

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."*



SWIMMING LESSONS

Our intensive swimming program has been taking place over the past two weeks at the Ararat Fitness Centre.

Thank you to our Swim instructors Ange and Sandra from the Stawell Sports and Aquatic Centre.

There will be one final lesson next Friday 1st April. When students aren't in their swimming lesson, they have been having lots of fun playing games and practising for the school sports on the indoor basketball courts.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY MONDAY 28th MARCH 9AM
ALL WELCOME!

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Calendar

TERM 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 10	28/3 Assembly 9am	29/3	30/3	31/3	1/4 MARC Van Swimming Parents to pick up Ararat Fitness Centre 3.20pm.
	4/4 CURRICULUM DAY No students at school. All staff First Aid Training.	5/4	6/4 PLAYGROUP	7/4 OPEN DAY 2.15pm – 3.20pm	8/4 Newsletter <u>Halls Gap Excursion</u> students will be dismissed from Moyston PS at 2.20pm Last day of Term 1

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

The last day of Term 1 is **Friday 8th April**.

Students will return to school for Term 2 on **Tuesday 26th April** (day after ANZAC Day.)



SWIMMING LESSONS

Next week, our final swimming lesson will take place on [Friday 1st April](#) at the Ararat [Fitness Centre](#).

CURRICULUM DAY 4TH APRIL

School Council have approved Monday 4th April as a Curriculum day to enable all staff to participate in First Aid training.

OPEN DAY 7TH APRIL

To celebrate Term 1, we will be having an Open Day here at school on Thursday 7th April

We invite parents, families and friends to come along from **2.15pm - 3.20pm**.

The students will be sharing and displaying their Term 1 school work.

HALLS GAP EXCURSION 8TH APRIL (END OF TERM)

On the last day of Term, [Friday 8th April](#) we will be heading to Halls Gap for a fun day out.

The whole school will travel via Christian's bus to Halls Gap.

We will go on a hike, have an Easter Eggs hunt and lunch (provided) before returning to school for early dismissal of 2.20pm for end of term.

SCHOOL SPORTS

The rescheduled Moyston & District School Sports will now be held on **Friday 13th May** in Stawell.

Parents will be required to transport students to and from the sports.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

On Monday 21st March we held our School Council Annual General Meeting and March School Council meeting.

Congratulations to our 2022 School Council members.

SCHOOL COUNCIL 2022

Gareth Olver - PRESIDENT

Briana Hopper - VICE PRESIDENT

Elisha Green - SECRETARY

Rebecca Matulick - FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Fiona Vander Heul - FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Anthea Dean - SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBER

Natalie Dowsett - DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION & TRAINING REP

Kelly McKinnon - DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION & TRAINING REP

Moyston Primary School would like to thank **Lydia Jackson** for her time on School Council. Lydia has stepped down from School Council after being a member since 2014. Lydia held the position of School Council President in 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019. Lydia has also been an outstanding contributor to all fundraising events over the years, in particular the Christmas dinners and auction and the Pitch Community BBQ. Thank you Lydia!

Caroline Blackley has retired from School Council. Caroline has been a member since 2018 and has held various positions including School Council President in 2020. Thank you Caroline!

JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL

The Junior School Council had their first meeting last Friday with Miss O. Our JSR reps are Gracie, Freddie, Siobhan, Lilli, Keiran, Kyara and Olivia.

The students discussed what they would like to do for their first fundraiser of the year. It was decided that they would like to hold a sausage sizzle in Term 2. More details to come!

FAREWELL CODY & ELIJAH!

This week we said goodbye to Cody and Elijah who are moving interstate.

The Spry family have been a part of Moyston Primary School since Tommy began in 2011, followed by Aaliyah, Brayden, Cody and Elijah. We would like to wish the Spry family all the very best for their move!



STAFFING - PRINCIPAL POSITION

Anthony Cain's position as Acting Principal at Stawell West has been rolled over for another term. This will be for all of Term 2, 2022.

Natalie Dowsett will continue as Acting Principal at Moyston Primary School for Term 2 2022.

