

MOOLOOLAH STATE SCHOOL



Principal
Michele Brown

Administration
Pam Day
Elizabeth Fitzpatrick

Tuckshop Day
Friday

Student Banking
Tuesday

Uniform Room
Tues 8.15– 9.15am

After School Care
5494 7491

P & C Meetings
Wed 20th Nov 6pm

School Contacts

Address:

King Road
Mooloolah Q 4553

Phone:

5413 6333

Fax:

5413 6300

Student Absence Telephone Number
54136360

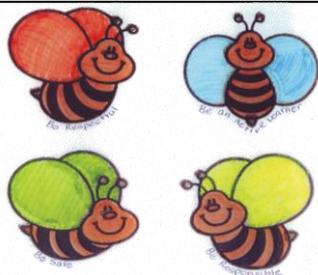
Please telephone this number on the day your child is unable to attend school and leave a message.

Email:

the.principal@
mooloolahss.eq.edu.au

Website:

www.mooloolahss.eq.edu.au



At Mooloolah State School, the 4 B's enable all of us to take pride in our achievements

- Be Safe
- Be Responsible
- Be Respectful
- Be an Active Learner



This term we are focussing on the whole matrix and particularly 'The 4 B's'
This week we are focussing on: * Follow directions * Promptly walk to your class/area

Date 17th October 2013 Week 2

FROM MICHELE'S CHAIR

What's happening at our school?

KIDS MATTER

Thank you to those parents who have returned their surveys. Unfortunately, there are a number of surveys that have not yet been returned. If you have completed your survey please hand it in at the office so that your views can be recognized. If you didn't receive a survey please have your child ask their class teacher or see Mrs Davidson.

ATTENDANCE

The table below shows the current attendance for students in each class.

Percentage Attendance

PrepDJ	90.98%
Yr 1	91.66%
Yr 1/2	89.61%
Yr 1/2	88.21%
Yr 2	91.88%
Yr 3/4	90.9%
Yr 3/4	90.15%
Yr 4	89.09%
Yr 5/6/7RG	91.9%
Yr 5/6/7RG	93.9%
Yr 5/6/7RG	91.31%
Yr 5/6/7CL	94.5%
Yr 5/6/7CL	94.74%
Yr 5/6/7CL	93.89%

Unfortunately our attendance throughout the school continues to drop. Congratulations to the Year 3s and Year 5/6/7CL whose attendance has risen since the last report. Every Day Counts. I understand that many students have been sick over that past couple of months and when students are sick they should be at home where they can receive the appropriate care. However, it is against the law to keep your child at home just because they feel like a day off. This is not helping them to learn resilience nor is it helping them to achieve their best.



Our newsletter is proudly sponsored by the local businesses featured on the back cover.

Please phone the school absence line on 54136360 if your child is absent from school so that we are aware of the reason for their absence and please ensure that there is a valid reason for the absence.

PLAYGROUP

Thank you to Jaclyn Lewis who has taken over the playgroup. Jaclyn is looking forward to meeting many more of our mothers who have young children not yet attending school. Socializing together at play group helps your child to learn the skills necessary to build friendships and overcome difficulties when interacting with others.

Thank you also to Lisa West who has looked after the playgroup at Mooloolah for some time. Well done Lisa on the effort you have put in. I'm sure the transitioning of playgroup to the OSHC building will prove to be a great success.

TUCKSHOP

Just a reminder that tuckshop is only operating at first break. Please ensure that your child has lunch packed for the second break as tuckshop will not be open at that time.

NAPLAN

Last week I handed out certificates to those students who had reached the top two achievement bands in their year level. While NAPLAN is a test that shows students' academic ability for a snapshot of time, it gives us an opportunity to see which areas we need to focus on for the following year. It also enables us to look at the academic journey of a child as they travel through the school.

There are 15 areas that are tested - 5 in each of the three year levels. These are: Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar & Punctuation and Numeracy in Grade 3, 5 & 7. In 9 of these 15 areas our students achieved an average result that was above that of the schools across the nation. In 3 other areas, their achievement was between 1-3 points below that of the other schools in the nation. That, in itself, is a remarkable achievement for all concerned. Be proud and celebrate that the education of your children is in extremely good hands by sharing the message that at Mooloolah State School we are, "Switched on for Learning."

