The Prep, One, Two students enjoyed entertaining their Rushworth Kinder friends for a fun morning in the Kitchen recently. Read their stories on page 4.

What else has happened at the College this past fortnight? Lots of interesting things - take a look inside!

**SEPTEMBER**

8th  College Council
10th  Primary Basketball Challenge 10 –2.30pm
      ALL WELCOME
11th  PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS
15th  Year 7 Quantum Excursion
17th  School Social - see ad
19th  Newsletter home
      Last day of Term 3 - early dismissal 2.30pm

**OCTOBER**

6th  School resumes
17th  Neon Social

**NEON SOCIAL**

Wednesday 17th September 7pm til 10pm
Rushworth Shire Hall

Primary tickets $4
Secondary tickets $8
Tickets on sale Monday 8th – Friday 12th of Sept.
from the Main Hall
Celebrating Student Learning

It is that time of the term where teachers have been busily completing assessments, reviewing student progress, setting goals with students and writing reports. This work culminates with the distribution of student reports today, with reports for Year 7-12 students being mailed out to families and reports, together with Student Learning Journals being shared with P-6 families at our Parent Teacher Interview afternoon on Thursday 11th September.

I strongly encourage all parents to sit down with their son or daughter and review the Term 3 report. The report clearly identifies where students are working well and where more effort could be applied. Take the time to reflect on what has been achieved, celebrate the successes and set some goals to address the areas that need improvement. Over the past nine months our students have shown dramatic improvements in their achievement levels at school when teachers have sat down and set goals with them, we are now encouraging parents to do the same, and work with us, to together lift the achievements of your children even further.

Finally, don’t forget to make the most of the opportunity to come in and see your child’s teacher to discuss their progress and work. Teachers will be available between 2:00pm and 7:00pm on Thursday 11th September and interview times can be booked via the College website at www.rushworthp-12.vic.edu.au or by contacting the office if you don’t have internet access at home.

Congratulations

Congratulations to our students for a very positive and productive week of College activities. It was great to see students actively supporting our Ice Bucket Challenge earlier in the week and raising $442 for the Cancer Council. Thank you to Chris Hogan and Caitlin Brown for their leadership of this event.

Congratulations and thank you to our VCAL students, Jayden Ward, Danyon Stockdale and Dan Newton for organising our Footy Colours Day held yesterday. Go Tigers!!

Sexting Legislation

Students and parents need to be aware that the Victorian Parliament is considering new laws that would change the penalties for young people involved in sexting.

Sexting refers to sending sexually explicit photos or videos electronically. This is typically done via text message, social networks, email, and mobile apps such as Snapchat. It has become increasingly common among teenagers and is an issue at secondary schools throughout Australia.

Under the new laws, young people will no longer be found guilty of child pornography charges or placed on the Sex Offenders Register if they send or receive consensual, non-exploitative sexts. Images that capture a criminal act, however, such as a sexual assault, will not fall under the new laws.

While the penalties for consensual sexting may be reduced, it’s important that young people are educated to understand associated risks to their wellbeing. Once a ‘sext’ has been sent, there’s no going back, and what may have been consensual at the time is often a cause for regret later.

DEECD’s Bully Stoppers page provides information and tips to help students and parents deal with sexting and other online issues such as cybersafety and cyberbullying.

Kind regards, Brad Moyle, Principal
ICE BUCKET CHALLENGE

This Tuesday the challenge was set by some of the students to the staff to participate in a unique Ice Bucket Challenge at the school—with money going to the Cancer Council, which is a charity very close to our hearts.

After some recruiting of staff, and some generous donations (people obviously wanted to see Mr Moyle ‘bucketed’) the event was on!! Caitlin Brown assisted by Sara Owens and Courtney Davidson raised $440.80.

As you can see below our beloved College Captains and some favourite staff members got well and truly chilled!

College Captains Caitlin, Courtney and Sara get a drenching.

