

Newsletter

No. 313– 9th Dec. 2022



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. I try to be as good as I can."



SCHOOL SLEEPOVER!

Last week, the junior room had their school sleepover! They had been looking forward to this event for a long time. One of the highlights was heading to Ballarat the next day for a surprise Pevan & Sarah performance!

**SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
MONDAY 12th DECEMBER**

9am

All welcome!

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Calendar

Term 4	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 10	5th Dec Grade 6 fun day out	8th Dec	7th Dec PLAYGROUP Cluster Day Cyber Safety 4-6	8th Dec	9th Dec PREP TRANSITION 9am - 11.30am Christmas Community Dinner
Week 11	12th Dec ASSEMBLY	13th Dec STATEWIDE TRANSITION DAY ALL DAY School council	14th Dec	15th Dec Extraordinary School Council meeting	16th Dec
Week 12	19th Dec School Concert / Grade 6 Graduation 3pm	20th Dec LAST DAY OF SCHOOL! 1pm picnic lunch Water fight 2.20pm dismissal			



Friday 27th January 2023	Staff return
Monday 30th January 2023	Staff planning/Curriculum Day
Tuesday 31st January 2023	Grade 3-6 students start school, testing for Prep-Grade 2 (a schedule will be provided)
Wednesday 1st February 2023	Grade 3-6 students at school, testing for Prep-Grade 2 (a schedule will be provided)

STAFFING 2023

Junior room (Prep, Grade 1 & Grade 2) - Zoe Hogan

Middle room (Grade 3 & Grade 4) - Michelle Savoia

Senior room (Grade 5 & Grade 6) - Emily Oliver

PRINCIPAL - The Principal position is currently in process and an announcement will be made to the school community before the end of the school year.

Announcements

END OF YEAR CELEBRATION - COSTUMES

Students were sent home with details of what they need for the end of year celebration at the Moyston Hall at 3pm on Monday 19th December. If you have any trouble sourcing what has been requested, please let us know and we can help you out.

FAREWELL JOANNA

Last week we farewelled Joanna. Joanna has been on placement at Moyston PS for Term 3 and 4 as a Provisional Psychologist. The staff and students have loved having Joanna at school and we wish her all the best for the remainder of her studies and her future career!



SCHOOL VALUES

Kiora, Kayla and Billy were drawn out of all of the students who had received School Value Awards for Term 3.

They were rewarded with a special visit to the Moyston General Store for an ice-cream with Ms Dowsett!

School Sleepover



Last week the Junior class had their School Sleepover.

On Thursday night we went out for dinner to the Ararat RSL.

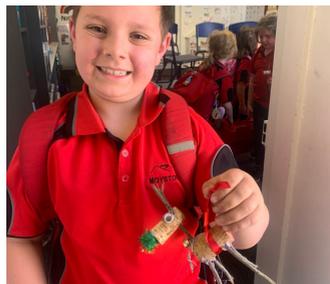
On Friday we then had the "best day EVER" in Ballarat at a surprise Pevan & Sarah live show, followed by a play and party at Fun Bugs.



Junior Class



Last Thursday we visited Hamish at Carey Street Kinder for lunch and a play.



We made some super cute Christmas reindeer out of corks, sticks, pom poms and bells in Art this week.

Middle Class



The middle class enjoyed making story characters with scrap paper with their young buddies from the junior class.



Students joined up with the senior class to make kindness lists and also do some research on Christmas traditions in other countries.



The kindness lists were then used to make Kindness Calendars for December



Australian Landform Map Models



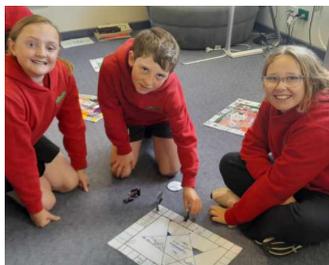
The latest addition to our Middle Class, Jeffrey Bear! Jeffrey was learning his spelling diligently! Jack enjoyed giving Jeffrey a cuddle while reading on the computer.

