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Dear Morialta Secondary College families,

Welcome back for term 3!

Term 2 ended with our inaugural Inspire Exhibition which was a great success. Thank you to the many parents and caregivers who found the time to attend the expo to celebrate the culmination of the semester 1 program.

Semester 1 academic reports were distributed to families on the final day of term 2. Many students achieved excellent results which will be celebrated at a morning tea for invited students in week 3. A reminder to families that ongoing assessment results can be accessed via the Community Portal through our learner management platform (Frog).

Many of our students applied to be part of our Student Council or to be House Leaders. We held a morning tea celebration to acknowledge the successful applicants. As a college we value student leadership, and we work to provide a range of leadership opportunities for students beyond these formal roles.

My thanks to everybody that attended our inaugural Governing Council Annual General Meeting. Congratulations to the following parents who were elected for 2-year terms:

- Karlie Hutchens (Chairperson)
- Norelle Branford
- Mary Stovell
- Joanne Kirby



Our thanks to John Gardner MP who continues as our community representative and to Tanja Gehren who continues as our staff representative. Our governing council will add additional positions as our college adds additional year levels.

This term we have welcomed several new staff members. A special welcome to Elise Donato who has taken the position of Year 7 Learning Engagement Leader. Welcome also to Christian Dullona as our Grounds and Maintenance Officer, and Jayden Bramford as our Classroom Support SSO.

Best wishes,
Roley Coulter
Principal



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Semester 1 Recap

Celebrating our amazing first semester at Morialta Secondary College! Our Media Inspire students put together a wonderful representation of our many achievements. We're so excited to see what the rest of the year has in store!



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Student Learning Highlights

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Science & Mathematics

Students are completing their Chemistry Unit for Year 7 with an engaging experiment of separating a mixture of corn, iron filings, sand and salt using various techniques. The students' enthusiasm have made the lab a vibrant place. We're proud of their accomplishments and can't wait to see what they discover next!

In Mathematics, students have been learning about the features of triangles and quadrilaterals and are developing an algorithm to sort these.



Students were able to enjoy the task of selecting and researching a region of Italy, with the aim to convince others that their region was the best to visit. Students loved the opportunity to explore the region and use creativity to create model souvenirs and write a persuasive piece in Italian and English, using the vocabulary they have learnt.

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Food Tech

Students in Food Tech have participated in a series of engaging and informative culinary experiences. From crafting delicious, toasted sandwiches, fruit smoothies, mini quiches, Anzac biscuits, to mastering the art beef burgers, the students showcased their creativity and cooking skills. Students delved into the realm of nutrition, investigating the distinction between healthy and unhealthy foods while becoming well-versed with the Australian Guide to Healthy Eating (AGHE).



First Nations Guernsey Competition

During term 2, one of our Inspire crews led a project which involved designing a First Nations guernsey for Morialta Secondary College. The group of students organised a competition to enable all students to contribute to the design. They worked with our Conditions for Learning team to coincide the competition with National Reconciliation Week and ran the competition through the Connect program. The group invited Cliffy Wilson from Kuma Kaaru to come in and judge the competition. During his time at, Cliffy worked with the group to begin designing a guernsey using the ideas from the winning guernseys. The winners of the competition were announced at the assembly held at the end of term 2. Students enjoyed the competition and all entries are on display at the college and were proudly showcased during the Inspire Exhibition.



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Visual Art

Students in Visual Art have been creating a range of artworks surrounding the theme of 'birds'. Students have been developing their understandings of line, shape, tone, form, and colour, applying their understanding of the elements of art to create amazing final products. All students artwork will be on display during 'Morialta Secondary College's SALA Art Exhibition', in the library from 9 August to 16 August.



Student Leadership

During our end of term assembly, the student leadership team was announced and congratulated in front of the school community. We have appointed 8 house leaders and 15 student council members for the remainder of 2023 and term 1 of 2024.

These students and their families were invited to celebrate their new roles at a student leader breakfast on Friday morning. It was a lovely opportunity for student leaders, school leaders and families to come together and recognise the newly formed student teams and the exciting work they have ahead of them.

Student leaders will commence their roles at a leadership training session in week 3. We look forward to partnering with these exceptional young people as we embrace the unique opportunities we face as a new school.



Inpire Exhibiton & Review

Over 100 visitors attended our inaugural Inspire Exhibition at the end of term 2. The event was a positive culmination of the semester's work thanks to the hard work of our students and the many visitors with which they were able to celebrate their learning. There was a zealous buzz about the place as the students took hold of the opportunity to display their design thinking processes and the incredible ways in which they contributed to school culture and community. A huge congratulations to our talented cohort on their innovative and inspiring outcomes. [Click here](#) to view more photos of the exhibition!

Looking toward the next iteration of the program, students and staff partnered together to provide feedback and engage in the design evolution of Inspire. A working party, made up of students, teachers, and leaders, looked deeply into the feedback to review the program and support the design of the next semester and beyond. We worked closely with Nicole Dyson, founder and CEO of Future Anything, to further refine our ideas and ensure the intentional development of competencies, student agency and engagement. Thank you to all those involved in the review process.



Inter-school Sport

Last term MSC participated in a number of sporting events that have helped students to build on their teamwork skills.

Students attended the Year 7/8 futsal carnival where our girls played against State Champions Golden Grove and silver medalists Henley High School. Our boys also showed great confidence against some strong teams consisting of primarily Year 8 players. Both teams were unfortunately not able to advance to round 2.

Our boys basketball team competed against Plympton International and Le Fevre High School in the statewide knockout competition. Our team showed great fighting spirit and the boys showcased their skills in front of an enthusiastic home crowd.

Our girls basketball team narrowly lost against St George in the final seconds of the match and our second match was against state champions Mitcham Girls who were a fantastic team to play against.

Our girls netball team played at Glenunga International in the Year 7/8 knockout competition and had some fantastic games against Pulteney Grammar, Mitcham Girls and also Glenunga International. The girls showed that next year when we have Year 8s we will be a real shot at taking it up to the best in the state.

More recently our boys and girls soccer teams travelled to Cornerstone College to play in the year 7/8 knockout competition. Our teams put up a great fight and narrowly lost both matches.



KEY DATES

- 9 August SALA Exhibition Opening
- 15 August Governing Council
- 1 September Student Free Day
- 4 September School Closure Day
- 12 September Governing Council
- 13 September Student Led Conferences
- 29 September 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.

