Moyston Primary School

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Moyston Primary School aims to develop in our students a purpose of belonging and an understanding of the importance of taking responsibility for their own learning. This is to take place in a caring learning environment that engages students to work towards achieving their personal best in an atmosphere of mutual respect and cooperation, and assisting them to become valued members of the community.

Our first school assembly for 2015 last Thursday.

We are looking forward to a fantastic year at Moyston Primary School this year. Along with our new Prep student Henry, we would also like to welcome JJ, a new student joining us in Grade 6.

We are very excited to have Natalie Dowsett joining us as a permanent teacher in the 3-6 classroom with Anthony.

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WORKING BEE

TOMORROW NIGHT
(Friday 6th February)
3.30pm—4.30pm

If you are available to help for an hour tomorrow after school, I would like to move the garden shed and pull down the fence behind the portable. Sorry for the late notice.
School Administration Hours

Lyn is available in the School Office at the front of the main building on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8.30am. Kelly is in the School Office on Thursdays.

School Hours

Children are permitted in the school grounds between 8.30am and 3.45pm

Morning assembly: 9.00am (Monday only)
School begins: 9.00am
Morning recess: 11.00am—11.30am
Lunch: 1.00pm—1.45pm
Afternoon jobs/recess: 2.30pm—2.45pm
School Dismissed: 3.30pm

Fees

$120 First child, $100 2nd child, $80 3rd child, 4th child FREE. Early bird discount on first child if paid before END OF TERM 1.

The school levy covers all books, pens, paper, library fee and some excursions.

Families are also able to make a lump sum payment to the amount of their choosing e.g. $300 at any time. Lyn can then deduct fees, uniform, excursions and any other charges from the balance as they arise.

Conveyance Allowance

Conveyance Allowance is a payment made by the Department of Education to families who live further than 4.8kms from the nearest school, providing they are attending the closest school to their home and not riding on a government provided school bus.

Parent helpers

Parents are encouraged to participate in all areas of our school program. We welcome parents in the classroom to assist with reading, maths, cooking or any other area of interest. Parents are also welcome to join us during our morning walks and on various excursions throughout the year.

Moyston Primary School also has an open door policy. Parents are welcome to come in at any time to talk to staff about their children or any other school matters.

Communication

Newsletter

The Moyston Primary School newsletter is given to students weekly.

The newsletter has all current information for parents and students regarding excursions, school activities, uniform, lunch orders, school council, community notices, projects, working bees, book club, student achievements and photos.

The newsletter is also uploaded to our school website each week.

www.moystonps.vic.edu.au

Facebook

The school also has a Facebook page.

www.facebook.com/moystonprimaryschool

On this page you will find a lot of the latest news and photos from Moyston PS, as well as links to the website. This is a fantastic way to share news from our school with extended family and friends.

Reports

Student reports are issued at the end of Term 2 and 4. Parent/teacher interviews will be held throughout the year.

Term 1—Week 4 and 8
Term 2—Week 5
Term 3—Week 4 and 8
Term 4—Week 5
Happy Birthday to Kiara and Ethan who both celebrated their birthdays last Friday. Kiara turned 11 and Ethan turned 7! Today we also celebrated Jake’s 11th birthday!

Sun Smart
Moyston Primary School is a Sun Smart school and wide brimmed hats must be worn at all times when outside during Terms 1 and 4. Each student’s wide brimmed hat is kept at school to avoid them being lost elsewhere or

Lunch Orders
Lunch orders are available from the school every Friday. Students are asked to please provide their order with correct money in a sealed envelope if they wish to place a lunch order. Details of the food available and prices are listed in our school newsletter each week.

THERE WILL BE NO LUNCH ORDERS TOMORROW (Friday 6th) due to the kitchen renovations. Lunch orders will resume next Friday with a new menu and prices in the Newsletter next week.

