

Morialta Messages

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September 2024 morialtasecondarycollege.sa.edu.au Dear Morialta Secondary College Community,

As we conclude Term 3, I am pleased to reflect on some of the highlights that have occurred this term.

This term we have introduced an exciting new community partnership with Bene Aged Care at St Agnes. This collaboration supported our Italian program by connecting students with the local Italian-speaking community. It enriched our Italian program by providing deeper insights into Italian culture and fostering valuable intergenerational relationships.

Our performing arts program continues to be a dynamic part of our college culture. This term we hosted the Hot Potato Band for the second consecutive year. Their visit inspired our students and provided them with the opportunity to engage with professional musicians. Our 2024 Instrumental Music Showcase highlighted the remarkable talent and dedication of our students, giving them a platform to share their achievements with the school community.

We were also thrilled to announce that Morialta Secondary College will present its inaugural school musical in 2025. Our 2025 Sports Day is scheduled for Friday, November 8, which falls in week 4 of Term 4. We anticipate this event will be a highlight of the school year, celebrating our students' athletic and sporting achievements.

We are currently in the process of recruiting additional teachers for 2025 in areas such as Digital Technologies, Music, English/Humanities, Science, Maths, PE/Outdoor Education, Italian, and English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EALD).

In term 4 we will welcome our new year 7 students for 2025 for their primary transition days in week 8. Approximately 200 year 7 students will join us in 2025 as we add one more year level. It will be exciting to welcome our new students and staff as we continue to build the Morialta Secondary College community together.

Thank you for your continued dedication and support for our college.

Warm regards,

Roley Coulter Principal





Governing Council Invitation

Families are invited to attend our next Governing Council meeting on Tuesday 5 November at 6.30pm in the library if you would like to contribute to the discussion of our proposed Material & Service Charge for 2025.

Morialta Secondary College governing council proposes that the Material & Service Charge for 2025 be set at \$910 for all Secondary student (Years 7 - 9). 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 1 November 2024.

Bene Aged Care - Fostering Community Connections

As part of our school's Inspire Program, Year 8 students had the incredible opportunity to engage with the residents of Bene Aged Care across three memorable visits. During this time, students and residents participated in a range of activities including life story sharing, arts and crafts, cooking and baking, music and dance, games and puzzles, gardening, memory boxes, and photography. These experiences allowed students to practice the Italian language while forging safe and meaningful connections with the community. A big thank you to everyone who made this collaboration such a success.







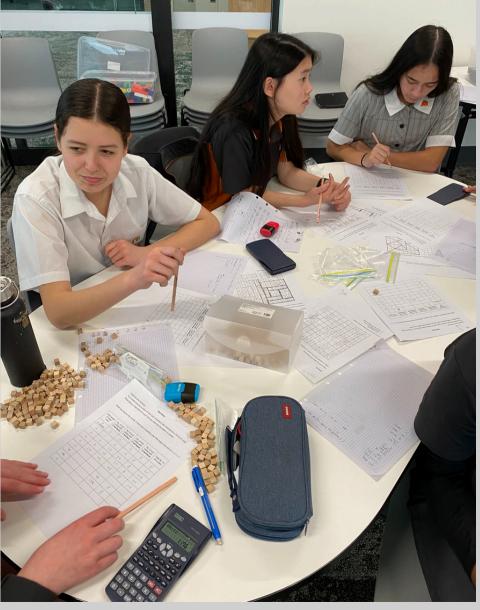




Stretch Program

On Friday of week 7, Year 8 students involved in the stretch program in Science and Mathematics engaged in a workshop to activate their mathematical reasoning and problem-solving skills. Students were challenged to consider how algebraic reasoning could be used to describe mathematical 'mind-reading'. They shared ideas related to generalising mathematical reasoning through clear communication. Then, they explored three-dimensional patterns to define how to manufacture a puzzle of any size fitting specific geometric criteria. Students reported finding this algebraic exploration challenging whilst enjoying the intellectual stimulation. They also greatly valued the opportunity to work with students from different classes and learn from others' perspectives whilst practicing how to think about mathematics creatively, learning how to generalise and refining their mathematical communication skills.







Our Year 7 and 8 Literary and Cultural Studies students had the opportunity to explore the form of poetry in their workshops this term. Year 7s considered the opposing constructs of Utopia versus Dystopia and expressed their understanding of Utopia as a counterpoint to real world issues in the creation of an interconnected artwork and poem. Year 8s, on the other hand, were introduced to the basics of literary theory, and interpreted Sylvia Plath's 'Mushrooms' via a range of critical perspective lenses. Student interpretations were interesting, varied, and informed by the critical perspective they applied to their reading of Plath's poem.