Junior —

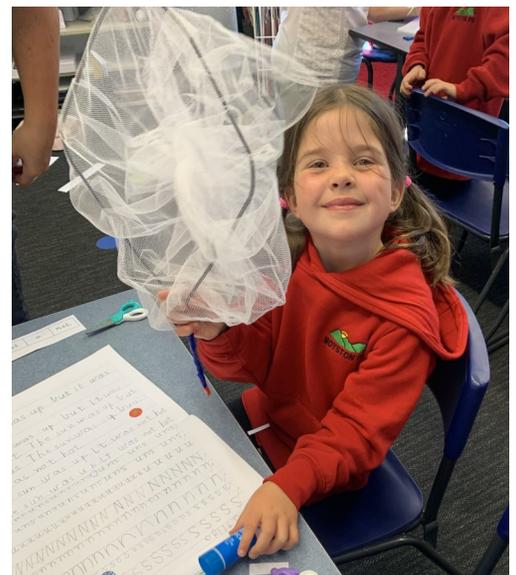
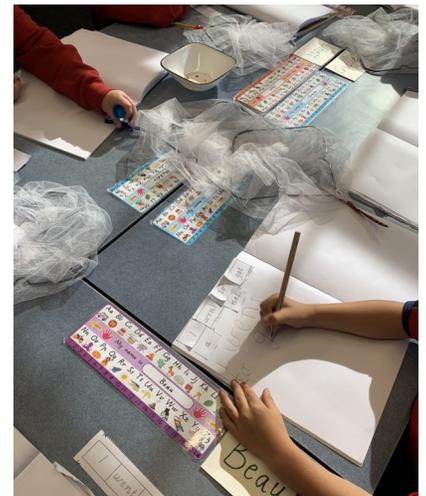
NET

This week in the Junior classroom the word of the week has been 'net.'

On Monday the Preps and Grade 1s made their very own nets!

They crafted them out of coat hangers, netting and electrical tape.

They have been having lots of fun using their nets at recess time to catch and investigate all sorts of critters!



COLLECTING DATA

The Juniors have been collecting all sorts of data over the past few weeks. Students have been exploring ways in which they can represent their findings.

They have graphed their eye colour, the fruit they brought to school and even the vehicles that drove past on their way to the Pitch Festival!



Middle — Swimming recounts

PADDY

First, we went on the bus to the Ararat fitness centre. When we got there, we went down the stairs to eat lunch. I had a sandwich with turkey in it.

Then my group, which included Will went swimming. I had Ange and Will had Sandra as a swim teacher.

After that we jumped off the edge at the deep end of the pool. Ange asked us to jump off the edge and not get our heads wet. To do that we had to jump with our arms spread out. None of us could get it, but at least we all tried.

Finally, we hopped out of the water and went home. I like going to swimming lessons.



AERITH

First, I got all my things ready to go swimming. I then lined up, the line was very long, and I was at the back. I had to wait and wait until I finally got on the bus. I sat next to Kayla.

Then, we got to the Ararat Fitness Centre. We all went downstairs to eat lunch and play games. I chased the ball. It was so much fun! The sports we played were dodgeball and dog and bone.

Next, I went to get changed into my bathers, so I could get in the pool. In the pool I did freestyle all the way to the deep end, where we practice jumping in to get the sinking sharks from the bottom of the pool. I collected two on my first go and four on my second try.

LILLI

First, I got dropped off at school, hung up my bags, got my hat and went and played outside. Then the bell went, and we all lined up and were told the bus would be arriving at 12:30 pm.

When the bus arrived, we all partnered up. I asked Hazel if she wanted to sit up the back of the bus with me, she said yes. So, when I got up the back, I saved her a seat.

After we arrived the first group, which included Dusty and many more students went straight to the pool while I ate lunch. I had a cheese sandwich.

Finally, it was my groups turn. My swim teacher is Ange. My favourite part was when we went to the deep end and Ange let us do anything we wanted. Then she asked us to try and walk into the pool without getting our head wet. It was harder than it sounded.

Senior — Graphs

GRAPHS

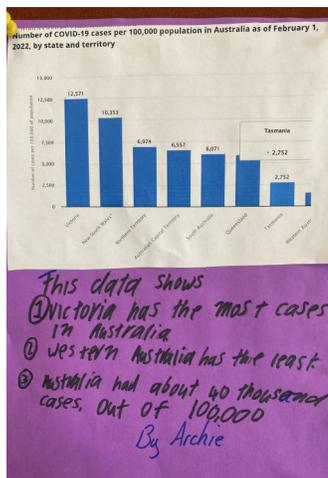
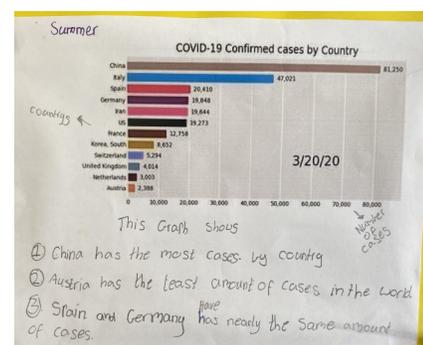
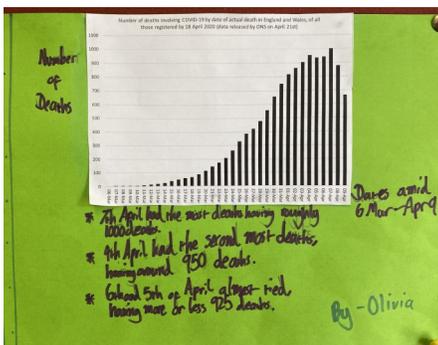
The senior students have been exploring data graphs about Covid-19.