DISCO AND FREE DRESS

Our next school disco is next Friday night, October 25. The theme is 'RED' as it is also Day for Daniel. Students are encouraged to wear red to school and bring a gold coin as a donation to the Daniel Morecombe Foundation.

I look forward to catching up with you all at the Mooloolah Valley 150th celebrations next weekend.



Michele

Friday Mornings 8.15 - 9am Complimentary coffee/tea
Parents are invited to join Chappy Mark and Michele for a coffee and informal chat on the front lawn of the school to share information about what's happening at Mooloolah School and the Chaplaincy Program.



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PREP 2014

☺ **Wednesday 23 Oct 2013 3.30- 5pm**
Prep Parent & Child visiting afternoon - come along to work and play in our Prep classroom and playground.

☺ **Tuesday 12 Nov 2013 5 to 6pm**
Wine & Cheese Prep Parent Information Session - come to see and hear why your child must come to Prep at MSS and be switched on for learning. All attendees will get a library bag filled with goodies for their 2014 Prep child




P & C NEWS

Disco - Friday 25th October 6 - 8pm

The theme for our Disco this time is RED to support Day for Daniel so wear your red clothes and come along for a great night of dancing from 6 - 8 pm for only \$6 each or \$15 for a family of children. This gets you a sausage sizzle, a popper and you can have your hair sprayed red too. All students from Mooloolah School are welcome to come along. Parent help would be appreciated and children must be collected from the front door of the hall at the end of the disco. Hope to see you there.

Raffle Tickets

Raffle tickets were sent home before the holidays for your chance to win a family holiday to Sea World on the Gold Coast. Please return these as soon as they are sold and get another book off Pam if you can sell some more. The more tickets we can sell the more money the P & C will make from this raffle.

150 years Celebration Family Day

The P & C will be selling steak burgers, sausages in bread, kebabs and drinks at this event and will need the help of as many parents as we can on this day. There is a roster on the office counter where you can fill in your name or phone the school on 54 136333. Your support of this community event is greatly appreciated.

Kids art work fundraiser - calendars

Once again this year, we are participating in the Kids Art Works fundraiser. The money raised from this fundraiser will go to supporting our Chaplaincy Program.

Most classes are completing the art work at school. Alternatively, should you wish to use a photograph you may also do so. All of the information that you require for ordering can be found on the letter sent home last week. Prices for each of the items:

- Calendar \$12:00
- Pack of 8 cards \$14
- Diary \$16.50
- Mouse pad \$14
- iPhone cover \$15

Please contact your child's class teacher should you wish to view your child's art work before ordering. Please ensure that your orders are returned to school by Monday, October 21.

Congratulations to all Gold Award Winners:

Bryce Brown	Ashleigh Montague	Blair Beck
Cambell Luck	Ruby Pettingill	Nick Deasy
Tom King	Zsphera Cavanagh	Zeb Brown
Isabella Lynch	Anna-Grace Scott	Brad Lee
Connor Nuttall	Harlee Henderson	Shanelle Wilson

CLASS ROOM NEWS

YEAR 2DA

We are very lucky to have 4 University students in our class this term. Welcome Mrs Palmer, Mr Brown, Mr Milton and Mrs Williams. You will see these students working in all different classes from Prep-grade 7 during their three week placement at Mooloolah.

SWIMMING. From Week 3 don't forget swimming will go back to our usual PE day Thursday. All money is to be sent in a named envelope to the office please. A permission note is also required for your child to attend swimming. Please ensure that your child has a rash vest, towel, goggles, sunscreen and a swimming cap.

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES last day is Friday. Any help at any time to wrap boxes and begin to sort and pack would be greatly appreciated. Xmas paper, donations of suitable items and or money to cover postage *urgently* needed.

Thank you Donna Aspinall

SCHOOL BANKING THIS TERM

Unfortunately our school did not win the marquee competition last term. The Kin Kin State School has the greatest percentage of bankers with at least 40.63% of students banking. Although our school has to greatest number of active bankers not everyone deposited during the term so we came in second in our group of schools (less than 250 enrolled students).

