

Newsletter

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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."



Moyston Primary School staff and students acknowledged the passing of
Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II
1926 - 2022

As a mark of mourning and respect and in accordance with protocol, our new flags have been flying at half-mast. It is customary to fly the flags at half-mast from the time of announcement of the death of The Sovereign until the day after the funeral.

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Announcements

PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL

Payments are still being accepted for 2022 Curriculum Contributions (school fees). Suggested payment of **\$200 per student** can be paid to the school account. Camp payments are also required before your child attends any camp.

Upcoming Camps

School Sleepover & Day Out (Prep & Grade 1) Term 4 (December)

Cave Hill Creek (Grade 2 & 3) 24th - 26th October 2022

Urban Camp (Melbourne) (Grade 4, 5 & 6) 8th - 11th November 2022



The cost of the Cave Hill Creek Camp for Grade 2 & 3 students is **\$185.00** per student.

The cost of the Urban Camp for Grade 4, 5 & 6 students is **\$320.00** per student.

These costs have been subsidised by school council.

Camps must be paid for prior to attending.

If you would like to discuss payment arrangement please contact Natalie. Some families have CSEF funds on their school account which can be applied to camp costs.

Please see Kelly to discuss (school camps are optional and provided on a user pays basis).

Parent Opinion Survey

WE WANT OUR PARENTS/CAREGIVERS/GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents/caregivers/guardians think of our school. The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. We encourage all families to participate in this survey. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies. While previously a random sample of approximately 30 per cent of parents/caregivers/guardians have been selected to participate, this year, all families are invited to participate in the survey.

The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 15th August to Friday 16th September**.

The survey will be conducted online, only takes 20 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

<https://www.orima.com.au/parent>

The school pin number has been sent to school families via email and in hardcopy.

Announcements

PRINCIPAL POSITION TERM 4

It has been confirmed that the Education Department has appointed Sharon Baker as Acting Principal during Term 4 while I will be taking 4 weeks leave.

This will commence during the first week of term, from Thursday 6th October and I will be returning on Thursday 3rd November 2022.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards, Natalie Dowsett.

Outside School Hours Care (OHSC)

We have been successful in our application for an OSHC program at Moyston PS in 2023.

The next stage is to find an outside provider to be able to supply this service to our school for this to be able to be run over the next 2 years. More information to come.

Musica Viva excursion



Recently, we travelled to Willaura Hall for a Cluster day with Willaura, Maroona & Buangor Primary Schools.

We were delighted by an interactive performance by Musica Viva.



The ensemble used the children's imagination to create stories through music.

Cinema Open Day



To celebrate our Digital Technology learning this term, we held an open day at the ARARAT ASTOR CINEMA yesterday.

We watched the movie 'The League of Super Pets' which was then followed by a special screening on the big screen of our student stop motion videos that they have been working on during Art and in class!



Cinema Open Day



Assembly



Last Monday was our fortnightly assembly in the Multi-purpose room, hosted by Keiran and Kyara.

Jimmy, Hazel, Jhett and Emme from Miss Hogan's shared some of the patterns that they made during Maths last week.

Mrs Savoia's class presented their book of fables, Kiara shared a report on money and Siobhan read one of the Social Stories the class made with Ms. Dowsett.



Miss O's class showcased their explanation texts on natural disasters. Reading awards were presented as well as our School Values awards for Resilience, Responsibility and Excellence! Our next assembly will be held on **the first Monday of Term 4 - 3rd October, all welcome!**



Black Ranges Athletics

Well done to Archie, Owen and Jacob who represented Moyston PS at the Black Ranges Athletics in Stawell.

The boys competed against students from all around the region.



Congratulations to Archie who has advanced to the regional athletics in Ballarat on 7th October!



Archie 1st 9-10 boys 100m dash
Archie 3rd - 9-10 boys Long Jump
Jacob 4th 11 boys Discus Throw
Owen - 4th 12/13 boys 100m dash
Owen 4th 12/13 boys Long Jump



Junior Class



MAKEY MAKEY

In Digital Technologies we had great fun experimenting with Makey Makeys to create bongo drums out of play dough, fruit and vegetables!



MATHS

In Maths we have been exploring mass and capacity. Last week we compared the mass of fruits and vegetables using a balance. This week we measured the capacity of a range of containers using informal units.



Commemorating the passing of Queen Elizabeth II

Middle Class



Maths rotations and learning about the Life Cycle of a butterfly



What the Fathers of the Middle Classroom said in their interviews:

A good Dad always ...laughs.

...cares for his kids.... listens to his kids.

...hugs and kisses his children goodnight...makes his children laugh.

...helps his kids...is kind.... loves his kids.

The highlight of being a dad is: waking up and seeing my girls...

...big hugs when I come home from work.

