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Excellence

Respect

Working together



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Murray Bridge High School NEWSLETTER

Principal's page

Nguldi arndu,

I acknowledge and pay respect to the past, present and future custodians and elders of the Ngarrindjeri Nation. Ancestors have walked this country since time immemorial and I acknowledge their special and unique place in our nation's historical, cultural and linguistic identity, and the importance of the continuation of cultural, spiritual and educational practices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

To reconcile is to restore respectful relationships so that everyone can thrive. Reconciliation Australia has identified the pathway forward with three key actions known as truth telling, treaty and voice.

Last week we have looked at how the history of Australia is told. We all know that many wrong things were done to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples at and since white settlement, and I am sorry that many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are still affected by this. Our shared history needs to recognise the whole story and address the wrongs of the past.

Last Friday was Mabo day, the 30th anniversary of a landmark decision brought before the Australian people, which identified that Australia was not an empty land, Aboriginal peoples have lived here for tens of thousands of years before that. This is why many see January 26 as a day of mourning or invasion rather than celebration.

Our First Nations people are looking for a voice in Parliament, which is recognised in our constitution and enables the changes that still need to happen. We aim for a better future for all – free from racism and prejudice, where health, justice and education outcomes are the same for all Australians. As reconciliation week draws to an end I ask you all to 'be brave, and make change' for a better Australia.

See more photos of activities held over the week on page 8.



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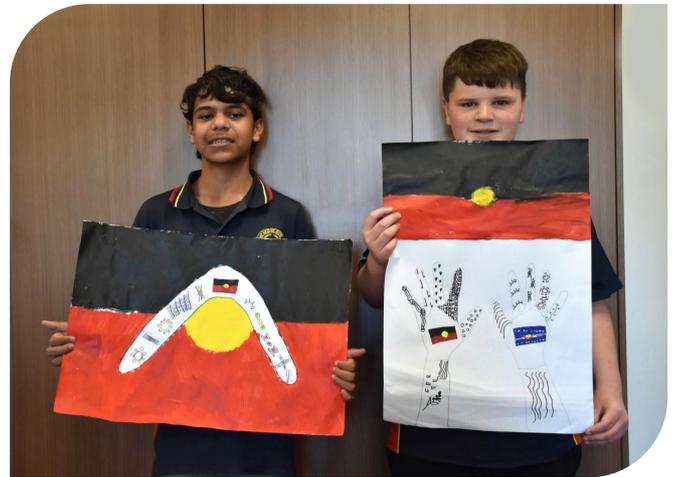
National Reconciliation Week Exhibition

by Kylie Brunato

Kedan Holland and Stephen Nyberg from my Year 7 Visual Art class have entered their artwork in the National Reconciliation Week Exhibition. Well done Kedan and Stephen!

The exhibition will take place from 27 May to 3 June in the ground floor Gallery at the Education Centre, 31 Flinders Street in Adelaide.

For more information [National Reconciliation Week Exhibition](#)



Dreaming Stories by Jessica Hankin

In class 7WI we were very lucky to have Mandy Cooke read us a dreaming story as this was a part of her studies. Greg Carter then helped explain why dreaming stories are so important and helped the students with pronouncing the animals in Ngarrindjeri.



Artwork by Jazmin Carr by Ruth Mussger

I am thrilled to showcase the work of artist Jasmin Carr Year 10 in my office over the next month. Jazmin has shared her story below of her concept development for the pottery.

I was inspired by the Hermannsburg potters to create and glaze a coil pot which depicts memories of my grandmother's cottage and the variety of flowers that we have planted throughout the years in her garden. The pot is made from terracotta. The Hermannsburg potters take their inspiration from Country, culture, history and day to day life activities. *Jazmin*

I think you will agree Jazmin has created a very special piece that has symbolic as well as heartfelt meaning.



A little taste of the Senior Formal held last Friday night.

More photos will be posted on the website.



