



MOORINE ROCK PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

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Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Welcome to mid-term...where did that time go?!

The students have all been working very hard in class on both their regular class work and on their entries for the Yilgarn Show. Some lovely work is being produced so I'm looking forward to seeing the fabulous display from the Moorine Rock students!

Professional Learning

Over the past four weeks, our staff have been taking part in *Sounds Write* professional learning - spending one day each week building their skills and completing assessments in this evidence-based phonics program. Next week is the final day of training, after which staff will complete ongoing learning as required.

Once final assessments have taken place, every current member of our team will be fully qualified to teach *Sounds Write* across the whole school. This means they will all be using the same approach to support students with their reading and spelling, giving them strong and consistent foundations for literacy success.

We're really excited about the difference this will make for our students, and we look forward to sharing more with you as we put this learning into action!

Staffing

We recently advertised for a one day a week Education Assistant to join our staff on a permanent basis. Following the selection process, I would like to **congratulate** Erin Jolly on being the successful candidate. Welcome to the team, Erin, we look forward to having you join us each Friday in the senior room.

We are also advertising for a 3 day a week teacher to support the class teachers in providing directed programs for the students. As soon as we secure a successful candidate, we will let you know.

Student Up Date Forms

These forms are being sent out today, please make any changes and return the forms to school. This way we can have up to date details on file for each child.

Book Week Dress up Day

Yesterday the staff and students enjoyed dressing up as their favourite book character to celebrate Book Week. Each class has participated in various activities to mark Book Week this week, and it has been fabulous to see the interest each student has shown. We are now looking forward to our Book Fair, organised by Mrs Kent, at the end of term assembly.

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Road Safety Incursion

Next Tuesday the junior room students will be visited by Mrs Rosemary Power, Regional Coordinator, Road Safety and Drug Education Branch.

Rosemary has worked across this region for many years visiting schools to deliver interactive road safety programs, so it should be an interesting afternoon for the students.

Father's Day Breakfast

In a couple of weeks, we will be hosting our annual Father's Day breakfast for all the dads and granddads in our community. Please mark Thursday morning, 4 September on the calendar for this delicious event – further details will be sent out in the next week or so.

Upcoming Events

Later in the term we have several events on the calendar about which you will receive information and permission slips, where necessary, closer to the dates.

Week 6, 26 August – Road Safety incursion (junior students)

Week 7, 4 September – Father's Day breakfast

Week 8, 10 September Literacy Day excursion, SCDHS

Week 8, 12 September – YSSA Athletics Carnival

Week 9, 16 September – PEAC Leadership Day (senior students)

Week 9, 17 September – Musica Viva excursion, SCDHS

Week 9, 18 September – End of Term assembly and Bookfair

Week 9, 19 September – PEAC Leadership Day (senior students)

Week 10, 25 September – Newsletter

Week 10, 26 September – last day of T3

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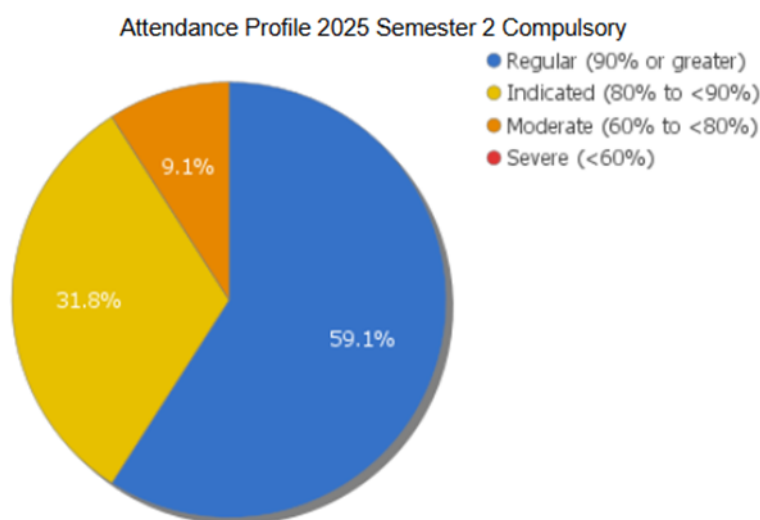
Attendance

Now that we're heading into the second half of the term (and hopefully past the worst of cold and flu season!), I'm really looking forward to seeing student attendance bounce back. We know there are often good reasons why children may need to stay home but every day at school really does make a difference - children build their confidence, strengthen friendships, and keep their learning on track when they attend regularly.

We love to celebrate great attendance, and here's how schools generally view it:

- **90–100% – Regular** and on track
- **80–89% – At Risk** - Needs a little boost
- **60–79% – High Risk** - Missing quite a bit of learning
- **0–59% – Severe Risk** - Missing a lot of school time

Out of interest this is a visual of where we are at following the first 5 weeks of this term and I'm hoping we can increase the blue, or Regular, attendance figure by the end of the term.



