PRINCIPAL’S NEWS
School Fair – Calling on all Volunteers!
With 9 days to go things are getting very busy in organizing the school fair. As mentioned last week, we are concentrating on having a smaller Country Fair that brings our community together. For the school to run a fair such as this, we request that every family in the school volunteer for at least 1 hour. Please see the section below under Moolap Country Fair as to how you can help.

School Council Nominations 2015
Moolap Primary School 2015 Council Nominations opened Monday 9 February and will close 4p.m. Monday 16 February at 4 p.m. Nomination forms are available from the Office. We currently have five parent vacancies and one DEECD vacancy.

Student Leadership
Our students have many opportunities in developing leadership skills in our school. We congratulate the following students on their leadership roles:
School Leaders: Ella J & Morgan J
Nyrati: Izzy, Jordan, Hayden
Roycroft: Hayley, Jack G, Campbell
Redpath: Darcy, Bryah, Georgia

Student Representative Council (SRC)
Congratulations to the following students for being selected from their classes to be Student Representatives Council for Semester One. These students have a big responsibility; attending meetings, designing posters, organising activities, speaking in assembly and collecting notes & money.
56A - Matthew J
56B - Bridie W
4SA - Kai C
34A - Mila E
34B - Natasha A
12A - Bella B
12B - Ben M
12C - Luke W

Our Prep classes are represented by the school leaders, Ella & Morgan John. They will be presented with their badges at this week’s Kids’ Assembly on Friday.

Emergency Drills
Each year we practice a variety of Emergency Drills with our students. This Thursday, we will be practicing our “Evacuation” emergency procedure. The following Thursday, we will be practicing our evacuation drill. Please reassure your child(ren) that school is a safe place and practicing these drills is important to keep it that way. If your child has worries or concerns about the drills, please inform your child’s class teacher.

Carpark Safety
Safety is important to all of us. I need your help in following the safety guidelines we have in place at Moolap.
1. To minimize danger to students of cars backing out, cars are backed into carparks.
2. All students and parents use the designated walking paths in the carpark. Do not walk across the carpark to get to your cars.
3. Drive slowly and be attentive in the carpark. Taking your eyes off the road for one moment is very dangerous.

Save the Date – “Info Expo”
After school on Thursday 26th February, we are going to have our first “Info Expo.” This will be a time where your child will be able to show you what they are doing at school and for you to ask the class teacher curriculum and other school related questions.
Enjoy!
Robbie

MOOLAP COUNTRY FAIR NEWS
WE NEED YOUR HELP!
Looking for donations for our coming Moolap Country Fair on Saturday 21 February. We are in need of plants and plastic tubs for potting for our Plant Stall. Bags of loose lollies NOT WRAPPED for the yummie Ice Cream Sundaes. Plates OR Vases for smashing plate stall and Cakes/Slices for Cake stall and Café.

Pre Purchase Food & Ride Tickets
Don’t forget to pre purchase your wrist band for rides and food vouchers for pre purchased food items. Pre purchase wrist bands are $20 now or $25 on the day, unlimited rides. Food Vouchers include two sausage in bread, prima drink, snow cone and jam donut for the cost of $10.

Volunteers
We have set up on line registration to assist with the fair. We are looking for volunteers on:
   Friday 20 Feb between 1.00 – 4.00 p.m. to assist with setting up.
   Saturday 21 Feb between 9.30 – 10.30 to assist with setting up on the day
   Saturday 21 Feb between 10.30 – 5.30 to assist with various stalls
   Saturday 21 Feb between 4.30 – 5.30 to assist with packing up

To register your help on line please go to http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/ and enter the code
SHVTD If you are unable to register on line, please leave your details at the office

SCHOOL NEWS

Welcome Ms Millington

Hello, I’m the new visual arts teacher and I am really looking forward to working with your children this year.

This term there will be less art brought home as the students create some larger scale concrete and wood constructions that will be displayed in the playground and the classrooms. Students will also be decorating school buildings as they expand their skills in pattern and mural making. I invite you to visit the art room, playground and buildings to see these pieces as they develop during the term.

As your school’s art teacher, my aim is to foster creativity in your children. For me, ensuring a student realises their creative potential is a key component of their education. If students are encouraged to look at things in new ways, to approach problems from different angles or to create things with new materials they will be in a good position to face their future — a future we can only imagine.

In art, I hope to see students taking chances, analysing their failures and puzzling over problems. Art is a means for them to understand that they can often figure things out simply by tinkering away. It provides the opportunity for students to recognise that things don’t always turn out as planned. And that can be a good thing. It helps students temper their frustrations and develop patience.

At the end of the term, I hope your children are enthused about embarking on new art projects in term two, will be comfortable coming up with their own designs or ideas and will understand that everyday materials can be used to create some truly stunning creations of which they can be proud.

Reminder

The temperature inside a car begins to rise as soon as the door closes, and within minutes it can be double the temperature outside. So if it is 30 degrees outside, it can be more than 60 degrees inside a car in just a few minutes.

With smaller bodies and under-developed nervous systems, young children are at much greater risk of life-threatening heatstroke, dehydration and other serious health risks. While the summer holidays may be over, the warm weather continues throughout term one. Three new video ads about the dangers of leaving kids in hot cars have recently been launched. Please click below to see the video.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yt-ts=1422327029&list=PLuiF1SE9rtUuzgWZlmfe0aCH320mMfkuW

Watch Your Speed

School speed limits apply outside every school in Victoria to increase the safety for our most vulnerable road users - children. All Victorian drivers are reminded that school speed limits will apply across Victoria from Thursday 29 January 2015.

Speed limits will be reduced to either 40km/h or 60km/h outside schools in the morning from 8am to 9.30am and in the afternoon from 2.30pm to 4pm.

For information on school speed zones visit the VicRoads website. While you’re there, check out their fun and informative road safe apps.

EXTEND OSHC AT MOOLA PRIMARY SCHOOL

After school care is now conveniently available at Moolap Primary School from 3.30pm to 6pm, Monday to Friday.

Children can enjoy a healthy snack, a safe and friendly environment, spending time with peers and also engaging in a range of fun activities including arts, sports, cooking plus loads more.

Perfect for busy or working families, here is what parents are saying about the after school care program:

“The after school program is great. Summer and Evie both really enjoy attending and taking part in the wide range of activities. The program is very convenient being at the school and is very user friendly to arrange / cancel bookings, online.” (Dawn Lehmann)

NETBALL NEWS

Moolap Cubs, Prep – Grade 2, are looking for new players. No experience is necessary with assistance from umpires to help the kids whilst on court. Games are played Thursdays after school at GBNC, 1 Crown Court, South Geelong (the old Life Be In It Centre). Training is every second Monday after school at Moolap Primary. For more information see Kylie in the office or contact Campbell and Deb on 5248 0008 or 0419 598 444.

11th Feb – Munchkins # 1 - 4.00 p.m. Munchkins # 2 – 4.40 p.m.
12th Feb – Moolap Cubs – 5.20 p.m.
18th Feb – Munchkins # 1 - 4.00 p.m. Munchkins # 2 – 4.00 p.m.
19th Feb – Moolap Cubs – 4.00 p.m.
25th Feb – Munchkins # 1 - 4.40 p.m. Munchkins # 2 – 5.20 p.m.
26th Feb – Moolap Bubs – 4.00 p.m.

To enrol & book, go to www.extend.com.au and visit the parent portal link.

Next week’s activities:
Monday 9th February: Bookmark art
Tuesday 10th February: Play dough & Sea Creature Art
Wednesday 11th February: Cooking Honey Joys
Thursday 12th February: Amazing Race
Friday 13th February: Exploring countries & cultures

ONLINE BOOKINGS: extend.com.au
CALL OUR OFFICE: 1300 366 437
**MCG (MOOLAP COMMUNITY GROUP) NEWS**

**Lunch orders/Canteen for 2015**

In conjunction with School Council, the MCG are pleased to announce that we will be offering a Community Run Canteen Service for 2015, this service will commence Friday 27th February (the week after our School Fair). A big community thanks to Shona (mum of Dannika’s 3/4B) who will take on the role of Canteen Food Supervisor. Shona has been a member of our School Community for well over 10 years and we thank her for taking on this role. Information regarding menu, ordering & price list will be sent home to families in next week’s newsletter.

**PLEASE NOTE: CANTEEN WILL BE OPEN THIS FRIDAY 13/2 & Friday 20/2 FOR ICY POLES & DRINKS**

For those families new to our school, icy poles and cold drinks will be available for students to purchase from the Canteen during lunchtime on Friday’s only. Icy poles are 80cents each & cold drink prices are - Primas $1.00, Chocolate Milk $1.40 & Strawberry Milk $1.40.

**YOU ARE INVITED….**

This Friday 13th February at 9.00 a.m. we will be holding our Moolap Community Group, (MCG), Annual General Meeting.

The MCG is a group of fabulous parents/guardians, who support our school and students by volunteering their time for various activities throughout the year.

The MCG is responsible for numerous additional activities for our kids including, but not limited to, Canteen, Mother’s Day Stall, Father’s Day Stall, Fundraisers (one per term), Graduation Night for our Year 6 students, Easter Raffle, Sausage Sizzle Days, Special Lunch Orders and much, much more.

