

COMMUNITY UPDATE

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Pictured above: Alicia has joined our Early Years team at Murrayville.

New face at Murrayville

We are excited to welcome Alicia Hogan to our Early Years team. Alicia has been appointed the Murrayville ELC Kinder Teacher for 2023. She has a double degree in education and disabilities and is currently studying a Cert III in education and care. Alicia is originally an Ouyen girl, and has moved back to the Mallee with her young family. The staff, families and children at Murrayville ELC are delighted Alicia is now a part of the team. Congratulations Alicia - we wish you all the best for 2023.

Sharing a meal on Australia Day

While many in the community took the chance to enjoy a day off on Australia Day, many of our staff were hard at work providing important care and services.

To celebrate the public holiday our teams on site were able to enjoy a lunch of chicken, cheese and coleslaw rolls together, followed by a helping of pavlova!



Pictured above: Our teams took the chance to celebrate together on Australia Day.



Mobile Eye Care

The Optometrist is returning to Ouyen February 2023

Call now to make an appointment on (03) 8412 0444

Our clinics will be located at

Mallee Track Health & Community Service
28 Britt St, Ouyen

Monday 20th February to Thursday 23rd February

- All appointments are bulk billed for Medicare Card holders
- Reduced cost glasses are available for:
 - Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people
 - Health Care or Concession Card holders
 - Dependents of Health Care or Concession Card holders
 - DVA Gold Card holders



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GP Coverage for Mallee Track Medical Clinic Ouyen

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
		FEB. 1 Dr Zeli Sobantu	FEB. 2 Dr Zeli Sobantu	FEB. 3 Dr Zeli Sobantu
FEB. 6 Dr Zeli Sobantu	FEB. 7 Dr Jane Russell Dr Zeli Sobantu	FEB. 8 Dr Jane Russell Dr Zeli Sobantu	FEB. 9 Dr Jane Russell Dr Zeli Sobantu	FEB. 10 Dr Zeli Sobantu
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FEB. 20 Dr John Young	FEB. 21 Dr John Young	FEB. 22 Dr John Young	FEB. 23 Dr John Young	FEB. 24 Dr John Young
FEB. 27 Dr John Young	FEB. 28 Dr John Young	MAR. 1 Dr John Young	MAR. 2 Dr John Young	MAR. 3 Dr John Young

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Risk of viruses 'very high'

Victoria's Health department is continuing to warn about the increased risk of mosquito-borne viruses in the state's north.

According to the department, there have been more detections of Murray Valley encephalitis (MVE) virus in mosquitoes trapped at multiple locations across northern Victoria.

These results indicate a significant risk to people in these areas, including Mildura and northern Victoria's inland river regions.

The risk area for MVE virus is similar to that for Japanese encephalitis virus (JEV) and the risk of human cases in the coming weeks is very high. Residents and people visiting northern Victoria are strongly advised to take measures to reduce their risk of mosquito bites:

- Residents, visitors and event patrons should wear an appropriate repellent at all times when outdoors.
- Cover up – wear long, loose-fitting, light-coloured clothing.
- Avoid time spent outdoors at dusk and dawn as much as possible, including for events.
- Eliminate breeding sites by emptying out any standing water near your home.

A creative outlet

Right through summer, our Ouyen hostel residents have been enjoying craft activities.



Pictured above: Dot enjoys a spot of creativity at the Ouyen aged care hostel.



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