Student Pathways Presentation by UniSA by Aaron Pratt

On Monday, 30th May, the Year 11 and 12 student cohorts had presentations from UniSA. Throughout the presentations the students explored the different pathways one can take to obtain their university entry, along with looking at the different courses available to them. Students had the opportunity to ask questions and have conversations with the University presenters following the talk.



SAPOL VISITS

During Week 4 and 5 SAPOL visited MBHS to deliver 2 sessions on Social Media and Bullying and Harassment to students in Years 7, 8 and 9.

Session 1: Focused on Social Media and the impact negative use has on the victim, families and the perpetrator including external consequences enforced by SAPOL.

Session 2: Focused on the consequences of Bullying and Harassment, Threatening and Perpetrating Violence and the impact it has on the individuals involved, families and the wider community.

Students were actively involved in these sessions asking and answering questions from Police Officers David and Kim.



Year 12 Outdoor Education, Group A - 3 day hike to Deep Creek Conservation Park

On the 11th to 13th of May 2022, the Year 12 Outdoor Ed Group A class ventured to Deep Creek Conservation Park for their 3 day bushwalk with staff members Kathryn Reedy, Blake Tabe and Kieran Wandel.

Students were given the opportunity to showcase their navigation skills and outdoor living skills they had learnt during the semester. A few highlights of the trip included walking down to Deep Creek Cove, seeing the new camping huts and accommodation area at Eagle Waterhole campground, seeing the waterfall and views of Kangaroo Island from the Tapanappa Lookout. During the trip students conducted micro-tutorials about environmental issues they had researched back at school which was very interesting.



Over the 3 days the group walked 23km over very hilly and physically demanding terrain. We were able to connect with a different environment, learn about different rocks, plants and animals and connect with each other without the distraction of modern technology and social media. It was awesome to see the group working closely together and supporting each other. Students represented the school with pride, showed great determination and teamwork for the entirety of the trip. Well done team. Really looking forward to our Self-reliant bushwalk to Mambray Creek on Wednesday to Friday in Week 9.





SA School Football Competition

by Nick Pearce

On Monday 23rd May, MBHS were lucky enough to host the South Australian School Football Competition for the Year 11/12 boys. The event was played on the MBHS school oval against Unity College.

Captained by Lucas Young, the boys played in great spirit and showed terrific glimpses of talent. Unfortunately, a slow starting second quarter from our boys saw MBHS concede 7 goals from Unity, which in the end was the difference for the game. Unity won 117 to 67. The Unity teaching staff, and I were extremely impressed to see both sides play with upmost respect and sportsmanship. Whilst the result was not what we wanted, the boys had a lot of fun and was a great spectacle. Best players were Blake Langton, Lucas Young, Naite Chandler, Henry Payne and Jason Crouch.

A big thank you to Paul Hurford and the groundspeople for getting the oval in great condition for the match!



SA School Sport Program by Aaron Noske

On Monday 30th of May the Year 9/10 Football team travelled to Unity College as part of the South Australian School Sport program. Competing against 3 other schools to progress to the next round, the team finished second overall.

It was a slow start for the boys as they battled hard in very trying conditions. Eventually they went down to Unity with final scores reading MBHS 1.9-15 to Unity 7.5- 47. In our second game against an Upper South East team the boys played much better adapting to the conditions well and bringing much more intensity. Final scores reading MBHS 15.8-98 to USE 2.3-15. Best players across the day included Oscar Merrett, Blake Langton, Joshua Hutchins, Hayden Cormack, Jamon Rigney and Toby Helgeson.



Heifers prepare for Show by Grace Sampson

The Year 11 Ag class are preparing their 2 heifers for the Royal Adelaide Show. The heifers have been kindly donated by the Afford family. The goats are also in training for the Royal Adelaide show too, learning to walk and line up is an essential skill that students are learning for the show ring. The next few months will see lots of activity at Roper Road Farm as we wash, clean, clip and practice walking all the show animals. Wish us luck.



