# Newsletter

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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.





### SOVEREIGN HILL

Last week, the whole school visited Sovereign Hill to immerse themselves into the history of the 1850's.

As part of our 150th birthday celebrations this year, students have been studying history and learning about all aspects of life from the 1800's until the present day.

### 150th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Friday 1st November Formal Celebrations & Reunion

Saturday 2nd November Family Fun Day

Visit facebook.com/moystonprimaryschool or call 0402 340 601 for more info

Early dismissal 2.30pm tomorrow - Friday 20th September for end of term 3

Have a lovely holiday break!

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We would like to acknowledge the Djab Wurrung People as the traditional custodians of the land upon which we meet.

We pay our respects to their Elders past and present, and their ongoing connection to the lands we work, learn and play.

### Calendar

\*this calendar is updated regularly and subject to change

Term 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 10	16th Sept Golf tournament in Ararat	17th Sept  MARC VAN  Junior School  Council meeting	18th Sept	19th Sept	20th Sept End of Term 3 2.30pm dismissal

Term 4	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	7th October  Term 4 commences	8th October  Somers Camp - selected students	9th October  Somers Camp selected students	10th October  Somers Camp selected students	Somers Camp selected students Excursion Performance at Ararat Town Hall (whole school)
Week 2	14th October Somers Camp Cave Hill Creek Camp 2-3	15th October Somers Camp Cave Hill Creek Camp 2-3 School Council	16th October Somers Camp Cave Hill Creek Camp 2- 3	17th October	18th October
Week 3	21st October	22nd October Phillip Island Camp 4-6	23rd October Phillip Island Camp 4-6	24th October Phillip Island Camp 4-6	25th October Phillip Island Camp 4- 6
Week 4	28thOctober	29th October MARC VAN	30th October	31st October Black Ranges Cricket Blast	1st November 150 Year CELEBRATION

### **2024 SCHOOL CAMPS**

Grades 2 & 3 camp - CAVE HILL CREEK - 14th to 16th October 2024

Grades 4, 5 & 6 camp - PHILLIP ISLAND 22nd to 25th October 2024

Information letter, what to bring list, medical information form, medication authority form and current family financial statements have been sent home today.

Please sign and return medication information form ASAP. Medication authority is for students requiring medication while on camp.

### Parent Opinion Survey extended!

Our school is conducting the annual Parent /
Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey offered by the
Department of Education and is seeking your
feedback.

Our school will use the survey results to assist in identifying areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school, to target school planning and improvement strategies.

The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open online from

Monday 29 July to Friday 20 September 2024
All families are invited to participate in the survey.

### https://www.orima.com.au/parent

School PIN - this has been sent home in hard copy, or contact the school directly

# Tree planting











The school recently worked with Moyston
Public Parks to plant trees at the
Recreation Reserve as part of the Bees for
Trees program.











## Footy Open Day

Last week we held a footy colours Open Day! Thanks to all of the families who joined us for a hot dog lunch, followed by some football activities in the yard!















## Assembly 13/9



Last week, our assembly was hosted by Freddie and Keiran.

Students from the junior class shared some of their highlights from visiting Sovereign Hill during the week. Shaye and Stevie from the middle class read their narrative, and Cailin reported on some events happening in the middle classroom from the past two

Lilli, Siobhan and Isaac from the senior class provided a review of how Jaryd Clifford performed at the Paris Paralympics.









Students performed some songs and played some instruments that they have been learning in Music with Kirti.

Archie and Stevie provided a Junior School Council update, and teachers presented Reading and School Values awards.























# Sovereign Hill excursion











As part of our excursion to Sovereign Hill, we had some old photographs taken, participated in a mine tour, went on a horse and cart ride, panned for gold, did some shopping, candle dipped, watched a gold pour and a Blacksmith at work and loads more!

































# Father's Day









Students created 'Fathers' Day' cards and enjoyed embellishing the cards with bits and pieces. A lot of thought and effort went into the making of these special cards.









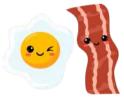


























## **Junior**





The juniors had lots of fun making shape trains during Maths.

Each piece had to have something in common with the one next to it e.g. colour or shape







## Prep/1 Day Out & Sleepover











The prep and grade 1 students recently went on their Big Day Out followed by a sleepover at school!

They had a great time with Miss Hogan and Ms Dowsett visiting the Melbourne Showgrounds for a Lego exhibitions, followed by a trip to Science works!

There were some treats on the way home before setting up camp for the night in their classroom!









## Middle









Cailin's grandfather, Poppy Pete, also came in to talk to the students about life in the late 50s and 60s and was happy to answer their questions. Some of the questions students asked Poppy were: What was your house like when you were a kid? What did you do for fun as a kid? When you were young, did they make you drink or eat anything at school? Thanks to John, Jennifer and Pete who made time to come in and talk to the students



#### MATHS - Money Shave made a few sweets for her sweet shop to learn about money and sold the students her 'pretend' muffins, ice creams and lollipops.

Card games Students played 'salute' to practise addition with missing addends and 'the balancing act' to make addition number sentences. They also played 'race to 100', to practise counting on.