Whilst below Mr Baker, Ms Cray and Mr Hogan copped a bucket of ice...

Thanks also to Mr Barnes and Mr Daff who supported the cause & were happy to get drenched...sadly we couldn’t fit all the photos in.
Kinder kids visit....

On the 27th of August the preschool children from Rushworth Kindergarten & Childcare came to join the Prep/One/Two students for a transition visit. The students and Preschool children participated in a range of cooking activities in the Kitchen at the College. The stations involved; making fruit kebabs, decorating biscuits, making chocolate balls and playing with play dough.

It was wonderful to see they Prep/One/Two students and Preschool children enjoying themselves and each other’s company for the morning.

The students have written the following comments about their experiences on the day:

My favourite part of the Kinder visit was eating the cookies. The cookies were tasty. The fruit kebabs were good too. Making the cookies was fun. Making the kebabs was fun too.

Bradley Bons

My favourite part of the Kinder visit was cookie making because we got to put anything on the cookies like m and mm’s and icing and lollies. After we did that we played with play dough.

Jack Clarke

My favourite part about the kinder visit was making chocolate balls, they were delicious. My second favourite part about the kinder visit was decorating the biscuits, they were also delicious. My third favourite thing was making the fruit kebabs. My fourth favourite thing was play dough. I made lots of things like green play dough by mixing yellow and blue together. But the play dough wasn't delicious.

Harry Werner

Making Fruit Kebabs, Chocolate balls, decorating cookies and playing with Play dough with our Kinder friends is lots of fun.
And a Mini Market.

What a busy morning Wednesday 27th August was at the College! We had the wonderful Rushworth Kindergarten kids here for a visit with our Prep to Year 2 students in the morning, and following on from that we had a Mini Market Morning Tea in the glorious sunshine on our kitchen deck to raise some funds for our Kitchen Garden program.

The Mini Market Morning Tea was the culmination of several ideas formulated by our two garden volunteers Carol McMillan and Annette Morris, with the support of Kerrie Raglus at the College.

On a brilliant pre-spring morning we welcomed various members of the Rushworth and surrounding communities to purchase some lovely fresh produce, plants, and gifts from our Market stall. After purchasing their goods our guests made their way to the kitchen deck to enjoy a scrumptious morning tea, that had been lovingly prepared by our Year 9 YEP students, assisted by scone maker extraordinaire Christine Williams and on the coffee machine we had our skilled barista, Mrs Hodson.

Community members were delighted at the table service, the ambient surroundings and more importantly by the coffee and food!

Such was the success of the event (and perhaps the persistence of some of the community guests in attendance) that we have decided we will hold another Mini Market Morning Tea next term. The date has been set for WEDNESDAY 12th November—MARK IT ON THE CALENDAR NOW. Some great bargains will again be available.

Thanks YEP girls for helping...
On Friday 22nd of August Ceinwen from Ambulance Victoria came to visit the Prep/One/Two students to teach them out being Triple Zero Heroes.

We watched Stretch the paramedic helping the paramedics to their job. We all got to have a tour inside the ambulance and have our photo taken with Stretch wearing a paramedic’s uniform.

Jackson and Navi did some role playing for us and Ceinwen taught us all about the things that we need to do and say if we find someone who needs help. Part of being a Triple Zero Hero is

- stop, think, stay safe
- shout and squeeze
- ask for help
- call triple zero
- stay on the phone

Ceinwen also taught us how to put someone in the recovery position if they are unconscious. Miss Flynn even had a go at being a patient!

Good to see our Prep, One, Two students are now ‘trained’ Triple Zero Heroes"
Community Reading Day

During Book Week the Year 3/4 students recently joined forces with students from St. Mary’s Primary to take part in a Community Reading day conducted in partnership with the Campaspe Cohuna LLEN, Shire of Campaspe Library branches and School Friendly Businesses in Rushworth.

