



# MOORINE ROCK PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Newsletter

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### Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians

#### **Professional Learning at MRPS**

We've all had a very busy start back to Term 3 here at MRPS with lots of staff attending professional learning. Miss Glazier and Mrs Capelli are attending PreLit, InitialLit and MultiLit throughout week 3 at Kellerberrin District High School and in Week 4 they are both attending Letters and Sounds professional learning in Perth. These explicit and evidence based programs provide systematic and intensive instruction in foundational literacy skills. We are looking forward to seeing our students love for literacy and their results soar throughout the remainder of 2023 and during 2024!

Mrs Kent our amazing Manager of Corporate Services and I will both be attending the School Budget planning professional learning in Merredin next week. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the following relief staff for assisting us in providing a curriculum with minimal disruptions throughout weeks 3 & 4 of Term 4:

Mrs Emma Booth – Education Assistant

Mrs Shereee Nicholson – Teacher

Mrs Ashleigh Dickenson – Education Assistant

Mrs Jessica Stephens - Teacher

Mrs Lisa Thompson – School Officer



## Principal's Message—continued

### Behaviour Management Policy

At the commencement of Term 4 teachers worked with me to review and finalise our Behaviour Management Policy and Good Standing Policy. We are again incorporating the STARS matrix and rewards which students are learning about in their classes. In conjunction with our Circle of Courage framework, our focus is always on modelling and reinforcing positive behaviour at MRPS.

### Arts and Culture Grant

Thanks to the efforts of Ms Miriam Melis, we were successful in securing an Arts and Culture Grant from the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries this term. Natalie Veal is a local artist from Nungarin who has been working with our students and staff to create murals for our pipeline and eating area. Natalie has started work today and we are all very excited to see the completed artwork.



### Flagpoles Onsite

It was with great excitement that our students raised 3 brand new flags – Australian, State and Indigenous last week. Our new flagpoles reflect how staff have embedded the Aboriginal Cultural Framework and represents our cultural responsiveness. At MRPS we are committed to deliver the best possible education for all our students.



## Principal's Message—continued

### Numeracy Day

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023 MRPS students and staff will attend St. Joseph's Primary School for our combined Numeracy Day with SCDHS. We are all looking forward to participating and bringing back lots of mathematical learning and understanding.



### Ningham Meeting

On Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2023 I welcome 8 other Principals from schools within our Wheatbelt to meet and discuss regional priorities while planning for 2024. We are looking forward to showcasing our beautiful little school to our visitors while providing them with some insight of teaching and learning at MRPS.

### Public School Meeting

Yesterday afternoon was our first public School Council meeting, it was great to meet with our members to discuss 2023 and planning for 2024. A very special thank you to all who attended, I am privileged to be working with a team who continue to ensure our students are central to all we do.

### Christmas Concert

In conjunction with our wonderful P&C committee we will hold our Christmas Concert on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm on the front lawn of our school this year. Our P&C will give us more information as we get closer to the Concert night. Teachers will send home notes in Week 4 with students' dress requirements which we have kept very simple. I am joining the rehearsals and can tell you the evening is not to be missed and will be a great highlight for us all!



## Principal's Message—continued

### Voluntary Contributions and Charges

Today a letter is going home to inform parents of the voluntary contributions and charges for 2024. They are not to be paid now. We will put a reminder in the newsletter at the start of 2024 for parents to pay them.

Your voluntary contributions assist the school in providing materials to improve your child's learning experiences. This contribution equates to \$10 per term.

### Booklists

Today we have also sent home a copy of the personal items list for students attending Moorine Rock PS in 2024. Can you please have your orders back at school by Monday, **20th November** and Josie will drop them off to Nextra in Merredin. Once Nextra News has completed the orders Josie will pick them all up and distribute them to the families. This will be before the end of 2023, so that you have the holidays to label and cover the books etc. You may also wish to drop your child/rens off at Nextra News directly when it is convenient for you or you are welcome to purchase your booklists from another supplier.

I look forward to working with you all throughout the remainder of Term 4.

Warm Regards

Katrina Tedge

Principal

## Upcoming Events

| Week          | Monday | Tuesday             | Wednesday | Thursday                                              | Friday                                | Weekend |
|---------------|--------|---------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| <b>Week 4</b> | 30/10  | 31/10<br>Newsletter | 1/11      | 2/11<br>Three Year Old<br>Kindy 9.15 am<br>–10.40 am  | 3/11                                  |         |
| <b>Week 5</b> | 6/11   | 7/11                | 8/11      | 9/11<br>Three Year Old<br>Kindy 9.15 am<br>–10.40 am  | 10/11                                 |         |
| <b>Week 6</b> | 13/11  | 14/11<br>Newsletter | 15/11     | 16/11<br>Three Year Old<br>Kindy 9.15 am<br>–10.40 am | 17/11<br>Numeracy Day @St<br>Joseph's |         |

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- ⇒ **Tuesday is Library day for both classrooms —this includes kindy children please bring in your library bags**
- ⇒ **Tuesdays are icy pole days**
- ⇒ Friday 17th November -Numeracy Day at St Joseph's
- ⇒ Saturday, 9th December commencing at 6pm—Our End of Year Concert and Awards Night

## 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 JUNIOR ROOM WITH MISS GLAZIER

With the warm weather we have brought out the mud kitchen and the hose, everyone is having lots of fun making dams and ice creams.

In the Junior room we have set up a post box writing station, the students are enjoying writing letters and posting them in the big red box. Closer to Christmas this will be a letters to Santa writing station.

I'm glad to hear the students enjoyed the 3 days in week 3 with Mrs Nicholson and I'm really looking forward to coming back from all this professional learning with lots of inspiration and fresh knowledge about literacy. The students are doing amazing with their assembly practise. Bring on the next half of the term!!