### **SHOW & TELL**

Madison brought in her week old puppies for 'show and

Hunter brought in his 'Beyblades' for show and tell when we spoke about toys kids used in the past.



The students interviewed Emme's grandpa, John Clark, to get an understanding of what life was like in the past. Emme's grandpa John was born in 1940. and he came in to talk about the olden days and life when he was a little boy. He brought in his old car and talked about how the family went shopping in a horse cart and how he worked in the sawmill. When we went to Sovereign Hill, we were able to spot some of the items he'd mentioned such as inkwells and horse carts, money and lanterns.





#### **LITERACY**

The little croc that hatched out in a week has been named, 'Snappy', and is now going home with the 'Student of the Day', to experience some adventures with his friends. Emme was the first one to take him home on Thursday. She was very excited to be taking Snappy home and had a few things planned for his evening.







## Senior

The end of the term has come with a rush and our senior students have been living that theme up, rushing to complete topics, assessments and even experiencing what it was like in a gold rush when the school visited Sovereign Hill!











Physical Education presented students to the Paralympic activity of Goal Ball. Students had to remain seated on the ground, blind folded as they passed a ball (with two bells in it to recognise where it was) to their teammates in order to score in the end goals on the field. It was a challenging but really fun experience for all those that participated.

#### **HISTORY**

Students have explored what it was like to be a young person in colonial times. This was brought to life when all of the school visited Sovereign Hill. In an underground mine, students were given the opportunity to consider what it was like for a young miner (that was a similar age to them) who would start pushing a cart full of rocks, uphill that weighed hundreds of kilograms. They also witnessed what the classrooms were like if you went to school during those times, while also getting to see what were the skilled jobs that early settlers were lured to Australia or forced to the country to do.











### **MATHS**

Students completed a short topic on Money and created a budget for a week, after being introduced to the concepts of receipts, GST and percentage increases or decreases.

#### **LITERACY**

Students have been completing their Procedural texts that have been based on presenting the steps necessary to create a robot that improves their life. There has been quite a lot of imagination applied to the creation of this topic, being inspired by the book written by James Foley, Brobot. The book is about a girl inventor who doesn't like all the qualities of her baby brother, so she creates a robot that is an improved version.



The term has gone quickly, full of fantastic learning. We wish the senior class the best for their term holidays, stay safe and get rested for the final term of 2024.

Cooking





We had a visit from Cat Clarke who taught a cooking class with the students using Indigenous ingredients including kangaroo.

Students then sampled their creations for lunch!























Art

Students have been busy painting the artwork for our new shed wall art mural











# **Black Ranges Athletics**



Flo, Archie and Aerith recently competed in the Black Ranges
Athletics in Stawell.
All three students competed in the 100m sprint for their age group, Aerith and Archie also competed in long jump and Flo in Discus.
Flo and Archie placed third in both of their events.

Well done to all three students for representing Moyston PS so well!















## Golf

After our recent golf incursions with Tony, selected students competed in a school's golf tournament at Chalambar Golf Club in Ararat this week!











## Playgroup









### R U OK?

The children at Playgroup enjoyed decorating cupcakes for R U OK? day!





Moyston Primary School have been starting the conversation to connect with people who may be struggling. You don't need to be an expert to reach out - just a good friend and a great listener.

Use these four steps and have a conversation that could change a life:

- Ask R U OK?
- Listen
- Encourage action









### **EVACUATION DRILL**

As part of our Emergency
Management planning, we held an
Evacuation drill. After the alarm
was sounded and instructions given,
students assembled at the school
oval and then walked across to the
Moyston Recreation Reserve, our
off-site assembly point in
emergencies.

All students followed directions perfectly.





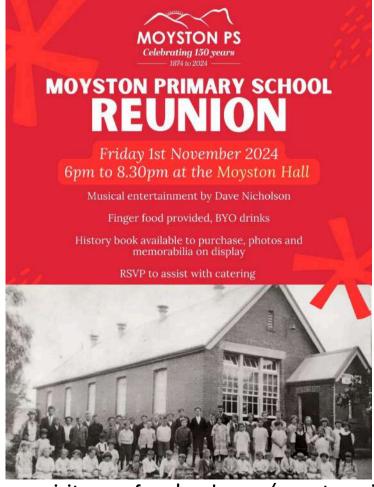
## 150th Celebration!



Please share the details of our 150th Birthday celebration events to anyone you may know who has a connection to the school and may like to attend

Event details are on our school Facebook page, and we would love people to RSVP via Facebook to assist with the organisation of these events.

You can also RSVP by contacting the school on 5354 2537 or 0402 340 601





## Upcoming events



### SEASON 024-2025

ARARAT LITTLE ATHLETICS

STARTING THURSDAY OCTOBER 17TH

Visit: www.lavic.com.au to register.



