A NOTE FROM SENIOR YEARS LEADERSHIP

Each year on November 11 Australians observe one minute silence at 11am, in memory of those who died or served in all wars and armed conflicts.

Remembrance Day has been observed by the Commonwealth states since the end of World War One. Hostilities formally ended on the “11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month” – 11/11/1918. This year marks the 97th anniversary of the Armistice which ended the First World War (1914-1918).

The red poppy has become a familiar emblem of Remembrance Day due to the poem ‘In Flanders Field’. These poppies bloomed across some of the worst battlefields of Flanders and their brilliant red colour has become a symbol for the blood of soldiers spilled during war.

At MOC, a field of poppies was created by students and ‘planted’ near the amphitheatre on Wednesday morning. An early recess was scheduled to allow all students to be in class to observe one minute’s silence at 11am.

Thank you to the Senior Years students who supported today by wearing their cadet uniforms, reading the Ode and leading the Last Post for the minute’s silence.

For more information about Australians at war visit https://www.awm.gov.au/commemoration/

Kathleen Hoare
Executive Leader (Years 7-12)
CHILDREN’S SERVICES CERTIFICATE III

“I love working with the children – it is so much fun, not like work. I did not think a job could be so good. I am so excited about my future in child care.”

VIEWPOINT

“Hello, my name is Karen Fry and I am currently teaching Stage 2 Research Project, Stage 1 Aboriginal Studies and Stage 1 Literacy. I joined Smithfield Plains High in 2008 and MOC in 2011. I originally came from Darwin and have been settled in Adelaide for the past 25 years. I worked in various schools as an Aboriginal Education Worker before enrolling into a teaching course. I studied SOSE and Aboriginal Studies at the University of Adelaide and graduated in 2007. In my spare time during the football season I work as a volunteer for the local football club.”

STUDENT NEWS: Operation Flinders

In Week 2 and 3 a group of female students from MY and SY participated in Operation Flinders - a 560 kilometre hike in the Flinders Ranges. The participants hiked for eight days carrying packs of up to 20 kilos - each member carrying their food, water, clothing and sleeping gear for the entire trip. There were many highlights and throughout the week the girls hiked over 70 kilometres, learnt how to abseil and climbed to the top of six mountains. Everyone agreed that it was a terrific experience and well worth the effort as they had a unique opportunity to experience the nature and wildlife of the Flinders Ranges, whilst working as a team and supporting each other. The team overcame many obstacles throughout the week and ultimately learnt a lot about themselves and their capacity to succeed under pressure with a positive mindset.

Chris Gower and Sam Wesson

WELL BEING AT MOC

The Character Strength focus is FORGIVENESS AND MERCY. This means that you are able to forgive someone who has done something wrong by you, and that you are able to give someone a second chance. In addition your philosophy is based on mercy rather than revenge, and you do not hold grudges. This also means being kind to yourself too.

Maryjane Tenison Woods - Coordinator of College Well Being

SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE

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All babies, children and young people under 18 years are welcome.

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