We met up with our St. Mary’s buddies at the Post Office and split up into four groups. We then each headed off to various venues around central Rushworth to hear a story from the Children’s Book Week Shortlist.

We had Christine Brown and Tony Ford reading at the Waranga Hostel, Heather Wellington at the Rushworth Community House, Carol McMillan at the Motofinish Café and Gillian Schoenborn at the Waranga News. After visiting all four spots we all met back at the Rushworth Library showed us what facilities the Library has on offer, and when they are open. We then all took part in a craft activity—making a windmill to take home with us.

We all got back to school very excited and talking about when can we do that again? We will have to wait and see.

We certainly hope so!
Primary Summary:

Over the last two weeks the Primary students have been very busy!

Our highlights included:

- Watching the crane come in last Friday and lifting the old “N Block” into the trucks and driving it away.
- Cross Country last Monday, it was fantastic to see all the primary students out there giving their all. It was great to see all the students trying their best and supporting each other during the afternoon.
- Last Wednesday, the preschool children from Rushworth Kindergarten and Childcare came to do some cooking activities with the Prep/One/Two students.
- Participating in the Community Reading Day

Please make sure your child is reading each night and bringing their reader to school each day.

Bronze certificates:
- Sera Ratokalau
- Bradley Bons

Silver certificates:
- Jayden Bloomfield

READING AWARDS
- Sera Ratokalau 125 nights
- Eta Ratokalau 125 nights
- Jayden Bloomfield 100 nights

Years Prep - 2

Learning Foci:

Literacy: this week includes understanding the importance of word order in sentences. Using familiar sound patterns and strategies to spell unfamiliar words. Recognising prefixes and suffixes and how they change word meaning.

Next week we will be learning about rhythmic sound and word patterns in poems, chants, rhymes and songs. For the next few weeks the Prep students will be revising the letters we have already learnt, as well as introducing some common sound blends.

Numeracy:

This week our numeracy focus for all students has included collecting data using basic questions and describing the probability of an event occurring, using words such as “will happen” “won’t happen” “could happen”

Next week’s focus will include, for preps will be making and continuing patterns using basic classifications.

Grade one students are working with number patterns and skip counting. Grade two students are learning to solve problems using number sentences, they are also beginning to use worded problems to solve addition and subtraction problems.
Year 3/4

In *Numeracy* over the next couple of weeks, we will be looking at map grids. We will be looking at how to give direction and how to read a map. We will also be focussing on Multiplication and Multiplication factors.

In *Literacy*, we will be looking at recognizing how quotation marks are used in texts to signal dialogue, titles and quoted (direct) speech. We also look at Understand that the meaning of sentences can be enriched through the use of noun groups/phrases and verb groups/phrases and prepositional phrases.

We are also having fun learning about how the body works. In class we are drawing our own life sized body and each system!

*Pictured: With our St. Mary’s friends working on windmills as part of the Community Reading Day.*

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Year 5/6

**Literacy Foci**

Our Literacy focus for the end of Term 3 is to use **comprehension strategies** to analyse information, integrating and linking ideas from a variety of print and digital sources. We are focussing on summarising as our reading comprehension strategy.

**Numeracy Foci**

Our work in Numeracy over the next two weeks will be focussing on the following topics:

- **Number and place value**
- Identify and describe properties and prime, composite, square and triangular numbers

**Inquiry**

Our inquiry focus is now Micro organisms
Year 7

Year 7 Maths Focus: The numeracy focus for the remainder of the term will be on probability. Students will be undertaking a range of practical experiments to test and measure theoretical probabilities.

Year 7 English Focus:
Year 7s are about to finish the novel The Maze Runner. Once finished we will begin working on text response expository essay, based on the work we have done around the Maze Runner. We also will be finishing off the last two sets of vocabulary for Maze Runner, with list 3 having its test on Wednesday Week 9 and list 4 having its test Wednesday Week 10.

