

Moura Minor

"We strive for great things"

Term 1, Week 9

23rd March 2023

Special points of interest:

- Year 6 Camp BIECC
- Cross Country
- Cricket Gala Day
- P&C Association 2023
- Parent/Teacher Interviews

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The bad news is time flies. The good news is you're the pilot.

Michael Altshuler

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Students, Parents/Caregivers and Friends

With the majority of our Year 6 students being happy campers this week at Boyne Island EEC it has been a little quieter around school. You may have seen some of the photos on our school Facebook page. There are photos further in the newsletter for you to enjoy too. The reports from Mr Martens, Miss Sinnamon and Mrs McGeachin have only been positive. We will welcome the campers home tomorrow afternoon.

School will be even quieter tomorrow because we will have 38 Year 4-5 students participating in a Cricket Gala Day with their Dawson Valley peers at Banana SS. We wish them all the best for the day and hope they have fun, make new friends and learn new skills. A big thank you to Mr Mortimer for organising this sporting opportunity for our students, and thank you to Mrs Townsend who will assist on the day. The drivers to get our players to and from Banana SS are thanked too.

On Tuesday after school, teachers spent a couple of hours working together to moderate completed deidentified student assessment tasks. It was pleasing to note that there were no changes to the ratings already given by the class teacher. All teachers considered there was evidence in the student response to match the expectations of the quality of evidence described by the task-specific standard descriptors.

Throughout this week and next week, teachers are being released to work with Mrs Michelle Lang, Head of

Curriculum, to plan the teaching and learning for Term 2 – what will students need to know and do to be successful in each subject. Teachers enjoy these sessions and find them very productive.

There will be no planning sessions on Tuesday of next week as it is Cross Country morning. See further in the newsletter for details about the morning. Parents/caregivers are most welcome to attend to cheer on the runners. Remember that students sit in their house groups under the supervision of school staff and not with their parents.

The cross country will be followed up with a visit by the Governor of Queensland-Her Excellency the Honourable Dr Jeannette Young AC PSM. Our special guest is expected to visit for approximately 45 minutes from 1:00 pm. We are looking forward to this activity.

CLASSES FOR REMAINDER OF THE YEAR

With the increase in student numbers we have experienced this year, the staffing model confirms that we can have a 12th class teacher. Recruitment for a teacher has been underway for a few weeks now, and there has been planning in the background to organise classes and rooms and so on.

We would like the new arrangements to commence at the start of the new term. Once confirmed, you will be notified by email. You will be notified of your child's class allocation via SMS email as you were at the end of the 2022 school year.

P&C ASSOCIATION 2023

Congratulations and welcome to our P&C Association executive members for 2023. Many thanks to you all for going the extra yards to support the education of our school's students.

President – Krista Becker

Vice President – vacant

Secretary – Esther Evans

Treasurer – Sarah Morris

Other committee members include:

Minutes Secretary – Leanne Suttle

An extra thank you to the outgoing committee members – Renee Ronnfeldt and Richard Holcombe – for your work as Treasurer and Vice President respectively.

A final task for the 2022 committee was to financially support the purchase of 11 refrigerators. The fridges have arrived and are currently being placed in classrooms. THANK YOU for this wonderful donation to our school!!

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

In the last week of this term (Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 27/29/30 March 3:15-4:30), parents/caregivers have the opportunity to meet with teachers about student progress for Term 1. I strongly encourage you to make an interview time in the next week.

A big thank you to parents and teachers who have already taken the opportunity to meet or chat with each other about student learning. These have made a difference with students' progress.

CHANGE OF DETAILS

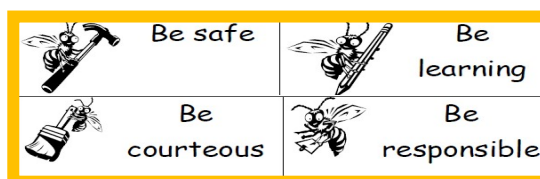
Letters have been distributed asking for you to check the details we have listed for your child/ren. We need to have these details correct (especially phone numbers, postal and email addresses, emergency contacts and their phone numbers) so please return your edited details page – whether there are changes or not – to the Office as soon as possible.

UNEXPLAINED ABSENCE LETTERS

Mrs Chris Lucht, Admin Officer, is currently working on letters to be sent home about unexplained absences so that parents/caregivers can update their child/ren's school records. It is highly recommended that you respond to these letters, if you receive one.

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

As we head into the last week of the term it is important that all remain focused on our Four Be's – Be Safe, Be Learning, Be Courteous, Be Responsible.



WELLBEING



Learning in learning time, finish all your work, have your learning equipment/materials ready

This week, we looked at some successful and unsuccessful examples of time management. Students created a schedule/timetable, starting with a daily list, to help them keep track of their school work and other commitments.

Yours in Education

Laurel



Rise and shine with Breakfast Club being held at the SEP every Monday, Thursday and Friday mornings from 8.30am.

Thanks to some generous donations we are able to offer lactose free milk and a gluten free option.

