

# Moyston Primary School

NEWSLETTER No. 259 14th November 2019

MOYSTON PS



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.



Our Grade 5 & 6 students stepped back in time at Sovereign Hill last week!

This week we paid our respects on Remembrance Day. This day marks the day World War One ended, at 11am on the 11th day of the 11th month, in 1918.

**Acting Principal  
Natalie Dowsett**

03 5354 2537

[moyston.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:moyston.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au)

[www.moystonps.vic.edu.au](http://www.moystonps.vic.edu.au)

[www.facebook.com/  
moystonprimaryschool](http://www.facebook.com/moystonprimaryschool)

**Grade Prep-2 Melbourne excursion tomorrow (school uniform). Please be at Moyston PS at 6.15am**

**Grade 3-6 Buangor Cluster Day tomorrow (out of uniform)**

**CURRICULUM DAY NEXT FRIDAY  
22nd November**

# Term 4 ~ Calendar of events...

<b>T4</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
<b>Week 6</b>	11	12 <b>MARC</b>	13	14 Transition 2pm -3.20pm	15 <b>BUANGOR CLUSTER DAY</b>  P/1/2 Art Gallery Melbourne
<b>Week 7</b>	18	19	20 STAWELL COURTS 5/6 11am	21 Cold Water swimming Halls Gap	22 <b>CURRICULUM DAY NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS</b>
<b>Week 8</b>	25 CRICKET BLAST GRADE 3/4	26 <b>MARC</b>  SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING/ DINNER 6pm	27	28 Cold Water swimming Halls Gap <b>WORKING BEE</b>	29 <b>ART</b>  Transition 2pm -3.20pm <b>Assembly 3pm</b> <b>Book Club due</b>
<b>Week 9</b>	2	3 Prep Transition (all day)	4 <b>PLAYGROUP</b>	5 Cold Water swimming Halls Gap	6 Cold Water swimming Halls Gap <b>CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY DINNER</b>
<b>Week 10</b>	9	10 <b>MARC</b>  State-wide Transition Day	11 <b>Musica Viva Willaura</b>	12 <b>SCHOOL CONCERT/ GRADE 6 GRADUATION</b>	13  MOYSTON CLUSTER DAY @ POOL
<b>Week 11</b>	16 Grade 3-6 Art Gallery Melbourne	17	18 Grade 6's Day Out	19 Volunteer morning tea	20 <b>COOKING</b> <b>END OF TERM 4</b>

# PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EDUCATION PROGRAM

On Wednesday 20th November, our Grade 5 & 6 students will be travelling to Stawell to visit the Northern Grampians Shire Council. Students will be taking part in a Parliamentary Education session and role-plays.

A permission form has been sent home this week with further information.

## **CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE**

Once again we will be holding a school Christmas Raffle which is always a very successful fundraiser!

**We are asking school families to please donate some items for the hampers such as chocolates, nuts, decorations, biscuits, wrapping paper, lollies etc.**

Donated items can be left in the school office.

**Tickets are \$1.00 each.**

**Each family has been sent home a page of 10 tickets.**

More tickets are available from the school office.

**The raffle will be drawn on Thursday 12th December at our end of year break up.**

**Thank you for your support!**





*Over two days last week, our Grade 5 & 6 students took part in the Sovereign Hill Costumed School Program. A unique, role-play experience where the children were fully immersed in the 1850s, learning about manners, costume, behaviour and re-living the discipline of school life on the goldfields!*