For all these activities to be successful, we need your help. Our wonderful Moolap Mum, Nicole Brennan, is currently the President of the MCG and has done a fantastic job. She is looking for helpers this year due to her increased work commitments. Nicole is more than happy to answer any queries or questions you may have.

MCG is a fantastic way for families to be involved in the Moolap Primary School community. Not only does your child love seeing your face around the school, but you are helping to raise money to provide your child the additional extras not covered by Government funds. Over the years fundraising has been used to, purchase additional reading books for the kids, construction of the Creative Play Space, provide air-conditioning in class rooms etc.

This is an opportunity to share ideas, have a cuppa and a chat for the greater good of the school and we really hope to see you there. All are welcome, including younger siblings; we really hope to see you next Friday 13th February at 9.00a.m. Meeting will be held in the meeting room in the administration block.

**2015 DIARY DATES**

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**TRY BOYS – LOOKING FOR FRIDAY NIGHT PRIMARY SCHOOL BASKETBALL COMPETITION**

Sections: - Grades 3/4 & Grades 5/6. First game for the night will start at 4.20pm on both courts. TWO PLAYING SEASONS PER YEAR: - SUMMER AND WINTER. Each team requires a COACH and a MANAGER. The Managers position is to write the players name and number on the score sheet each week. Collect money from the players or parents for games, Player Registration or Affiliation ETC. Fill in player registration form with player’s details. This sheet will be given to the Managers by the Coordinator of the Competition. Pay Coordinator all money required each week. Organise a Scorer for your team, every time they play. ALL CHILDREN MUST HAVE ADULT SUPERVISION AT ALL TIMES. Schools must supply their own playing uniforms. Emergency uniform available if needed, at TRY BOYS. Team Entry Fee: $45.00 per team per season. Team Game Fee: $45.00 per game. Country Victoria Player Registration and Insurance: $45.00 per player. If a player is registered with Country Victoria at another Venue, an affiliation fee will be required from that player to allow them playing time in this competition at the Try Boys Stadium. Affiliation Fee: $15.00. (Proof of payment must be supplied.) Player Registration and Player Affiliation fee is for a 12 month registration. Two Playing Fixtures per Team will be given to the Managers of each team on the first night of play by the Coordinator of the Competition.

Newcomb Power Football Club

Junior Registration Day Sunday 22nd February, Grinter Reserve, Coppards Road 11.00 – 1.00 p.m. For more information contact Scott on 0403 017 977
Would you like to have a better relationship with your kids?
If so sign up for this......
Glastonbury Community Services
is presenting the
School and Family Connections Program
at Moolap Primary School
This FREE 14 week program has proven to:
• Improve kids listening skills
• Boost kids confidence and self esteem
• Help manage kids behaviour
• Help deal with stressful situations
• Improve family relationships

Information Session and morning tea
Monday 16th Feb at 9am in the Staffroom.

Contact Lisa Taylor on 52226911 or see Mr Broekman at school for more info and to secure a place. Places are limited. Children must be between 8-12 years old.

Let's Dance!
Jazz - Ballet - Tap - Hip Hop
all in one class!

Free first class
Free tap and jazz shoes (junior and younger)
Ages 2 - adult

Qualified instructors
Affordable fees
3 locations across Geelong

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School Banking 2015 is ready for launch.

For over 80 years, the School Banking program has been teaching Australian children the value of money. This year, your child may be in line to become a member of an exclusive mystery group.

Information on how students can get their hands with School Banking, including a savings book and a rewards redemption card, is available from your School Banking Co-ordinator.

Your school has received parent packs that include all the information you need to get onboard. If you haven’t received a parent pack yet, please ask your School Banking Co-ordinator.

Rewarding good saving habits with eight new items in 2015

This year’s School Banking program encourages good saving habits by rewarding students with awesome rewards. For every $5 deposited through the program, you can redeem a reward from our School Savings catalogue, including gift cards, Planet Homewares, Australia Post, Littlest Pet Shop, McDonald’s, Harrods, Adventures in Learning, and a range of other goodies.

You could win a family trip to Disneyland

For School Banking customers who make a $20 or more School Banking deposits in 2015, we are giving away a once-in-a-lifetime trip for two to cross the border to Disneyland. The prize includes travel airfares, five nights accommodation, transfers and meals.

For more information, visit schoolbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Terms and conditions apply. Have you customer apply. Information correct as at 29th December 2014. Raffle open to customers with School Banking accounts with a minimum of $20 deposited in 2015. Drawn at 3pm on 29th December 2014. Prize valued at up to $12,000. Full terms and conditions available at schoolbank.com.au/schoolbanking

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