

# Newsletter

## Term 4

## Week 6

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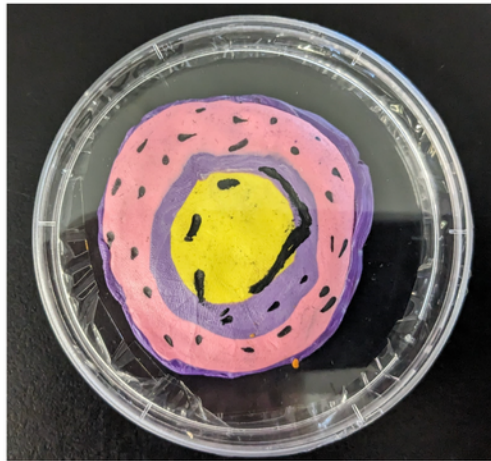
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# Faculty: Science

## Years 7 + 8

As part of their Term 3 Assessment, Year 7 students made models of the different cells and organelles that they had learned about.



Year 8 are currently studying body systems, a very hands on and gruesome unit.

Students have been cutting up various body parts to study their functions.

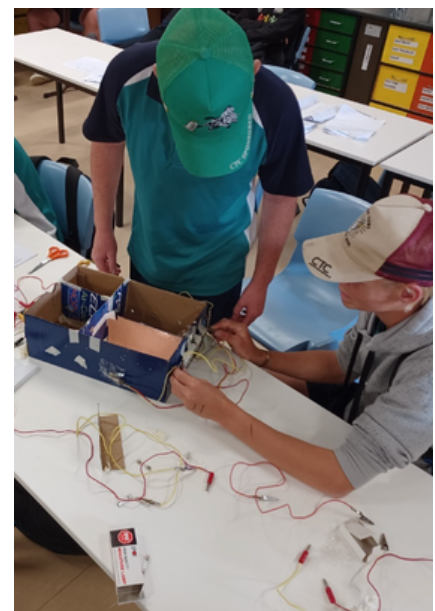


Students in Years 7 and 8 have sat their final exams during Week 6. In these exams, which cover all topics from the school year, students took the opportunity to demonstrate their learning and we applaud them for their efforts.

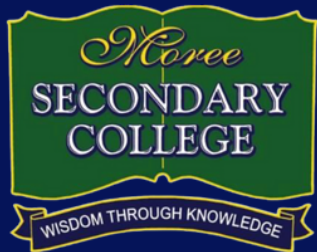
## Years 9 + 10

Earlier this year, Year 9 students explored how components of electrical circuits worked and the best way to wire a house with each room shining equally bright. A few photos from this unit are included here.

This term, Year 9 have been looking at causes of disease in humans and animals through inheritance and microbes. They investigated different surfaces such as door handles and laptop screens to see how much bacteria and fungi grow on them with interesting results! This unit helps students appreciate the importance of regularly washing hands and disinfecting surfaces to stay healthy.







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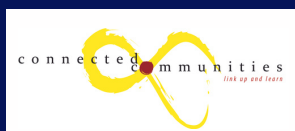
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During Term 3, Year 9 STEM studied the physics and engineering of water bottle rockets. They learned about aerodynamic stability and drag, newton's laws of motion, and equations that allowed them to estimate the altitude that their rockets reached. Students were motivated to fly their rockets through the goalposts in a test of accuracy and range.

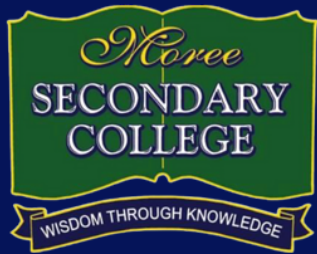
Video of rocket launch viewable here or scan QR code:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nb8gOZLqXgE>



Students in the Year 10 completing their VET Certificate 1 in Agrifoods course recently had a visit to Cowell Lagoon goat farm. Students had hands on experience mustering, drafting, docking, feeding and water maintenance and working the livestock. The students all met their competencies and were exemplary in their manners and workplace manner. After a hard days work students were treated to a lovely goat curry. A big thanks to Steven Long and Beth Hern for accommodating the visit!





# Faculty: Science



## Years 11 + 12

Last week our Year 11 VET Primary Industries students participated in a three-day fencing course at the TAFE Rural Skills centre.

With plenty of space available, the students constructed four different fences which was no mean feat in such a short time frame!

Students completed the course with the skills of different knot tying, constructing an end assembly, setting a strainer post by hand, straining wires, attaching barb wire and hinge lock netting.

A big thank you, to the Education Pathways Program for making this happen. Once students have completed all competencies they will be awarded with a nationally recognised Certificate 2 in Agriculture.



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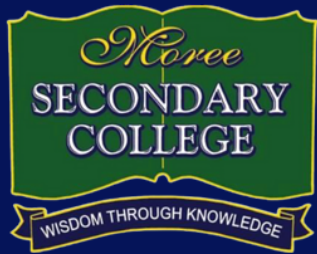
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Year 12 Agriculture have started their journey as future agronomists. Students have been studying physical and chemical characteristics of soil as well as performing a range of investigations. Students are now able to competently judge soil texture, structure and nutrient quality with the naked eye. Next, students will be progressing into the various agricultural nutrient cycles.