Reconciliation Week Activities



Staff & student sausage sizzle



Staff morning tea



Lunchtime music performance



Taking time out to enjoy the lunchtime activities

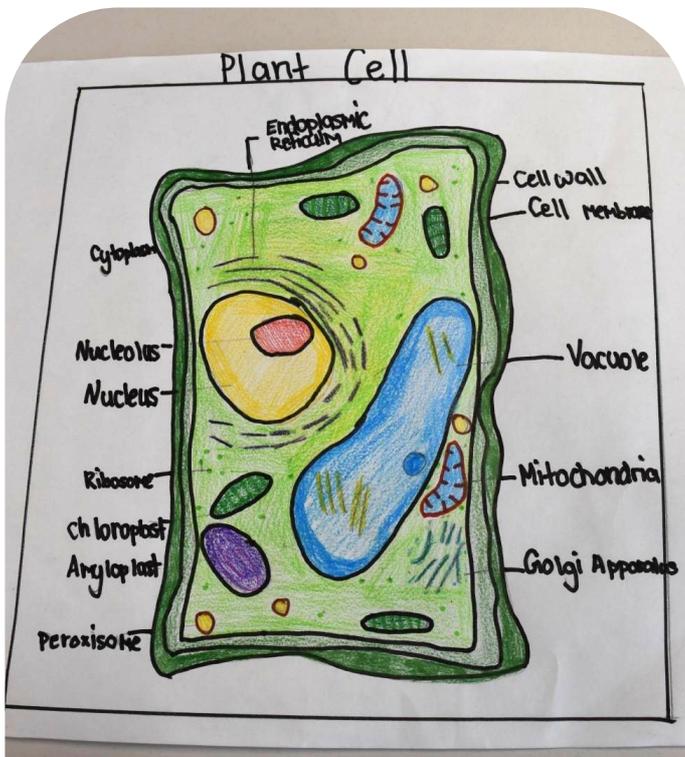


Viewing plant cells under the Microscope

by Avelin David

Year 8 Students have been learning about plant cells. As a class we have gone through all parts of the plant cells and their function. Students have created posters and labelled all the main parts of the plant cell.

After that we went to the Science lab to see the plant cell using a microscope. To see the plant cell, we took a layer of onion cells (membrane) which was easily obtained from the bulb. Students have observed parts of the plant cell.

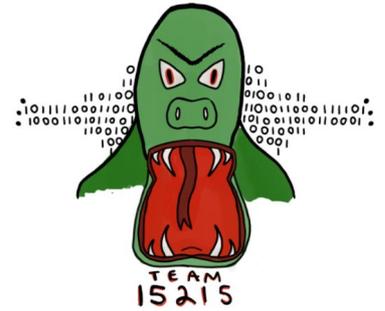


Fun with Robots by Ciara Spencer Year 8

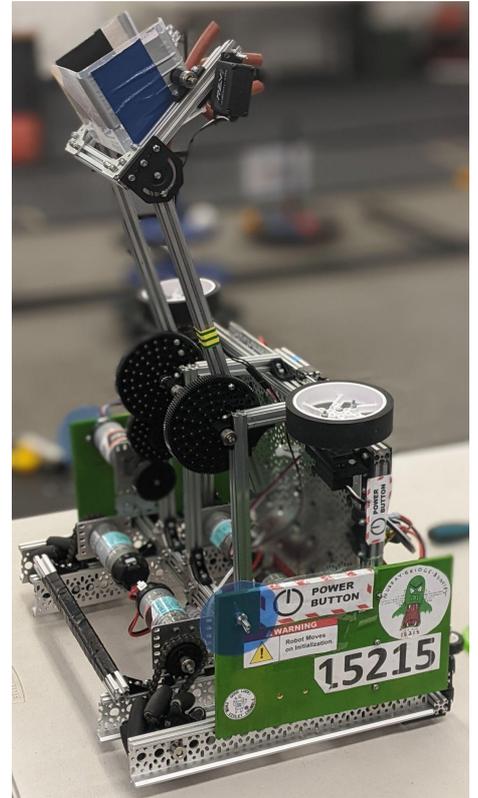
On Sunday, 22nd of May, the Bunyips Robotics team were given the exciting opportunity to attend a workshop run by the Roboroos at their clubhouse located at Tonsley Innovation Hub. These Bunyips, an almost entirely rookie team who had not been to a day-long competition before, valued the chance to work alongside the experienced Roboroos mentors and the capable team.

