

MOORINE ROCK PRIMARY SCHOOL Newsletter

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Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians

Week 10 is here and what a term it has been! Our students have been very busy exploring, investigating, questioning and immersed in their learning both on and offsite. Harmony Day was a great opportunity for us all to celebrate our cultural diversity and respect for each other. Well done to everyone who participated and wore something orange on this special day. In Senior and Junior classes we are saturating our rooms in word walls and environmental print. Thank you to all our parents for reading daily with our students and helping them to learn their sight words.

Our assembly last week was a great success and I was especially pleased to meet some of our fathers who have been busy during prior school events. I value your support and look forward to working with you all to ensure we provide the very best educational opportunities for our students.

NAPLAN is now complete for 2023 and I am sure our Yr. 3 students are very grateful. Thank you to everyone for providing a boot for our art project. These will be sent home in Term Two once complete.

As you are aware we visited the Nulla Nulla site yesterday with Njaki Njaki Cultural Tour guide Mick Hayden. Special thanks to Ron Goodhill who allowed us the opportunity of visiting this very special place. We learnt about Gnamma Holes which are a naturally occurring rock hole that created one of the main sources of water for the Njaki Njaki and Gubrun people. We participated in a smoking ceremony, discovered some significant rock art and thoroughly enjoyed being out and about in our own backyard. Check out our Facebook page for more photos of our excursion. Special thanks to Josie Kent for being our chauffeur!





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"Reach for the Stars"

Principal's Message—continued

As Term One ends we say farewell to Mrs Naomi Borona. We wish Naomi and Ryan all the very best for their upcoming arrival in July and hope you get some time to relax beforehand.

Smiling Mind

MRPS has been successful in securing the Smiling Mind program which is funded by the Federal Government Department of Education with only 300 other Primary Schools this year. Smiling Mind is a program that targets emotional awareness, regulation and mindfulness for student Yr. 1-6 however there are activities for all ages. In Term Two we will commence this evidence-based approach to supporting the mental health and wellbeing of children in the classroom, school and home environment. Here is a link for further information, see me if you have any queries.

<u>In Schools — Smiling Mind</u>

Triple P Program Online program, research-backed | Positive parenting strategies | Triple P (triplep-parenting.net.au)

Triple P is the parenting program that helps make raising kids easier. It gives you tips and ideas to help raise happy and confident kids; see more of the behaviours you like and less of the ones you don't; and have better relationships with your family.

The Triple P - Positive Parenting Program is available to parents and carers of children in Western Australia, thanks to the Department of Education, Child and Adolescent Health Service, WA Country Health Service, and the Department of Communities.

In Term Two Triple P will be available for all MRPS parents via Teams. The Seminars 1-3 will be a series for ages 0-12 years old. As many parents at our school have younger children still at home, parents will be able to log on in the comfort of their own home. Here are the dates:

Seminar 1: 16th May 2023 Time: 12.30pm-3pm Seminar 2: 23rd May Time: 12.30pm-3pm Seminar 3: 30th May Time: 12.30pm-3pm

Free Triple P Seminars are being offered in various locations. Other Triple P programs may be available in selected regions, with more to come in the future. Please let me know if you wish to participate so I can send you the calendar invites for each session and log in details.

In closing I hope the Easter Bunny visits you all with lots of Easter eggs and hot cross buns! I wish you all a very happy Easter holiday. Please stay safe over the holiday season and I look forward to seeing you all in Term Two.

Finally, please follow our Facebook page where you will see updates weekly of our learning at MRPS.

Kind Regards Katrina Tedge Principal



Upcoming Events

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednes-	Thursday	Friday	Weekend
Week 10	3/4 Kindy Day	4/4 Newsletter	5/4	6/4 Kindy Day Last Day of Term One	7/4 Good Friday Public Holiday Students and Staff Do Not attend School	
Week 1	24/4 Kindy Day Anzac Day Assembly 9am	25/4 ANZAC DAY Public Holiday	26/4 Newsletter	27/4 Kindy Day	28/4	
Week 2	1/5 Kindy Day	2/5	3/5	4/5 Kindy Day	5/5	

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- ⇒ Tuesday is Library day for both classrooms —please bring in your library bags
- ⇒ Thursday is Library day for the Kindy Children
- ⇒ Friday is sport for the whole school
- ⇒ Friday, 7th April is Good Friday—this is a public holiday–staff and students do not attend school
- ⇒ Monday. 24th April—First day of Term two for all staff and students
- ⇒ Monday, 24th April—ANZAC Day assembly commencing at 9am
- ⇒ ANZAC Day Public Holiday—Tuesday, 25th April
- ⇒ ANZAC Day Ceremony at Southern Cross representatives from MRPS to join in with the ceremony–Tuesday 25th April

School Facebook Page

We have a new Facebook Page—find us by searching for 'Moorine Rock Primary School' - The cover page is a photo of our beautiful flagpole area. Like and follow our page to see all the wonderful things happening and to hear about any upcoming events.

