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Dear Morialta Secondary College families,

It has been an incredibly busy term 3 for students, staff and families and I would like to thank everyone for their commitment to our college community.

There have been many highlights across the term including a strong focus on the Arts through our inaugural SALA exhibition and music showcase. Many sporting teams have competed against other schools through inter school carnivals with our year 7 boys winning their recent 5-side soccer tournament.

I would like to thank all our parents and caregivers who attended our second round of Learner Conferences. The feedback was incredibly positive and highlighted the personal and academic growth our students could articulate and demonstrate through their conferences.

Our student leaders have been very busy and have genuinely partnered with our staff as we build our community. Some highlights have included:

- providing considered feedback to support our semester 1 curriculum review,
- participating in a student leadership forum at Magill Primary school with students from neighbouring primary schools and with leaders from Norwood International High School
- house leaders developing ways that our houses will function including through our inaugural sports day on 10 November, term 4.



This term we have worked with tertiary partners through supporting Adelaide University with pre-service teachers and Flinders University with their speech therapy students. Our students have really enjoyed the experience and our staff have also enjoyed the opportunity to work with and collaborate with the university students.

Best wishes to everyone for a relaxing term break.

Roley Coulter
Principal



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Student Led Conferences

Thank you to all our families who joined us for our second round of student led conferences. It was great to see how much progress our students have made in their learning but also their skills in articulating learning outcomes and goals for next steps.

Thank you to our families who provided us with such positive feedback.

'We appreciate the opportunity to participate in the innovative approach to parent teacher conferences. It was engaging and insightful. It was a great opportunity to enhance their communication skills. We appreciate the inclusivity of involving students in these conferences.'

'We really enjoy these opportunities to meet the teachers and hear from our children about their learning. Being invited into the school creates connection to and with the school community. Thank you!'

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Book Week

Our first Book Week was a wonderful success thanks to the creativity and enthusiasm of our students and staff. This year's theme 'Read, Grow, Inspire' was a perfect fit for our new community as staff and students dressed up as fabulous renditions of their favourite characters.

Congratulations to our award winners of Book Week and the Readers Cup!

- **Readers' Cup Winners:** 7E – Ruby Faraonio, Dania John, Sabina Puccini, Bria Duncan, Wyatt Stovell
- **Willy Wonka's Weirdest and Most Wonderful Costume:** Bria Duncan and Ella Robertson
- **Miss Honey's Truest Character:** Andi Granger
- **Umpa Lumpa's Doom-par-dee-doo cress up like a group prize:** Snow White and the '6' dwarves (Estelle Branford, Mat Reardon, Caitlin Davis, Leila Kerley, Jessica Clarke, Dania John)
- **The Trunchbull Staff Prize:** Steph Hassouros

Thank you to our wonderful Leader of English & HASS Tanja, and our Learning & Library Assistant Nicole for all their efforts in making this Book Week one to remember.



During Term 3, SAATI in conjunction with the Consul of Italy in SA and the Dante Alighieri Society of SA, invited Italian classes to participate in a competition based on the theme, 'L'italiano e la sostenibilità.'

Four dedicated students showcased their ideas and solutions on the topic of sustainability with the Year 1 Italian class from Stradbroke Primary school. They engaged the class in creative activities around recycling and looking after our planet together.

The Italian club are commended on their outstanding dedication to the task. Their work will be presented to the committee at the end of this term, in support of the World Climate Change and Sustainability conference to be held in Rome, Oct 2023.

Italian Club Visit to Stradbroke

SALA Exhibition

Thank you to all students, staff and families that were a part of or viewed our inaugural MSC Art Exhibition. The display in our library space was a huge success, showcasing work by students from Visual Art classes in Semester 1 and 2, as well as artworks created by students for the art competition. A special congratulations to our prize winners!

- Katie Vu - 'Where Wonder Takes Place' - 1st Place
- Xinyi Zhou - 'Wolves in the Snow' - 2nd Place.
- Aarsha Bhattarai - 'Always Flowing' - 3rd Place
- Angel Chen + Xinyi Zhou - 'Helping Hand' - Principal Award.
- Haru Lee - 'Painted Pokemon Cards' - Honourable Mention
- Anahat Sandhu - 'Forever Together' - Honourable Mention.
- Yara Shumraz Ishrath - 'Crochet Sunshine Bag' - Honourable Mention
- Yara Shumraz Ishrath - 'Crochet Daisy Hat' - People's Choice.