In the meantime, thank you for everything you do to help your child be here each day. Your support makes a huge difference, and we're excited to keep building positive learning experiences together.

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
- ⇒ Thursday 18th September—End of Term Assembly and Bookfair—Dinomite starting at 9am

Happy Birthday to

Wynter Hale 3rd September

Issabella Charchalis 4th September

Charlie Lawrence 13th September

Lydia Nicoletti 26th September





JUNIOR ROOM

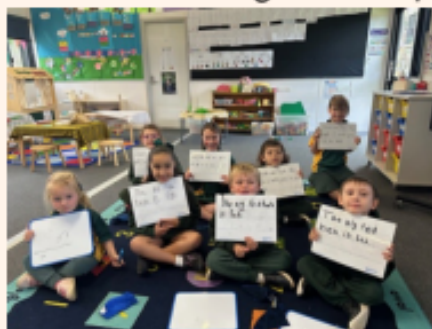
Miss Landrigan, Mrs Capelli & Miss Edis

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We've had a wonderful start to the term, with students settling in quickly and engaging enthusiastically in their learning. It's been fantastic to see their energy, focus, and curiosity shining through as we dive into new routines and activities. The strong start sets us up for an exciting and productive term ahead!

Literacy Corner

Our Kindy to Year 2 students have made a fantastic start in Literacy this term! Kindergarten children are building strong foundations through phonemic awareness activities, exploring sounds and rhyme repetition. Pre-Primary students are developing their early reading and writing skills, focusing on blending and segmenting words, while also enjoying shared stories that spark their imagination. In Years 1 and 2, students are extending their knowledge of phonics and spelling patterns, working on fluency in reading, and beginning to apply comprehension strategies to understand texts in greater depth.




Math Corner

In Maths, our Kindy to Year 2 students are exploring number sense, patterns, and problem-solving. They are building confidence with counting, place value, and simple operations, while also learning to apply their skills in practical, hands-on activities.

Term Overview

It has been a busy term already, with students enjoying wonderful events such as NAIDOC Day and Book Week. The excitement doesn't stop there—we still have Literacy Day, the Athletics Carnival, our Book Fair, Father's Day celebrations, and the Yilarn Show to look forward to. The children have also been putting lots of effort into their show projects, and we can't wait to see their hard work on display. It's shaping up to be a term full of learning, fun, and community spirit!

*With pride and gratitude,
The K-2 Teaching Team* 

Senior Room with Mrs Laczak-Goncalves

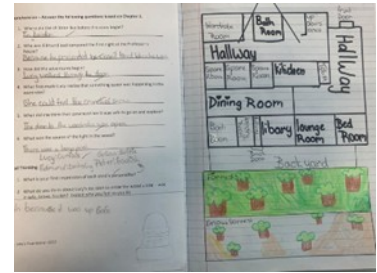
As part of **Bullying. No Way! Anti-Bullying Week**, the senior class took part in a special activity focused on building confidence in standing up to bullying. Students were given the opportunity to practise how they might respond to an unkind situation, rehearsing strategies to use their voice firmly, seek help when needed, and support others who may be targeted. This practical approach helped students to feel more prepared, empowered, and united in taking a stand against bullying



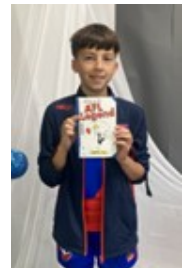
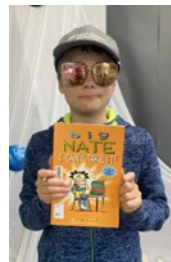
Our school was proud to take part in **NAIDOC Day**, organised by St Joseph's Primary School. The children had the opportunity to engage in a range of creative and cultural activities, including making traditional bread (damper), playing traditional games, and exploring arts and crafts. It was a wonderful celebration that gave students the chance to learn, connect, and deepen their appreciation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures. **A big thank you to St Joseph's for organising this special event.**



Senior Room with Mrs Laczak-Goncalves



The senior class has been thoroughly enjoying their study of *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*. Students have embraced a variety of independent writing opportunities, creating imaginative diary entries, thoughtful summaries, and personal responses to the text. They have also shown creativity through drawings inspired by the story and built strong comprehension skills through a range of engaging activities. This week, the class is especially excited to watch the film version, which will give them the chance to compare the book with the movie and reflect on how stories can be told in different ways.



Our wonderful children made a fantastic effort for **Book Week dress-up day!** We have been working with the text *The Wobbly Bike*, learning about the importance of **resilience and perseverance** when trying new things. The students also wrote their own instructions on how to ride a bike, took part in a **book scavenger hunt**, and enjoyed a range of fun **art and craft activities**.