Year 7 English Vocabulary Building Weekly Word List

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Year 8

The Year 8 Awards for the last two weeks include Paris Lehmann, Kiarrah Lehmann, Leah Vanderdonk, Matthew Lange-Richards, Nikita Schembri and the Year 8 classes in general, for their positive approach to their On Demand Testing last week with most improving on their previous results for English across the board. Mathematics results indicate significant improvement which is most pleasing. The students have been working on their analytical skills (comprehension), spelling and are currently practising for their oral presentation. This will be followed by a poetry task which will complete the term. Overall, most students are working quite well. We have several students still competing in a number of sports across the region and we wish them all the best.
Library Learnings

**New library Novels Now Available!!!**

**Alex Rider Mission 5: Scorpia blurb:** The truth about Alex Rider’s past lies with the criminal organisation known as Scorpia, and Alex must make a choice... work for M16 or betray everything he believes in.

*Author: Anthony Horowitz*

**Alex Rider Mission 6: Ark Angel blurb:** After a chance encounter with the son of multi-billionaire Nikolei Drevin, Alex Rider finds himself in the middle of an international crime hunt.

The connection - Ark Angel, a revolutionary space hotel with catastrophic potential.

*Author: Anthony Horowitz*

**The Kill Order (Prequel to The Maze Runner) blurb:** Sun flares have unleashed devastation on the Earth. Mark and Trina were there when it happened, and against the odds they survived.

But now a violent and highly contagious disease is spreading like a wildfire. Worse still, it’s mutating, and people are going crazy. Mark and Trina will do anything to save their friends - if only they can avoid madness and stay alive....

*Author: James Dashner*

**The Maze Runner. Book 1 blurb:** When the doors on the lift crank open, the only thing Thomas remembers is his first name. But he’s not alone. He’s surrounded by boys who welcome him to the Glade - an encampment at the centre of a bizarre and terrible maze. Like Thomas, the Gladers don’t know why or how they came to be there - or what’s happened to the world outside. All they know is that every morning when the wall slides back they will risk everything to find out.

*Author: James Dashner*

**The Death Cure. Book 3 blurb:** The trials are over. WICKED is planning to restore the survivors/ memories and complete the final cure for the Flare. But Thomas has already remembered more than they think. And he knows WICKED can’t be trusted...

The time for lies is over. But the truth is more dangerous than Thomas could ever imagine. Will anyone survive the Death Cure?

*Author: James Dashner*

**The Scorch Trials. Book 2 blurb:** Solving the Maze was supposed to be the end. No more puzzles. And no more running. Thomas was sure that escaping meant he would get his life back. But no one knew what sort of life they were going back to...

Burned and baked, the earth is a wasteland, its’ people driven mad by an infection known as the Flare.

Instead of freedom, Thomas must face another trial. He must cross the Scorch to once again save himself and his friends...

*Author: James Dashner*
Student Awards / Worthy of Praise

Year P/1/2: Hannah Price for her positive approach to all learning tasks.

Ziggy Zonta his positive approach to all learning tasks.

Annalise Boyd and Tiffany Clark for displaying College values during the reptile show at the Kinder.

Year 3/4: Matthew Caton and Kannika Suksanit for their efforts in the cross-country last week.

Hansueli Habegger and Toni Wright received an award for their positive attitudes in class time! Congratulations to those 4 students! Keep up the great work!

Year 5/6: Baxter Russell - Presented in recognition of exceptional effort and positive attitude during On Demand testing

Year 7: Taksin Suksanit: for really making an effort in all subjects

Isabelle Crute: for the effort she put in to creating a PBIS mascot

Jaimee Cornford: for her excellent attitude in food tech last week

Jake Jones: for his excellent behaviour and attitude in humanities last week

Jack Risstrom: for his excellent behaviour and attitude in humanities last week

Will Brown: for always displaying a positive attitude at school

Year 8: The Year 8 Awards for the last two weeks include Paris Lehmann, Kiarrah Lehmann, Leah Vanderdonk, Matthew Lange-Richards, Nikita Schembri and the Year 8 classes in general, for their positive approach to their On Demand Testing.

