



MOURA MINOR

MOURA STATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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REMINDER: The School Office is open between 8.30 – 3.30

Melbourne Cup

Yesterday, I had the pleasure of judging the Fashions in the Field at the Moura SS/ Moura Community Kindergarten Melbourne Cup Luncheon. It was a fabulous project undertaken by a small but energetic group of volunteers to create a celebration for the Cup day and to raise money for our school and the Kindergarten. I know that a large number of local and regional businesses supported the event with prizes. Many other people assisted with catering, decorating the hall, preparing prizes and setting up. It was great to see people working together to support the education of our children. Thank you to all the people involved and I hope that everyone had a chance to share in the prizes on offer. I am sure that next year's event will be just as great.

(Congratulations to Kylie McTaggart, Sally Bensley, - both Best Dressed; Tamara Clarke – Best Fascinator and Ross Muirhead and Jan Nimmo – best dressed couple.)

Student Learning

Students in year 2, 4 and 6 completed a Writing Task last week which saw them writing a narrative story in response to a picture stimulus. The student's work is in the process of being marked and cross marked by the teachers. At the staff meeting, staff discussed ways of expanding our students' experience of independent and sustained writing. All students who completed the Writing task will be finishing off the process by working with their scripts and working on improving their product. The test did reveal some very talented and divergent thinkers amongst our children.

P&C Meeting

I would like to encourage all parents to attend the P&C meeting next Tuesday night. The P&C is one of the planning partners in the school and many of the decisions that are made that directly affect your children are discussed and passed through the P&C. This group is a very effective way for parents to have a significant voice in the way the school moves forward. At next week's P&C, I will be presenting the proposals

for class structures for 2010. The P&C Meeting is at 7:30pm.

Year 6 and 7 Speaking

I was extremely proud of our year 6 and 7 students who participated in the school finals of the annual Callide Dawson Speaking Competition last week. These young people showed a great amount of passion and reflection as they delivered a range of speeches covering everything from 'Cruelty to Animals' to 'Marshmallows'. It is always great to see students engaged in public speaking, which builds both academic performance and confidence. Congratulations to all 15 participants and to **Hannah Davidson, Sam Morris** and **Shaun Irwin** who move on to represent the school at the regional finals next week. Thank you also to Mr Ivory, Miss Banks, Mr Nye, Mrs James and Mrs Anderson for preparing our students to such a high standard. It was great to see a number of parents there to support our students.

Cyberbullying

A final reminder to parents that the year 6 and 7 students have the opportunity to attend a session on cyberbullying in Biloela on Friday. Most of the schools in the Callide Dawson will be sending students to this session, held by Mr Brett Lee a police officer with international experience in internet protections, social networking concerns and all forms of cyber bullying. We strongly encourage parents to send their children to this session.

Induction Programs

The Year 7 Induction Program continues this week and all reports have been very positive. I am sure the students are mindful of representing

our school in the best possible light not only during their time at Moura SHS but also in preparation for those students who are attending other High Schools. We want our year 7 students to go to their new schools and conduct themselves in a way that ensures future students enrolling will be warmly accepted and sought after.

Year 7 students are aware that their behaviour at school needs to be of the highest standard before they are allowed to participate in Induction.

Excursions

A number of excursions are being held through the school at the moment. On Wednesday the 6/7 class accompanied by Ms Cumming Emery and Mrs Wragge went to Rockhampton as part of their work on Biomechanics. Other classes heading out include Miss Fabila's 5s who will be visiting the Dreamtime Centre, and Mr Pryce's 3/4 class and Mrs Pryce's 2/3 Class who will be going to Mt Morgan..

It is important for all parents and caregivers to know that **ALL students who leave the school to attend extra curricular activities MUST be in full school uniform**. This is a Workplace Health and Safety requirement for identification. Parents will be required to organise the purchase or borrowing of the appropriate shorts and/or shirts to attend **ANY** excursion. Thank you for your cooperation in this.

Our teachers put a lot of work into preparing excursions and engage in a lot of risk assessment and management. These extra experiences are great opportunities for our students.

The.Parents@mourass.eq.edu.au

We are still collecting together email addresses for parents who wish to be

included in the email list to receive extra information from the school. We hope to build this mail list into a reminder system as well. If you would like to be a part of the list, please email your intention to The.Principal@mourass.eq.edu.au or add your email address to the list at the front office. No individual email addresses will be used in mailouts. It will be a generic address.

Christine Hills
Principal

School Banking Wednesday



FROM THE OFFICE

Hours are between **8:30-3:30**

ADMIN MEETING

On **Mondays** between **9:30-10:30** administration has a meeting. Could you please avoid contacting the office at that time unless it is an emergency.

Information hot line:

You can ring and check information regarding happenings at the school. For example if we are expecting a group back from camp, the expected arrival time will be recorded on the message. We will also record meeting dates and times for the week. Please ring and familiarise yourself with this service.