Senior Class

Senior students have been busy designing and making their own board games!

They have also completed a term project on a country of their choice, comparing their chosen country to Australia.

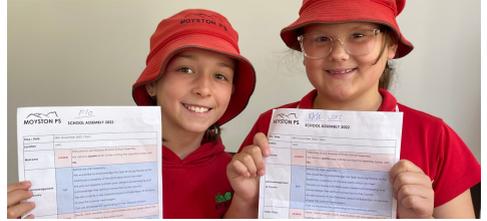
Students then presented their projects to the class.



MATILDA

This week we have welcomed Matilda to our school. Matilda is studying to be a Learning Support Officer and has been enjoying spending time in each classroom.

Assembly 28/11



Thank you to our assembly hosts, Flo and Jasmin! We had some lovely presentations from each class, as well as reading and school value awards.

Our final assembly of the year will be held on Monday 12th December at 9am.



CYBER SAFETY

This week, the Grade 3-6 students participated in a cyber safety session with students from Maroona, Buangor and Pomonal. Susan McLean presented 90-minute session on Respect and Responsibility. They completed a comprehensive three-page workbook which reinforced the learning outcomes. The book was signed by the students then taken home to be signed by a parent/guardian to acknowledge and reinforce the content discussed.



Grade 6 Day Out!

On Monday, Koby, Owen and Olivia visited Melbourne with Ms Dowsett for a special Grade 6 day out! They spent the day exploring the Melbourne Aquarium followed by a special glass bottom boat experience!



PLAYGROUP
Christmas craft in
the junior room
this week!



Lions Club of Ararat

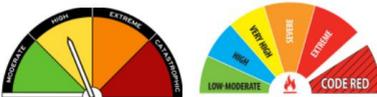
Thank you very much to the Lions Club of Ararat for their very generous donation of new classroom headphones for our students!



Happy 1st Birthday Rue!



AUSTRALIAN FIRE DANGER RATING SYSTEM



Current Victorian Fire Danger Rating	New Australian Fire Danger Rating	Key messages for the community
Catastrophic	Extreme	If a fire starts and takes hold, lives are likely to be lost. For your survival leave bushfire risk areas.
Extreme	Severe	Fires will spread quickly and be extremely dangerous. Take action now to protect your life and property.
High	Very High	Fires can be dangerous. Be ready to act.
Moderate	High	Most fires can be controlled. Plan and prepare.

The new Extreme fire danger rating under the AFDRS will cover a broader scope of fire danger ratings combining the current Severe and Extreme fire danger ratings.

In addition, Code Red will now be known as Catastrophic fire danger.

As a result, the triggers for pre-emptive relocation and closure on elevated fire danger days will be adjusted slightly to reflect this new system.

As per current arrangements, all schools on the BARR (Category 1-3) and Category 4 list (Moyston), regardless of risk category, must close on a forecast Catastrophic FDR day under the AFDRS (currently Code Red FDR) in their weather district, and their buses will be cancelled. All other buses which travel through the Catastrophic FDR area will also be cancelled.

November



Thank you to everyone who participated in our crazy hair/November day!

Well done to Gareth on his fundraising efforts to raise money for men's mental health, and for being a great sport shaving off his moustache and his hair!



Recount of November Day in Moyston

Yesterday we had a sausage sizzle because Gareth was shaving his moustache off and if we raised \$500, he would shave his hair off...we did! So, he shaved his hair off.

Jack Fitzgerald

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MOYSTON PS

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR

END OF YEAR CELEBRATIONS!

MONDAY 19th DECEMBER
3pm-5pm at Moyston Hall

Grade 6 graduations
Student performances
Farewell Mr Cain
Awards
Visit from Santa

TUESDAY 20th DECEMBER
1pm-2:20pm at School

Families and friends are invited to join us on the last day of school for a BYO picnic lunch

We will also have our annual last day of school water fight (weather dependent)

School reports will be distributed and early dismissal of 2:20pm

Moyston PS Official Account

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

