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COOMIE NEWS TERM 3, WEEKS 3 & 4, 2023

UPCOMING SCHOOL ACTIVITIES & KEY DATES

Monday 21st August Year 12 Trial Exams commences

Friday 25th August Wear It Purple Day

Thursday 31 August Basketball - Years 7 & 8 - Boys & Girls Friday 1st September Indigenous Literacy Day

Friday 1st September Year 12 Dinner at Coomealla Club followed by Formal for Years 10 - 12

Monday 18th September Year 12 Graduation Assembly

SCIENCE & AG NEWS

Wow, what a great start to Term 3!

Stage 4 are currently learning about ecosystems and the interactions between organisms in food chains and food webs. The impact of human activity and natural events on the balance of ecosystems will be explored and what we can do to promote biodiversity and sustainability.

Isabelle and Kirra created an energy pyramid and food web for an Australian ecosystem.



Stage 5 are also learning about biology, but for them, it's all about DNA. From chromosomes to DNA structure to genes and mutations, students are gaining a deeper understanding of what makes each of us so unique. Darcy and Xavier engaging with a practical to extract DNA from strawberries.





Krystal, Tahlia, Maicee and Annika showing off their extracted DNA.

We have been very busy in Agriculture this term. Stage 5 have completed their animal production units on both sheep and poultry enterprises and are looking forward to delving into the fabulous world of plants. With the rotary hoe working hard and tractor training about to begin, our keen students are preparing the farm for the spring sowing of vegetables.



Harry using the rotary hoe to prepare our veggie patch for new plantings.

UPCOMING JUNIOR ASSESSMENTS

Stage 4 Science - Week 8 - In-class task - Group research and presentation - Australian Ecosystems.

Stage 5 Science - Week 8 - In-class task - Student Research Project- Biotechnology.

Stage 5 Agriculture - Week 9 - In-class task - Trial - The effect of sowing density on plant growth.

Year 11 are steadily making their way towards their final exams, and we strongly encourage students to make a motivated and conscientious effort to start revising. Thanks to the Elevate Study Session on 26 July, our students now have improved skills in time management, structuring notes and utilising the syllabus. These techniques are invaluable and will further support our Year 11 students as they transition into their final year of school.

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

NAIDOC day

Thankyou to our community for actively participating in our NAIDOC celebrations this year. We had so many people helping out with cultural activities and joining in the day, which created wonderful opportunities for our students to interact and learn from each other. I enjoyed meeting many of our community members and talking about their experiences of school, and how we can improve what we do here each day. Our staff worked really hard to prepare for and manage the day and I want to particularly recognise and thank our Senior Leader, Community Engagement, Kim Schellnegger, for her leadership. There were smiles all around for the whole day and those positive memories will remain with us.





Coping Well workshop





We welcomed the incoming year 6 students on Wednesday to participate in the Coping Well workshop with our School Counsellor Carmen Jewell and Students Support Officer, Ash Parcev. Students learnt about managing emotions and stress in positive ways which will be important in the transition to High School and the teenage years. It was great to see the primary students starting to feel comfortable on our site and we hope this is reassuring for them as year 7 approaches.





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Year 12

Things are getting busy for year 12 with major works completed in Industrial Technology and Visual Art. We are very proud of the individual efforts of students to take on these projects and develop their ideas into quality products. We will provide photographs once the works have been marked. The quality of the work in both subjects is a credit to the talented students and the staff for helping to develop this talent.

The Industrial Technology class were supported by a team of people after we lost the teacher at the beginning of the year and put into place a plan to support them, and I wish to thank Justin Leech from NSW TAFE for his leadership with the practical projects, Ms Helen Dakis for assisting with theory work, Mr Kim Burgess our SLSO and former engineer, the HT Rebecca Nixon, and the visiting NSW DoE personnel from the curriculum pathways directorate, Mr Scott Mazzucchelli who provided advice and oversight. These projects are as good as I have seen in any school that I have worked in and the students have demonstrated resilience, hard work and dedication to get them completed. Good news for 2024 is that we have a new TAS teacher appointed to cover classes in metal and timber and we look forward to providing quality learning for students.



Year 12 will have the opportunity to relax and celebrate with their parents and family at the Leaver's Dinner on Friday 1st September, at the Coomealla Club. This will be followed by the Formal for students in years 10-12. Tickets are available in the Front Office. The final Presentation Assembly for Year 12 will be held on Monday 18th September at the Coomealla Club and we look forward to presentations and awards during this time.

News regarding the Connected Communities Strategy

I would like to advise you that the Deputy Premier, and Minister of Education and Early Learning, the Hon. Pru Carr, has endorsed the extension of the Connected Communities strategy until January 2025.

On behalf of our school, I want to thank you for your ongoing support in valuing what the Connected Communities strategy offers in broadening the many educational opportunities made possible for our school's students and staff.

Kath Steward Executive Principal



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YEAR 9 TEN PIN BOWLING



























YEAR 11 COOKING









Delicious Club Sandwich









YEAR 9 & 10 COOKING



















Doughnut Muffins









YEAR 8 COOKING





















Spicy Pork Noodles







YEAR 7 COOKING











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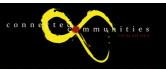


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ROLLER DERBY LEAGUE MILDURA

Are you interested in learning some fun and challenging skills?

... then Roller Skating could be the sport for you!

Whether you have never skated before, haven't skated for years or are just a bit rusty, Mildura Roller Derby League are hosting two fun filled sessions one for juniors 8-17 and a senior session 18+

Our expert Coaches will be on hand to help you learn the basics of Roller Skating and have a lot of fun!

Roller Skating is a great alternative sport that can be enjoyed without any previous experience. We have all the kit to get you up and rolling safely.

Sunday 20th August

Juniors 8+ 10am - 11.30am

Seniors (18+) 1pm-2.30pm

register via Mildura roller Derby leagues website, facebook or instagram, Or using the QR code on the promotional image.

This event is Proudly supported by Mildura Rural City Council

MRDL runs a number of amazing programs

Skate fit is packed full of fun, skate skills and fitness.

Intro to Derby starts with basic skating skills and builds up to low contact Derby.

Intro for contact picks up from intro to derby to full contact training.

Keep your eyes peeled for our upcoming Game Days for more Derby Fun!

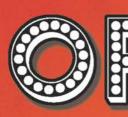




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OPEN MIC NIGHT

ARTS MILDURA













6PM DOORS OPEN



AUGUST 18TH YOUTH FRIENDLY MUSIC POETRY COMEDY DRAMA With headline act BIRDDOG

ALCOHOL FREE EVENT Register on the night to perform a 10 minute set or click here







ARTS MILDURA





COOMEALLA GOLF CLUB



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Program Description

Come along and have some fun by learning a new skill. Golf is a fun and inclusive game for all. Whether you are new to the game or have picked up a club before. The Come and Try days will have you making new friends, having a laugh, and learning new skills. All equipment will be supplied.

Registrations available by phone 03 5027 4517

Location: Coomealla Golf Club

Date: Sunday's 06/08/2023-20/08/2023

Time: 1:30pm-3pm

Cost: FREE

Register: https://www.golf.org.au/getintogolf/programdetails?programId=31045

Enquiries: Pro Shop 03 5027 4658





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