Year 9 - 12: Sara Owens for working really hard on her studies, completing set homework. Keep up the great focus Sara!

Caitlin Brown, for her initiative and drive for the recent Ice Bucket Challenge.

Supported well by Sara Owens & Courtney Davidson - raising $440.80 for the Cancer Council.

The YEP students, Jess Hamilton, Karissa Phelan, Taylor Cornford, Emily Crout, Janelle Doolan and Shanae Baldwin for their support and assistance with the SAKG Mini Market Morning Tea.

Jayden Ward, Dan Newton and Danyon Stockdale for holding a very successful Footy Colours Day - also raising money for cancer research.
Canteen Specials
Support your school canteen - upcoming specials!

Friday 5th & 12th September  
BBQ lunch
Order either a Plain or Chicken Sweet Chilli sausage in bread with a Pop Top or Breaka for $4.00

Monday 9th & 16th September  
‘Let’s Wrap’
Order either a Chicken Schnitzel wrap (with lettuce and mayo)
Full schnitzel with a Pop Top or Breaka $6.00
Half Schnitzel with a Pop Top or Breaka $4.00
Chicken Sweet Chilli Tender wrap (with lettuce and mayo)
Full with a Pop Top or Breaka $6.50
Half with a Pop Top or Breaka $4.50
** Please note these will be the only options to order on these days.

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**Maths Matters**

**NUMBER FACTS**

Knowing numbers facts is very useful for the future mathematical studies of your children. You can help by taking an interest and by giving them practice. There are a number of important elements about learning tables and number facts.

First is that all the number facts come in families. If your child knows, for example, that 5+2 =7 is the same as 2+5 =7, and relates to 7-2 =5 and 7-5 =2, they then know a lot of facts. The same is true for multiplication. If they know that 5x4 =20, they also know 4x5=20, 20 divided by 5=4 and 20 divided by 4=5.

Next they need to learn general principles such as adding 1, adding 2, doubles, near doubles (5 + 6 is the same as 5+5+1), adding 9 (by adding 10 and taking away 1).

For multiplication they can learn about doubling. For example:

- If you want to multiply a number by 2 you can double it e.g. 123 x2=? **Think!** Double 123 = 246
- If you want to multiply a number by 4 you can double and double again e.g. 8x4? **Think!** Double 8 = 16, and then double 16 = 32
- If you want to multiply a number by 8 you can double and double and double again e.g. 16x8? **Think!** Double 16= 32, then double 32 equals 64, and then double 64 = 128
- If you want to multiply a number by 5 you can first of all multiply it by 10 (add a 0) and then halve it e.g. 15x5=? **Think!** Multiply by 10 = 150 then halve =75
- A strategy for multiplying by 6 is to multiply by 3 then double

Known multiplication facts can be used to find unknown facts e.g. 12x6?

**Think!** 10x6 = 60 +6+6=72.

*For ideas about learning the 9 times tables keep an eye out for the ‘Maths Matters’ section in the next fortnightly newsletter.*

*Margaret Turner. Numeracy Support, Rushworth P-12.*
DEFENCE FORCE OPEN DAY AT ALBURY

Due to popular demand this event is AGAIN being offered by the recruiting team at Albury.

The event will run from 10 am to 3 pm (approximate) on Saturday 15 November 2014 and be held at Latchford Barracks. This barracks is adjacent to the western shore of the Hume Weir (corner of Murray Valley Highway & Bonegilla Road).

If you are interested in attending—please register your interest with myself at the College. As like last year the College are willing to supply a bus for travel on the day. Call in and see me, and I will give you the details required to register with the recruiting team at Albury. DON’T LEAVE IT TIL THE LAST MOMENT - REGISTER NOW!!

