



MOORINE ROCK PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

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Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians

It has been a very busy few weeks at MRPS and already we are half-way through Term 2! I was fortunate to attend the Wheatbelt Principal's Conference in Perth during Week 3 which highlighted 'Engaging Schools, Engaging Students'. A key aspect of the conference and part of my own leadership philosophy is that 'Schools are social institutions. They stand, or fall, on the quality of the relationships. Students, staff and community are more likely to engage if they feel they are cared about and valued'. As Principal, I will continue to reinforce this expectation at MRPS with our staff, students and stakeholders. There were some very productive discussions surrounding education today and we wrapped up with a fabulous team building exercise. Here's a few pics of our winning Principals' team "In it to win it" who smashed the Wheatbelt Education Region Spy School Challenge!



In Week 4 I attended our EWEN Network meeting which was held at Mukinbudin District High School. We discussed how each school would address the new portfolio of Early Childhood Education, the state government's commitment to early childhood education and its importance in supporting outcomes in early years development, school readiness and successes later in life. Our Education Assistant Mrs Capelli and our ECE teacher Jessie Glazier will be attending professional development to address this initiative.

Last Friday we held a very successful P&C meeting, thank you to all our wonderful P&C mums who attended and also made a lovely morning tea!

Throughout Week 4, I conducted parent information sessions with Miss Glazier, Ms Melis to review and clarify our understandings and expectations at MRPS. A very big thank you to everyone who attended. I believe our conversations provided an opportunity for us all to clarify and work together to support our student centred focus.

Principal's Message—continued

This week we welcome Tayla Della Bosca who is a former student on work experience at MRPS. We are so pleased to have Tayla working with us all and I am sure she will enjoy her time here with us. Please say hi to Tayla if you are visiting over the next few weeks.

Last Thursday MRPS staff attended a meet and greet evening at the Yilgarn Shire offices. This was a fabulous opportunity for us to chat and discuss our work in the local community. A very special thank you to Nic Warren CEO and his team for a warm welcome and a lovely evening.



On 9th June 2023 we will be attending Southern Cross for our Cross Country Carnival. Our students have started training in Week 3 and are getting fit to compete against SCDHS and St Joseph's Primary School. Please let us know if you are attending the carnival as this will assist us in making travel arrangements for your child to Southern Cross.

A reminder that tomorrow Wednesday 24th May 2023, Sergeant Chris Thompson will be attending our school to read the story 'The Speedy Sloth' for our National Simultaneous Storytime at 11am. We will have an early recess at 10.30 to ensure we are ready in the library and on time with the rest of our nation.

Remember also that following the public holiday on 5th June 2023, the 6th June 2023 is a School Development Day therefore students will not attend school. Our staff will be attending a network professional learning day at Mukinbudin District High School.

Finally, in Term One I made an enquiry on behalf of Felix, Nikolai and Dustin to the Water Corporation regarding painting the O'Connor Pipeline opposite our school. Due to the pipeline being heritage listed and painted silver to reduce the water temperature, we are not able to paint it. However, we are being donated (at no cost!) 2 metres of the pipeline which will be sandblasted, sealed, delivered and erected at our school later this term! Ms Melis is currently working with our students to create some artwork for us all to paint on our very own piece of the pipeline. Stay tuned for updates on our upcoming masterpiece.

School Buses

Recently there have been a few issues with behaviour on the school buses. Understandably Ron and Linda cannot observe all behaviours while driving therefore I have reminded our students today of expected behaviours while travelling to and from school. Ron and Linda will reinforce their expectations. Please discuss any bus issues with Ron or Linda, I am happy to be updated and support as needed.

Principal's Message—continued

Toys

Valuables and toys are not permitted at school. Please see me if you have any queries regarding this however this is standard practice for Public Schools, we cannot take responsibility for loss or damage.

Warm Regards

Katrina Tedge

Principal

**Please follow our Facebook page where you will see updates
weekly of our learning at MRPS.**

Upcoming Events

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Weekend
Week 5	22/5 Kindy Day Netball Clinic- Erica Carlson Time 9am start	23/5 Newsletter	24/5 NSS Storytime	25/5 Kindy Day	26/5	
Week 6 Reconciliation Week	29/5 Kindy Day	30/5	31/5	1/6 Kindy Day Playgroup	2/6	
Week 7	5/6 Western Aus- tralia Day Public Holiday	6/6 School Devel- opment Day Students Do Not Attend School	7/6 Newsletter	8/6 Kindy Day	9/6 Cross Country	

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
- ⇒ Wednesday 24th May–National Simultaneous Storytime–
The Speedy Sloth–Police are coming to read the story to the children
- ⇒ Thursday–1st June–Playgroup
- ⇒ Monday 5th June is a public holiday– Staff and Students do not attend school
- ⇒ Tuesday 6th June is a School Development Day–Students do not attend school. Staff will be attending Professional Learning
- ⇒ Thursday–8th June is Playgroup
- ⇒ Friday–9th June is Cross Country in Southern Cross

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 MS MELIS

Students in the senior room have been learning about Australian emblems and symbols, along with heat energy and its different sources. We have been learning about mindfulness and how having a growth mindset can help us improve our work and to become more positive. We have started an inquiry learning program in Technologies which will be looking at Aboriginal connections to Country and our own connections to the place we call home.