Working together over the course of the first term and finally being able to exhibit their capacity for teamwork was fabulously enjoyable and gratifying. The team's determination shined through as they learned critical skills from the experience of the Roboroos.

Murray Bridge Bunyips



Members of the Robotics Club who were present at the opportunity were Emily Drendel, Lucas Bubner, Madison and Keira Stavast, Sophie Kleinig, Logan Savage and Ciara Spencer. Mentors Fiona Rabone and Gemma Kleinig also enjoyed working with the team and the robots!

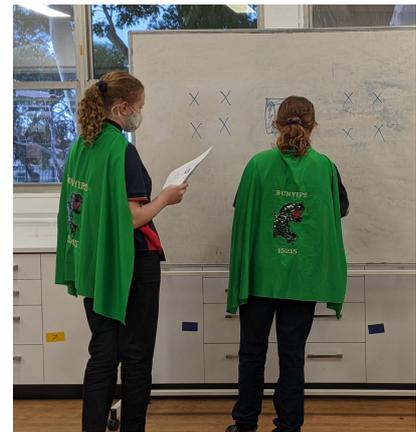
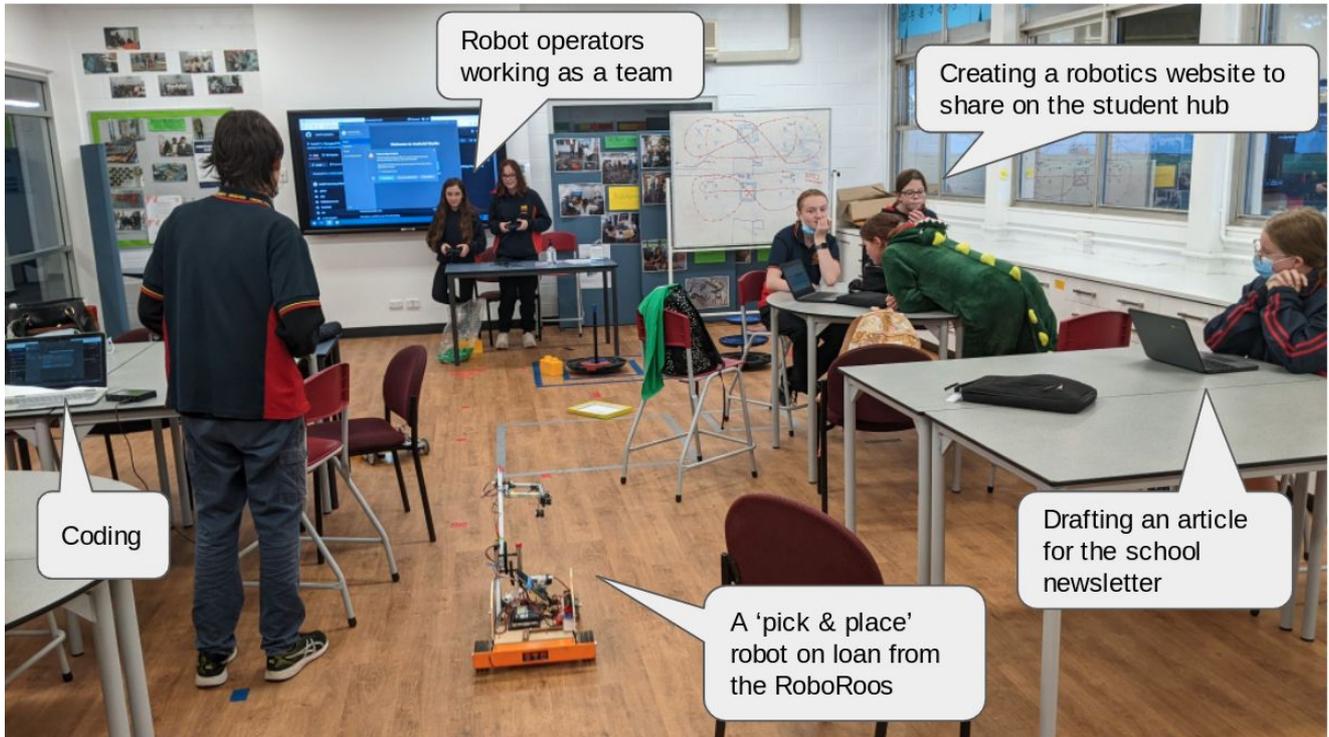