Our HSC students in Agriculture, Chemistry and Biology have their first tasks due during week 8. This is an important milestone and our teachers will be on-hand for support during this first submission.

## Student Work Experience

Our Year 9 students will be out and about completing their second round of work experience during Week 7. Thank you to all the local businesses and organisations who are hosting our students.

We have shared student experiences on our social media platforms - here are a selection of student comments.

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Year 9  
Work Experience



**Name:** Kye-Larnie & Meleise  
**Workplace:** Bella Sante  
**Highlight:** Learning about being a beautician

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MOREE SECONDARY COLLEGE

Year 9  
Work Experience



**Name:** Boston Sweeney  
**Workplace:** Essential Energy  
**Highlight:** Getting out and learning on the job

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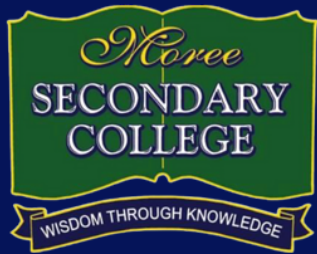
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# Term 4 - Important Dates

*Our school calendar is available via Parent Portal and our school website.*

*Regular updates are also shared to our school social media accounts.*

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### HSC Examinations

Monday 9 October - Friday 3 November

### Final Course Examinations / Assessments (Year 7 - 10)

Monday 6 November - Friday 17 November

### Year 9 Work Experience

Monday 20 November - Friday 24 November

### Last Day of Term 4

Friday 15 December

### *Other activities and events throughout the term*

Check-in Assessments for Years 7, 8 + 9

Many sporting opportunities including cricket

End of Year Pool Day

Pink Stumps Day

CAPA Showcase

End of Year Formal Assembly

Excellence, Distinction + Credit Level Excursions

## Uniform Reminder

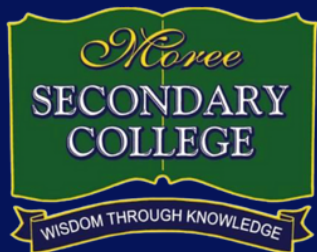
**All students are expected to attend school in full uniform every day. This includes appropriate footwear and jackets / outerwear with the MSC logo.**

**We will be making contact with families if students are out of uniform for a prolonged period.**

**Families can contact the Front Office at either campus to arrange the purchase of additional school uniforms.**

**For those families with money remaining from the floods, this can be spent on school uniform purchases.**





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# MSC Essentials

If you are unsure of what needs to be done in a specific situation, these informative tiles may help.

## Late to School

Students may arrive late to school from time to time. Please follow the process below.



All students who are late to school must report to the Front Office to sign in.

Students will be given a late slip and then directed to their class.



The late slip will show the date and time of the arrival and the reason for their lateness if there is one.

*Students who are late to school multiple times will be referred to the Welfare Team, who will call home and may then involve the Home School Liaison Officer.*

## Leaving School Early

Students may need to leave school early for appointments from time to time. Please follow the process below.

**All students must report to Front Office and sign out before leaving.**

Any student leaving school early must bring a note written by a parent or carer which includes leaving time and contact phone number.

### Years 7 - 9 (Carol Avenue Campus)

- Students are to bring a signed note to the front office at noted leaving time.
- Students will need to be signed-out by a parent or carer.

### Years 10 - 12 (Albert Street Campus)

- Students are to bring a signed note to the front office at noted leaving time.
- All notes are to be signed by Deputy Principal before student departure.
- Students will need to sign-out at the front office.

## Lost Property

We understand losing property at school happens from time to time. The office staff are happy to help!



All items of lost property are to be handed into the school office.

Any lost items can be claimed from the office staff during breaks.

We encourage students to carefully label all items of clothing and equipment with their name.



## Absence from School

Parents are required to explain the absence of their child from school within 7 days of the absence.

### How can we tell the school?



- Via a phone call to the school
- A text reply to the absence message
- A written note given to the Front Office

### What should a written note include?

Student full name + roll call class  
Date(s) absent from school  
Reason for the absence  
The date the note was written  
Parent/Carer signature

## Student Contact Information

Please ensure you update your contact details if there are any changes. This ensures we are able to contact you in the event of an emergency.

### How can we tell the school?



- Via a phone call to the school
- A written note given to the Front Office
- An email to the Front Office

## Feeling sick?

Unfortunately feeling sick at school happens from time to time. Thankfully our front office staff can help!

In the School Yard → Tell a teacher or go to the front office directly.

In the Classroom → Tell a teacher. They will send you to sick bay.



Office staff will contact parents. This should not be done by students.



If parents are able to collect sick student from school, follow 'leaving early' process for signing out.

If student cannot be picked up, they will be supported to return to class until the end of the school day.

**Still need help? Contact the relevant school office.  
Students can also speak to their Year Advisors for support.**

