# Moyston Primary School

**MOYSTON PS** 

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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.





Welcome back to **Moyston Primary School** for 2017!

We would like to welcome our new Prep students Madeleine, Jacob, Ned and Summer to our school.

We would also like to wish our Grade 6 students Aiden, Zac, Tommy and Evie the best of luck as they commence their final year of Primary school.

Have a fantastic year everyone!

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### **SCHOOL PHOTOS ON MONDAY!**

2017 School photos will be taken this coming

Monday 6th February.

#### **School Administration Hours**

Office hours are Monday—Friday from 8.30am until 3.20pm. Office Administration staff are available in the School Office at the front of the main building on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and 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: 1.15pm—2.00pm

School Dismissed: 3.20pm

#### **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.

Families are also able to make a lump sum payment to the amount of their choosing e.g. \$300 at any time. From this balance, the school can 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 fortnightly.

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 in conjunction with individual learning plans that will be sent out each term.

# What's on in February

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# **SCHOOL PHOTOS**

Our 2017 School photos will be taken this coming **Monday 6th February.**Students are required to wear full school uniform please.
We ask that students wear their new black and red polos with black bottoms.
Girls can wear their school dress if they prefer.

Photo ordering details will be sent home soon.

All students will have full range of photos taken. Families with more than one child at school will all have their family photo taken. Parents will then have the opportunity to order from a full selection of photos.

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

During our first School Assembly for 2017, we sang Happy Birthday to Lily, Brayden, Aaliyah, Aiden and Ethan who all celebrated their birthdays over the Summer holidays!





# DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

The Junior and
Senior students this term
will be learning about
Coding.

They will be exploring a range of computer based programs. The junior room had a look at the Tynker app this week.



The Junior room had lots fun making their own play dough this week!

# **TILES WANTED!**

Our Art teacher Barb is asking for donations of tiles for a future project.

The tiles can be any design or colour, preferably bright colours, mirrored is fine.

If you are in a shop that sells tiles, please ask if they have any excess/unwanted stock. Broken tiles are fine.

# SUMMER SWIMMING PROGRAM

Our Summer swimming program will commence next week.

All sessions will be held at the **ARARAT OUTDOOR POOL.** 

#### **DATES**

Monday 6th & Wednesday 8th February

Monday 13th, Wednesday 15th and Friday 17th February.

Students will need to wear their school uniforms and bring their usual packed lunch each day. Students will also need to bring bathers, towel, goggles, sun hat and sunscreen.

Transport to the outdoor pool will be via Christian's Bus, departing school at 12.30pm except for Friday 17th when we will spend a full day in Ararat.

PARENTS WILL NEED TO COLLECT STUDENTS FROM THE ARARAT OUTDOOR POOL AT 3.15PM AFTER EACH SESSION.



# **CLUSTER DAY NEXT WEEK**

Throughout the year, Moyston
Primary School combine with
Maroona and Buangor Primary
Schools for a Cluster Day once a
month.

Our first Cluster Day of the year will

be held at Buangor PS. Students will be involved with 3 rotations of activities, 1 being conducted by Kelly Sports.

Transport if via Christian's Bug departing school at 9.00am and returning in time for 3.20pm dismissal.

A BBQ lunch is available if students wish (order forms were sent home yesterday), otherwise they will need to bring their own lunch. All students will need to bring their own snacks and drinks.

This will be an OUT OF UNIFORM DAY.

Please NO PEANUTS OR NUT PRODUCTS.

# 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 morning, the children are encouraged to bring along a piece of fruit to eat in class. Eating fruit everyday helps children to grow and develop as well as boosting their vitality in class.

# **PERMISSION NOTES**

Earlier this week, three permission notes were sent home to families— Local Excursions, Travel Permission and Media Release. These forms will cover students for the 2017 school year.

Permission notes were also sent home for the Buangor Cluster a day and upcoming swimming lessons.

Please sign all of these forms and return them as soon as possible.

#### Sunsmart

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 has is kept at school to avoid them being lost elsewhere or accidentally left at home.

# Bullying

Moyston Primary School uses the eSmart program for Internet safety education.

The Better Buddies bullying program is also used along with a zero tolerance for bullying.



# FEBRUARY COMMUNITY DINNER

Moyston Primary School is hosting the February Community dinner tomorrow night—

Friday 3rd February.

2 course meal

\$15 Adult, \$6 Child, Under school age FREE

Home made pies served with Chips and salad, followed by Scrumptious desserts.

To make these events run smoothly we need assistance from our school families. Helpers are needed to sell meal and raffle tickets, prepare and serve food, wash dishes and clean up.

All help is greatly appreciated and all profit goes directly to our school!

Any questions, please see Libby or Kelly.



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