

MOORINE ROCK PRIMARY SCHOOL Newsletter

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Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Welcome back to another term - and what a chilly start it has been! We are all enjoying getting stuck into learning again and are very pleased to welcome Miss Beukes back to the junior room while Miss Landrigan is away.

Kindy days

In Semester 2, the number of days our kindy students attend school has increased to three days. These days are Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. So far all Kindy students have coped with the extra day and are doing really well.

Three-Year-Old Kindy

On Wednesday mornings for the duration of Terms 3 and 4 we are running our three-year-old kindy program. These sessions are held in the junior room and targeted to children who are three years old but are not yet of kindy age. Welcome to Malachai and Jacob who are attending our three year old kindy program this semester! We hope you really enjoy being in the junior class with all your friends. To comply with duty of care regulations parents are required to be onsite with their child but they do not have to be in the classroom. Parents are welcome to have a coffee in the staffroom then take younger children to the wet weather room where there are toys the children can play with. Any mums with younger children are welcome to come along for an informal playgroup session during this time.

New Facebook page

As you will have seen by now Mrs Kent and Mrs Dickenson have set up a private Facebook page for the school. We decided to do this so that we can have a private group to post in rather than the public page that can be accessed by anyone who uses the platform.

Members will be restricted to family members of students currently attending the school, staff and professionals who deal with students at our school eg the school nurse.

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"Reach for the Stars"

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New Facebook page—cont..

Anyone else who is interested in receiving news about our school is welcome to subscribe to our Newsletter on our website https://www.moorinerockps.wa.edu.au

We appreciate your understanding in this matter as we are doing our best to keep our online school community safe

Thank you

A big thank you to our P&C for purchasing the leavers polo shirts and hoodies, and also to Mrs Dickenson for putting the graphics on the back. They look very smart and I'm sure they will be cherished by the students in future years.





Professional Learning

For the next six weeks our staff are all undertaking an intensive course to upskill in using the Sounds-Write program. Sounds-Write is a highly structured, systematic phonics program based on the science of reading. This program will be run across the whole school and assist the teachers and EAs to systematically teach reading and spelling within the context of their classrooms.

We are all looking forward to seeing the positive results this program will have for our students in increasing their reading and spelling skills.

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YSSSA Athletics Carnival

As you will have seen from the photos on our new Facebook page, the students have all started training for the Athletics Carnival in week 8. It is obvious that we have some very talented 'sporty' students so I'm sure they will prove to be very competitive on the day!

Excursions

This term we have a number of excursions and internal activities planned. Just to give you an idea we have:

- NAIDOC Day at St Joseph's next Thursday
- Bullying No Way week activities in class Wk 4
- Book week dress up day Wk 5
- K-2 Road Safety incursion Wk6
- Father's Day breakfast Wk 7
- Literacy Day at Southern Cross DHS Wk 8
- YSSSA Athletics Carnival in Southern Cross Wk 8
- Year 5/6 Leadership Day at school with various schools joining us, run by Mrs Chrissie
 Nicholl Wk 9
- Musica Viva at Southern Cross Wk 9

The Science Week incursion in at Southern Cross has been postponed.

The term will again culminate with our end of term assembly which will incorporate our Bookfair as well as open classrooms and morning tea.

All events will be in your Weekly Update as they are coming up and we will send email information with permission slips as required.

The permission slips for the upcoming NAIDOC Day at St Joe's next week will come home today.

GWN7 School's Weather Wall

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Thursday 7 August Thursday 28 June and Thursday 18 September

As next Thursday will be our first report (7 August) Mrs Goncalves will also send in a photo or video of the children, so please keep an eye out!

Our next Newsletter will come out in Week 5 and in the meantime I hope you are able to stay warm.

Kind regards Karen Tabner Principal

Important Dates to Remember

Please refer to your Term Planner for all these dates—if anything changes we will notify you via our weekly email.

