

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.



Today we visited the Grampians National Park to take part in the Climate Watch program. In partnership with Parks Victoria, Earth Watch is connecting schools and community groups to their parks and training them to monitor local plants and animals for climate change impacts.

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There will be no school on
Tuesday 5th November due to
the Melbourne Cup Public
Holiday.

Term 4 ~ Calendar of events...

T4	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 4	28	MARC 29 Petanque 4/5/6 SCHOOL COUNCIL 6.30pm		30	31
Week 5	4	CRICKET BLAST ARARAT 4/5/6	5 MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY NO SCHOOL	PLAYGROUP	7 COOKING Assembly 3pm
Week 6	11		12 MARC	13	14 Transition 2pm -3.20pm
Week 7	18		19	20 STAWELL COURTS 5/6 11am	21 Cold Water swimming Halls Gap
Week 8	25	CRICKET BLAST GRADE 3/4	26 MARC	27	28 ART 29 Transition 2pm -3.20pm
Week 9	2		3 Prep Transition (all day)	4 PLAYGROUP	5 Cold Water swimming Halls Gap
Week 10	9		10 MARC State-wide Transition Day	11 Musica Viva Willaura	12 SCHOOL CONCERT/ GRADE 6 GRADUATION
Week 11	16 Grade 3-6 Art Gallery Melbourne	17	18 Grade 6's Day Out	19 Volunteer morning tea	20 COOKING END OF TERM 4

SOVEREIGN HILL CAMP

7th & 8th November	Sovereign Hill	Grade 5 & 6	\$150.00
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The new date for the Grade 5 & 6 Sovereign Hill camp is now
Thursday 7th to Friday 8th November.

As our students will be taking part in the 'role-play' costumed school,
there are a few things they need to remember.

- shoes – plain black or brown leather-style, preferably no zips
- long socks - plain white, black or grey (no logos / patterns).
 - Girls' hair in two plaits (no clips or coloured bands)
- No nail polish, make-up & jewellery (including watches/fit bits)

Students will need to be at Moyston Primary School by 7am on
Thursday 7th November.

Students can bring up to \$20 spending money if they wish in a clearly
labelled snap lock bag.

Any questions, please talk to Natalie or Neil.

FUNDRAISING UPDATE

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE each year we conduct a Christmas Hamper raffle with donations of Christmas goodies, food, decorations, treats etc. donated by school families. The raffle will be drawn at our end of year concert on Thursday 12th December. Items can be left in the school office tickets will be distributed a little closer to Christmas.

CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY DINNER & AUCTION

Will be held on Friday 6th December.

This is a huge event for your school. We will be having a planning meeting soon to organise this event and we would love to see lots of families helping out on, or in the lead up to the night!

VCAL VISIT MARION & ARARAT COLLEGE

Last week we had visits from VCAL students from both Marian College and Ararat College. The Marian students delivered some wooden blocks they had made, we learned how to look after them and how they were made.

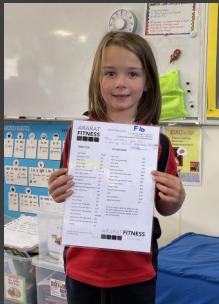
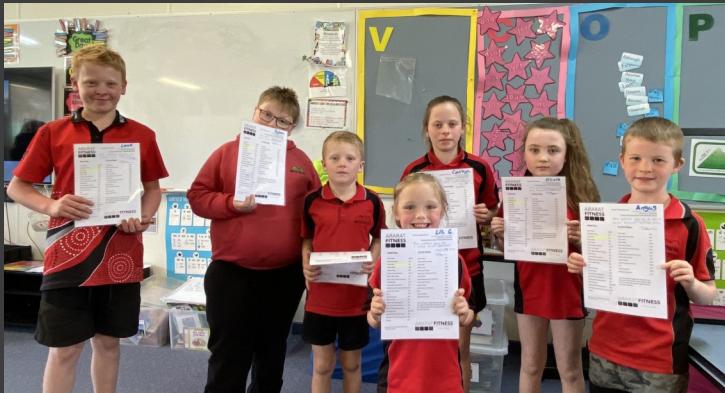
We then had an action packed day of sports, games and activities organised by the VCAL Ararat College students. The winning team and most resilient participants received swim passes to the Ararat Fitness Centre.





SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES

Thank you to everyone who continues to support our school assemblies. The students really enjoy presenting and sharing their news, activities, awards and events from Moyston PS!



