

# Newsletter

No. 331 24th April 2024



**RESILIENCE** "I bounce back and don't give up. I make the right choice when dealing with difficult situations."

**RESPONSIBILITY** "I am trustworthy, reliable, and able to make safe and sensible decisions. I take ownership of my actions."

**EXCELLENCE** "I strive to always achieve my best."



This morning, we honoured people who have served, and those who continue to serve in Australia's armed forces.

Our school leaders will lay a wreath  
(made by Elisha)  
at the ANZAC ceremony at 10am in  
Ararat tomorrow.



**ANZAC DAY tomorrow 25/4 - No school**

**Friday 26/4 - School Sports at North Park in Stawell**

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# Calendar

\*this calendar is updated regularly and subject to change

Term 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 2	22nd April	23rd April	24th April	25th April <b>ANZAC DAY</b>	26th April <b>SCHOOL SPORTS</b> North Park Stawell
Week 3	29th April	30th April MARC VAN SCHOOL COUNCIL	1st May PLAYGROUP	2nd May Black Ranges Cross Country - St Arnaud Assembly 3pm	3rd May SWIMMING no.2 Pick up Ararat Fitness Centre 3.20pm COMMUNITY DINNER
Week 4	6th May	7th May	8th May	9th May	10th May Walk Safely to School Day SWIMMING no.3 Pick up Ararat Fitness Centre 3.20pm
Week 5	13th May	14th May MARC VAN	15th May	16th May STEM OPEN DAY 2pm Assembly 3pm	17th May SWIMMING no.4 Pick up Ararat Fitness Centre 3.20pm
Week 6	20th May BOOK FAIR all week ->	21st May	22nd May	23rd May Black Ranges Winter Sports	24th May Cluster Day - Willaura
Week 7	27th May	28th May MARC VAN SCHOOL COUNCIL	29th May	30th May Assembly 3pm	31st May SWIMMING no.5 Pick up Ararat Fitness Centre 3.20pm
Week 8	3rd June	4th June	5th June PLAYGROUP	6th June	7th June SWIMMING no.6 Pick up Ararat Fitness Centre 3.20pm
Week 9	10th June KING'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	11th June MARC VAN	12th June	13th June Assembly 3pm	14th June SWIMMING no.7 Pick up Ararat Fitness Centre 3.20pm
Week 10	17th June	18th June	19th June	20th June	21st June Cluster Day - Buangor
Week 11	24th June	25th June MARC VAN SCHOOL COUNCIL	26th June	27th June Assembly 3pm	28th June SWIMMING no.8 Pick up Ararat Fitness Centre 2.30pm End of term



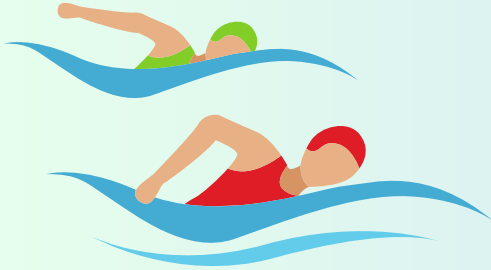
# Announcements

## INDOOR SWIMMING PROGRAM TERM 2

During Term 2, the whole school will be taking part in an indoor swimming program. These lessons will be held across the term on eight Friday afternoons.

\*Parents will be required to pick up students from the Ararat Fitness Centre at the end of the day on the following dates -

Friday 3rd May  
Friday 10th May  
Friday 17th May  
Friday 31st May  
Friday 7th June  
Friday 14th June  
Friday 28th June



## MOYSTON & DISTRICT SCHOOL SPORTS

The school sports with Pomonal, Halls Gap, Concongella and Great Western will be held at North Park in Stawell this Friday 26th April.

Parents will be required to transport students to and from the sports. Students are to be at North Park by 8.40am.

Students please wear running shoes and full school uniform, appropriate for sports.

**SCHOLASTIC**  
**Book Club LOOP**  
for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club  
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.  
To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:  
[www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP)

GET IT ON  
Google play

Download on the  
App Store

Book Club was sent home last week. Please place any order via the LOOP app by Thursday 2nd May.