INFORMATION HOT LINE 49975288



Student Absence Phone Number (Including Bus Variations) 49975260

Please use this number to notify the school of your **child/ren's absence** from school and also for any **variations to their bus travel**. Messages can be left either out of hours or during school time.



FORMS AND MONEY

If you are bringing money to the school can you please place the money and forms in an **ENVELOPE** with your name and what it is for. As we have had issues with money being lost. Thank you.

DATES TO REMEMBER

November 10 th	P&C Meeting
November 13 th	Spell-a-thon forms and money due
November 16 th	Year 7 Camp Prep Transition Day
November 18 th	Prep Transition Day
December 2 nd Wed	Junior Swimming Carnival
December 9 th	Senior Graduation

MOURA TENNIS CLUB UPCOMING FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Black Friday The 13th November – Trivia Night

At the Tennis Clubhouse, Nott Street
Doors open at 7pm for a 7:30pm start
Please nominate teams of 6 to be registered by 12th Nov.

Contact Donna Wheeler on 0407 745 177 or
sidwheeler@bigpond.com

Cost is \$10 per head.

Nibbles will be served throughout the night. Bar open.

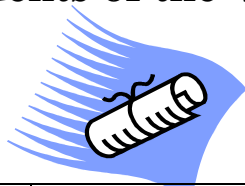
L Come along for a great night out and you may even win some fantastic prizes.

S 5th December – Christmas Themed Cent Sale

At the Tennis Clubhouse, Nott street
Doors open at 1pm
charge \$5 per person, children under 12 are \$2

Lucky door prize plus other raffles

Students of the Week



Prep W	Marshell Leeson
Prep C	Ella James
1H	Calitin Drayton
1/2T	Jesse Drayton
2/3P	Darcie Lang
3I	Jacie Henderson
3/4P	Rhett McPherson
4/5C	Shane Auld
5F	Alexander Campbell
6B	David Forster
6/7 I	Shaun Irwin
7A/J	Jacob Warren

Assessment Term 4

Class	Assessment	Due Date
6B	Mathematics In class	20 th Nov.
6B	Technology Greeting Cards	Week ending 20 th Nov
3I	Mathematics revision test In class	6 th Nov
3I	Personal Recount In class	7 th Nov
5F	Mathematics Shelby's Enclosure	Week 6
5F	Eng/SOSE Biography	13 th Nov
3 / 4	Dinosaur design	Wed 11 Nov
3 / 4	Play presentation	Fri 13 Nov
5F	Oral presentation	Week 6
5F	Photo Story	Week 7
3 / 4	Dinosaur Narrative	Wed 18 Nov

BEE AWARDS

At our school, we want our children to

- Be learning
- Be responsible
- Be Courteous
- Be Safe



SHAUN IRWIN
HANNAH DAVIDSON
SAM MORRIS

School Uniforms 2010

Anyone wanting Moura **Primary** or
Moura **High School** Polo Shirts for 2010
Please advise your requirements at
Culture Shack or phone 4997 2118
cultureshack@bigpond.com

CERTIFICATES

Silver

Kate Jury
Kobi Saltner
Jazmine Perkins
Annabella Philipp
Zahn Carvosso
Elly Regan
Jace Mallet
Tristan Hutchinson
Brianna Austin
Dade Roberts
Mya Theodore
John Matschoss
Justin Cooke

Bronze

Cheyenne Oakes
Rhett McPherson

Birthdays

Jarod Marendaz
Quentyn Pinch
Alisha Caletti
Emily Turner



From the Sports Room



P-3 Swimming

Thanks again to all our volunteers. We could use a few more, particularly with the year 1, 2 and 3 classes. It's great to see most swimmers wearing caps. As well as saving the pool filter, they make swimming easier, especially for those with longer hair.

Canoeing

It's the last week of paddling tomorrow for Group One. They are certainly quite skilled paddlers and were able to paddle almost to the weir and return in fairly straight lines with minimal collisions. Focus tomorrow will be on games which combine the paddling skills they have learnt with the possibility of a controlled capsized. Group Two will start next Friday 13th.

3rd Annual Powers Investment

Junior Swim Meet

The Interschool Swim Challenge is on Wednesday 25 November from 6:00 pm. It would be great to take a crowd of our swimmers over for the challenge between schools in the Callide Dawson area. Swimmers 9 years or younger will swim 25m races in all/some/any of the 4 strokes and older ones 50m. I'll be talking about it on parade on Monday and paperwork will be available after that. Nominations close on Friday 20th.

Remember

Hats and water bottles

From the Library

Book Fair

What a busy week it was! Takings look like about \$4800 which means we get about \$1500 for our library. That's quite a few new books, as well as a few dollars to keep the library running. There were certainly some great books available. Thanks to all those who shopped at the fair. Thanks also to some of our Year 7s who did a great job helping each day with various jobs

including sorting out those younger shoppers who were confused with how much money they had.

Borrowing

Remember to keep those library books clean and dry. I'd love more plastic bags if you have some spare, please.

