News from the Principal....

It gives me great pleasure to welcome students and staff back to the school routine for what promises to be an active, engaging and exciting term ahead.

This week we have welcomed nine new students to the school ranging from Year 1 to Year 11. These students and their families are a welcome addition to our school community and I trust that they will enjoy their time with us and enjoy being members of our vibrant school community. In addition to our new students we are also welcoming a new member of staff, Krystal Sauvarin who is joining our teaching team.

Thank you to those students, staff and community members that have welcomed my family and I to Rushworth. The weather may not have been very welcoming but the people of the College and town certainly have been. I look forward to meeting more of you as the term progresses and certainly welcome your feedback on our college, it’s achievements and how we are supporting students to be the best they can be. For those of you who aren’t aware of my background, I am a trained Primary teacher and have spent the last 14 years as a school Principal in schools ranging in size between 11 and 350 students. I’m looking forward to working with the College community over the years ahead to ensure we offer Rushworth and its surrounding community a college that offers educational excellence in an environment where students are valued, safe and active participants in their own learning.

School Improvement
Over the last six months Rushworth P-12 College has made some considerable steps along it’s school improvement journey. One of these came in to play on Monday 18th July when students and staff adopted a new timetable model across the school. Whilst such a change can be daunting and hard to manage I must congratulate students and staff on the successful adoption of this new timetable model. Staff have been flexible and adaptable in changing duties and allotments where required to make this new timetable effective. Likewise, students have managed this change extremely well with new individual timetables now being available for all students.

Our school improvement journey continues this term with several key areas, these include:

- Our Secondary Improvement Project which focuses on teachers developing their repertoire of interventions and supports to assist all students to become responsible for their own learning. As a part of this project staff will be focusing on enhancing our literacy programs, incorporating teacher observations and feedback into our regular work, using student learning data to inform future learning, enhancing our planning and documentation of the curriculum and looking at how we can further utilise the Ultranet to support student learning.

- A School Review: Later this term our College will participate in a Departmental school review. The school review is a key component of the School Accountability and Improvement Framework and is designed to provide an expert, independent analysis of current school performance and practice, and to advise on the goals for student outcomes and appropriate key improvement strategies that will help shape our college’s strategic plan and future.

Have a fantastic fortnight ahead and don't forget to 'push the positive', there are lots of great things happening around Rushworth P-12, so lets celebrate them.

Bradley Moyle
Principal
From the Assistant Principal’s desk.

Welcome back every one to school for Semester 2 and a big welcome to all our news students. On Monday morning there have been 9 new students enrolled across the year levels and we hope they will enjoy their educational experience at Rushworth P-12 College. I also welcome our new Principal, Mr Bradley Moyle and his family to our College community.

It does seem that I have to mention uniform every newsletter but we still have many of the students not wearing appropriate footwear. Black school shoes that meet the OHS regulations to protect students’ feet are important. Too many girls in particular are wearing dress shoes, slip on or short boots. These are NOT permitted. Students out of uniform will be spending their lunchtime in detention. Please support the teachers by putting your children in the right school footwear.

Sharon Cresswell
Assistant Principal

Rushworth P-12 College Good Start Breakfast Club – Parent help would be warmly welcomed.

The Good Start Breakfast club commenced at Rushworth P-12 last term. It is currently run by staff and some parents who have volunteered to serve breakfast every day for our school students. The Good Start Breakfast club is providing nutritional support in a comforting environment and works towards encouraging children to develop social and living skills. Through nutritional and social support, the Good Start Breakfast Club program is helping our young school students to achieve their full potential. The College would like to hear from any parent that might be able to volunteer in the morning(s) during the week from 8.15 to 9am.

Please contact Suzanne Trease on 58561230 or trease.suzanne.m@edumail.vic.gov.au if you can assist.

EMA: Any parents who have not put in an EMA application for period 2 are reminded they are due by Friday 5th August. Those who received it in period 1 at this school do not need to submit another now.
Please see Christine in the front office for a form or any other information.

WORTHY OF PRAISE:

A BIG well done this fortnight to...

11-12
- Danielle Kay - for all her help with SAKG classes.

7-10
- Stephanie Bull - for working hard on her piece for Humanities and even staying back after the bell at the end of the day to finish it off.
- Chloe Fisher - for finishing 6th at the State Cross Country Competition in Melbourne. The best result for a Rushworth student in Cross Country running. Chloe will compete on Saturday in the Adidas All Schools Cross Country, Good luck Chloe!
- Jack Valent - for his positive start to Term 3.
- Billy Newton - for his positive start to Term 3

P-6
- Dylan Ezzey - for using good and polite manners in the front office.
**Wanted!**

The School is in need of a few items for the Production this year, and we were wondering if anyone has them out there and are willing to let us borrow them.

Here is a list of the things we will need:

- **Woody the Cowboy doll**
- **Bling/Jewellery (costume)**
- **Mickey Mouse stuffed animals**
- **Elmo doll**
- **Old Asthma Puffers**
- **Violin Case**
- **Mirrors and Hairdryers**
- **Skateboards**
- **Stuffed dog toy**
- **Santa hats, Cowboy hats and Top hats.**

If anyone has these items and are willing to lend, it would be much appreciated. Please contact Mr Houghton or Ms Leach at the School on 5856 1230.

