

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."*

Welcome back!



2022 began with 45 students enrolled at Moyston Primary School!

We have welcomed ten new prep students and two new teachers to our staff!

We are looking forward to a great year ahead and would like to welcome everyone to join us for our fortnightly **school assembly at**

9am on Monday 14th February!

Natalie Dowsett – Acting Principal

☎ 03 5354 2537

☎ 0402 340 601 (school mobile)

@ moyston.ps@education.vic.gov.au

🌐 moystonps.vic.edu.au

📘 facebook.com/moystonprimaryschool

Calendar

TERM 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 3	7/2	8/2 MARC Van	9/2	10/2	11/2 Newsletter
WEEK 4	14/2 Assembly 9am	15/2	16/2 OUTDOOR POOL Swimming time trials	17/2 Book Club due	18/2
WEEK 5	21/2	22/2 MARC Van	23/2	24/2	25/2 Newsletter
WEEK 6	28/2 Assembly 9am	1/3	2/3	3/3	4/3
WEEK 6	7/3	8/3 MARC Van	9/3	10/3	11/3 Newsletter
WEEK 7	14/3 PUBLIC HOLIDAY	15/3 Swimming	16/3	17/3 Swimming	18/3 Swimming
WEEK 8	21/3 Swimming	22/3 MARC Van Swimming	23/3 Swimming	24/3 Swimming	25/3 Newsletter SCHOOL SPORTS
WEEK 9	28/3 Assembly 9am	29/3	30/3	31/3	1/4 Swimming
WEEK 10	4/4	5/4 MARC Van	6/4	7/4	8/4 Newsletter Swimming Halls Gap Last day of Term 1

COVID-19

If your child has any symptoms at all, please do not send them to school and ensure they are tested. If your child or a household contact tests positive, please notify the school immediately, isolate for 7 days and follow the current COVID-19 guidelines. All students from Grade 3-6 are required to wear a surgical, P2 or N95 mask.

Rapid Antigen Tests will be distributed again to families next week.

<https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/>

OUTDOOR POOL NEXT WEEK

Week 4 - On **Wednesday 16th February**, the whole school (except the prep students who have Wednesday's off) will be going to the Outdoor Pool in Ararat. Students will be travelling via Christian's bus, departing Moyston PS at 12.30pm. Dismissal will be from the Outdoor Pool.

Students will have a free swim afternoon. All students aged 8 years and over will take part in time trials for the Black Ranges division swimming carnival on 4th March in Horsham. Students will need to be able to swim 50m in specific times to qualify for the Black Ranges event.

****Parents will be required to pick up students at 3.20pm from the Ararat Outdoor Pool****

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Our 2022 school photos are due to be taken next week. This has been postponed and a new date will be advised ASAP.

SCHOOL SPORTS

The Moyston and District School Sports is held each year with Moyston, Great Western, Pomonal, Halls Gap and Concongella Primary Schools. The host school this year is Great Western. The sports will be held on **Friday 25th March at NORTH PARK in STAWELL.**

Further information will be provided closer to the event. Parents will be required to transport students to and from the sports.

SWIMMING LESSONS

Term 1 swimming lessons will take place at the Ararat Fitness Centre indoor heated pool on -

Week 7 - Tuesday 15th, Thursday 17th and Friday 18th March

Week 8 - Monday 21st, Tuesday 22nd, Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th March.

Week 9 - Friday 1st April

Week 10 - Friday 8th April Halls Gap (last day of term)

Students will be divided into rotating groups. Students not in the pool will be practicing for the school sports within the Fitness Centre.

Further information and permission notes will be provided closer to the date.



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

GET IT ON
Google play

Download on the
App Store



The EASIEST way for parents to order and pay for Book Club!

Parents: Are you registered for LOOP?

LOOP is the easiest way for you to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order, if you wish to pay by credit card.

Parents who are registered for LOOP receive exclusive sneak peeks, downloads and offers throughout the school year—don't miss out!



Head to scholastic.com.au/LOOP and register today!



BOOK CLUB

Book Club provides families with an affordable and convenient way to bring the best in children's literature into their homes.

Each issue contains curated, age-appropriate titles.

For every Book Club order placed by parents, Scholastic gives back 20% of the order spend to schools to purchase valuable educational resources via its Scholastic Rewards program.

There are 8 Issues of Book Club throughout the year.

Extra copies of Book Club can be found in the school office.

Please place any orders for the current issue (Issue 1) via the LOOP app by Thursday 17th February.

PARENT INFORMATION

There have been a number of changes to the school operations guide as well as the way the school can now charge families for certain items and activities.