## BLACK RANGES CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to Basil, Archie, Keiran, Flo, Alana and Hunter who all qualified for the Black Ranges Cross Country event. This will be held in St Arnaud next Thursday 2nd May. Permission forms have been uploaded to uEducateUs.



**SAVE THE DATE**

**Friday 10 May 2024**  
National Walk Safely to School Day

# Cross Country Cluster Day



Last Thursday we held a Cluster day at Moyston with Pomonal, Willaura, Maroona and Buangor Primary Schools. Students participated in three rotations - Cross Country races, ANZAC Day art and Winter and School Sports practice.



# Junior



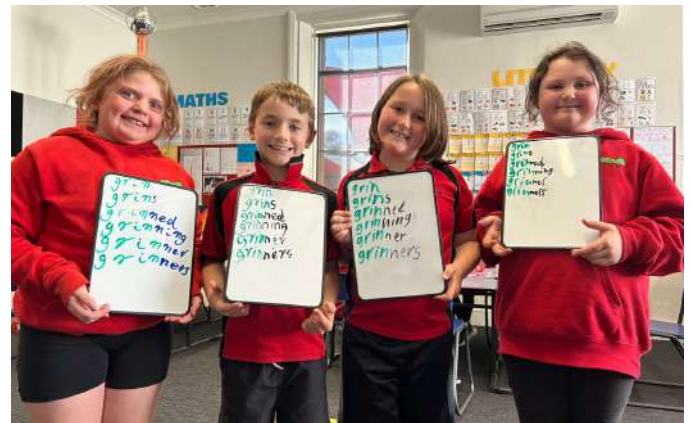
In the Junior room this week we have been learning about addition facts. We have been focussing on 'friends of 10'.

As a class we made a friends of 10 rainbow pairing up to make the arches.



During literacy this week, Pink Group have been learning about doubling the consonant after a single short vowel when adding a vowel suffix.

Check out their wonderful word families!



In Geography we have been understanding our place in the world. We crafted these to show how we can keep zooming out and keep getting smaller and smaller!



# Middle



To celebrate the hard work of the first term, we had a party on the 28th of March, the last day of term 2. The students played musical chairs, danced to the limbo rock and had a piece of cake!

Spelling Mastery  
- Group B  
working hard at  
learning their  
spelling which  
happens  
everyday at  
10:15am



## Maths Addition with Trading

The students learned vertical addition using MABs to add and carry over to the next place.



## Literacy - Shared Reading time

Maddie and Shaye retelling the story called "Jetty Jumping", using the 'Wh' questions as prompts.



## Geography

The students were asked to observe the features of the land in and around our school yard and note the interdependence of creatures to the vegetation & soil. They were also encouraged to collect objects and record these using a chart. They went on two nature walks and used their five senses as a means to gathering relevant information and drawing conclusions from this.

## Writing

Using the 'show don't tell' strategy in our writing of recounts of holiday events.

### 'Day at the Rodeo' (Matilda)

"Mum got me a big burger. It was very squishy. Eventually, I finished. I could hear people saying, "Go! Go! Go! Move...so many groans and neighs and moos."

### 'Dinos After Dark' (Emme)

"A dinosaur spat water at us! It felt cold as it soaked into my pants. When we were making pictures with stones, a cloud of mist from the volcano, floated over us."

### 'The Beautiful Murray River'(Paddy)

...As I woke up, I saw the beautiful orange sky with mist on the river...As I sat on my chair near the fire, I could feel the fire consuming the cold, as I adjusted to the light.

### 'The Big Crash' (Hunter)

...When I saw the truck, my jaw practically touched the ground. I begged and begged to go on it.

# Senior

Term 2 has seen a smooth start in the Senior Class. With all the positive routines established in Term 1, students have known exactly what is happening and what is expected of them.

In Literacy, a new Mentor text has been introduced to inspire their production of a Historic Recount. The text is about a famous soldier and Light Horse that fought in The Battle of Beersheba in World War 1. The students have completed their research into this story and the historic timeline it followed. We look forward to their own Historic Recounts on this story that they are now working on.

In Maths, students have reviewed their skills and knowledge related to Mental strategies related to Addition and will start looking into subtraction next week.