I would like to encourage students to redeem as many of their tokens as possible by the end of this year - particularly for the Dollarmite moneyboxes as they will not be available next year. If you have any questions about this, please don't hesitate to contact me. The Headphones are now available. Commonwealth Bank have also put the USB stick (a 2012 reward item) back on the rewards list. You can now also select more than 1 item per child as we encourage students to redeem all their tokens by the end of the year.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

This term After School Care will be holding two activities during the term for the duration of 7 weeks. Netball on Monday afternoons run by Active After School Care, and on Fridays we are starting swimming at the Mooloolah Pool. It starts this Friday 3.30-4.30. The deliverers will be the current instructors at the pool. The activity is based on water awareness and water play, with half of the time being a more structured lesson for the Preps through to Grade 2-3 depending on Childs Swimming Ability. Please book in early for this activity on 54 947491.

Every afternoon we have different craft projects we can work on and the option to play outside, or watch a movie. Don't forget parents this is a great way for your child to make new friends through the school.

PANCAKES AT 8 - WED 30TH OCTOBER 8am

Mouth watering, yummy and awesome are all students descriptions of the delicious pancakes cooked up by your RI team. Join us at 8 for pancakes & toppings with juice for only \$1.00. At that price have several and fill up for the day! Parents and grandparents are welcome too as we cook up a storm. All proceeds go towards school resources for RI. See you at the tuckshop at 8!

Fiona Cran RI coordinator

RESOURCE CENTRE NEWS

Bookclub brochures were sent home last week and orders with payment are due pack at the office by Friday 25th October.

There will be a Scholastic Bookfair held in November from Monday 11th until Thursday 14th and once again parent volunteers are needed to help run the bookfair. If you are able to assist either in the morning before school or the afternoon please let Jenny or Lisa know ASAP. Thanks for you support.

PUPIL FREE DAY NEXT MONDAY 21ST OCTOBER

DATE CLAIMERS

Coffee/Tea each Friday with Chappy & Michele 8.15 – 9am

Day for Daniel Friday 25th Oct

DISCO Fri 25 Oct 6 – 8pm

Mooloolah 150 Celebration Saturday 26th Oct

Pancake Wednesday 30th Oct

BUSH DANCE FOR MOOLOOLAH'S BIG 150

Take Your Partners! Get your bush dance get-up ready for some good old toe tapping fun. There will be bush dancing to celebrate Mooloolah's 150th Anniversary at the Pioneering Bush Picnic, Saturday 26th October, 5pm at the stage. Kids of all ages, including those still young at heart, are encouraged to prepare a costume and take part.

Local Mooloolah kids, Dallas and Bonnie Muller, are ready to go. "It would be great to see the whole town all dressed up in olden day costumes," Dallas said.

There may be a few inexpensive mobcaps, aprons and bonnets available at Martin Rungert Park on Saturday 19th October, 10.30am - 12.30pm, where folk will be eagerly awaiting the arrival of the Steam Train from Brisbane. Otherwise temporary aprons, bonnets and other items can be easily fashioned from paper. Hope to see you all there!

For more information visit www.mooloolah150years.org.

HISTORIC CLASSROOM RE-ENACTMENT FOR THE KIDS

Primary school kids are being called to come to Mooloolah's original school, now the Mooloolah Community Centre, to step back in time for a special experience of how school was back in colonial days. The historic classroom re-enactment will be held 10.30am to 1pm, Saturday 26th October, 43 Bray Road, Mooloolah.

Students, when you hear the school bell it will be your turn to go to class with Miss DeGars, our kind but strict teacher... and watch out for the visiting inspector! Don't be late and be sure to have clean nails and your homework done! You will be marched in and put beside anyone who doesn't sit up nice and straight at the long school desks. Let's hope you're not kept in.

There will be schoolyard activities whilst waiting for your turn for the classroom. Activities include slate writing, pen and ink copybook writing, embroidery on a sampler, skipping games, hopscotch, marble games, jacks, beam, hoops and quoits.

This event is proudly sponsored by the Landsborough Museum.

For more information on the Mooloolah 150th Anniversary visit www.mooloolah150years.org.

Photo:

Bonnie Muller ready for going to class back in time



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