To make this transition easier for all families, a parent or guardian from each school family is asked to please see Kelly in the office within the first two weeks of school to discuss the following administration and finance details.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Do you require any new or second hand uniform? Do you have any second hand uniform you wish to donate to the school? *Please note all NEW school uniforms must now be **paid in full** before taking, the school can no longer add these charges to your account.

CSEF

Please talk to Kelly to see if you are eligible for the Camps, Sports, Excursion fund. This money goes directly into your school account and can only be used for camps, excursions or sporting costs.

*Parents/Carers may be eligible if they hold a valid Health Care Card or concession card.

CONVEYANCE

To be eligible to receive conveyance/travel allowance, a student must:

- live more than 4.8km by the shortest practicable route from their nearest school
- be enrolled at the nearest government school
- be 4.8 km or more from the nearest bus stop if a bus is being caught to school.

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Voluntary contributions can be made to the school for Curriculum Consumables (\$150), Other Contributions (\$50).

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ITEMS & ACTIVITIES

Optional Foundation-Grade 1 overnight stay and day outing (\$50), Optional Grade 2-3, 2 night camp and activities Cave Hill Creek (\$250), Optional Grade 4-6 3 night, 4 day camp and activities Urban Camp Melbourne (\$300 estimate only), Optional Excursions (\$20). *If you would like to create a payment plan for camps and excursions at the beginning of the year, please talk to Kelly.

MEDICATION

If your child is currently taking any medication or has any illness, allergies or disability, parents/carers must notify the school and sign appropriate documents.

MEDIA CONSENT

Unless you tell us otherwise, images of your child may be used by our school/community in any of the following ways -

- school communication e.g. newsletters, facebook posts, school apps, school emails
- for display in school classrooms/noticeboards
- to support the student's health and wellbeing e.g. OT assessments

UEducateUS

Kelly can provide each parent/carer with their uEducateUs login details and answer any questions.

Parents must use this system to sign permission slips.

- Travel permission 2021 - to be signed on uEducateUs ASAP
- Local Excursions 2021 - to be signed on uEducateUs ASAP

FAMILY/STUDENT DETAILS

Have any of your family/contact details changed recently? e.g. address, contact numbers, emergency contacts?



Junior — Miss Hogan's Class

FUN START TO SCHOOL!

The junior students have had a fantastic first two weeks at school. They have been settling in, getting to know each other and have been learning all of our school routines.

Students have been learning about each other's favourite things and what it means to be a good leader at school.



Miss Hogan's Junior class of Prep and Grade 1 students on their first day of school for 2022!



The junior students have enjoyed lots of outdoor learning!





First day of Primary School for Dusty, Jhett, Beau, Stevie, Hazel, Matilda, Gracie, Cailin, Emme and Jimmy!

ART with Miss Hogan on our new Art room tables and chairs!



Freddie, Alice and Shaye persisted with their number puzzle.



Music and Drama fun with Miss O!



Middle — Miss Joyce's Class

WELCOME BACK!

It has been a busy start to the year for the middle class!

Students have been having lots of fun settling back into their classroom routines.

They have been conducting experiments in Science, practicing sports, creating Art, learning AUSLAN and having fun in Music and Drama!



Miss Joyce's class of Grade 2, 3 and 4 students on their first day of school for 2022!



Relay practise in preparation for the School Sports on Friday 25th March.



One Monday Mrs Savoia taught us science about Static Electricity

I was trying to see if I can make paper float. We can if you are wondering how, I will tell you how! You need to rub the pvp pipe with a sock and put the pvp pipe near the paper and it floats.

By Paddy



STATIC ELETRICITY

I put the pipe in the water. The water moved and I was SHOCKED. When Aerith put the balloon on my head my hair came up from my head. Miss Savoia taught us the static electricity experiment for science.

My favourite experiment was water movements and when the balloon got attached to my hair.

By Lilli



STATIC ELECTRICIITY

On Monday I rubbed my hair with a balloon and made my hair stand up.

Alana Matulick



Senior — Miss O's Class

WELCOME MISS O!

A little bit about our new Teacher Emily Oliver - "I've moved from Melton Victoria, originally from Carisbrook. I enjoy bush walking and taking photos of wildlife particularly birds. I come from a family of teachers, both brothers and parents are retired teachers."

Class: 4-6 Students are settling into their routine with enthusiasm! It is great to see all the students reading and bringing in their diaries each day. We have been learning about responsibility, resilience and excellence inside and outside the classroom and everyone has been allocated a school role or responsibility that they carry out over each fortnight. Next week will see the launch of our reading, writing and maths rotations and we are looking forward to a busy term of learning.