The event will consist of some excellent displays, demonstrations & inter-active activities; with a strong focus on attendees being able to interact with many young soldiers, sailors, airmen & airwomen currently in training at ALTC.

One of the exciting interactive activities will be an opportunity for attendees to fire the F88 Austeyr rifles in the WEAPONS TRAINING SIMULATION SYSTEM (WTSS) range. This is a highly realistic (indoor) firing range which uses weapons that operate exactly as the real thing, using CO2 gas to create the action of the working parts when firing (and the resulting recoil). The rifles use lasers to register ‘hits’ as they operate just like the real thing; while making realistic ‘firing’ sounds through the range PA system.

Call in and see me to get your instructions on ‘how to register’. Please do so before the end of Term 3.

VET ENROLMENTS FOR 2015

If you are planning on studying a VET subject in 2015, can you please call in to Careers Central and collect a VET expression of interest form so we can forward your details onto GOTAFE or KCLC for their enrolment process. Please ensure you have collected the form and returned it by the 15th September. Thanks to those students who have already done so.

Until next edition,
Kerrie Raglus, Student Pathways
PRESENT
THE
PRIMARY SCHOOLS
BASKETBALL
CHALLENGE

WEDNESDAY THE 10TH OF SEPTEMBER
AT RUSHWORTH P-12 COLLEGE
10AM UNTIL 2:30PM - BBQ LUNCH SUPPLIED.

GRADE 4-5-6 STUDENTS FROM
ST MARY’S - MURCHISON - COLBINABBIN - RUSHWORTH
STANHOPE - HARSTON - TOOLAMBA - GIRGARRE - DHURRINGILE
WILL ALL BE INVITED TO COME ALONG!
PARENTS AND FRIENDS ARE ALSO WELCOME TO COME ALONG FOR SUPPORT

PLUS, OUR GOOD FRIENDS FROM THE BENDIGO BRAVES BASKETBALL TEAM
WILL BE THERE TO PAY US A VISIT AND HELP OUT ON THE DAY!

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College Cross Country

The whole college got involved in the Annual Cross Country last Monday with several circuits marked out to suit all abilities. Students from Prep to Year 12 were involved in some way to earn points for their respective sports houses, Brocklebank or McNamara. Staff also actively participated alongside the students, which they always enjoy. Making a bit of an estimation it looks like the students and staff clocked up more than 600km for the afternoon, more than this though it sounds like they had a lot of fun. After some input from Mr Daws and his senior Geography students regarding how we can make this event better for the environment, students were given the option of carrying a plastic bag and if returned full of rubbish, collected along the way, they earned an extra point for their house – what a fantastic initiative! The results are currently being tallied and will be announced at a College assembly soon.

Amanda Cray, Sports Coordinator

Stanhope Lawn Tennis Club
Junior Tennis 2014
Saturday Competition

PLAYERS WANTED!!!

- Saturday Spring Summer Comp (KDTA)
- Free coaching available to members
- Thursday night team trainings.
- ALL levels of Juniors catered for
- Fantastic grass courts

Interested??

Then go along to a Family Fun - Registration Night

Friday 19th September 5pm onwards

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New players and families welcome!

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See the next editions for more details on the Cross Country.
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**KNOWING YOUR TEENAGER**

**FREE Workshop**

for Parents of children 10-16 yrs

Where: Echuca Neighbourhood House

When: Wednesday, 17th September

6.45-9pm

Facilitator: Ev Holzer Family Education Services, CatholicCare

Bookings: Echuca Neighbourhood House

54 826914

RSVP Friday 12th Sept

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**Campaspe Regional LIBRARY**

Campaspe Regional Library welcomes

Craig Smith

Children's Book Illustrator

Sunday 21st September

2.30pm

at Echuca Library

Free talk and workshop for all the family.

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