Morialta Secondary College

Morialta Messages

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May / June 2023 morialtasecondarycollege.sa.edu.au Dear Morialta Secondary College families,

Welcome to the first edition of our Morialta Messages!

We will provide this news update twice a term to supplement news updates that occur weekly via our <u>Facebook and Instagram social media pages</u>.

From the start of this term we have had access to all three floors of our first building. Students have enjoyed the additional space for drama lessons, for indoor table tennis during PE lessons on wet days and for some English / Humanities and Maths lessons.

Our staff have really enjoyed both of our Acquaintance Evening and Learner Conferences as a way to connect with families and to learn more about our students. Thank you to everyone for your attendance.

This term students have continued making progress with their learning and have been developing the habits required to be successful secondary school students. Considerable effort has gone into providing a visible curriculum for students and families via our learner management system (Frog). Details can be found later in these messages about how to access Frog to see student results and curriculum materials.



This term our students have also had access to a range of exciting sporting, arts and other cocurricular experiences which are celebrated throughout this publication.

My thanks to our inaugural Governing Council including Chairperson Craig Clarke and Treasurer Darren Heppenstall who were appointed in term 4 of 2022. Details will be distributed to all families about our Annual General Meeting which will occur on Tuesday 20 June.

Best wishes, Roley Coulter Principal



Welcome to Morialta Secondary College!

We are so excited for our students, families and community to join us on this journey of learning and growth.

Together, we'll create a nurturing and inclusive environment where every student can belong, achieve, become.

Click the link below to view our inaugural year 7 students being welcomed to the college!



daVinci Decathlon

Morialta Secondary College was proud to send a team of students to the Year 7/8 South Australian daVinci Decathlon at St Peter's Girl's school. The daVinci Decathlon is an academic competition that aims to celebrate the academic gifts of students. Our students found the day to be challenging, rigorous and fun, as they competed against 21 schools from across Adelaide.

The competition subject areas that students competed in were Science, Art and Poetry, Creative Producers (performing arts), Ideation, Mathematics, Engineering, Cartography, English, Legacy and Code Breaking. We are proud to announce that the MSC team finished 2nd in Art and Poetry, and 3rd in English. This is an outstanding result, as most students in other teams were in Year 8. We can't wait to see how they go next year!



Student-led conferences

It was great to welcome families back into the school for our first student-led learning conferences. The conferences were a fantastic opportunity for students to share their reflections on the transition to high school, celebrate successes as well as reflect on areas of growth and improvement.

Families can access ongoing assessment results via our learning management platform Frog. For a handy how-to video showing how to find your child's assessment results, please follow this <u>link</u>. Formal reports will be distributed via the Community Portal at the end of the semester. If you have not already signed up for access, please email us on <u>dl.1920.info@schools.sa.edu.au</u> and we will resend the link.





Debating

Morialta's first ever debating team, the Morialta Meerkats, started this term, with the team narrowly missing out on winning their first two debates against experienced teams. Morialta's Dasha was awarded speaker of the first debate against Mercedes College and Jasmin was awarded speaker of the second debate against Glenunga International High School. The adjudicators were impressed with the quality of our performances, considering they are a newly formed team.

Arc Campbelltown HPE days

Students have had 2 excursions to The Arc at Campbelltown so far this term. They have been able to participate in basketball, volleyball, indoor hockey and badminton lessons. It has been a great opportunity for students to use indoor facilities for sport while we wait for our gym to be completed. There are 2 more excursion days at The Arc coming in the remainder of term 2 on Thursday of week 6 and Tuesday of week 8.









Interschool sport

Students have had many opportunities to participate in school sports so far this year. We have had teams compete in 3x3 basketball, athletics, futsal, basketball, and netball. The highlight was winning both the boys and girls year 7 athletics competition at Bridgestone Athletics Centre in Salisbury.

There is lots more sport to come in the remainder of the year with more basketball, netball, and soccer coming up in the remainder of term 2. There is also a lot more coming in term 3 and 4 including AFL, 5-a-side soccer and volleyball amongst others.

Uniform update

The college's uniform plays an important role in promoting a positive image of the college and creating a sense of identity among students and the community. In term 2 students are to wear their formal uniform on non PE or Inspire days. With the cooler weather upon us, students can layer their formal uniform with the knitted MSC jumper and/or soft-shell jacket. The PE uniform can be layered with the soft-shell jacket. Woollen knit jumpers and winter beanies are now available from our uniform supplier **Belgravia Apparel.** Please refer to our **Uniform Policy** for further information.

Inspire: Milpara Residential Care Home visit

Students from the Media, Communications and Community Inspire Crew decided they would like to create authentic community connections by establishing an association with the Milpara Residential Care Home. As part of their Inspire project, the students baked, decorated and delivered cupcakes to the residents where they were able to share conversation over a cup of tea.



Inspire: Arts exploration

Our Arts Exploration Inspire Crew had the opportunity to attend the DreamBig Children's Festival. Students attended two immersive performances where they were able to develop their collaborative skills as artists, and extend their idea generation for their outcomes and upcoming exhibition. Click to see all the fun!





Hot Potato Band

Hot Potato Band brought our students on a musical journey from 1920's brass music through to pop music of today. Our music students learned a Hot Potato Band original Sail Away during a workshop, before performing it to the entire school. It was such an enjoyable experience which helped students build new connections, skills and confidence.

We can't wait to have them back in the years to come!

KEY DATES

- 12 June Public Holiday
- 13 June Student Free Day
- 20 June ARC PE Day 4
- 20 June Governing Council AGM
- 23 June Sport Team Casual Day
- 28 June Learning Progress Conferences
- 7 July End of Term

Join us!

Please follow our social channels below to view more photos as well as ongoing updates and happenings at the college.

