

An Independent Public School

Term 4, Week 6 Edition 13 2023

School Details

Message From The Principal

Important Dates

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Dear Parents, Carers and Community members,

We are now in the second half of Term 4 and getting prepared for our school Christmas Concert on Thursday 7th of December. This will be held at school beginning at 6pm for all that wish to attend. Our staff and students are busy preparing for this event which is a highlight in our school calendar. Our Year 6 students are also preparing for their graduation which is held on Tuesday 5th of December. It is always such a bitter sweet moment when our leaders graduate and they move to the next phase of their schooling lives, but I wish them the very best for the last remaining weeks at primary school. I know they are all very excited about high school next year and showed their very best behaviour at recent high school transition days.

The past few weeks have proved busy. We have had lots of staff in and out and have trained multiple staff in the Gatekeeper program. The Gatekeeper program helps staff to understand the problem of suicide and self-harming behaviours and enables our staff to provide appropriate intervention skills when needed. We also have booked for multiple teachers and education assistants to be trained in the Kindergarten Assessment Tool (KAT) which will be utilised next year. K.A.T. is an assessment tool, designed by the Language Development Centre, which ensures oral language development is maximised and provides our teachers with data in oral language and early literacy skills. This allows our teachers to identify any students requiring additional support.

It is also that time of year where we look ahead to 2024 and organise our staff needs and class structures. We will have staff leaving at the end of the year and our school currently has an advertisement looking for teachers to apply. Our class structures are organised due to many reasons, one being student numbers in each particular year level. In a public school we have policy to follow that outlines how many students are allowed in each class. This is a very positive aspect about public education as private schools do not have this regulation and can have very large class sizes. If your child is in a year where there are not many students, for example 8 students in our current Pre-Primary cohort, then the likelihood of your child being in a split class is certain as we cannot afford to pay for one teacher for 8 students. At the moment our school is looking towards this structure listed below, but it depends on student numbers and if we receive new enrolments.

- 1. Kindergarten Class
- 2. Pre Primary Class
- 3. Year 1/2 Class
- 4. Year 2/3 Class
- 5. Year 5/4 Class
- 6. Year 5/6 Class

If any parents or families want to have a discussion about 2024 and class structures, please don't hesitate to send me an email or phone the school.

Another exciting thing that has happened in the past week is that I have applied for a very big grant to build a new early childhood building and playground which would replace the current Kindergarten Blue Room and playground. Let's hope that this is approved so our school can have a much-needed upgrade. We should find out if we are successful early in the new year.

Thursday 17th -22nd November

Book Fair

Friday 17th
November
Crazy Hair Day

Monday 20th
November – 1st
December

Swimming Lessons

Tuesday 21st
November
Blue Room
Assembly

Tuesday 5th December

Thursday 7th

Year 6 Graduation 9am

<u>December</u> Concert & Awards Evening





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Our students have been demonstrating the Moora Way and upholding the four school values of respect, perseverance, integrity and achievement. I am very proud of our students and enjoy rewarding them each week. I have also enjoyed rewarding classes with icy poles for their attendance. If a class has every student in attendance on a particular day, then they are rewarded with icy poles. This is a much harder feat to accomplish than one might think. School attendance is the most crucial prerequisite for quality education – students can not learn if they are not at school. In saying this, if your child is unwell, please keep them home so they can rest and heal. I would like to warn everyone that Covid is making another resurgence. Yes, it is still out there and hitting education hard at the moment. This seems to be mostly in the city at this stage, however there are reports of it in Moora, as well as a nasty gastro bug going around. If your child is absent on a particular day, please notify the school with a reason so we can enter this in our system.

I am very much looking forward to the first meeting with the School Board this week. The School Board is the governing body of our school and will oversee things like future planning with our school business plan, contributions and charges for 2024 and booklist requirements for families. Other exciting events that are coming very soon is our Bookfair which will be held from Friday 17th November to Wednesday 22nd November and our Kindergarten Assembly and Graduation held on Tuesday 21st of November.

Katrina Carnicelli

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Reminder

School gates open at 8am

Breakfast Club is open every day from 8am to 8:30am

First Bell for Class goes at 8:30am



Arriving late means missing out on important class time and disrupts the class.

A student who is 5 minutes late every day of the week misses out on 25 minutes of learning. If a student is ten minutes late each day, that is 50 minutes of lost instructional time in the course of a week!





