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Dear Morialta Secondary College Community,

I'm excited to share the latest updates and achievements from our dynamic college community.

We recently held our second South Australian Living Artist (SALA) exhibition, where our students showcased their incredible creativity. The artwork was truly impressive and received wonderful feedback from the community.

On 6 August, we were honored to host Chief Executive Professor Martin Westwell. He was enthusiastic about the progress we have made as a community. It was great to share our recent work with Martin including our 9-12 curriculum project where we have endeavored to work with our community to meet the aspirations and needs of learners

Recently we have successfully launched our **2025 Curriculum Guide**, a comprehensive resource that outlines the academic pathways available to our students. Our Curriculum Information Evening for families with students entering Year 9 in 2025 was well-attended and provided valuable insights into curriculum options, helping families make informed decisions. It was fantastic to see this resource come to life through our term 3, year 8 student led conferences where our year 8 students presented their subject choices for 2025 and their early thinking about their pathway through secondary school and beyond.

This term we have continued our Stretch workshops for students in Liberal Arts, STEM, and Music, providing enriched learning opportunities to extend their knowledge and skills. Our students have enthusiastically embraced these opportunities to extend their learning and their thinking.

We are pleased to welcome Emily O'Neil as our Year 9 Learning and Engagement Leader starting in 2025. Emily joins us from Woodville High School, where she's been in a similar role and is also a Science Teacher. Currently we are also recruiting for a range of teaching positions for 2025 onwards alongside additional non-teaching SSO roles.

Best wishes for the next few weeks,

Roley Coulter
Principal.





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Flag Raising Ceremony

On Friday 26 July, we held a Flag Raising Ceremony to fly the flags at the front of Morialta Secondary College for the first time. Through the Connect program, all students have learned about flags as symbols of identity, belonging and representation, and the protocols to be followed when flying them.

As our flags fly, we acknowledge their role in representing our nation's and state's journey — our triumphs, challenges, and aspirations. They remind us of our shared history, the diversity of our people, and the need to work together toward a future of harmony and understanding.



South Korean Study Tour

Morialta Secondary College was host to 16 South Korean students and 2 teachers from schools across the CheongCunbuk-do province for 2 weeks. We welcomed our visiting international students at a whole school Welcome Ceremony. Our Morialta students were exceptional in hosting the assembly, singing and performing, and exchanging welcome packs and gifts.

Throughout the 2 weeks various classes were involved in activities where the exchange of learning and cultures between Morialta and the South Korean students fostered an understanding and appreciation of traditions and perspectives, from making origami traditional hanboks, holding a koala and feeding kangaroos on excursion, to trying foods from Australia, Italy and South Korea.

We would like to particularly thank our homestay families who opened their homes and welcomed a South Korean student into their family and took the time to showcase aspects of South Australia.



SALA Exhibition

The 2024 SALA Exhibition 'Colour your World' was a huge success, with 52 students submitting artworks for the 'official competition'. Students exhibited a range of amazing 2D and 3D artworks, using but not limited to charcoal, acrylic paint, paper mâché, clay, watercolour, crochet, and digital softwares. It was fantastic to see so many students engage with the exhibition theme, and share their talents and ideas with the school - choosing the winners this year was exceptionally difficult, owing to the number and quality of works on display.

'On Theme' Award - Celebrating the artworks that best respond to the year's theme 'Colour Your World'.

- Yara 'Crochet Coral'
- Sedrah 'Paint Away the Horrors'

'Principal's Choice' Award - The artwork that best showcases our school's Pillars; Belong, Achieve, Become.

