**Principal’s Report**

**Feedback**

The focus of staff professional learning over the past semester has been Assessment and Feedback. Research shows that feedback to and from students has a significant impact on improving student outcomes. Staff have been reviewing strategies and alternatives for providing quality feedback that gives students information on where they are going with their learning, how they are going and what they need to do to further improve. Currently, all students are completing their Evaluation surveys which will provide valuable feedback to teachers.

**Reports**

Feedback about student assessment tasks has been continually made available on Daymap throughout the semester. As a result, detailed semester reports are no longer provided. A summary of the progress will be sent home at the end of term indicating student achievement. Included in this mail will be instructions for providing quality feedback that gives students information on where they are going with their learning, how they are going and what they need to do to further improve. Currently, all students are completing their Evaluation surveys which will provide valuable feedback to teachers.

**End of Term**

Year 10 and Year 11 students have been completing exams this week and will continue into next week. All students undertaking a Unit 3 subject will complete their GAT next Tuesday, while Year 9 and Year 12 VCAL students will be involved in a Careers week. The Careers program and exams will be spread across the two campuses. During the last two weeks of term, we will begin Semester 2 classes. This won’t have an impact on VCE classes. Timetables will change for Year 7-10 campuses. During the last two weeks of term, we will be sent home at the end of term indicating student achievement. Included in this mail will be instructions for providing quality feedback that gives students information on where they are going with their learning, how they are going and what they need to do to further improve. Currently, all students are completing their Evaluation surveys which will provide valuable feedback to teachers.

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**Federation Uni Visit**

Recently Federation University came to visit the Year 11 cohort. There were some practical activities that got the students thinking about what their pathways are and they were able to identify how they might cope in a university environment. The session provided students with some valuable insights.

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- **JUNE 8**: End of year assemblies: Year 7 period 2, Year 8 period 4
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**Clay Target Shooting Winter Sports 17th May 2016**

This year our local schools winter sports competition was hosted by Swan Hill Clay Target Club. The two local schools, Swan Hill College and Mackillop College, were in attendance, as well as shooters from Kerang Technical High School and Cohuna Secondary College.

Thirty-four students participated on what was a great Mallee day. The day was made possible by Nioa, and Swan Hill Fishing and Shooting. We were very grateful for the sponsorship. The conditions were excellent and the students very keen. Some students were having a go for the first time and others were seasoned campaigners. With the help of parents, teachers and club members, the day ran smoothly and safely. There were quite a few shoot offs. The first shoot off lasted for 20 targets between the best senior and junior boy. Two other shoot offs were also required to determine places in the Senior and Junior Boys sections. It was good to see girls participating on the day and we hope more can be encouraged to have a go. In the past we have had some excellent female shooters from the district and it would be good to see this again.

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