In Week 7, the Year 7 students extended their understanding of the central ideas in the novel assigned for shared study this term, Carole Wilkinson's Inheritance. Students embarked on a 'quest' into aspects of character, setting, narrative structure, motif and theme, and emerged with a far deeper appreciation of the literary purpose of Wilkinson's text.

Book Week

This year's celebration of book week was fabulous, yet again! The community spirit and the enthusiastic participation of our students and staff serve as a testament to our pillars of Belong and Become! This year's theme - 'Reading is Magic' – was evident in the array of characters and stories students and staff celebrated in the weird, wonderful and truly gorgeous costumes donned on the day. Thank you to all the students and staff for their wholehearted engagement.

Readers' Cup Winners:

7H - Zahra Kazmi, Joanie Gibson, Emelia Mullen, Tom Doyle 8C - Dania John, Xander Silis, Xinyi Zhou, Sudiksha Sardana, Sohansa Balage Dona

Costume awards:

The Willy Wonka Weirdest and Most Wonderful Costume Prize:

- Amira Mitchell
- Betania Ling
- Amelia Exley
- Andie Granger
- Serena Xiao
- Izzy Doley-Van Diemen

Miss Honey's Truest Character Prize:

- Mimi Jaradah
- Tom Doyle
- Ewan Thorpe
- Ember Foster

The Oompa-Loompas-doom-par-dee-doo-dress-up-like-agroup prize:

- Audrey Coleman & Sedrah Isa Scooby Doo characters
- Emelia Mullen (Willy Wonka), Tahlei Major, Vienna Camozzato, Riley Harris, Joanie Gibson, Ilia Kruger, Trinity Hock, Sreenanda Retheesh - Willy Wonka and the Oompa Loompas

The Trunchbull Staff Prize:

- Alicia Rice (The Wicked Witch from the Wizard of Oz)
- Alex Carter (A Viking Leif Eriksson from the SAGAs)









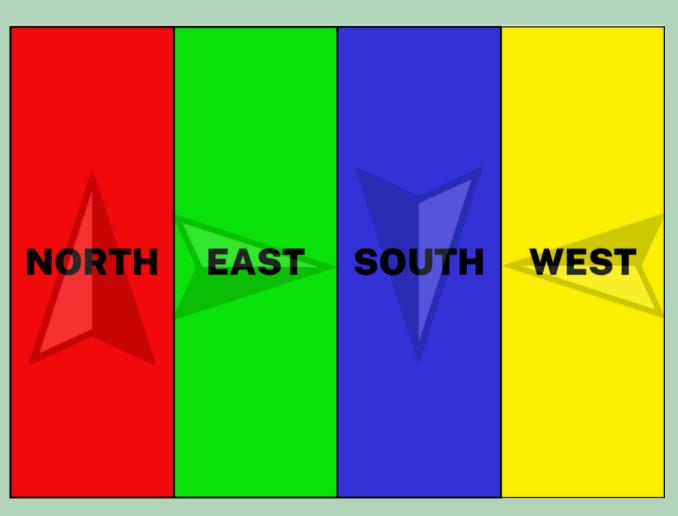






Sports Day 2024

We are excited to announce that our 2025 Sports Day will take place on Friday, 8 November. Families are invited to join us for a day of cheering and excitement as our students showcase their athletic abilities across a variety of sports, athletics, and fun novelty events. Mark your calendars for what promises to be a highlight of the school year, celebrating the achievements and efforts of all our students!





Earlier this term, our boys' soccer team made an exciting run, becoming the second Morialta team this year to reach the finals of the statewide competition! Their journey to the final included a thrilling trip to Port Pirie, where they played with heart and determination to secure their spot in the semi-finals.

Though the boys faced a tough opponent in St Columba and ultimately fell short 3-6, their incredible teamwork, effort, and sportsmanship throughout the season were inspiring. Making it to the finals is a huge achievement, and we couldn't be prouder of how well they represented Morialta. Congratulations to the team for their fantastic season!

Boys Statewide Soccer

Morialta Music Showcase

The Morialta Music Showcase was a celebration of talent, featuring over 150 students who performed in a spectacular display of musical prowess. The event highlighted the exceptional skills of our young performers through an Ensemble Show, which showcased our diverse extracurricular groups, and individual opportunities conducted by our dedicated Instrumental Teaching team, allowed our students to perform what they have been working on. It was fantastic to see our wonderful spaces at Morialta being creatively transformed into vibrant stages for music, enhancing the overall experience of the showcase.