They have been looking at how data is presented by researching and interpreting various types of graphs on the internet.

Students selected their own type of graph, interpreted it and presented their findings to the class.

Graph topics included

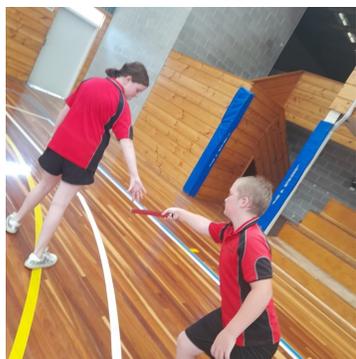
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- number of cases in different countries around the world
- number of cases per 100 thousand population in Australia by State and Territory.



SWIMMING



LESSONS



DOG TRIALS

Last week, the whole school visited the 94th Moyston Sheep Dog Trials at the Moyston Oval. The students enjoyed spending recess having their morning tea and watching the Novice Trials.



SCHOOL START TIME/SUPERVISION OF STUDENTS

Student safety at Moyston Primary School is our highest priority and the safe and appropriate supervision of students is an important element of our duty of care to students.

Part of this duty is ensuring parents and students are aware of our student supervision arrangements before and after school.

Before school: School grounds are supervised from **8.30am** until the bell at **9am**.

After school: School grounds are supervised from **3.20pm** dismissal until **3.40pm**.

Students on school grounds outside these times **will not** be supervised.

Parents/carers are requested to ensure that students do not attend school outside of these supervised times.

Moyston Primary School's 'Yard Duty & Supervision' policy can be found on our website - www.moystonps.vic.edu.au



HAPPY BIRTHDAY to
Kiora and Jimmy who both
celebrated their birthdays this
week!



SCHOOL PHOTOS

2022 SCHOOL PHOTOS can be found by visiting

<https://myschoolphotos.com.au/>

You will need to enter the code which was sent home a few weeks ago. If you don't remember your code, please contact Kelly at school or email kelly.mckinnon@education.vic.gov.au

BREAKFAST CLUB

We are looking for helpers in the morning from 8.35am—8.55am to assist with the setting up, portion control and basic cleaning up afterwards.

The roster up in the foyer near the office to put your name down. At the moment we only have Gareth volunteering on Wednesday's, all other school days are blank.

Volunteers must be fully vaccinated and wear a mask while in the kitchen please.



Thank you to those families who have already donated items and returned tickets for the Easter hamper!

EASTER HAMPER RAFFLE

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

We are asking school families to please donate some Easter items for the hampers such as chocolate eggs, bunnies, decorations, biscuits, lollies etc.

Donated items can be left in the school office.

Tickets are \$1.00 each.

Each family has been sent home 2 pages of tickets.

More tickets are available from the school office.

The raffle will be drawn at the Moyston Easter Market on —Saturday 16th April

Thank you for your support!



Respectful school communities start with respectful behaviour

Parents, carers, staff and students can help keep our school community safe, supportive and respectful.

Good relationships are based on:



Open and honest communication



Trust and respect



Working together



Fair and reasonable expectations by all

These behaviours are **not** okay in our school community:

- ⊘ Threats
- ⊘ Violence
- ⊘ Rudeness
- ⊘ Harassment
- ⊘ Discriminatory and derogatory comments
- ⊘ Aggression
- ⊘ Intimidation
- ⊘ Threatening gestures

This includes in-person, over-the-phone, email, text message, social media and online.

For more information ask your school about the **Respectful Behaviours within the School Community Policy**.

Moyston Easter Market

9-2pm Easter Saturday
April 16, 2022

At the Moyston Oval
Ararat-Halls Gap Rd, Moyston

- Longest Football Kicking Comp for men, women & kids - starts 11.30am
- Live Music by Ararat Duo SOFT
- Raffle - WIN a tandem trailer of wood
- Market Stalls: arts & crafts by local artists, homemade goodies, pre-loved treasures looking for new homes and more!
- Devonshire Tea & Gourmet BBQ
- Vintage Car Display
- Easter Egg Trail



Ararat Rural City

Stall bookings and enquiries: 0419 382 315
Email: mpamoyston@gmail.com



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.

Additional Rapid Antigen Tests have been sent home today.

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

We have recently updated our **Child Safety Responding and Reporting Obligations (including Mandatory Reporting) Policy** on our school website.

www.moystonps.vic.edu.au

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.

COVID SAFETY MEASURES

All visitors need to use the QR code check-in system. If you are only entering the school grounds to drop off/pick up students you don't need to check-in. Visitors and contractors must provide evidence of vaccination on arrival.

As these rules and regulations are constantly changing, please keep a close eye on coronavirus.vic.gov.au