Students of the Week

Prep O	Darcy
Prep/1 R	Mackenzie
1 F	Roman
2 H	Ivy
2/3 S	Maverick
3/4 H	Harrison
4 W	Rubi
4/5 HT	MW
5/6 M	Jaxon
6 H	Wylie
HPE Jnr	Lucy
HPE Snr	Khobe

Bee Awards



We commend our students for following the School Expectations.



**Be Learning, Be Courteous,
Be Safe & Be Responsible**

Isla, Lucy F, Sidney, Isobel, Ruby,
Zaxon, Mitchell, Jack B, Heidi,
Noah B

COMINGS AND GOINGS- 279



ATTENTION!

Please remind your children, whether they are walking, riding or scooting, to come directly to school with **NO DETOURS** via the Skate Park or shops.



19th – 25th March

Ivan, Miyah, Lilly, Sonny, Tillie
Mr Gilchrist

Students of the Week



MEDICATION

Any medications provided for the school to administer to your child **MUST** be:

- Prescribed by a qualified health professional
- Have an attached pharmacy label, in original and intact packaging
- Accompanied by a completed *Consent to administer medication form*

If your child requires medication as an emergency response, you will need additional information from your practitioner such as:

- an *Asthma Action Plan* and/or
- an *Anaphylaxis Action Plan* and/or
- written instructions if your child has more complex health needs

With the cooler weather approaching, it is important that we have all the correct information, plans and consent.

More details can be accessed on the [Administration of Medication form](#) on our website. If you require more information, please contact the office.



P&C ASSOCIATION

MOURA STATE SCHOOL

Tuckshop Friday:

Running as per normal - any help between 8:30 - 11am would be appreciated

Please get your orders into QKR by 8:00am

AGM #2 was held on Monday.

Thank you to our 2022 executives - Sarah Morris, Richard Holcombe, Renee Ronnfelt and Esther Evans. Your hard work and dedication to the P and C is much appreciated. Sarah and Esther will continue on as executive members in 2023 as Treasurer and Secretary respectively. We are thankful that Leanne Suttle will continue on in her role as Minutes Secretary and welcome a new President, Krista Becker.

Book Club:

Thank you to everyone who ordered Book Club through Loop. This is always a great way to contribute to the P and C so can then fund resources for the School. Your orders should be arriving soon (fingers crossed they will arrive before the end of Term).

Cross Country:

The P and C are excited to provide a CASH ONLY, ADULT ONLY canteen from the Hall on Tuesday 28th March. It will be a Morning Tea Canteen with cold drinks, baked goods, zooper doopers and tea/coffee available from 9am until the end of the Cross Country.

Please keep an eye on the P and C Facebook page as we will be requesting donations to stock our Canteen. Volunteers to serve in the canteen will be welcomed from 9am so please consider helping out on the day.



P&C ASSOCIATION

MOURA STATE SCHOOL

CROSS COUNTRY CANTEEN

CASH ONLY

Soft Drink	\$3.00	Assorted Baked Goods	\$2.00
Water	\$2.00	Zooper Doopers	\$1.00
Poppers	\$2.00		
Tea/Coffee	\$2.00		

SCHOOL SPORT CODES as extracted from the Moura SS Prospectus 2023:

PLAYERS' CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

1. Play by the rules.
2. Never argue with an official. If you disagree, have your captain, coach or manager approach the official during a break or after the competition.
3. Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials, sledging other players or deliberately.
4. Distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviours in any sport.
5. Work equally hard for yourself and/or your team. Your team's performance will benefit and so will you.
6. Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they are made by your team or the opposition.
7. Treat all participants in your sport as you like to be treated. Do not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor.
8. Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please your parents and coaches.
9. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

SPECTATORS' CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

1. Remember that young people participate in sport for their enjoyment and benefit, not yours.
2. Applaud good performances and efforts from all individuals and teams. Congratulate all participants on their performance, regardless of the game's outcome.
3. Respect the decisions of officials and teach young people to do the same.
5. Never ridicule or scold a young player for making a mistake. Positive comments are motivational.
6. Condemn the use of violence in any form, whether it is by spectators, coaches, officials or players.
7. Show respect for your team's opponents. Without them, there would be no game.
8. Encourage players to follow the rules and the officials' decisions.
9. Do not use foul language, sledge or harass players, coaches or officials.
10. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

Inappropriate and irresponsible behaviour by any parent/carer/spectator, teacher/coach or participant will not be tolerated.

PARENTS' CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

1. Remember that children participate in sport for their enjoyment, not yours.
2. Encourage children to participate, do not force them.
3. Focus on your child's efforts and performance rather than whether they win or lose.
4. Encourage children to play according to the rules and to settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.
5. Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a competition.
6. Remember that children learn best by example. Appreciate good performance and skilful plays by all participants.
7. Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
8. Respect officials' decisions and teach children to do likewise.
9. Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and administrators. Without them, your child could not participate.