Miss Glazier.



## FROM OUR SENIOR ROOM WITH MS MELIS

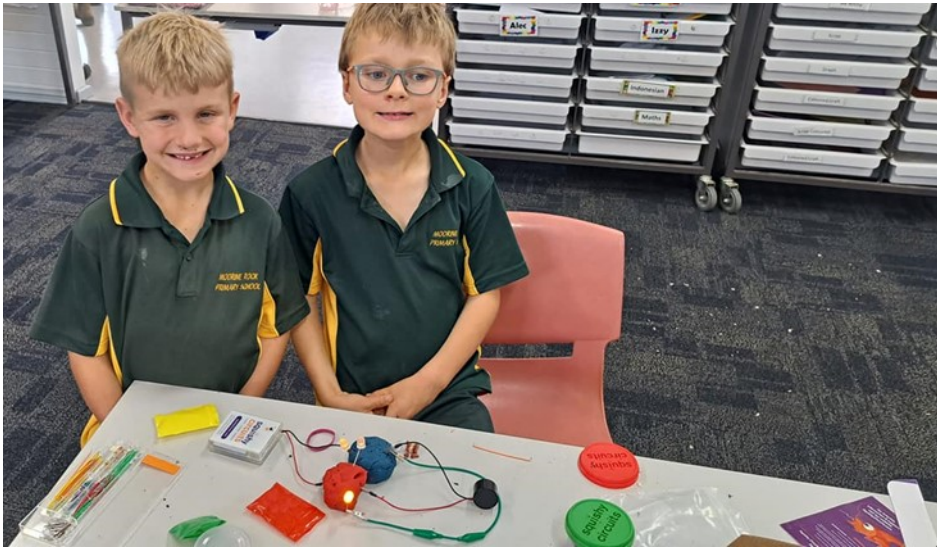
The term is flying by and students in the Senior Room have been very busy. We started our new novel, "How to train your Dragon" and students are really enjoying the novel and are busy designing their own dragons. We finished our STEAM project, where students created an 'amazing machine' to perform a task.



We have now moved on to looking at electricity and electrical circuits. Students have been using Squishy Circuits, which uses conductive and insulating play dough to learn the basics of electrical circuits and have really enjoyed this process. We are now in the process of students adding to their knowledge by experimenting with additional resources to create something new.



## FROM OUR SENIOR ROOM WITH MS MELIS



We have been learning about climate and students researched how clouds are made. We then conducted an experiment with students in the Junior room to create a rain cloud, using water, shaving foam and food colouring. This experiment was highly successful and students saw hands on how condensation causes rain to fall.





## FROM OUR SENIOR ROOM WITH MS MELIS

We learnt a great deal from our Police Officers when they came to teach us about staying safe on line and about protecting our identity, so that unknown people will not know where we live or where we go to school. Students learnt a great way to come up with a user name that will not allow anyone to know their name and if they are posting a photo, how to ensure no hints are given about where they live or go to school. The officers were surprised by Felix's ability to put the locked handcuffs on and think if they had to arrest him, they would need to use cable ties. In Indonesian, students have been creating and labelling their dream home with Ibu Pearl and they have been told to expect her twin sister tomorrow, who apparently is covered in warts and has green skin and only comes out for Halloween.



Senior students have been practicing their Christmas item. We think you will really enjoy what we are doing and we have also been practicing our whole school items with students from the Junior Room.

Until next time, take care.

Mrs Melis



Star of the Week  
Term 4 Week 3  
Charlie



For achieving great results in  
Maths Seeds and Reading Eggs



Star of the Week  
Term 4 Week 4  
Felix

## No Birthdays for this fortnight

HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY

### PIE WARMER LUNCHES

This term (Term 4) we stop pie warmer lunches. They will recommence at the start of Term 2 next year.

Please note, icy poles will be sold on a Tuesday for 50 cents.



### Melbourne Cup – Tuesday 1st

November

### Melbourne Cup Sweep



I will be running a Melbourne Cup Sweep again this year. The cost of a horse is \$5. We need 24 starters, first in with their money are assured a horse. You may have more than one horse and if there are enough starters we will have two sweeps.

**First Place Prize Money \$70**

**Second Place Prize Money \$30**

**Third Place Prize Money \$15**

**Lucky Last Prize Money \$5**

**Thanks**

**Josie**







# 110 YEARS OF EDUCATION CELEBRATION

**Come along and celebrate with us.**

**Saturday November 4th 2023**

**Relax, reminisce, enjoy 110 years of education.**

Past and present students, staff, families all welcome.

Celebratory Brick Pavers can be ordered on the day.



## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:**

10.00am start - cuppa and chat (meet and greet)

10.30 am formalities

11.00 am tour of school and memorabilia

12.00 noon lunch



## **PICNIC PACKS AVAILABLE TO ORDER**

\$10 each

Pre-order in your RSVP from the list below.

Chicken and salad packs: chicken piece, garden salad, cheese served in TA container + small dinner roll in paper bag.

Potato, egg, apple and bacon salad served on a bed of lettuce, dinner roll

Gluten free Quiche served with Garden salad

Gluten free meatballs, garden salad, dinner roll



RSVP to [Nungarin.PS@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Nungarin.PS@education.wa.edu.au) or call 089464300 by 30 October.

Please advise if ordering a picnic pack.

**See you there!**



## New phone number for the Southern Cross Community Health Service



Government of Western Australia  
WA Country Health Service



# Eastern Wheatbelt Primary Health Service Southern Cross Community Health

**9081 3352**

**0419 220 212**



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