Each morning students in both the Junior and Senior rooms have been practising for the Cross Country and in sport we are learning to follow directions, based on being Pirates. In science they learnt how to make a lava lamp and in the combined art class we have a focus on portraits, with students working on a self-portrait collage.

Please remember to have students complete their homework each day and then bring it to school every morning.

Thanks Ms Melis



FROM OUR JUNIOR ROOM WITH MISS GLAZIER

The students are loving our STEM projects each Monday afternoon.

We have been reading a different fairy tale each week and building something based on that fairy tale. Last week we read Goldilocks and the Three Bears.

After reading the book I asked the students what do you think we will be building? The last couple of weeks when we read the Three Billy Goats Gruff and the Three Little Pigs the students were able to guess straight away, a bridge and houses. This time it wasn't as obvious. Some guessed houses again, some guessed beds. The goal was to build a chair that could hold Goldilocks and a finger puppet Baby Bear and Mama Bear that had turned into a penguin because I couldn't find another bear.

The students do so well with these challenges and impress me with their designs each time. These kinds of challenges build critical thinking skills and teamwork. Some students choose to work on their own and come up with great ideas independently.

When they have finished, we all gather around and predict whether or not the chair will hold all three characters and why or why not.

Then we test it!



FROM OUR JUNIOR ROOM WITH MISS GLAZIER



We have been playing lots of games this week in between working very hard.

They are loving the Jack and the Bean Stalk game and the new activity 'See and Solve Kit' that is a fun way to practice addition and subtraction.

FROM OUR JUNIOR ROOM WITH MISS GLAZIER

We have been focussing on different types of measurement in maths. We measured how tall everyone in the class is and talked about who is the tallest, who is the shortest and if anyone is the same height.

We also started doing information reports on animals, we learnt so many facts about crocodiles.



In Health we learnt words that can express how we feel when we feel safe. The students drew pictures of places where they feel safe and had to write why they feel safe there. This helps them identify feelings of safety and the opposite of feeling unsafe and uncomfortable.

Students came up with words like calm, happy, relaxed, warm.

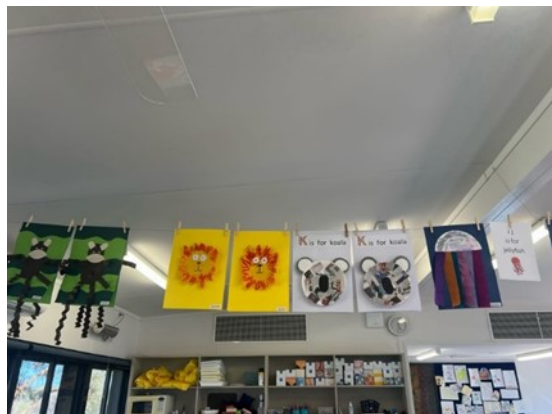
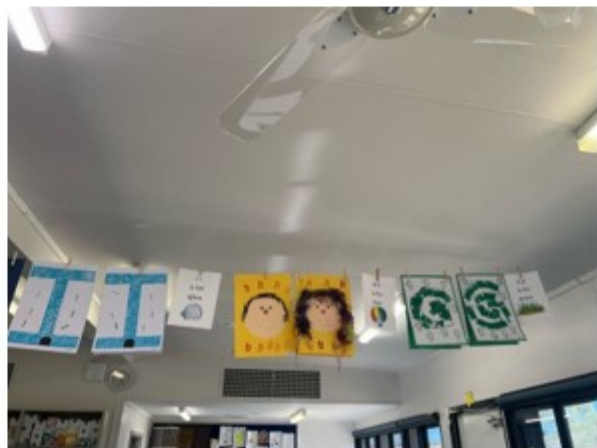