**Gordon Street Reserve** 

4:15pm arrival for 4:30pm start

**NEW MEMBERS** ALWAYS WELCOME!

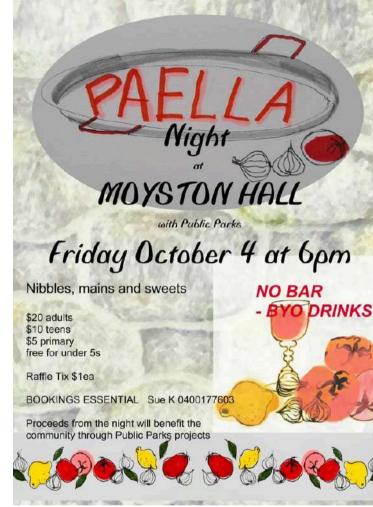


Fun, fitness & friendship for ages 5 - 16 years.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

- ararat@lavic.com.au
- Follow us on facebook

\*\*\* Note: New athletes can attend FREE for 2 sessions! Please register as a trialling athlete on the LAVic website.





### WEE

#### MONDAY 23RD

10am - 4pm: Drawing Station Ararat Gallery TAMA

2 - 4pm: Movie Monday Ararat Libary

#### **TUESDAY 24TH**

10am - 4pm: Drawing Station **Ararat Gallery TAMA** 

5pm - 7pm Pool Party **Ararat Fitness Centre** 

#### WEDNESDAY 25TH

10am - 4pm: Drawing Station **Ararat Gallery TAMA** 

2pm - 4pm Collage Story Activity Ararat Library

### SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

#### 23RD SEPTEMBER - 4TH OCTOBER 2024

#### THURSDAY 26TH

10am - 4pm Drawing Station **Ararat Gallery TAMA** 

3pm - 5pm \*Lego Club **Ararat Library** 

#### FRIDAY 27TH

10am - 4pm: Drawing Station Ararat Gallery TAMA

### WEEK

#### MONDAY 30TH

\*Stroke Technique Workshop **Ararat Fitness Centre** 

10am - 4pm: Drawing Station Ararat Gallery TAMA

2 - 4pm Movie Monday Ararat Libary

#### **TUESDAY 1ST**

\*Strake Technique Workshop

**Ararat Fitness Centre** 

10am - 4pm: Drawing Station Ararat Gallery TAMA

11am - 12pm

Mini Makers AM session

**Ararat Gallery TAMA** 

2pm - 3pm

Mini Makers PM session

Ararat Gallery TAMA

#### WEDNESDAY 2ND

\*Stroke Technique Workshop

**Ararat Fitness Centre** 

10am - 4pm: Drawing Station Ararat Gallery TAMA

#### \*BOOKINGS REQUIRED

#### THURSDAY 3RD

\*Stroke Technique Workshop

**Ararat Fitness Centre** 

10am - 4pm Drawing Station Ararat Gallery TAMA

3pm - 5pm: \*Lego Club **Ararat Library** 

#### FRIDAY 4TH

\*Strake Technique Workshop

Ararat Fitness Centre

10am - 4pm: Drawing Station Ararat Gallery TAMA

11am - 12.30pm Textile Craft AM session

**Ararat Library** 

2pm - 3.30pm

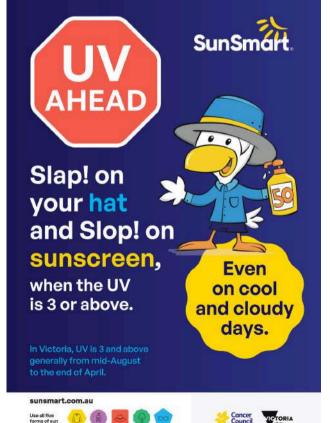
Textile Craft PM session

**Ararat Library** 

SEE COUNCIL'S WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION

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### **SCHOOL SAVING BONUS**

In Term 4, families with a student/s enrolled in a Government School from Prep to Year 12 in 2025 will receive the one-off \$400 School Saving Bonus. The \$400 School Saving Bonus provides families with support for school camps and excursions.

This amount will come directly to schools.

Further communication to families will be sent out in the coming weeks via email and post.

The most important action for parents is to ensure that you have an email address linked to your contact details that is correct.

### Resilience • Responsibility • Excellence



## Transition Dates

 Wednesday 30th October (2pm - 3.20pm)

 Wednesday 13th November (2pm - 3.20pm)

 Wednesday 20th November (2pm - 3.20pm)

Wednesday 27th November (9am - 11.30am)

Wednesday 4th December (9am - 11.30am)

 Tuesday 10th December (9am - 3.20pm)

Please visit our website for current newsletters, enrolment forms and our information book. moystonps.vic.edu.au

### **Enrolments** are now open!

If you would like any information, or a tour of the school, please contact Natalie Dowsett

Phone: 5354 2537 or 0402 340 601 Email: moyston.ps@education.vic.gov.au

RESILIENCE RESPONSIBILITY EXCELLENCE







### **Moyston PS Official Account**

BSB 063 500 ACCOUNT NUMBER 1004 3733

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



Please visit our school website to view all of our school policies and

Annual Report to School Community

www.moystonps.vic.edu.au/policies

If you have any questions or feedback regarding any school policies, please contact the Principal.