Lane, Dylan, Ned, Lili, Caitlyn, Olivia and Angus were the winning team at the Ararat College VCAL sports day and Florence and Emily were named 'most resilient.'



Olivia and Dylan were presented with certificates to acknowledge their resilience when facing new challenges at their recent school camps.

Reading Awards were presented to Olivia,

Koby, Owen, Jasmin, Elijah, Archie, Ned & Lili!



Students who recently attended the Canberra camp were presented with a certificate from Dan Tehan MP to commemorate their visit to Parliament House.

PETANQUE TOURNAMENT

This week, Moyston PS students participated a school Petanque tournament in Avoca.

Our school entered four teams and were runners up on the day!



Currently in maths, students are studying data and representation. After the Petanque tournament, the senior students used raw data to

Name	Wins	Losses	Total
<i>Moyston 1 Taylah, Brayden, Justin</i>	3	0	33
<i>Moyston 2 Rhys, Natalie, Henry</i>	2	1	28
<i>Moyston 3 Daemon, Caitlyn, Ethan</i>	2	1	28
<i>Moyston 4 Lane, Dylan, Ryan</i>	2	1	29

create their own type of table with the results.

Lily's table of Petanque results

SPEED RACER

Recently, our senior students were required to make a simple model car using cardboard, milk bottle lids, skewers and tape.

They then had to create a thrust force apparatus using straws, balloon and tape.



Students then investigated how to use thrust force to increase the speed of their model car.

When an object is acted upon by a force, it wants to move either away from or towards the force. Different amounts of force applied from different directions can affect the speed and direction of an object.

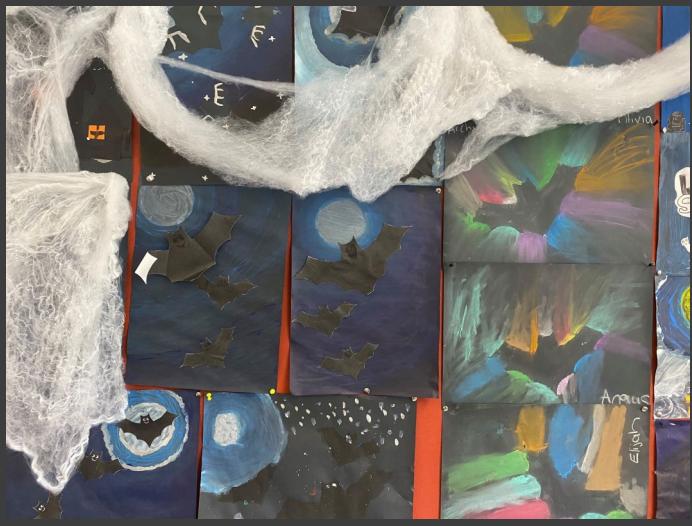


	Practise	Race
Ryan Carly Lily	0	0.8
Dylan	0.2	0
Henry Brayden	1.7m	0.5
Ethan Dionan	0	0.57m
Lane Oliver	0.2	0.6m
Natalia Harriah	(1.81)	—
Taylah Emily	0.9m	1.2m
Kings Jaslin	0	1.6>m





ART!



School procedures for the bushfire season

Fire danger ratings and warnings are used in Victoria to provide clear direction on the safest options for preserving life.

Schools and children's services listed on the DET Bushfire At-Risk Register (BARR) will be closed when a Code Red fire danger rating day is determined in their Bureau of Meteorology district.



Moyston Primary School has been identified as being one of those at high bushfire risk and is listed on the BARR.

Where possible, we will provide parents with up to four days notice of a potential Code Red day closure. A Code Red day will be determined by the Emergency Management Commissioner no later than 1.00pm the day before the potential closure. Once we are advised of the confirmation of the Code Red day we will provide you with advice before the end of the school day.

Once confirmed, the decision to close will not change, regardless of improvements in the weather forecast. This is to avoid confusion and help your family plan alternative care arrangements for your child. It is also important to note that:

- No staff will be on site on days where the school is closed due to a forecast Code Red day. School camps will be cancelled if a Code Red fire danger rating day is determined for the Bureau of Meteorology district in which the camp is located.

On these Code Red days families are encouraged to enact their Bushfire Survival Plan – **on such days children should never be left at home or in the care of older children.**

For those of us living in a bushfire prone area, the Country Fire Authority (CFA) advises that when Code Red days are forecast, the safest option is to leave the night before or early on the morning of the Code Red day. As part of preparing our school for potential hazards such as fire, we have updated and completed our Emergency Management Plan,

What can parents do?

- Make sure your family's bushfire survival plan is up-to-date and includes alternative care arrangements in the event that our school is closed.
- Ensure we have your current contact details, including your mobile phone numbers. Keep in touch with us by reading our newsletters, and by talking to your child's teacher or any other member of the teaching staff about our emergency management plan.

Most importantly at this time of year, if you're planning a holiday or short stay in the bush or in a coastal area, you should check warnings in advance of travel and remain vigilant during your stay.

If your child is old enough, talk to them about bushfires and your family's bushfire survival plan.

You can access more information about children's services closures on the Department of Education and Training website – see <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/health/pages/closures.aspx>

Multiple sources that offer information on emergencies are listed below:

VicEmergency app – that can be downloaded on your android and iOS mobile devices

VicEmergency Hotline (1800 226 226)

Website <https://emergency.vic.gov.au>

Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/vicemergency>)

Twitter (<https://twitter.com/vicemergency>)

ABC local radio, Sky News and other emergency broadcasters



GET READY FOR PREP

1	Practise the journey to and from school	2	Arrange play dates with families who will have kids at the same school
3	Encourage independence – skills like dressing, packing and carrying a bag, applying sunscreen and going to the toilet	4	Label all belongings
6	Check start and finish times and where to drop off and collect your child	7	Be positive, get your child excited, and talk about any worries they have
9	Start using the name of their new teacher to help build familiarity	10	Establish predictable routines including dinner, bath time and bed time
8	Visit a library and read with your child		



MOYSTON PS

ENROL NOW FOR 2020!

Our Transition program will be starting soon.

Friday 1st November 2.00pm—3.20pm

Thursday 14th November 2.00pm—3.20pm

Friday 29th November 2.00pm—3.20pm

Tuesday 3rd December ALL DAY (9am—3.20pm)

If you know of anyone who is thinking of enrolling at Moyston Primary School, can please let them know of our transition program so their child does not miss out.

If you have any questions at all, please call or drop into the school for a chat!

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MOYSTON PLAYGROUP!

Anyone with young children in the area are invited come along, have a cuppa and make new friends, while your children enjoy activities, our playground and school resources.

**First Wednesday of each Month — Moyston Primary School
9.30am—11.30am**

Next playgroup — WEDNESDAY 6th November

The Maternal Child & Health Nurse will also be on site for her monthly visit to Moyston.

All welcome!





COMMUNITY DINNER

HOSTED BY RHYMNEY MOYSTON CRICKET CLUB

Friday 1st November 2019

6pm Moyston Pavilion

2 COURSE MEAL

MIXED GRILL & SALADS

FOLLOWED BY CHOC RIPPLE CAKE OR FRUIT SALAD WITH CREAM & ICE CREAM
*GLUTEN FREE & VEGETARIAN OPTIONS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

ADULTS \$20 CHILD \$6

UNDER SCHOOL AGE - FREE

Please RSVP to assist with catering

Moyston Community Meals Facebook page

Or Matt Dean – 0417 785 026

COMMUNITY DINNER TONIGHT!

PLEASE COLLECT YOUR BREAD TAGS & BOTTLE TOPS!
COLLECTION BOXES ARE LOCATED IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

BREAD TAGS FOR WHEELCHAIRS

Please save your bread tags - they will be recycled to fund wheelchairs in South Africa.



Bread Tags for Wheelchairs has been recycling bread tags in South Africa since 2006. They currently collect about 500kg/month, which funds 2-3 wheelchairs. Now we are collecting in Australia too!

What can I do?

It's easy save your bread tags for a while and then drop them off at one of our collection points. Ask your family, friends, school and local café to help.



Contact us for signage, to find your nearest collection point, or to host a collection point.

M aussiebreadtags@gmail.com **www.**[breadtagsforwheelchairs.co.za](http://www.breadtagsforwheelchairs.co.za) **0418 807 072**
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breadtagsforwheelchairs

Local Contact: **Moyston P.S.**

Recycling bottle tops

it's so simple, drop in the top



and don't forget to place the empty bottles in your normal recycle bin

This simple separation makes both items easier to recycle and stops them going to waste.



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ACCOUNT NUMBER 1004 3733

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