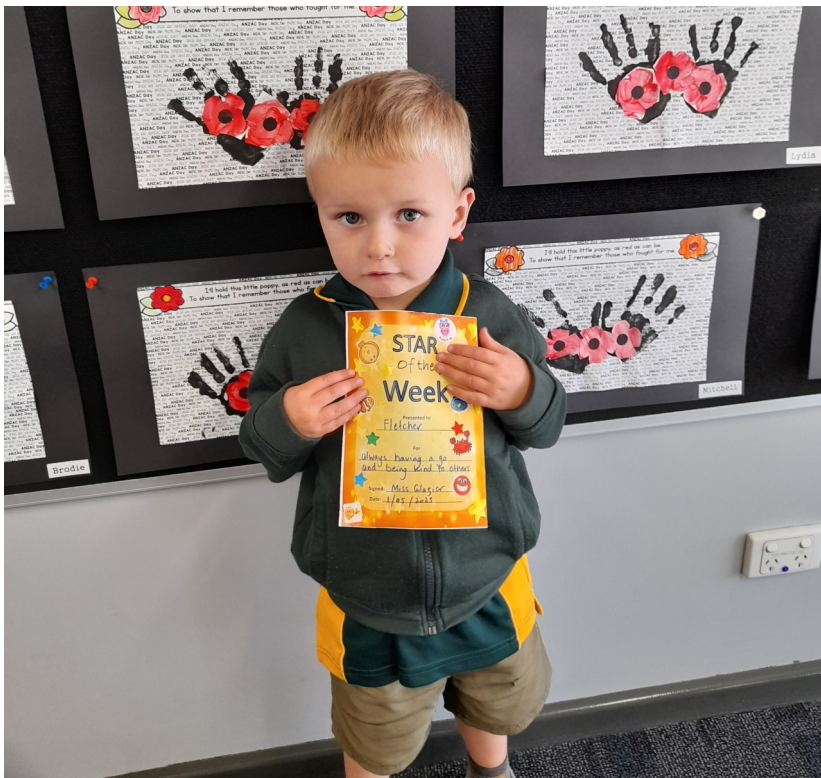
FROM OUR JUNIOR ROOM WITH MISS GLAZIER

I can't believe it is already week five! This term is going so quickly, we are so busy in class doing lots of learning every day. Looking forward to the next five weeks being just as great!

Thank you for all your donations of recyclable materials! We will be using them a lot in class!

Jessie Glazier.





Term 2 Week 3
Star of the Week
Fletcher



Term 2 Week 4
Star of the Week
Felix



Cross Country Training
 Our Cross Country
 Carnival will be held in Southern
 Cross on Friday, 9th June. All the
 students are training hard for this
 event.



Thank you to **Netball WA**—Erica Carlson and Jasmin Holmes for taking the students through some activities to enhance their netball skills.



Happy Birthday to

Nikolai England

1st June



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.



Parnana Pikurtu Wildlife Sanctuary Inc

Through the sales of our icy poles in Term One we are able to give \$51 to Ron. This money will be put towards food for the animals.



Career Conversations 2023

Bringing families together

Career information for families

As parents/carers, you are the greatest influencers of your children's career decision making. Together with schools we can prepare young people for the many opportunities and challenges ahead.

We all need to be having career conversations beginning much earlier than secondary school.

Armed with accurate, up-to-date information, families can explore together the full range of options and pathways open to young people.

Join the conversation about post school options at our free parent events in your local area. Come and hear about:

- exploring university and training pathways
- career pathway information for young people with disabilities
- where to find accurate, up-to-date career pathway information
- where the jobs are
- what employers and industry are looking for.

Register for an event



Region	Location	Date
Breakfast events (7:30 am to 8:30 am)		
Central Perth	Perth CBD	Monday 3 April
Metropolitan events (6:30 pm to 8:00 pm)		
North Metropolitan	Joondalup	Monday 29 May
	Morley	Tuesday 20 June
	Scarborough	Tuesday 14 March
South Metropolitan	Armadale	Thursday 23 May
	Bentley	Thursday 16 March
	Henderson	Wednesday 15 March
	Mandurah	Monday 15 May
Regional events (6:30 pm to 8:00 pm)		
Goldfields	Esperance	Thursday 8 June
	Kalgoorlie	Tuesday 13 June
Kimberley	Broome	Tuesday 2 May
	Kununurra	Tuesday 8 August
Mid-West	Carnarvon	Thursday 27 July
	Geraldton	Monday 22 May
Pilbara	Hedland	Thursday 22 June
	Karratha	Wednesday 21 June
	Newman	Tuesday 25 July
	Tom Price	Thursday 10 August
Southwest	Albany	Monday 8 May
	Bunbury	Tuesday 28 March
	Busselton	Monday 27 March
Wheatbelt	Narrogin	Wednesday 31 May
	Northam	Thursday 25 May
Online events (5:30 pm to 6:30 pm)		
All	Online	Tuesday 4 April
All	Online	Monday 26 June

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Parent and student information session Narrogin

Narrogin Local Education Office
Homer Street, Narrogin
Wednesday 31 May 2023 • 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm



Little Athletics 2023 FINAL AGM

When: Monday 26th June 2023 at 6pm.

Where: Merredin Rec Centre Meeting Room.

Some Items to be discussed: Season Start Date, Election of Committee Members, Fees, Coaches....

Please note -

**ALL POSITIONS WILL BE DECLARED VACANT, IF A
COMMITTEE IS NOT ELECTED THERE WILL BE NO SEASON!**

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