Everybody in the Bunyip's team was delighted to interact with the wider Roboroos robotics community and grateful to be able to display their evolving techniques, willpower, and professionalism.



What happens in a Robotics Club meeting? by Fiona Rabone

FUN, lots of fun - working together to solve tricky problems, building new skills and making friends! Here is a pictorial representation of last week's after school robotics meeting to give you an idea.



Some FAQ

What will I do ?
 The Bunyips club caters to all levels of experience. You can learn to build, code, and drive the robot from knowing next to nothing or having prior experience in the field. Alternatively, you may prefer to develop media/outreach skills (finding sponsors, photographing the team, managing the social media, etc.)

When do you meet?
 The Bunyips meet after school on Tuesday and Thursday, 3.30-5.00pm in HG.0

Can robotics count towards SACE?
 Yes! You can be assessed for 10 SACE points for participation in the student robotics club

Youth Music Awards by Roxanne Rowland



The Youth Music Awards were presented by the Rotary Club of Unley with support of Tabor Music. The awards were open to young people from Year 5 to 21 years of age and the categories were extended in 2022 to include Original Music, Covers, Digital Music, Percussion and Ensembles. So there was something for all enthusiastic young musicians. Tabor Music Department offered a free Masterclass during the school holidays that focussed on developing performance techniques to applicants and all applicants received free entry to the Gala Awards concert.

Each applicant had to send in an audition tape and only the 2 highest scoring performers in each category went through to the Concert listing. All Murray Bridge High School students who sent in audition tapes were successful in making it through to the Final Concert held on Thursday 26th May in the Goodwood Institute.

Congratulations to Jaeger who received 3rd Prize in the Digital Music section (there were 4 performers who had equal scores from the audition tapes) with his performance of 'Undead Gamer'.

The ensemble group (Seth, Nicholas and Cooper) were unable to attend due to 'health and well-being issues'. Seth has used the experience as part of his Business Innovation assessment tasks and these musicians have been asked to return in 2023 in a number of categories.

Great prizes were offered by Tabor Music College and the Rotary Club of Unley including a professional photo shoot, Mixing and mastering tuition and a percussion prize. Other valuable sponsors were Size Music, Harrisons and Winston Music.

More students will be encouraged to apply for 2023 performance categories. A most enjoyable Concert showing music talent often not showcased in other arenas.





Lids4Kids Australia

Our vision is a world where all plastic bottle lids are recycled.

Murray Bridge High School has joined Lids4Kids Australia to become a collection point for plastic lids, removing them from landfill, protecting our environment and repurposing the lids into sustainable recycled plastic products.

Staff and Tech Studies students will use state of the art machines to recycle the plastic lids into usable items for both self and the wider community as they become more proficient in the processes involved.