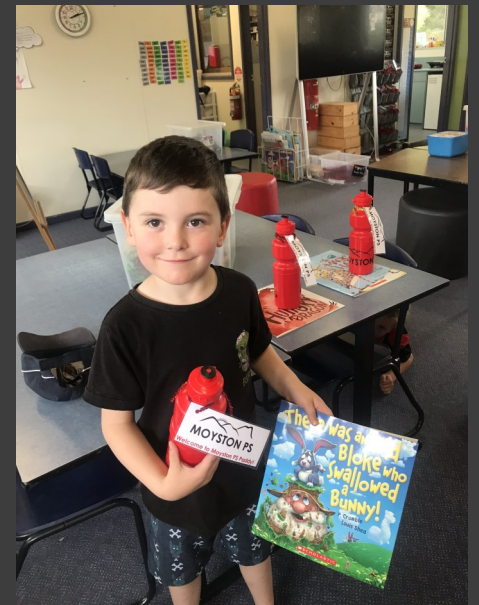
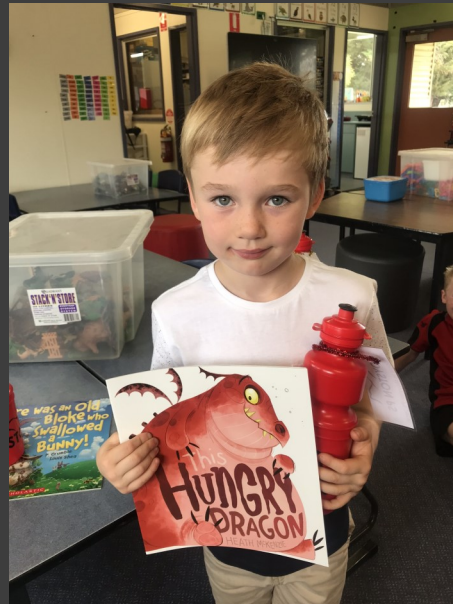
# COLD WATER SWIMMING PROGRAM

During Term 4 we will be conducting a cold water swimming program at the Halls Gap Pool.

There will be four sessions

- **Thursday 21st November**
- **Thursday 28th November**
- **Thursday 5th December**
- **Friday 6th December**

A permission note has been sent home with further information.



Welcome to our 2020 Preps;  
Siobhan, Paddy and Jack!

Our transition program has commenced and the future students have been enjoying getting to know the school and their fellow students!





# CLIMATE WATCH

Recently 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.





 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)



## BOOK CLUB

The final Book Club for the year has been sent home today. Please place your orders via the Loop app, or correct money to the office by Friday 29th November. Lots of great Christmas gift ideas!



## CRICKET BLAST!

Last week, some of our senior students participated in the Woolworths Cricket Blast at Alexandra Oval. All students had a great day, playing matches against other schools in the region.

Thank you to Matt for umpiring, Doug for scoring and Lydia and Kelly for helping transport students.

Thanks also to Madeleine who stepped up at the last minute to complete the senior girls team!





## 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

## 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.

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

[aussiebreadtags](https://www.facebook.com/aussiebreadtags)  
[breadtagsforwheelchairs](https://www.facebook.com/breadtagsforwheelchairs)

Local Contact: Moyston P.S.

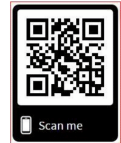
## Recycling bottle tops

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.



On Monday we remembered all Australians who have died as a result of war. On Friday at our assembly, our theme was Remembrance Day. After our assembly, students, parents and families walked to the Moyston Avenue of Honour to plant hand made poppies on front of each monument. These poppies were created by Olivia's Grandmother and Mum, Fiona. We also paid our respects at the War Memorial at the Moyston Hall, laying a wreath, listening to the last post and observing a two minute silence.





*Lest we forget*







# CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY DINNER!

Hosted by Moyston Primary School

**Friday 6th December 2019**

We will be serving a traditional Christmas dinner (2 meats and roast vegetables), plum pudding, pavlova, chocolate ripple cakes, fruit salad and ice-cream.

This will be followed by an auction which includes homemade items, wine, local accommodation and experience vouchers, appliances and much more!

**Moyston Oval, meal will be served at 6.30pm.**

**\$20.00 adults \$10.00 child**

We encourage people to 'book a table'.

RSVP is **ESSENTIAL** by Friday 30th November to ensure a meal.  
This dinner is always a sell out!

Please call Moyston School on 5354 2537 or RSVP on the 'Moyston Community Meals' Facebook page.

**AUCTION!**

**SPOT PRIZES!**

**RAFFLE!**



**MOYSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL  
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.



**eSmart**  
Smart. Safe. Responsible.

An initiative of

**The Alannah  
and Madeline  
Foundation**

Keeping children safe from violence

