Led Steer Team attend SE Cattle Handling Workshop

On Thursday and Friday of Week 1, a group of 9 students from the led steer team attended the South East Cattle Handling Workshop at the Mount Gambier Showgrounds. The SE Cattle Handling Workshop is held annually to showcase the necessary skills in preparing beef cattle for show.

Students were exposed to hands on experience in washing, blow drying, leading, judging beef cattle, MSA meat grading and pregnancy testing. They also participated in seminars delivered on agricultural careers, animal structure, cattle nutrition and artificial insemination, breeding technologies and selecting replacement heifers for a farm.

The workshop is run by the South East Cattle Handlers Committee which is a sub-committee of the Mount Gambier A & H Society. This is a group of people who either own a beef cattle stud or are connected to the beef industry through their career. The committee are responsible for the organisation of the entire workshop as well as donating their animals for use by the students. This is a huge commitment to our students and we thank them for all their time and effort in running this event.

I would like to thank Marian Hodson & Robert Aldersey for accompanying us and also Tracy Bald for driving the bus on Thursday.

Danielle Tulak
Agriculture Teacher
Canteen News

SOUP OF THE WEEK
Potato & Leek or Pumpkin $3.00
with a bread roll $4.00

Don't Forget!
We have Milo available for $1.50

Tracy Bald / Canteen Manager

STEM Information

What is STEM?
STEM Education is a term used to refer collectively to the teaching of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

Teachers will be attending a Training and Development Day on Friday, May 27th (Student Free Day) to listen to guest speakers and participate in STEM related workshops to build their capacity and awareness to teach these areas in the curriculum. Local community events have also been organised for the weekend of May 28th and 29th, with families having the opportunity to attend various free events at the Mount Gambier Library and Main Corner Complex (Saturday) and the Railway Lands (Sunday).

Community Notices

VOLUNTEERS MORNING TEA - The District Council of Grant invites Volunteers from organisations, sporting clubs, schools and groups in the district to a Celebration for Volunteers Morning Tea. To be held at the Port MacDonnell Community Complex on Thursday, 12th May at 10.30am. RSVP for catering: phone 87 383000 by Monday, 9th May. ‘In recognition of the valuable contribution volunteers make to our community’.


LIONS CLUB YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM - Gives Australian youth aged 16-21 years the opportunity to live with Lions families overseas during their end-of-year summer holidays. The Program does not involve tuition of school attendance but is rather a cultural holiday whereby students can immerse themselves in a new culture, enjoy supervised sightseeing and practise second language skills such as French, German, Japanese, Italian, Spanish etc.

LEO CLUBS - Focus on the individual and social development of teens, and the personal and professional development of young adults. Membership is open to teenagers and young adults ages 12-30 years. Each Leo Club is mentored by, and works in partnership with, their local Lions Club.

If parents or students wish to know more about these two Lions Australia Youth programs, details are available on flyers from the School Front Office or the National Lions Australia website: www.lionsclubs.org.au/ye and www.lionsclubs.org.au/activities/youth/leos

An OSHC Holiday Report is included with today's Newsletter.

Ashton's Book club Issue 3 - Closes Friday, 20th May, 2016.

A term planner is included with today's Newsletter. Spare copies available from the School Front Office.

Close to half of all women have experienced violence since the age of 15. Nearly 1 in 5 women have experienced sexual assault.

2012 White Ribbon day advert

One in three women over the age of 15 has experienced physical violence, while one in six has experienced physical or sexual violence from a current or former partner. Australian Bureau of Statistics 2016

 Violence against women starts with disrespect. The excuses we make allow it to grow. Let’s stop it at the start.

Government confronting ad campaign to tackle domestic violence by encouraging parents, teachers and coaches to clamp down on disrespectful and aggressive behaviour by boys and young men.

*If everyone is moving forward together, then success takes care of itself.*  — Henry Ford
**Auskick 2016**

Starts this Monday - Monday, 9th May, 3.30pm to 4.30pm. Parents need to enrol their child online at the Auskick website. Parents also need to be present at the session. Thank you.

**Melvin Chesser**

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**Naracoorte Primary Cross Country**

This event will take place in Naracoorte on Friday, 20th May at Naracoorte Primary School.

Information and consent notes were sent home last week. If your child is attending, it is essential that forms are returned by this Wednesday, 11th May to confirm registration and bus numbers.

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**Movie - “Finding Dory” School Fundraiser** -

Sunday, 19th June - 12.15pm at the Oatmill Cinema. Limited tickets at $15.00 each. Tickets available from—Birdie Blue, Port Mac Community Complex, Allendale School and Periwinkles. Raffle tickets at the door.

**School Disco - PJ Party** -

Friday, 20th May - Information and details to confirmed in next week’s Newsletter.

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**Red Cross Red Crescent Day - Friday 13th May**

The Australian Red Cross is a not for profit organisation, serving Australian Communities, with Medical Transport, Social Excursions, Food Security (shopping, food education on labels and cooking), Breakfast Clubs, Tele Cross (phoning the lonely), Blood Service and Commonwealth Home Support Program (My Age Care), and soon Consumer Centred Care (My Age Care and NDIS).

Students are invited to wear something red on this day and help support the Red Cross with a gold coin donation.

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**SAPSASA BOYS & GIRLS INTERSTATE HOCKEY TRIALS**

Trials for boys and girls (Born in 2004 or 2005) will be held on Sunday, 22nd May, 2016 at State Hockey Stadium, Gepps Cross.

Boys : 10.00am - 12.00.
Girls : 10.00am - 12.00.

Please Note : Due to timelines the naming of teams will be done before the SAPSASA State Hockey Carnival.


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**THE WELLBEING CLASSROOM CONFERENCE 2016**

Will be held on 29-30th June in the Ian McLachlan Room, Adelaide Oval.

Registration is open to educators, parents, local community members etc.

Further information is available from the School Front Office.

Register online at : www.thewellbeingclassroom.com.au

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**Shouting For The Stars !**

**Rec/Year 1 - Mrs Grubb - IRAH LABADAM** - For showing confidence to have a go at independent writing.

**Year 1/2 - Mrs Neu - ZANE LEWIS** - Excellent work in maths on time activities.

**Year 2/3 - Miss Ridley - MALTILDA COE** - For being a role model student.

**Year 4/5 - Miss Merrett - HAYLEE MCKINNON** - For Efficiently completing all tasks to a high standard.

**Year 5/6 - Mrs Biggins - ZEB CHANT** - A great effort during all Chinese Lessons.

**Year 6/7 - Mrs Murdoch - KEYARNAH SMITH** - Writing a well structured exposition.
Allendale students were treated to a mini Jazz Festival of their own as students from Mazenod College, Melbourne enjoyed an audience for their practice in our gym on Friday afternoon. Thank you to Woolworths, She’s Apples and Bakers Delight for donating food we used in catering for these students over the weekend. Special thanks to Tracy Bald, Elba Pearson, Grant Fensom, Natalie Misić and Lisa Gavin for volunteering their time to help out.