SCHOOL COUNCIL
Our first School Council meeting will be held next Tuesday 10th February at 6pm. Agenda, minutes and financial reports will be emailed to School Council members.
Swimming Trials at Willaura

Next Tuesday 10th February, the Grade 5 and 6 students will be participating in swimming trials at the Willaura Swimming Pool in conjunction with Maroona, Willaura, Lake Bolac and Bunagor Primary Schools.

The trials are to assess their ability for the Regional Swimming Sports.

A permission form has been sent home today for Grade 5 and 6 students.

Library

The MARC Van is a mobile Library van based at Great Western that visits Moyston fortnightly, giving the students access to a large collection of books to take home.

The MARC Van will visit the school next Tuesday.

Fruit time

Each day at 10.00am children are encouraged to eat their fruit. On Fridays the school provides free fruit to the children for ‘Free Fruit Friday’.

Student Details

Copies of each student’s full enrolment details are also being sent home today.

Parents are asked to please look over these details carefully and inform the school of any changes as soon as possible.
BLAZE AID

Donations of homemade food such as slices and biscuits are needed for the Blaze Aid volunteers.

Please take donations of food to the Moyston Oval.

At this stage, Moyston Primary School does not need to cater for the Blaze Aid meal next Friday.

Details of any catering required will be sent home to school families.

COMMUNITY DINNER

The February Community Dinner will take place tomorrow night (6th) at the oval from 6pm and is hosted by the Rhymney/Moyston Cricket Club.

Adults $15
Children $6 for a 2 course meal.

The theme for the evening is "Picnic in the Park"
Guests are encouraged to bring a picnic rug to sit on. There will also be some old time games for the kids.
MOYSTON OLDTIME DANCE

For many years now, our parents have supported the Moyston Oldtime Dance Committee by attending a number of times a year to help in the kitchen on these evenings, the 3rd Friday of the month.

All school families are asked to please provide 2 plates of cakes, savouries or slices for our rostered evenings which can be left at the school before 3.30pm or delivered to the Moyston Hall by 9pm on the dance evening.

Each year the Oldtime Dance Committee makes a donation to our school.

2015 OLDTIME DANCE ROSTER

February 20th
Spry & Johnston

May 15th
Keilar & Fitzpatrick

August 21st
Jackson & McKinnon

November 20th
Bennett-Farthing & White

If you are unable to attend on your rostered evening, please arrange a swap with another parent.

Portable redevelopment

The kitchen is well underway and very close to being finished. A big thank you must go to Gareth for his help with the plaster and to Charlie for his help with putting the drawers together. Thanks also to Lydia for cleaning the cupboards and pulling some staples out of the floor. If anyone has any spare time, they are more than welcome to come and assist with pulling out staples in preparation for polishing the floors.
The School Uniform for Moyston Primary School is compulsory and consists of Navy Blue shorts or pants and red polo shirt or jumper. Girls may also choose to wear red and white checked dress. Appropriate footwear must be worn to school e.g. sneakers.

The following items can be purchased through the school. Each item has been embroidered with the school logo.

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A reader bag, hat and drink bottle will be provided free of charge to each student when they first start at Moyston PS.

They are considered part of our school uniform. When these are damaged or lost, we ask that parents pay to replace them.

All students will receive a new drink bottle at the start of each year.

Drink bottles and hats are left at school each day.

Red polo T-shirts and navy shorts or pants can be purchased from various suppliers around Ararat or online.

Tops can be embroidered with the school logo at Embroidability in Ararat for a small charge.

Sports tops are kept at the school and not available to purchase. These tops are provided to the students when they participate in various sporting events e.g. Moyston and District School Sports, Netball and Football events.
Some Romantic Evening
MOYSTON HALL BALL

Valentine's Day
Saturday FEB 14 2015
8pm

Featuring...
PARSO AND DAVE

$25 per head
Country supper provided - byo drinks

Dress - wear your wedding gown, or something red, or go 80's New Romantic, perhaps...

Bookings - Anne Marshall 53542536

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