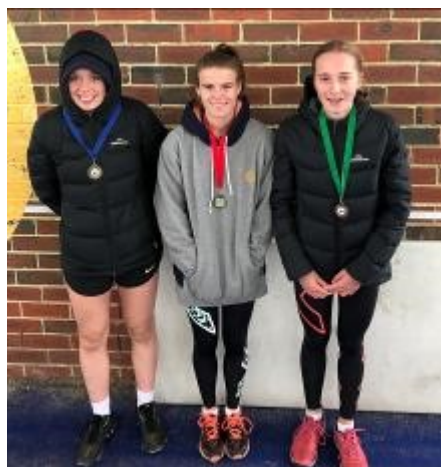
PECAA Bushwalk

After a terrible weather forecast, the year 10 Challenge and Adventure bushwalk camp was postponed to Thursday and Friday the 23rd and 24th of May. Students were very persistent and walked the hilly 12km quickly. This was the second camp for the class, with the first being canoeing at Lake Tyers, and an upcoming one, mountain bike riding at Blores Hills.



Interschool Cross Country

Interschool cross country was at Wonthaggi on Monday. We copped rain, hail, thunder, lightning and a small amount of sunshine, along with gale force winds. Overall we came 2nd in the handicap to Mary McKillop, who also won the overall championship on the day. We had about 20 qualify for the next level, with our best results being Kayla Wilson 1st in under 13 multi-class, Hayley Kamphuis 2nd in under 13 girls, and Chelsea Movchan 2nd in open girls.



DEVELOPING OUR FUTURE WORKFORCE

What Is Head Start?

Head Start is a new Apprenticeship and Traineeship pathway for school students aimed at giving them just that. Head Start allows students to undertake their VCE or VCAL up to three years so they can spend more time in paid, on-the-job training to develop skills employers need in growing industries.

Head Start students leave secondary school with their VCE or VCAL and the recognition for completing or near completed their Apprenticeship or Traineeship.

The Benefits Of Head Start

Head Start students are supported to grow into skilled Apprentices and Trainees who have the literacy and numeracy skills and on the job experience that employers seek.

Employers and students are supported by Head Start Coordinators over the whole apprenticeship or traineeship. Employers are committed to providing genuine, long-term employment opportunities to young people who want to complete both their apprenticeship/traineeship and their VCE/VCAL.

Students receive professional career planning advice from their school career practitioner, get the opportunity to discuss it with family and weigh up if it is the right career pathway for them, before signing up to a Head Start apprenticeship or traineeship.

A Head Start student receives;

- ◇ More time on the job in areas of industry demand
- ◇ Employer support for students to complete their VCE or VCAL, as well as their apprenticeship or traineeship.
- ◇ Payment of a fair training wage
- ◇ Quality training through Victorian TAFE or Skills First Registered Training Organisations
- ◇ Strong support for the life of their apprenticeship or traineeship

How Head Start Works

Depending on the needs of the employer, students attend schools some days and work on others. At a minimum, students will undertake paid employment for

- ◇ One day per week in year 10
- ◇ Two days per week in year 11
- ◇ Three days per week in year 12

Opportunities for students are available now, contact your Head Start Coordinator Tanya Nelson on 0428 501 998 or head.start.innergippsland@edumail.vic.gov.au



Ronald Edwards Pepper visit

On the 21st and 24th of May, Mr Ronald Edwards Pepper visited our class to share his knowledge and history of Aboriginal art. Ronald himself is an Aboriginal and from the Gunai Kurnai community. As a class we took in a lot from Ronald's presentation, he educated us about the local Gunai Kurnai art and its characteristics. He read us some local aboriginal dream time stories, one of them told the story of how the Gunai Kurnai People inhabited Gippsland, and this story is more commonly known as Boorun & Tuck. Boorun and Tuck is a well-known aboriginal dreamtime story. Boorun represents a male pelican and Tuck represents a female Musk Duck.

Ronald Edward also taught us the meanings behind the local aboriginal symbols and how he used them in his art. We learnt that different symbols are used for the same words throughout Australia, in aboriginal art. Ronald really taught us a deeper story behind aboriginal art, informing us students of the past and present aboriginal art techniques and purposes. He expressed this in a way that was really engaging and informative to us students, some of the different things that he taught us were:

- ◇ There are 5 clans in Gippsland, each with their own shield.
- ◇ Ronald has designed 3 Guernsey's for the Mirboo North Football and Netball Club to help spread the message about his culture.
- ◇ He has used the ochre paints more and more as his art abilities have grown.
- ◇ Ochre is found in the ground, and is a very ancient aboriginal painting technique. He grinds it up and mixes with other acrylic paint.
- ◇ He usually paints on canvas.
- ◇ He has created some of his own symbols, a spiral represents "We are all learning and growing together".
- ◇ The 5 clans in Gippsland are represented by 5 lines: I I I I I
- ◇ We can't use dots in our art, we have to use lines; as dots aren't from our area.

Ronald has really given us a deeper understanding of our history and art as Australians, as well as being the people of Gippsland. It was really a day to remember and we are very grateful for his visit.

By Bella Cook and Ella McCulloch 8C





Mirboo North Secondary College presents

ROBOT HIGH

A musical theatre production by Cupples n Co.



Where? Mirboo North Shire Hall, Baromi Rd.
When? Two nights only! Wed. 19th & Thur. 20th June

What time? Shows start at 7:00pm sharp!

Tickets? Book online by following the URL

<https://www.trybooking.com/BCRAW>

Tickets available at the door

Pre-show refreshments
supplied by our VCAL
students



What happens when the earth is invaded by killer robots and
all that stands in the way of certain annihilation are school kids,
two spies and a confused robot?



19th & 20th June, 2019





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OUR SCHOOLS LIBRARY NOW HAS A FACEBOOK PAGE. This is where you will find all sorts of exciting information about our Library.

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