FROM OUR SENIOR ROOM WITH MRS BORONA

This past fortnight has been filled with end of term assessments and even some rainy days! We have finished learning about fractions in Maths and living things in Science. I am very proud of how well our senior boys have gone this term and especially these last few weeks with all the assessments they have been doing. I will miss my couple of days in the room as I have really enjoyed being back in the classroom.

Mrs Borona









This fortnight in the Junior room we have been doing lots of hands-on activities for spelling and maths.

Here we are using Lego to build words. We have to use a lot of hand strength to pull the Legos off the background when we want to do another word.









Our Dinosaur Dig is helping us learn measurement.

We are learning indirect measurement. We use the bone ruler to see how many bones long the fossil is and then we write it down on the recording sheet. Who knew being a palaeontologist was so much fun?









We are still loving the Doctors office. It's amazing to see the role play the students are engaging in when playing doctors, they are so caring and considerate. I hear them asking what's wrong, take notes, answer the phone and make appointments, they even set up a waiting area. They ask how old the patient is and enter it into the calculator, and sometimes can be quite abrupt to imaginary customers on the phone- No, we are too busy! You can't come in!







The kindy's have been busy creating dinosaurs for the letter D and Easter egg paintings for the letter E and have been making rocket ships using shapes like squares, rectangles and triangles. They have also been enjoying using playdough to practice letter formation and to improve their fine motor skills.







We also did a STEM challenge last week. The challenge was to build a bridge that will hold the most bears.

The students were allowed 6 cups and as many popsicle sticks as they liked. They worked in pairs to build the bridge that held the most bears.

After they built their first bridge they wanted to try again. They learnt very quickly how to better arrange the cups and use the popsicles to make the most surface area for the bears.



















Thank you to everyone who came to our assembly, we loved having you there and the students were so proud of the amazing job they did. They also loved being able to show you their work in the classroom!

Just another reminder that I will be using Class Dojo next term instead of the communication books in folders. I will also be using it to post pictures of things we're doing in the classroom to keep you all updated. If you have any questions or queries please email me, or if you're already connected, message me on Dojo!

I hope everyone has a fantastic school holidays and I look forward to seeing you all next term! Miss Glazier.



No birthdays for this fornight



PIE WARMER LUNCHES

Students may bring lunches from home that require warming up in the pie warmer on **Mondays** and **Wednesdays.** Food is to be brought in an appropriate container (oven proof) or wrapped in alfoil. Please mark your child's name on their lunch for ease of distribution.

To assist the school in providing a safe environment, please consider the contents of your child's lunch box.

Please note, icy poles will no longer be sold during Term 2 and 3.



Tulips With A Difference

Thank you, to all the people that brought bulbs from our Tulips With a Difference catalogue Bulbs totalling \$1,539.00 were sold of which the school gets a 30% refund.

So thanks to you all the school has **\$461.70** to spend on the garden at school.

Thanks again to Wayne Hewitt for collating all the paperwork for the bulbs.

HAPPY GARDENING EVERYONE!

Wayne Hewitt Gardener







Week 9 Star of The Week



Week 10 Star of The Week



Merit Award

Felix Lawrence for always being so helpful amongst his peers and his teachers. Well done Felix keep up the great work.

Merit Award

Brodie Maddock for always being mutually respectful and achieving his personal best.

Congratulations to Felix and Indiana for 100% attendance for Term One.

Happy Birthday to Pippa

WE WISH EVERYONE A HAPPY EASTER AND A SAFE HOLIDAY





We will be holding our ANZAC Day service at school on Monday, 24th April commencing at 9am

Hope to see you all there.

They shall grow not old, old;

They shall grow not old, old;

They shall grow not old, old;

As we that are left grow them,

As we shall not weary them.

Age shall not weary them.

Age shall not weary of the sun

nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun

At the going the morning,

and in the morning.

We will remember them.

In Flanders Fields

In Flanders fields the poppies blow Between the crosses, row on row, That mark our place; and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae