



MOORINE ROCK PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

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Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians

I cannot believe how quickly this year has gone however I will say that it has been an absolute pleasure to be appointed as the Principal at Moorine Rock Primary School. I have learnt a lot about farming from our students, staff and community and even taken a lamb home for the night in the back of my car! 2023 has been a busy year reviewing and re-establishing norms for our unique little school and working closely with our staff to ensure we are providing the very best in education for our students. In 2024 we will implement evidence based programs and continue to upskill staff in Literacy Pro, Brightpath and Spelling Mastery to improve our student outcomes.

In ending 2023, I would like to give a very special thank you to our amazing Mrs Capelli and our wonderful P&C, Naomi Borona, Leah Lawrence, Aleisha Nicoletti, Sarah Della Bosca, Rebecca Maddock, Ashleigh Dickenson and their husbands for their innovation and work in setting up for our School Christmas Concert on Saturday evening. What a fabulous concert we had, the set up was absolutely fabulous, thank you all so much for your great work. We can all be very proud of our students who presented amazing items for us all.

To our School Council Naomi Borona, Leah Lawrence, Josie Kent, Naomi Borona, Ian Maddock and Diane Della Bosca it has been an absolute pleasure working with you all, we have already achieved a lot and I am excited to kick more goals with you next year. To Rebecca Maddock thank you for your work in coordinating our Playgroup, uniform supplies and our tree planting day in Term 3. We are so very fortunate to have the very best of community support at our school. Lastly I would like to sincerely thank our local business who have donated towards awards for our students and the Yilgarn Shire for their wonderful support.

Looking back on 2023 we were certainly busy! Dress up days, Teddy Bear Hospital, Nulla Nulla and the Science excursion in Merredin, Mothers and Fathers Days, Book Week, BookFair, swimming lessons, our Literacy Day at SCDHS, Numeracy Day at St. Josephs Primary and NAIDOC day at SCDHS. In the mix we had a football clinic, netball, Yilgarn Show and our Athletics Carnival where we kicked some serious butt! Can I tell you that on every single excursion and incursion our students have been an absolute credit to you all when representing our school. A very big congratulations to our Moorine Rock stars. One of our highlights were the home visits, thank you to everyone who welcomed us into their homes and we look forward to more in 2024.

Principal's Message—continued

Sadly we say farewell to Ms Miriam Melis who has been teaching in the Senior classroom this year. Ms Melis has made a significant contribution with her artistic flare at Moorine Rock Primary School and secured the arts grant for our wall mural and pipeline artwork. We hope you enjoy the artwork by Olivia Robinson. Thank you Ms Melis for working with us all at Moorine Rock Primary and we look forward to your updates on your new life in the big smoke at Swan View District High School.

Also leaving this year is our cleaner Joe Purtich. Joe is going to expand his horizons in the mining world and we wish him all the best. We will have a new cleaner commencing in 2024.

One of the best aspects about our school is our school grounds which are lovingly maintained by Wayne our dedicated gardener. All year we have been provided with a steady flow of beetroot, garlic, spring onions, carrots, corn you name it Wayne grew it. A very special thank you to Wayne for his hard work not only as our gardener, also as our maintenance person.

Next year Miss Glazier will continue working with Mrs Capelli to ensure our students continue to receive the very best level of early childhood education. Thank you both for your work with our junior students this year. We will have another Education Assistant on staff next year who you will meet in Term One.

We have been fortunate to have our Chaplain 1 day/week and I know Dave has built some great relationships with our staff and students. Thank you Dave for working with us and for your expertise in providing pastoral care to our students. We look forward to your return on Fridays in 2024.

To our relief staff a very special thank you for being there when we needed you! In a world that is short staffed you are valued more than you know.

Finally a very special thank you to Josie Kent our amazing Manager of Corporate Services who has been an absolute godsend this year with her knowledge and experience on all things Moorine Rock Primary. Thank you Josie for your patience and support this year.

I have thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated the unwavering support from our parents and school community this year. In closing I would like to wish you all a very happy, healthy and safe Christmas and New Year. I hope you all spend the holidays with those you love and look forward to working with you all in 2024.