Miss O's Senior class of Grade 4, 5 and 6 students on their first day of school for 2022!



First day of Grade 6 for Koby, Olivia and Owen!

Happy
Birthday
Olivia!





Everyone had a great first week in Music with Miss O. Students explored all of the cool instruments in we have at our school. We played out a story and incorporated the sounds using some of the instruments such as xylophone, guiro, tambourines, maracas, two tone blocks, drums, triangles and shakers.



Daily circle time with Miss O.

During circle time, students discuss important matters and share things about each other.

It is a circle of respect where there is no judgement and what is said in the circle, stays in the circle.



Whoever has the talking stick is the only person allowed to speak.

Students have the right to pass if they don't feel like talking on the day.

TUTOR LEARNING INITIATIVE

Tutor Learning Initiative to continue at Moyston Primary School in 2022

Moyston Primary School is delighted to share the news that the Victorian Government is continuing the Tutor Learning Initiative (TLI) in 2022. This initiative is designed to address the continued impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on student learning and engagement in Victoria.

The extension of the initiative will allow Moyston Primary School to continue to provide our students who need it most with targeted TLI learning support in the 2022 school year.

Despite the continued challenges Moyston Primary School and schools across Victoria have faced this year, the TLI has ensured that students, who may have fallen behind or become disengaged, receive the help they need. In 2021, the TLI has enabled Victorian government schools, and qualifying non-government schools, to engage over 6,400 teachers as tutors.

Moyston Primary School looks forward to continuing the TLI program in 2022 with Michelle Savoia to provide small group learning support that will enable our students to flourish now and in the future.

PITCH FESTIVAL

The Pitch Music Festival will be once again be taking place in Moyston over the long weekend in March

(11th, 12th, 13th and 14th March).

More than 15000 will attend the festival.

In previous years the MWFNC organise a community BBQ throughout the festival.

The BBQ is run by volunteers who nominate their time to a community group. Profits are then divided up between the groups based on the number of hours worked. Simply put, the more hours people volunteer for 'Moyston Primary School' the more money the school will receive! This has been an exceptional fundraiser over the years.

If you are interested in volunteering for the school, please leave your name at the school office or contact Ross Jackson for further information **0408 030 092.**

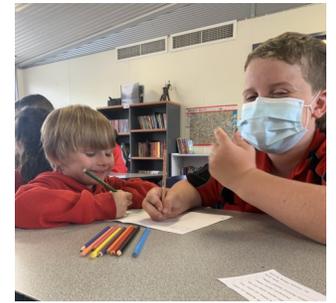
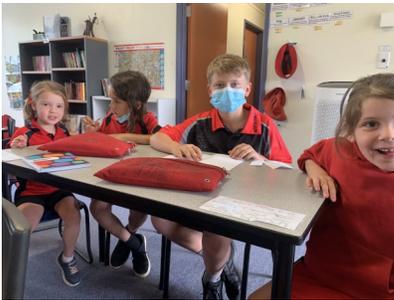
BUDDIES

We have started implementing our buddy program at Moyston Primary School. The senior room students have been meeting up with the junior room students once per week.

During this time, they participate in activities such as reading, drawing and demonstrating our school values, Resilience, Responsibility and Excellence.

Our senior students have also been assisting the preps during recess and lunch times.

They have been helping to orientate the students with the school yard and showing them our school routines.



WELCOME BREAKFAST



This week we hosted a welcome breakfast to celebrate the start of a new school year! It was lovely to see so many parents, carers and grandparents attend to meet our new teachers and enjoy breakfast with the students.

Last week, students created invitations to invite their families to attend.



During cooking classes this week, students pre-prepared their own families toasted sandwiches for the breakfast.



We were lucky enough last year to receive a grant to go towards our cooking program. The school was given an industrial sandwich press, graters and a full set of school aprons!



PLAYGROUP

Last week we welcomed visitors to our new multipurpose room for our monthly Playgroup.

The children and parents/carers had a lovely morning participating in activities inside and out in the school yard.

Playgroup is held on the first Wednesday of each month from 9.30am—11.00am. All preschool aged children and their carers are welcome to attend. The Ararat Maternal Child Health Nurse is also onsite during Playgroup sessions.



MOYSTON HISTORY

This week we had a visit from Mary and Geoff McCorriston who donated a book to our school.

The book was a Moyston PS reader No.5, donated by Neville Spears.

Neville attend Moyston Primary School in the 1940's.

The reader belonged to a relative of Neville's, Harry Turner, with inscriptions from the late 1800's!