Helen Mackay HPE/Library

IT'S ON AGAIN!!!!
MOURA STATE SCHOOL P&C
ASSOCIATION
ARE ONCE AGAIN RUNNING
A MULTI DRAW
CHRISTMAS HAMPER
RAFFLE
AND WE NEED YOUR
SUPPORT.
LAST YEAR WE
SUCCESSFULLY RAISED
SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO
PURCHASE FOUR
COMPUTERS FOR OUR
SCHOOL.
THIS YEAR OUR
FUNDRAISING IS
DIRECTED TOWARDS A
GOAL OF
\$7000.00 TO PURCHASE
NECESSARY
READING MATERIAL FOR
EACH CLASSROOM.
SO PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR
CHILD BY
DONATING A CHRISTMAS ITEM
FOR THE
CHRISTMAS HAMPER.
ITEMS SUCH AS CHRISSY
SNACKS,
DRINKS, PAPER, CARDS,
DECORATIONS,
PUDDING, PRESSIES,
TABLEWARE
AND ABSOLUTELY
ANYTHING RELATED
TO CHRISTMAS CAN BE
LEFT AT THE OFFICE.

**We now have a Christmas box in
the office entrance to drop all
donations into.**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR WONDERFUL
SUPPORT

Spell-a-thon

Spell off will be tomorrow so make sure you have collected as many sponsors as you can. There will be a POOL PARTY for the highest fundraising class and great prizes for those that raise the highest amount of money in each year level. There will even be prizes for everyone who raises over \$20 in sponsorship!!!!!!!!!!!! Remember, all the money goes directly into the school to purchase new reading books for all grade levels and **all sponsorship forms** and money need to be in by Friday 13th regardless of sponsorship ***all forms must be returned.***

Premier's Reading Challenge Participants

Prep W

Ameliija Swaffer-Self
Ashley Cooke
Callum Haley
Charlie Perkins
Connor Haley
David Stevenson
Gabiella Freeman
Georgie Coombe
Grace Powell
Halle Madeley
Hayden Hanson
Jackson Matschoss
Jaylee Lowther
Jonathan Summers
Joshua Hill
Julian Hoath
Lockie Mactaggart
Logan Hartwell
Lyla Schmidt
Marshall Leeson
Micha Van Beugen
Montana Hohn
Rieanna Noga
Shianne Lobley

7A/J

Bailey Johnson
Emily Turner
Leah Winn

Prep C

Amelia McAuliffe
Austin Kelly
Baxter Millan
Cameron Collins
Chloe Adams
Daley Mallet
Daniel Conway
Ella James
Emma Clark
Emma Diemech
Emma Jones
Finely James
Holly Dowden
James Armstrong
Lachlan Kincaid
Lewis Smith
Linkin Evans
Maddison Limkin-Neil
Marshall McPherson
Megg Taylor
Mitchell Williams
Nathan Turner
Raine Finlayson
River-Alan Davidson
Ryan Ollington

6/7I

Madison Matschoss

Madeline Roberts
Sam Morris
Sophie Chiles

1H

Angus Brown
Ashtyn Lambert-Barker
Benjamin Hills
Bohdan Lamb
Conor Hartwell
Croydon Sutton
Dylan Karayriacos
Ellie Vaughan
Farren Sutton
Jodie-Lee Swan
Kaidee Neyland
Kearna Lane
Kimberley Weier
Lachlan Collins
Liam Payne
Sean Wood
Sharina Hammon
Toby Cirson
Tyson Nugent
Xavia Hutchinson

2/3P

Bryn Francis
Rylee Muller
Abby Quinn

3/4P

Kylie Briggs
Shayden Burgess
Jessica Clarke-Smith
Kiahara Duncan
Jake Evans
Christian Glass
Joanna Hills
Kymberly Hoath
Tyler Hogan
Jessica Lamont
Jace Mallet
Sharise Mann
Paul Matchoss
Rhett McPherson
Shyla Murphy
Riki-Rae Saltner
Brock Scholz
Ellen Smith
Felicity Weier
Grace Williams

1/2T

Ben Maclean
Bridie Bennie
Claire Briggs
Dade Roberts
Hannah Vaughan
Jarod Maredaz
Mya Theodore
Rhianna Fitzpatrick
Seth Lobley
Alexandra Freeman
Brett Burgess
Chelsey Murphy
Dalton Johnson
Elizabeth Camplin
Isabella Hanson
John Matschoss
Kye Finlayson
Miranda McPherson
Rosie Williams
Taylah McGuire

3I

Abbey Jackson
Aimee Hill
Alicia Brown
Annie Stephenson
Brianna Austin
Bridgett Jury
Gabrielle Campbell
Jacie Henderson
James Wood
Jarod Van Tilburg
Jayde MacFarlane
Jordan Kincaid
Kaylen Richardson
Max Lang
Mitchell Neyland
Natasha Lambert-Barker
Olivia Madeley
Paige Mallet
Tristan Hutchinson
Tylan Shaw

5F

Jamie-Lee Bromby

6B

Corrine Johnson
Tea Macfarlane