**Canteen Corner**

As part of our ongoing ‘Go for your Life’ Healthy School Program, foods and drinks available from the Canteen must meet a strict healthy food criteria. **Therefore the canteen will no longer sell:**

- Fruit Box Juices
- Red Rock Deli Chips

Also FRIDAY PIE DAY is strictly just that. If students order a pie or sausage roll any other day they will be offered another food instead.

Primary LUNCH ORDERS should ideally be made out at HOME (ensuring foods appropriate for your child) then placed into the class lunch order tub first thing in the mornings to be collected.

OAK & RUSH milk drinks are now only $2.50 with any lunch order.

A reminder that ice-creams and icy-poles are only available at lunch time for Term 3.

**WINTER WARMERS**

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Carolyn

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Rushworth P-12 College is now a drop off point for Pauls milk tops. They are worth 10cents each for the College so please save them and drop them into the front office.

It would be great to put the money towards something beneficial for the students.
VICTORIAN SCHOOLS FOOTY LEAGUE

School Sport Victoria, Collingwood Football Club and Westpac have developed the Victorian Schools Footy League web site. Students, teachers and parents are reminded of a number of promotional opportunities that exist for students and teachers to win valuable prizes.

Students have the opportunity to nominate their footy coach and in two hundred words or less describe how their coach has helped them and their team.

Students go on line to www.vsfl.com.au and click on “Calling Out A Coach” Prizes for the teacher and the student nominating the teacher. Promotion closes on August 7th 2011.

Students also have the opportunity to make a two minute video on a novel approach to developing their footy skills (creativity and a sense of fun should be part of your video.) Students film their video and go on line to www.vsfl.com.au and click on “VSFL Skills Challenge” and upload your video. Great prizes for the film makers and five of their school mates of the winning videos. Promotion closes on August 2nd 2011.

TATURA AMATEUR BASKETBALL SPRING COMPETITION will commence August 24th.

Registration: on Wednesday July 27th and Thursday 28th, 6-7pm at Tatura Basketball Stadium. For ages 8-16.

Contact Lisa Cullum on 0428242889 for more information.

AUSSIE HOOPS - LEARN TO PLAY BASKETBALL.

8 week programme for children ages 6-10.

When: Wednesdays 4-4.45; commences July 27th - registration and first session on this night.

Where: Tatura Basketball Stadium

Cost: $60 initial registration, $35 re-registration

For more details please contact Lisa Cullum on 0428242889

Australian Apprenticeships—Pathways to success!

Free Public information session for parents and young people at the Quality Inn Port of Echuca Motel, Conference room.

465 High Street, Echuca

Wednesday 27th July 2011, 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Light supper provided

For further information call Alison or Bev on 5482 6055.

Campaspe Cohuna Local Learning & Employment Network.
Start collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn points today!

Our School is taking part in Woolworths Earn & Learn community program. This year, they are giving away more than $5 million worth of educational resources for Primary and Secondary schools all over Australia, including ours!

From July 18th to September 18th 2011, Woolworths will give you one Earn & Learn point for every $10 you spend in store (excluding the purchase of cigarettes, alcohol and gift cards). Points will automatically appear on your shopping docket. All you need to do is save those docket and bring them to our school (Woolies have given us a special collection box). You will be able to track our progress on our points barometer poster at school or online at woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

At the end of the 9-week program, we can redeem our collection of points against a choice of more than 7,000 educational resources. The list is extensive and includes library books, classroom equipment, art & craft materials and much, much more...

There is no limit to the amount of points we can collect, so your participation will really make a difference. The more points we earn, the more resources we can order.

Women’s Strength Building Group

For women aged 16-35 experiencing Anxiety and Depression

This program will run for 10 weeks in Echuca, starting August 5th 2011

Venue: Campaspe College

Time: 1:00pm - 4.00pm

No Cost

The Group will cover such topics as:

- Talking about your own personal experiences with Depression and Anxiety
- Guest speakers
- Self Esteem & Assertiveness
- Therapeutic Journal Writing & Blogging
- Yoga

For bookings please contact Mariah at St. Lukes on 54801120 or Emma at Centrelink on 0429568591
Rushworth P-12 College

Cardio Club

Rushworth P-12 Health and Physical Education Department are offering a fun and fitness program called ‘CARDIO CLUB’ which is for students, parents and the community. Anyone can come join in the fun.

The program will involve cardio fitness and some strength training using a “circuit approach”. A gold coin donation per session is required.

Each participant will set their own goals that they want to achieve. A personal performance sheet will be provided and each participant will complete the sheet each day they attend. You can work as an individual, or with a partner for motivation.

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A basic nutrition program is also available for those wishing to undertake that as well. All participants will be required to sign a ‘participation at own risk’ form before commencing (students will require parent/guardian signatures).

The school showers will be available for use after Cardio Club.

Commencing Monday July 18th continuing through to Friday September 23rd 2010.

Further information can be obtained from Suzanne Trease at the School on 58561230 or via email at trease.suzanne.m@edumail.vic.gov.au

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