...watching my children grow up and seeing their beautiful smiles. My girl also makes me laugh...riding motor bikes with my son.

...when I hear you're being good at school and helping others.

...riding motorbikes with my son and watching him have fun.

...seeing my kids succeed and have fun.

A quick brain break between lessons in the morning. Students worked with a partner to keep the marker balanced with just one finger while moving around the room. One student led while the other followed, then they swapped roles



Former Moyston PS students, Caitlyn Dowsett & Daemon Savoia came in to help on their pupil free day.

They spent time in the Middle classroom, helping the students read, write and do Maths.



Maths



Jack learning about Volume and Capacity of liquids using informal units of measure.



Lilli using her multiplication chart to find out volume = $L \times W \times H$ in cubic centimetres.



The middle class building shapes with centimetre cubes to work out the volume.

Golf

On Monday, a number of our students participated in the schools Golf Tournament at Chalambar Golf Club in Ararat.

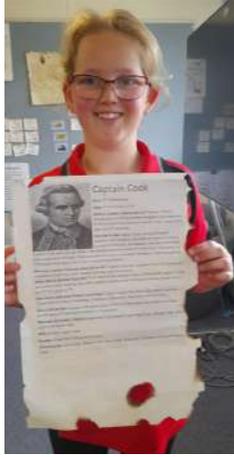
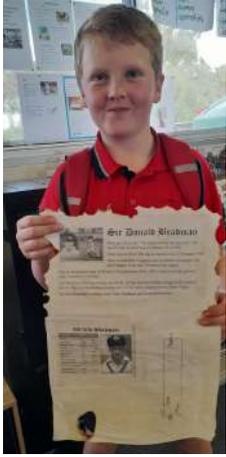


The students had a great day completing 9 holes. Thank you to Tony Collier for the coaching sessions, we look forward to more golf next year.

Thank you to Lydia and Dean for helping out on the day.



Senior Class



In the senior class, students have been writing historical reports on a famous Australian of their choice.

They had fun soaking their work in tea and burning the edges to make them look old!

The senior class would like to welcome Harrison to Grade 5!



Morning circle time!



National Day of Action

The R U OK? national day of action is when we remind Australians that every day is the day to ask, 'are you OK?' and start a meaningful conversation whenever they spot the signs that someone they care about might be struggling with life.

You don't need to be an expert to have an R U OK? conversation. Listening and giving someone your time might be just what they need to help them through.



Father's Day



Happy Father's Day!

Our students had lots of fun creating gifts for their Dad's and special men in their lives for Father's Day. The student work was also on display as table decorations at the recent Community Dinner.



Community Dinner



Thank you to everyone who helped with the September Community Dinner! We had a Father's Day theme with the room decked out with the student's creations. The Moyston Community enjoyed a delicious 'Pies & Parmas' meal. Thank you to all of our school council members, school parents, families, and staff who ordered food, shopped, prepped, baked, served, donated items and helped clean up. Many hands make light work, and your support is appreciated by everyone!

Playgroup



**Moyston
Playgroup is held
on the first
Wednesday of
each month from
9.30am – 11.00am
at Moyston
Primary School.**

**Our next
Playgroup will be
held on
Wednesday 5th
October.**

COVID-19 isolation requirements have changed

Any student or staff member who tests positive to COVID-19 must now isolate for a minimum of 5 days instead of 7.

If they are asymptomatic, they may return to school on day 6.

If they are symptomatic, they must remain in isolation until day 7.

If they have symptoms after 7 days, they are strongly advised to stay home until their symptoms have resolved.

As an additional risk mitigation, the Department of Health strongly recommends that those leaving isolation wear a face mask when away from home, both indoors and outdoors, and when they cannot physically distance.

Those leaving isolation on day 6 should wear a mask for 5 days but particularly the first 2 days. Those leaving isolation on day 7 should wear a mask for 4 days but particularly the first 2 days.

Those leaving isolation should consider taking a rapid antigen test before attending school.

Footy Day



We held a footy colours day today to celebrate the last day of term!



Happy 10th Birthday Archie!



Resilience • Responsibility • Respect



Prep 2023 Transition Dates

- Friday 14th October (2pm - 3.20pm)
- Friday 28th October (2pm - 3.20pm)
- Friday 4th November (1pm - 3.20pm)
- Friday 25th November (9am - 11.30am)
- Friday 9th December (9am - 11.30am)
- Tuesday 13th December (9am - 3.20pm)

Please visit our website for current newsletters, enrolment forms and our information book.
moystonps.vic.edu.au

Enrolments are now open!

If you would like any information, or a tour of the school, please contact Natalie Dowsett

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RESILIENCE
RESPONSIBILITY
EXCELLENCE

Enjoy your
holiday break!

TERM 4
commences
on
Monday
3rd October.

We will have
an assembly
on the first
day of term at
9am, all
welcome!



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.