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Moora Moments

Merit Certificate Winners

Elizabeth Howard, Frank Simpson, James Chester, Baydon Forge, Eva Hearne, Maddison Forge, Braxton Stephens, Phoenix Staas-Hawkins & Georgia Hearne



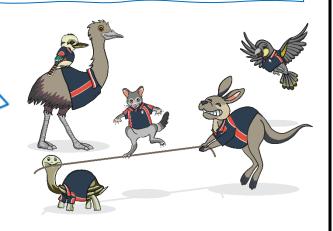


Values Certificate Winners

Jake Porter, Scarlett Baker, Wyatt Panizza, Rheany Radoc & Mackenzie Morrison



Aussie of the Month Lily George







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Science Day In Kindy!!

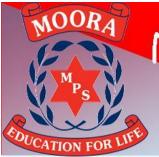
This week our Kindy students became scientists and participated in a variety of experiments and investigations, including;

- 1. An environmental scavenger hunt
- 2. Creating an erupting volcano
- 3. Making a lava lamp
- 4. Combining mentos and coke to make as explosion
- 5. Puffy painting
- 6. A Skittles experiment

It was so much fun!!







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Grandparents Day





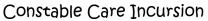
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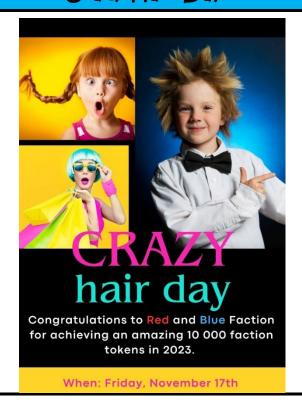




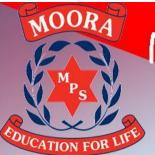


All our students participated in a Constable Care show on Tuesday at school. Our Kindergarten to Year 2 students enjoyed watching a puppet show and our Year 3 to 6 students watched actors, some even becoming the actors!

Crazy Hair Day







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Voluntary Contributions

Have you paid?? This payment helps fund art and craft resources, paper, computer consumables, sports equipment and classroom resources. Last year, 39% of voluntary contributions were paid. Our aim is to improve on that for 2023.

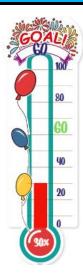
Contributions are \$60 for PP-6 students and \$30 for Kindy students.

You can pay by cash, cheque or direct deposit:

Name: Moora Primary School

BSB: 066-040 A/C: 19904795 Ref: Family Name

Please see us in the office to organise your payment as soon as possible.



The Moora Way

During Weeks 7 and 8 our expected behaviour focus is –

"We are active participants in every lesson".

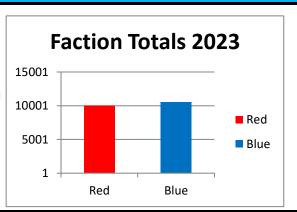




Faction Tokens

Tokens	Reward	Achieved?	
2500	Lunch Time Tunes	Red & Blue	
4000	A Frozen Treat	Red & Blue	
5500	Free Dress Day	Red & Blue	
7000	Sausage Sizzle	Red & Blue	
8500	Extra Playtime	Red & Blue	
10000	Crazy Hair Day	Red & Blue	
11500	Sausage Sizzle		
13000	Faction Choice		









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Attendance

It is extremely important that the school is notified when your child is away, regardless of the reason.

There are several ways that you can let us know if your child will be absent and why:

- Moora PS Website click on the attendance button, fill out the form and it comes straight to the school
- > Send a message to your child's teacher either via Seesaw or email
- ➤ Give us a call or pop into the front office 9653 9300

We would really appreciate your cooperation with this matter.

Kindy Enrolments







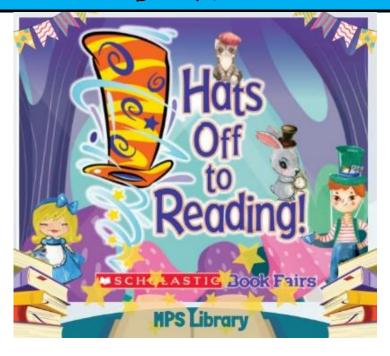
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P&C Update