- ⇒ Monday is Library day for both classrooms —please bring in your library bags
- ⇒ Wednesday is sport for the whole school
- ⇒ Pie warmers are back for Term 3—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.
- ⇒ Kindy Days are Monday, Wednesday and Thursday for Terms 3 and 4.
- ⇒ 3 Year Old Kindy is on each Thursday 8.44am—10.40 am—Except Thursday 7th August this session will be on Wednesday 6th August
- ⇒ Friday—1st August is Attendance Census Day
- ⇒ PEAC Testing during Week 3
- ⇒ NAIDOC Day at St Joseph's—Thursday 7th August
- ⇒ Wednesday 20th August—Book Week Dress Up Day
- ⇒ Next Newsletter—Thursday 21st August

Happy Birthday to

No Birthday's



Junior Room-Ms Lilanie Beukes

The Junior class has launched into Term 3 with great energy, welcoming the 3-year-olds to join in on Thursdays. They enjoyed a delightful morning alongside the Kindy and Pre-Primary students, discovering all the exciting opportunities the classroom has to offer.

Kindy and Pre-Primary students have been immersed in the story *Wombat Stew*, and have created some wonderfully imaginative wombats—ones you certainly won't find at the zoo! These will be proudly displayed in their classroom. Their play-based learning has also led them to open a local pizza shop, where they've been busy making gourmet pizzas and serving barista-style coffee and tea to their teachers. The playdough station has been a particular favourite, sparking creativity and big smiles as students shaped and moulded their artistic ideas.



Our Year 1 and 2 students have also made a strong start to the term, diving into syntax lessons to enhance their writing skills. They are learning how to use adjectives effectively to add colour and detail to their stories, keeping their readers engaged





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In Visual Arts, the Junior class is focusing on the element of *line*. They're exploring how different types of lines can convey different emotions and how, when combined with other elements, they help bring artistic masterpieces to life.





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Senior Room with Mrs Laczak-Goncalves

In English

This term, our class will be diving into the magical world of *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* by C.S. Lewis. Through this rich and imaginative text, students will develop their literacy skills in a range of engaging ways. They will write diary entries, letters, and retell key events from different characters' perspectives. We will also use role play and drama activities to explore character motivations and themes.



Weather Wall

We are excited to announce that our Weather Wall project is now underway. Each day, our students have the opportunity to observe and report the daily weather conditions using our new PA system. This has been a fun and engaging way to build confidence in public speaking while learning about weather patterns.

In addition, every Thursday, we submit our weekly weather reports to the Scitech Weather Wall. Our school's media schedule for Weather Wall reporting on 7Plus Regional News is:

Weeks 3, 6, and 9.



Senior Room with Mrs Laczak-Goncalves

Reading

As we continue to push through the year, we remain focused on strengthening our reading skills. Reading is a crucial foundation for all areas of learning and opens the door to future opportunities both in and beyond school.

We kindly encourage families to support this goal by setting aside time each day for reading at home. Regular reading helps build fluency, comprehension, and a lifelong love of books.

Thank you for your continued support in helping your child grow as a confident and capable reader.

Introducing... Inspiration Station!

We're excited to launch a new initiative at Moorine Rock Primary School called **Inspiration Station**. Every fortnight, students will receive a visual writing prompt along with a few guiding questions to spark their imagination. Their task? To create a short story inspired by the image.

This initiative is designed to promote the **joy of writing** and encourage a **creative approach to storytelling**. While participation is optional, we strongly encourage all students to get involved and explore their creativity.

Students can submit their stories through our **Inspiration Station box**, and each fortnight, selected entries will be read aloud during our weekly school meeting.

We can't wait to see the imaginative ideas our young writers come up with!



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Physical Education

We have officially begun our preparations for the upcoming YSSSA Athletics Carnival, which will take place in **Week 8**. Our students are full of excitement and enthusiasm as they train and practise their skills in a variety of athletic events





Celebrating Our Wonderful Principal – Mrs Tabner

Friday, **1st August** is **Principal's Day**, and here at Moorine Rock Primary School, we are looking forward to showing our heartfelt appreciation to **Mrs Tabner** for her dedication, warmth, and tireless hard work.

Mrs Tabner leads our school with kindness, passion, and a deep commitment to every student and staff member. To celebrate her, students and staff will be preparing a few

special surprises to make the day memorable.

We thank Mrs Tabner for all she does to make our school such a welcoming and inspiring place to learn and grow.