Cricket Gala Day

Banana SS, Friday 24 March

Tomorrow, 10am—2.30pm

Morning tea items will be available for **CASH ONLY**. Students are to meet on the oval via the back gate for a roll call at 9:30am. Games should start at 10am and finish with a small presentation around 2pm.

Players will need:

- School (blue school shirt) uniform, school hat, running footwear
- Water bottle or 2 and sunscreen
- Lunch and/or snacks in an esky bag

Students travelling with parents can go straight to Banana where a roll will be marked.



Cross Country Tuesday 28th March

The students are looking forward to the Annual Cross Country on Tuesday. Students born in 2011 and 2012 will run 3km and students born in 2013 and 2014 will run 2km. The action will be starting straight away in the morning with students beginning the day with rolls and notices at 8:50am and then making their way to the hall at 8:55am (so please make sure your students are at school ready to go!). We are hoping to get the action started straight away with war cries as we will be trialling something new with all classes having a run. The junior classes will still participate in the obstacle course.

The morning will begin with 2011 Girls and once they have passed the netball fields then Yr 3S and four students from Y3/4H will have a 2 lap race on the top oval. Then followed by the 2011 Boys. Once they are passed the netball fields, Yr 2/3S will have a 2 lap race on the top oval. Next will be 2012 Girls and Yr 2H having a 2 lap race, followed by 2012 Boys and Yr 1F having a 1 lap race. After the older students have completed their 3km races the 2013 Girls will have a 2km race and so will Prep/1R with a 1 lap race. Followed by 2013 Boys and Prep 0. Then we will finish with our last two races for the carnival with 2014 Girls and then 2014 Boys.

The P and C will be selling some items through the hall canteen. However no students are to go to the canteen area, students are required to sit with their house companions and cheer if they are not racing. Your understanding is appreciated, thank you. Parents and carers are more than welcome to come and support!

Moura Tigers Junior Rugby League

All children ages 5-12 are welcome to join the Moura Tigers for the 2023 Season.

Registration is now open...

<https://profile.mysideline.com.au/register/clubsearch>

\$130 per player - includes shorts, socks and training t shirt.

**Information afternoon and BBQ
Thursday 20th April at 4pm at the
Moura Footy Fields**

Find us on Facebook for more information



REMINDER

Write2Spell2Read **Levies** A Multisensory Literacy Program

Levies have been issued for Prep-Year 2 students. **Payment is due by 24th March.** This will allow students complete access to the textbooks required for the W2S2R program. Please pay as soon as possible so that your child/ren can get full use of this essential resource. The school office will accept Bpoint, BPay and EFTPOS.

As endorsed by the Moura State School P&C Association, students will NOT be able to participate in extra curricula activities (excursions, camps etc) if levies have not been paid.

Please contact the office if you have any questions regarding the student levies or would like to organise a payment plan.

Have you registered for QParents yet?

Are you using QParents to stay in contact with our school and to access information about your child's schooling?

If you haven't yet registered for QParents, register now.

You can provide your 100 points of identity documents for registration online through QParents, or in person at Moura State School.

If you have limited identity documents, or experience difficulties registering, please contact the school for help.

QParents is a great way to stay informed about what's happening in your child's school life.

<https://qparents.qld.edu.au/#/login>

Help us stop the spread of head lice

To reduce your child's risk of getting head lice you can ensure long hair is tied up, discourage the sharing of brushes and combs, and minimise head-to-head contact with others. Remember, anyone can get head lice. Check out this [fact sheet](#) for more information.



Dawson Valley ICPA (Isolated Children & Parents Association)

Meeting
Moura Tavern
10am Friday 24th March 2023
All welcome to attend.

Please see the information below about ICPA and what they can do for rural and remote education.

For more information please contact:
Sarah Cox (President) 0418152859
Kylie Mactaggart (Treasurer) 0419686259

Coffee & Lunch available at the Tavern.



ICPA & YOU



ICPA Aust advocates on members' behalf at a national level. Most States and the NT have their own State Councils which focus on issues relevant to that State.

Early Childhood

- Assistance for Isolated Children (AIC) for 3-4 year olds accessing approved Distance Education early learning programs
- Funding for Mobile Early Childhood services
- More facilities and teacher incentives for early childhood education in rural & remote regions
- An In Home Care program which better supports rural & remote families



Primary & Secondary Students

- Increases to the Assistance for Isolated Children (AIC) - Distance Education, Boarding and Second Home Allowances
- The inclusion of Primary Production in the Australian Curriculum
- Access to adequate services for students with specific education needs
- Fares allowance for student travel to access education
- Adequate internet connections and data requirements for all rural and remote students

Tertiary & Training

- Youth Allowance for Tertiary students and Australian Apprentices
- Increases to Commonwealth Living Away From Home Allowance for Australian Apprentices (LAFHA) and trainees
- Access to appropriate relocation assistance
- Working to ensure rural & remote students and young people can access a tertiary/career pathway of their choice

www.icpa.com.au

Boyne Island Year 6 Camp