Book Fair



17th November – 22nd November





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Chaplains Chat

Friendship

Friendship is an important aspect of life. Our lives are so much better when we have quality friendships. School friendships play a critical role in how your child develops emotionally and socially. It affects how much they will enjoy their days at school, which is very important seeing that they see their school friends 5 out of 7 days in a week! Quality, healthy friendships help boost a child's self-esteem, self-confidence and gives them a sense of belonging. Studies have shown that kids who are in great friendships also perform better at school. They have better attitudes about going to school and learning when they are surrounded by great friends there. It sometimes can be tricky for children to make friends, maintain their friendships, or navigate any friendship issues that may arise. Children need to learn friendship skills. These skills teach kids to develop, appreciate and nurture their friendships, and include, but not limited to:

- learning to cooperate
- taking turns and being fair
- sharing

- listening to one other
- showing empathy and being sympathetic to each other's feelings
- managing conflict

Here are six tips to help your child:

1. Ask your child what makes a good friend.

Help your child identify the qualities that a good friend should have, this will help them to recognize what types of friendships they should be searching for. Healthy friendships show many great qualities such as trust, respect, kindness, honesty, and consideration towards others. Helping your child understand these qualities allows them to understand what a true friend should be like and discussing them with your children will help them to show these qualities themselves.

2. Kids need to know that friends aren't "one size fits all".

We all have different interests and will have different friends that we enjoy different activities with, discuss with your child that it is perfectly normal to have a circle of friends that you do different things with. It's perfectly ok to have one friend who you play footy with and another friend who you like to sit and chat with. A friend that isn't interested in one particular activity does not mean that they are not worthy of their friendship. Being accepting of different friends' interests and being open to trying new activities will help your child expand their circle of friends and develop friendships with different kinds of people.

3. Make friends outside of school.

Give your child the opportunity to broaden their social circle with outside school activities and have a chance to meet other likeminded children. Children with similar interests will find it easier to connect. It also allows children who may not have formed quality friendships at school to meet friends outside of school.

4. Observe how your child socialises

It is a good idea to sit back and watch how your child interacts and behaves with their friends. It can be hard to admit if our own child is not being a good friend but by observing them, we can then help them become a better friend! You can help your children practice the right behaviours at home. Role playing can be a great way to help them learn different ways to interact with their friends in different situations. Your child may not notice their own behaviour around friends and gently letting them know at home will help them to be a better friend.

5. Friendship Issues at Primary School: Understand that conflict is normal but help them navigate difficult friendships. All friendships have disagreements at times, even the best of friends. It is your chance as a parent to talk with your children and help them gently navigate conflict. Discuss the issue and brainstorm some solutions together with your child. Talking it through helps your child to understand the problem from a different point of view. It may help them realise that the problem could be resolved easily or was not as big of an issue as once thought.

Overall, making friends is a skill. Children may have the basic skills to make friends but often they need some help in fine-tuning these skills. An adult can step in to help equip them with the right tools so that they can find the right friendships for them. Regular open conversations about your child's friendships will help make it easier to navigate the path of making lifelong quality friendships.



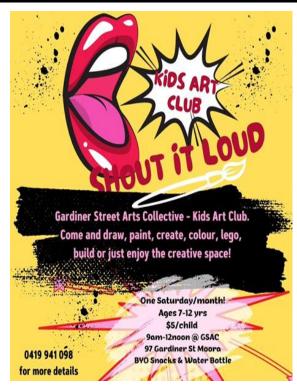


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Community News











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Curtin Medical Student Rural Immersion Week TUESDAY 12 TO FRIDAY 15 MARCH 2024

Share your town and rural lifestyle with doctors of the future

Over 100 second year Curtin University medical student will attend the Curtin Medical School Student Rural Immersion Week, and hopefully be inspired to work in rural Western Australia.

During their stay, they will visit local farms, industry, general practices, hospitals and schools, and participate community activities

Do you live in or near Brookton, Corrigin, Dalwallinu Katanning, Kondinin, Kulin, Moora or Wongan Hills?

As a host, we will ask you to provide accommodation for two or more students for three nights, be able to assist with transporting them to/from town, and share what it is like to live in your town with the students.

You are invited to come along to a Thank You dinner with the students on the Thursday night.

Why host?

If you live in or near one of these towns we would love to hear from you!

This is a life-changing experience for the students, with many having no previous exposure to rural life.

By providing these rural immersion opportunities early in their degree, it has been proven that students are more likely to explore rural career opportunities and have a better understanding of treating rural patients.

Some students continue to keep in touch and visit their host families, some return to do seasonal work and placements, others have joined mentoring programs and some have inspired host family members to pursue tertiary studies in health and medicine.

For further information, contact Rural Health West:

T 08 6389 4500



JOIN THE PARKRUN FAMILY

WALK, JOG, RUN, VOLUNTEER or simply come and watch - it's up to you!

