PRINCIPAL'S NEWS
Our students have had an extremely positive start to the term. Yesterday the new school wide acknowledgement system was introduced to students. Our approach is to catch students being positive and following the school values. The acknowledgement is called a **GOTCHA**. This captures the element of 'catching' students being positive. Thanks to the work of Mrs Millington and Kylie Egan, we have some new additions to our playground. This was all a part of the Inclusive School’s Grant.

Most importantly, the teachers are excited to provide a learning program that is both engaging and challenging. Please keep reading the newsletter to keep up to date with what is happening at Moolap and how you can be involved in your child’s learning.

*Enjoy!*

Robbie

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SCHOOL NEWS

**GOTCHA! Reward System**

This week our school has introduced a new whole-school acknowledgement system aimed at rewarding students for displaying positive behaviours.

Some of the key points of our Gotcha system include:

- Students that are witnessed following the Behavioural Expectations for our school may be awarded one Gotcha.
- Gotchas can be awarded to **any student** from **any adult** in the school at **any time**.
- Students receive a small sticker as an immediate form of recognition.
- Students that do not receive a warning of any kind for 5 days (not concurrently) will be awarded one Gotcha.
- Students that achieve milestones (1, 5, 10, 20 etc) choose a reward from the ‘Gotcha Rewards Chart’.
- Students receive a coloured wristband and certificate every 20 Gotchas received. These will be handed out at assemblies.
- Weekly Gotchas to be awarded at Kids Assembly.
- School leaders to award one Gotcha at assembly each week (in consultation with teachers).
- Gotchas build up for the whole year - students continually work towards their next milestone. System resets at the beginning of each year. Term four 2016 will have a revised Milestone Reward Chart.
- Not to be used as incentives, ie - “If you pick up these papers I’ll give you a Gotcha.” - note: they can be used as part of specific students’ behavioural plans if appropriate.

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**Bereavement**

We are sad to announce that Ms. Young’s father passed away last night after a long illness. Ms Young will be out for the week supporting her mother and being with family. Our condolences and thoughts go out to her and her family during this difficult time.

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**Reading Expectation**

Reading is essential to your child’s learning. As with so many things in life, practice makes perfect. We expect every student to read at least 4 times a week. Our goal is that every student reads at least 40 times by the end of Week 10. Students are required to record reading as they progress through the term. As is tradition at Moolap we will have the **Annual Water Fight** for students who have achieved this goal.

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**No Hat - No Play**

Please note the school’s uniform policy on hats is as follows:

- The school uses a combination of sun protection measures for all outdoor activities from 01 September to the end of 30 April and whenever UV levels reach 3 and above.
- All students are required to wear hats that protect their face, neck and ears, i.e. legionnaire, broad brimmed or bucket hats, whenever they are outside. Baseball or peak caps and visors are not considered a suitable alternative.

For your child’s safety we will continue to implement the No Hat No Play Rule. We require students to have hats that are consistent with the above mentioned policy.

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**Congratulations!**

We are very excited to announce that Indi W’s portrait of Imogen Brough is on display at the Geelong Gallery. Indi’s fantastic entry for this year’s Geelong Gallery’s portrait prize was one of 680 entries, only 200 of which are on display until 9 October.

Indi is eligible for the People’s Choice Award which you can vote on when you visit the gallery between 10am and 5pm. Only one vote per visitor.

"Indi is an enthusiastic and proficient art student who is an absolute delight to teach. She sets herself high standards and then uses her natural talent and hard work to achieve excellent results. It was great to go to the Gallery today and see her work hanging there and it was an honour to vote for Indi for the People’s Choice Award. Fingers crossed! "Mrs Millington

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**Grade 6 Graduation Survey**


Respect Responsibility Integrity Safety
The Grade 6 teachers will be sending out a survey to all Grade 6 parents for this year's graduation. It is essential we get your feedback and support as we begin to plan what to do at the end of the year.

**Moolap Shopping Trip**

Seats are filling up fast for the shopping trip to be held on **Sunday 13 November**. Cost will be $45 per person and those wishing to purchase a seat will need to pay $25 deposit to the Office with balance finalised no later than **25 October**. Meeting point will be Moolap Primary School with a Corio pick up available. The 10 outlets we will be visiting are displayed on the Office window, and an itinerary is below for your convenience.

Please note there will be a stop off for lunch but the cost of lunch is not included in the price.

Any families / businesses wishing to donate prizes for the hamper raffle on the day will be recognised in the school newsletter. Please leave any donations at the office, along with your details. Any queries see Bronny J.

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**Schedule**

- **7.00AM MOLAP PRIMARY SCHOOL, 30 WILLS CRES, MOLAP**
- **7.20AM HARVEY NORMAN CORIO**
- **8.00AM FEELGOOD, 32 LITTLE BOUNDARY RD, LAVERTON NTH**

**OUTLET**
- Feelgood Australia Pty Ltd
- Bags & Luggage Outlet
- Five Star Direct
- High Street Hero
- Footscray Fashion Bazaar
- Home Direct
- Brunswick Food Court (Barry Square S/C)
- Bambis Homewares
- Ross’s Quality Nuts
- Christmas Elves
- Toy Network

**ARIVE** **DEPART**
- 8.00 AM 8.30 AM
- 8.45 AM 9.15 AM
- 9.25 AM 10.10 AM
- 10.20 AM 11.05 AM
- 11.15 AM 11.55 AM
- 12.25 PM 1.05 PM
- 1.35 PM 2.05 PM
- 2.15 PM 2.55 PM
- 3.10 PM 4.00 PM
- 3.45 PM 4.25 PM
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November - 02 December 2017. Cost will be $80 per child and permission forms will go home shortly.

**Year 5 and 6 Puberty Sessions**

Puberty information sessions for Years 5 and 6 commence the end of this month. There will be a Parent Information Night held at school on **Wednesday 26th October**, commencing 6.00 p.m. Parents of those students participating in the program are welcome to attend. Notes will go home shortly with students.

**Netball**

Training commences today at 1.50 p.m., with the first game being held tomorrow Wednesday 5th October at 5.20 p.m. Court 5.

[Art Blog](http://moolapprimary.edublogs.org/)

- Follow the blog:
- Check out the latest update!

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

Ron Nelson Memorial Junior Fishing Clinic
Sunday 23 October 9 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.
Boyd’s Waters – Deaking University, Pidgons Road, Waurn Ponds. FREE ENTRY - BYO BAIT
Further Information – Ian Pickering 5266 1008 or John Hotchin 5248 6817

**DIARY DATES**

**OCTOBER**

- Fri 14 Division Basketball
- Wed 19 Geelong Cup Day Holiday
- Mon 24 School Council
- Wed 26 Puberty Parent Info Session (6.00 p.m.)
  Indonesian Festival Day
- Thurs 26 Prep Orientation Session 2 (2.20 – 3.20p.m.)