The Inquiry theme for this term is Geography, and students have looked into Anzac Day and the battle of Gallipoli. Students have identified the landscapes of where the landing took place and the significant historic names and locations around Anzac Cove in Turkey.

In Japanese Language, we introduced students to a wartime story that presented the significance of what the Crane (bird) has in Japan related to a symbol of peace. Students then attempted to construct an origami version of the crane.

Mr T.



# Outside School Hours Care



This week we got to bake some yummy pancakes, we continued to build and create with Lego, as well as make some pretty cool things out of cardboard and paper. Some of the things that were made include a basketball ring with a homemade ball by Freddie, some stress balls by Emme and a car by Louis. It has been heaps of fun!

Another reminder if you would like a holiday program for these upcoming holidays, please enquire ASAP, either by email to [AELC\\_Moystonoosh@outlook.com](mailto:AELC_Moystonoosh@outlook.com), or by calling 0482 048 975. As always you can also come and chat with us, we are out at Moyston PS every morning, as well as Monday and Tuesday afternoons.



## Snake Sculpture

Make sure you check out the progress of our beautiful snake!

Thank you Charlotte and Franki for all of your help!



Happy Birthday Craig!  
Thanks for everything that you do to keep our buildings and grounds looking so beautiful!





# Swimming Program



Last week we had our first indoor swimming lesson at the Ararat Fitness Centre.

All students participated in the swimming and water safety program, as well as some sports practice on the basketball courts.

There is no swimming this week due to the school sports on Friday.

Our next swimming lesson will be next Friday 3rd May.



# Easter Market



School Council organised a Moyston Primary School stall for the Moyston Easter Market held on Easter Saturday.

Thank you to everyone who baked and donated goods, and to everyone who helped set up and run the stall.

An amazing effort by everyone involved, over \$2,000 was raised for the school!

Well done!



## GARDEN & SUSTAINABILITY

Last week we welcomed Martin to our school.

Martin will be assisting our school with our Sustainability program and school garden each fortnight.



# Upcoming events



**Moyston PLAYGROUP**

**Upcoming Playgroup Events**

- May 1st- Mothers Day vase craft
- June 5th- Recycle, junk & loose parts play
- July 3rd- No Playgroup School Holidays
- August 7th- Fathers Day craft
- September 4th- RUOK cupcake decorating

First Wednesday of each month  
**Moyston Primary School**  
9.30am – 11.15am

The Ararat Maternal Child & Health Nurse will be on site. Please check our socials prior to the day



**MOYSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL IS 150 YEARS OLD IN 2024**

We will be acknowledging and celebrating this milestone throughout the year.

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
A weekend of celebration will be held on **Friday 1st and Saturday 2nd November 2024.**

More details to come.

If you, a family member or anyone you know has any previous connections with Moyston Primary School and would like to share any photographs or memorabilia, please contact Kelly on 0402 340 601 or email [moyston.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:moyston.ps@education.vic.gov.au)



**Ararat Scout Group**

**Come and Try Scouts**

Adventure  
New friends  
Life skill

3 Free Sessions

Joeys & Cubs: 5-10 years 6:15-7:15pm  
Scouts: 11-15 years 7:00-8:30pm

For more information, contact the Leader in Charge:  
[glararat@scoutsvictoria.com.au](mailto:glararat@scoutsvictoria.com.au)  
Or Socials:  
Facebook: @araratscoutgroup  
Instagram: @araratscouts

Cnr of Queens St and Pyrenees Hwy  
on Monday Nights



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**MOYSTON PS**

~ 2 course meal ~  
Lasagna, chips & salad  
followed by sticky date  
& chocolate puddings  
with ice-cream

Please RSVP by Wednesday 1st May  
Moyston Community Meal Facebook  
Page or text the Moyston PS school  
mobile on 0402 340 601

# Moyston Community Dinner

*Friday 3rd May  
6pm*

Adults ~ \$20.00  
High School students ~ \$10.00  
Primary School students ~ \$6.00  
Under 5 ~ Free

Raffle tickets \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00  
Cash or Direct Deposit into  
**Moyston PS Official Account**  
BSB 063 500 Account 1004 3733



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Please use your **FAMILY** name as a reference if you are making a payment to the school.