FRIENDLY, ENJOYABLE SK EVENTS FREE & E.

FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY

Prams and dogs can take part

MPROVE HEALTH & FITNESS

Be active in the open air

DEVELOP NEW SKILLS
Opportunities to volunteer

No need for special equipment or clothi

YOU DON'T HAVE TO RUN

Volunteering is a great way to get involved

Make new friends and socialise

BUILD CONFIDENCE

Track progress and achieve new goals

Register at parkrun.com.au

notes:

Moora Parkrun, Apex Park, every Saturday 8am











WEDNESDAY 20 DECEMBER, 2023

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Time: 1:00pm - 4:00pm Moora Swimming Pool

BBQ Lunch, Free Pool Entry, Water Games, and More!

Any questions, you can call: Bron (Iluka) 0408 874 460 Gabby (Tronox) 0431 341 671







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Term Planner



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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 Bullying	Oct 9 School Development Day Bullying focus	Oct 10 Canteen	Oct 11	Oct 12 Little Learners commence	Oct 13
2 Bullying	Oct 16 Canteen Bullying focus	Oct 17 PBS	Oct 18	Oct 19	Oct 20
3 Achievement	Oct 23 Canteen We show pride in our work.	Oct 24 Superhero Squad Excursion K-1	Oct 25	Oct 26	Oct 27 Cricket Carnival Y3-6 (Moora)
4 Achievement	Oct 30 Canteen We show pride in our work.	Oct 31 PBS	Nov 1 Assembly –Room 3 Grandparents Day	Nov 2 Graduation Pictures	Nov 3
5 Achievement	Nov 6 Canteen We strive for success	Nov 7	Nov 8	Nov 9 Year 6 Transition	Nov 10 Year 6 Transition
6 Achievement	Nov 13 Canteen We strive for success	Nov 14 PBS Constable Care Incursion	Nov 15	Nov 16 Book Fair Commences	Nov 17
7 Integrity	Nov 20 Canteen We are active participants in every lesson Swimming Lessons Room 1 -3	Nov 21 Assembly - Blue Room	Nov 22 Book Fair ends	Nov 23	Nov 24
8 Integrity	Nov 27 Canteen We are active participants in every lesson Swimming Lessons Room 4& 5	Nov 28 PBS	Nov 29	Nov 30	Dec 1
9 Integrity	Dec 4 Canteen We always use our manners	Dec 5 Year 6 Graduation	Dec 6	Dec 7 Concert & Awards Evening	Dec 8
10 Integrity	Dec 11 Canteen We always use our manners	Dec 12 PBS Year 6 Outback Splash	Dec 13 Good Standing Water Play Day	Dec 14	Dec 15 TRADED OFF SDD





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Canteen Menu

New Canteen
Menu and
Price List

MOORA PRIMARY LUNCH MENU

ROLLS/WRAPS

Filling choices \$5.50

Vegemite, Ham, Chicken, Tuna, Lettuce, Cheese, Carrot, Cucumber, egg, Mayo

SANDWICHES

Filling choices \$5.50

Vegemite, Ham, Chicken, Tuna, Lettuce, Cheese, Carrot, Cucumber, egg, Mayo

SALAD TRAY

Filling choices \$8.50

Ham, Chicken, Tuna or No Meat

TOASTIES

Chicken \$5.00

Filling choices Cheese, Tomato, Pineapple, Mayo

Ham \$4.50

Filling choices Cheese, Tomato, Pineapple

Tuna \$4.50

Filling choices Cheese, Tomato,

No Meat \$4.00

Filling choices Vegemite, Cheese, Tomato, pineapple

HOT FOOD

Pie \$4.50

Steak, Steak & Cheese, Steak & Mushroom, Chicken & Veg

Sauce 50c

Sausage Roll \$3.50

Plain, Cheese & Bacon, Spinach & Ricotta Sauce 50c

Pizza Single \$3.50

Ham & Cheese, Hawaiian, Supreme

Hot Dog \$3.50

Sauce 0.50c Mustard 0.50

SUSHI

Filling choices

Chicken, Tuna, Cucumber, Carrot, Avocardo

4 pcs \$5.50 7pcs \$7.50

DRINKS

Water \$1.50

Flavoured Milk

Choc, Strawberry, Spearmint

\$2.00

100% Juice

Apple, Orange, Apple & Blackcurrant

\$2.00

Drinks may be substituted

Please place Classroom Number on bag