Families, Businesses and Community organisations can commence a “Save the Lids ... Save the Environment” collection.

How to save the lids:

- Collect plastic lids that are category 2, 4 and 5 - look for the numbers in a triangle on the inside of the lid
- Give the plastic lids a quick rinse
- Revolve any white inserts
- Types of lids - milk bottle, soft drink, water bottle & juice lids, to name a few
- Drop them off at Murray Bridge High School - large blue bins outside Gate 4 on Long Island Road

If you have a large collection of lids or are unable to drop off your collection, please contact Roxanne.rowland958@schools.sa.edu.au or phone 8531 9500 during school hours to organise a pickup.

Businesses are encouraged to contact the school if they would like to organise a regular collection service.

Japanese Cultural Visit 2022 We need your help!

Murray Bridge High School is celebrating the return of our Japanese visitors from Funabashi High School. This visit gives our families an opportunity to host a student in their home and to learn about another country and culture while sharing the lifestyle that we take for granted.

In order to do so we are **urgently** looking for host families to home-host these students. We endeavour to match the Japanese student as closely as possible with an Australian counterpart.

Hosting a Japanese student is not a difficult task. Host families are not expected to change what they would normally do. If your family has football, netball or other sporting commitments the student will normally be more than happy to attend these events.

Basically the student becomes part of your family. There will be some financial return from the school for your involvement in this program to help pay the costs of having an extra person to feed during that time.

If you are interested in becoming a home-host parent and would like other questions answered please do not hesitate to contact Helen Peake by email at: helen.peake92@schools.sa.edu.au or fill out form below and return to Front Office, SSO or Helen Peake.

Commitment to Japanese Cultural Visit

Name of student willing to 'buddy' a Japanese student: _____

Name of one parent: _____

Contact details: Phone _____

Email: _____

Home Class: ____ No. of children in family ____

We would like to host a Male / Female

Home address: _____

Year 12 Drama Production - Thursday 16 June, 6.30pm

**PRESENTED BY THE MATERIAL GIRLS
DIRECTED BY ROBYN PAGE
WRITTEN BY DEBRA OSWALD**

**THURSDAY 16 JUNE 6:30 – DRAMA WORKSHOP
TICKETS AT THE DOOR \$8 – \$5 CONCESSION**

HOUSE ON FIRE



TERM 2 CALENDAR

- Tue, 7 Jun**
Year 8 Monarto Zoo Excursion
- Wed, 8 - Fri 10 Jun**
Year 12 Deep Creek Camp
- Wed, 8 Jun**
Winter Sounds Concert - DW
- Mon, 13 Jun**
QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY
- Tue, 14 Jun**
STUDENT FREE DAY
- Thu, 16 Jun**
Year 12 Drama Production 6.30pm
- Mon-Fri 20-24 Jun**
Year 10 Career Immersion Week
- Fri, 24 Jun**
Semester 1 ends
- Tue, 28 Jun**
Governing Council 6pm
- Wed, 29 Jun - Fri, 1 Jul**
Year 12 Deep Creek Camp
- Fri, 8 Jul**
Middle Years Success Assembly
Last day of Term 2 - 2pm dismissal

YEAR 12
Performance
Recital

Sturt Building Auditorium
Wednesday 8th of June
5pm to 6pm

This is a free event however bookings are necessary
<https://www.trybooking.com/BZNLR>

ALL CULTURE FEST 2022

FREE EVENT
Come along and celebrate our cultural diversity through song, dance and storytelling. Includes afternoon tea, a citizenship ceremony and more!

Murray Bridge Performing Arts & Function Centre (Town Hall)
17 Bridge Street, Murray Bridge
Saturday 25 June 2022
2.00pm- 4.00pm

The event will be live-streamed on Murray Bridge Performing Arts & Function Centre (Town Hall) YouTube channel.

For more information please contact 08 8539 1182 or email S.Zrna@murraybridge.sa.gov.au