Term 3 saw our Inaugural Morialta Music Showcase offer students their first opportunity to perform for our community. Our bands transformed the library into a music venue and performed to the entire audience, wowing them with hits Don't Stop Believin', Summer of 69 and Pompeii. One group, The Vibing Homies, even performed an original Night and Day.

Individual students then performed on their instruments with instrumental teachers leading each performance space throughout the school. All students enjoyed the opportunity to perform and while it might have made them a little nervous, they were so happy that they all gave it a go!

"It was fun to watch other people enjoy playing their music with their groups. Performing Pompeii with the Morialta Band was also fun, knowing that I wouldn't be alone and could play with my friends. When we moved to the individual rooms, we all encouraged each other before our turn and when I got to perform, even though I made a mistake, I kept going!" Chamith 7H

Morialta Music Showcase

Road Safety Reminder

We are increasingly noticing that students are being dropped on the Southern side of Moules road and not using the crossing lights. We ask that students who are dropped on the southern side of Moules road walk up to the crossing and cross at the lights. The crossing is monitored by a teacher on yard duty before and after school.

A 'kiss and drop' zone is located on the northern side of Moules road in front of the soccer pitch for parents driving up Moules road from St Bernard's Road. From 2024 the front of our school will face Morialta Road West and our arrangements will change. We will communicate these updates in the lead up to the 2024 school year.

Governing Council Invitation

Families are invited to attend our next Governing Council meeting on Tuesday 7 November at 6.30pm in the library if they would like to contribute to the discussion of our proposed **Material & Service Charge for 2024**.

Morialta Secondary College governing council proposes that the Material & Service Charge for 2024 be set at \$905 for all Secondary student (Years 7 & 8). Extra-curricular activities such as camps, excursions, aquatics, and sports will be charged separately, as they occur.

In lieu of attendance at this meeting, parents/caregivers/students can express their views in writing via an envelope addressed to the Chairperson of the Governing Council and delivered to the schools front office prior to the meeting. Please RSVP if you are planning to attend the meeting to dl.1920.info@schools.sa.edu.au by 4pm Friday 3 November 2023.

Introducing our House Colours!

Throughout Term 3, our dedicated house leaders have been actively involved in planning the activities for our upcoming inaugural Sports Day. They have brainstormed a number of engaging activities for students to participate in to make the day a fun experience for everyone.

To add to the excitement, we've also decided on the colors for our four school houses. While we're in the process of choosing permanent names for each house, we'll be using a placeholder name for now. This approach will allow for thoughtful consideration and to gather feedback from our school community before finalising the names next year.

The 4 house names, colours and student house leaders are:

- North (red) - Sedrah Isa and Chamith Samarawickrama
- East (green) - Cedric Greenslade and Anahat Sandhu
- South (blue) - Sienna Burgmeister and Luca Paronis
- West (yellow) - Jimmy Atherton and Ella Robertson



During Term 3, students actively participated in various sports competitions, including mixed touch football, 5-a-side soccer for Year 7/8 boys and girls, and volleyball. They dedicated many recess and lunch breaks to honing their skills, showing significant improvement.

Competing against older Year 8 students proved challenging, but our boys' 5-a-side soccer team emerged victorious, remaining undefeated throughout the day.

These events served as valuable practice, preparing our students for upcoming sporting competitions in Term 4, where they'll proudly represent our school in statewide volleyball and touch football competitions early in the term.

Interschool Sport

Key Dates Term 4

Mon, 16 Oct	Start of Term 4
Tue, 7 Nov	Governing Council
Fri, 10 Nov	Sports Day
Mon, 13 Nov	Student Free Day
Tue, 5 Dec	Governing Council
Thur, 7 Dec & Fri, 8 Dec	Year 6 Transition Days
Fri, 15 Dec	End of Term 4



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