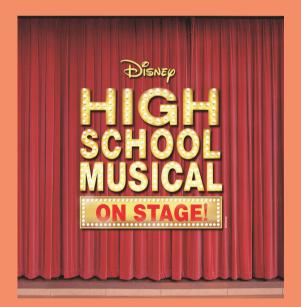




Musical Announcement



Morialta Secondary College is thrilled to announce our inaugural musical for 2025 is.......



Get ready to sing, dance, and cheer along as our talented students bring this iconic story to life on stage.

Stay tuned for behind-the-scenes sneak peeks, ticket info, and more! Trust us, you won't want to miss it.

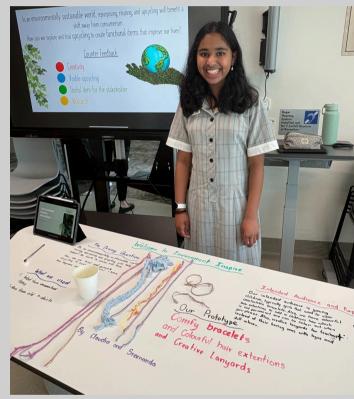
Watch the big reveal video to our students and see their excitement unfold!

P.S. no Book Week characters were harmed during the filming of this video.

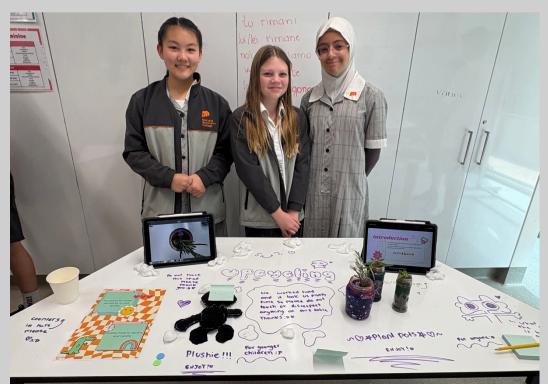
Inspire Showcase

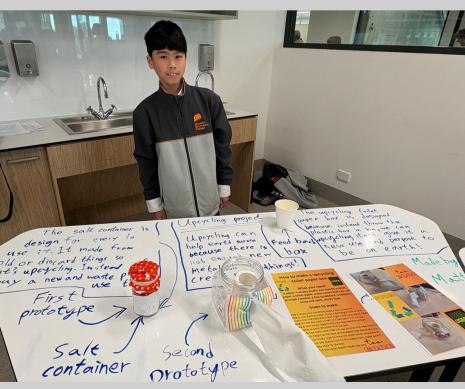
Our recent Inspire Exhibition was a fantastic celebration of student agency and innovation, where students used the design thinking process to develop creative solutions. The diverse and impressive outcomes showcased their talent and collaboration, from sharing meaningful community stories from the residents at Bene Aged Care to creating seasonal recipes as "celebrity chefs," all while building real-world capabilities beyond the classroom. The positive feedback from parents and the wider community was overwhelming, with many impressed by the high-quality work and the way students collaborated in their Inspire Crews. We are proud of their creativity, teamwork, and the way they represented our school in the community. Thank you to all who were able to attend and support our students' achievements!

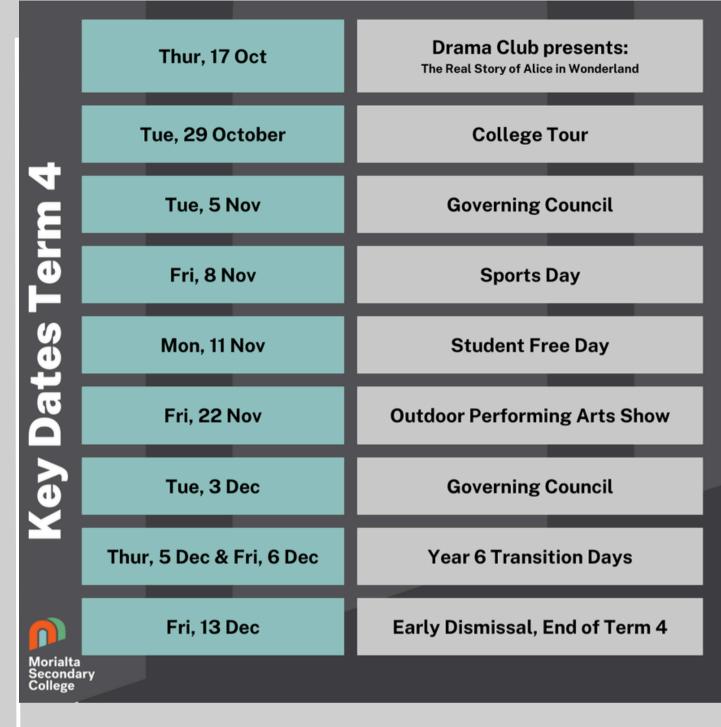














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