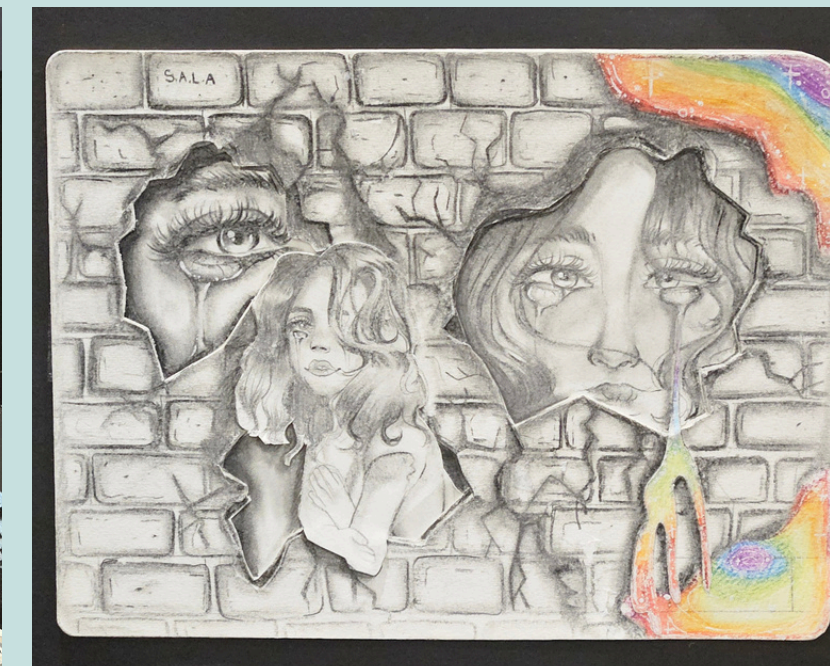
- Michelle, Angel & Xinyi 'Flock of Colours'

Middle School Awards:

- 1st Place - Sophie 'Tears'
- 2nd Place - Sakuna 'Night Light'
- 3rd Place - Bethany 'Bloody Love'.
- 3rd Place - Kayla 'Damsel'
- Honourable Mention - Ryan 'Colour - In The Mind'.
- Honourable Mention - Chloe 'The Shades of Sanctuary'
- Honourable Mention - Ivy 'Ocean Potion'
- Honourable Mention - Nevia 'Melaine Martinez'
- Honourable Mention - Falisha 'Ah, It's Team Time'.
- Honourable Mention - Caitlynn 'Purple Midnight'
- Honourable Mention - Herena 'Young Hope'
- Honourable Mention - Diffo 'Chaos in the Form of a Giant Monster'.
- Honourable Mention - Ashlyn 'I DARE YOU'

People's Choice Award

- Katie - 'A patch of Rats'



Design Technologies

Join Our Plastic Recycling Initiative!

We're thrilled to announce our new Design Technologies project that champions sustainability!

Our school is initiating a plastic recycling program to transform plastic bottle lids and waste 3D prints into innovative creations. We're calling on all families to participate by collecting and contributing plastic bottle lids, those marked with a recycling symbol #2 or #4. Your efforts will not only support our students' learning about responsible recycling but also contribute to crafting unique recycled products.

Please bring washed lids to Technologies in the bottom of North Building before the day starts.

Any students interested in being part of the project, be sure to select the Year 9 'Waste to Wonder' Inspire Elective during course counselling.



Sport

This term has been action-packed with a series of impressive sporting achievements from our students. Kicking off the term, our Year 7/8 boys' football team embarked on a challenging journey to Mount Barker in Week 3. Despite a narrow loss to Mount Barker High School, our team demonstrated resilience and skill, securing victories against both Oakbank and Birdwood. Their performance reflects their hard work and dedication, setting a strong foundation for future games.

MSC also made a significant impact at the SA Volleyball Schools Cup, with six teams representing our school in the state's largest volleyball tournament. With nearly 1,500 students competing across six venues, our teams faced tough competition. Our Year 8 Girls team showed great determination, finishing 5th, while the Year 8 Boys secured 7th place. The Year 7 Girls teams both competed fiercely, with one team proudly earning the Bronze medal and the other finishing just behind in 4th place. The Year 7 Boys also had an outstanding run, with one team narrowly missing out on the gold, finishing 2nd, and the other putting up a strong fight for 4th place after a tough match against Brighton Secondary School.

These achievements highlight the strength of our sports program and the dedication of our students and staff.



Science Week

The theme of Science week this year (August 10-18) has been “Species survival – More than just sustainability”. Students and teachers engaged their scientific skillsets to explore biodiversity, endangered species and changing populations through both in-class and optional extra activities. Students participated in practical activities, escape rooms, a lunchtime codebreaking challenge and the national science week quiz. Daily quizzes were popular throughout the week, with year 8 student Yashva answering the highest number of questions correctly and demonstrating the strongest knowledge about biology. Congratulations to the students from Blue who scored the most correct quiz responses across the week.



Key Dates Term 3

Wed, 28 Aug	Morialta Music Showcase
Mon, 2 Sept	School Closure Day
Tues, 3 Sept	Student Free Day
Thurs, 5 Sept	College Tour
Tues, 10 Sept	Governing Council
Tues, 24 Sept	College Tour
Fri, 27 Sept	End of Term, Early Dismissal 2.20pm



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