Warm Regards

Katrina Tedge

Principal



Upcoming Events

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Weekend
Week 10	11/12 Reports emailed home School Council 3pm	12/12 Interviews Parents and Teachers Newsletter	13/12 School Christmas Party Three Year Old Kindy Day	14/12 Last Day of 2023	15/12 School Development Day Students Do Not Attend School	
Week 1	29/1 School Development Day – Students Do Not Attend School	30/1 School Development Day – Students Do Not Attend School	31/1 Students Commence School	1/2 Mini Assembly 2.30 pm Kindy Day	2/2	
Week 2	5/2 Kindy Day	6/2 Newsletter	7/2	8/2 Kindy Day	9/2	

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
- ⇒ Wednesday 13th December—School Christmas Party including the Three Year Old Kindy's ,Playgroup children and Parents commencing at 12 noon
- ⇒ Thursday 14th December—Last Day of 2023 for Students
- ⇒ Wednesday 31st January—First Day for Students 2024

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

What a year! I am so grateful to have had this opportunity to be apart of the team at Moorine Rock Primary School. It has been such an experience getting to know everyone and all about farm life and living away from the city. I have been so lucky to have such an awesome bunch of students this year and I am so excited to continue teaching here next year.

The students have been pushing hard through week 9, getting lots of assessments done and fine tuning the Christmas Concert which was such a good night. Well done to everyone involved!

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holidays and a prosperous new year!



FROM OUR SENIOR ROOM WITH MS MELIS

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and to have a fantastic break over the holidays.

I also wanted to thank you all for accepting me into the community of Moorine Rock. I feel honoured to have had the opportunity to finish my remote/regional teaching at Moorine Rock Primary School. As much as I am looking forward to being home permanently, I will miss all the amazing students, their families and the staff at Moorine Rock Primary School.

Thank you all for your kindness and support I have received since starting here in April.

All the best for the future.

Miriam Melis

Senior Room Teacher



Congratulations

Junior Endeavour Award—Lydia Nicoletti

Donated By The Yilgarn Shire

Senior Endeavour Award—Alec Charchalis

Donated By Barto Gold Mining Pty Ltd

STEAM Award— Brodie Maddock

Donated By Merredin Telephone Service, Hon Mia
Davies MLA Member for Central Wheatbelt

Citizenship Award—Aliyah Dickenson

Donated By Moorine Rock Hotel

Sportsmanship Award—Felix Lawrence

Donated By Moorine Rock General Store, Darren West
MLC Member for the Agricultural Region

Moorditj Boodjar Student Environment Award—

Dustin Maddock

Donated by Wheatbelt Natural Resource Management
and SX Hardware and News



Birthdays over the holidays

Lilah Della Bosca

25th January

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

Xzavier Hale

4th February



Star of the Week
Term 4 Week 10
Demi



Star of the Week
Term 4 Week 9
Aliyah



OUR AWARD WINNERS FOR 2023



Dear Principals

School Holiday Road Safety

With the end of the school year fast approaching, more children and young people will be out and about on our roads over the coming months. For younger children this means walking, riding or scooting around the local neighbourhood, while for older children's maybe riding an eRideable.

Children and young people are vulnerable road users because:

- Their small size can make it difficult for drivers to see them.
 - They may have difficulty judging the speed and distance of oncoming cars.
- They may be easily distracted.

Parents can help their children with the knowledge and skills they need to stay safe while walking, riding or scooting.

As parents you can:

- Hold their hand when crossing the road.
- Supervising them around traffic.
- Encouraging them to use stop, look, listen and think before they crossed the road.
- Role model and encourage safe behaviours such as
 - o not using a mobile phone or headphones and wearing a helmet and other protective gear.

eRideables/eScooters

Many families may be considering buying an eRideable/eScooter over the school holidays for these devices offer a fun travel alternative. It is important that parents know the laws that apply in WA before purchasing these devices.

Children under 16 can only ride low-powered electric scooters which do not exceed 200w or 10km/h.

Children 16 years and older are allowed to ride eRideables which:

- are no more than 125cm long, 70cm wide and 135cm high
- and weighs 25kg or less
- and is not capable of travelling faster than 25km/h on level ground.

You can help make every journey safe by:

- Only ride eRideables/eScooters that meet the speed, size and weight limits for specific age groups.
- Always stick to one person per device.

And always wear helmet.

For further information on the rules, regulations that apply to E scooters and other eRideables go to [eRideables \(www.wa.gov.au\)](http://www.wa.gov.au)

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**The Staff and
Students from
Moorine Rock
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wish you all a very
Merry Christmas
and a safe and
Prosperous New
Year.**