

MOULAMEIN PUBLIC SCHOOL



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Upcoming Events

14 th February	▪ P&C AGM 7pm School VC Room
17 th February	▪ Small School Swimming Carnival at the Swan Hill Pool
3 rd March	▪ District Swimming Carnival, Swan Hill

School Times

- **8.45 – 9am In class reading**
(parents are encouraged to come and listen to students in the infants block)
- **11 – 11.30am Recess**
- **1 – 1.45pm Lunch**
- **3pm End of day**

Principal's Message

Moulamein Public School students have had a fantastic start to the year! Students have settled into routines and classrooms easily. We have some great learning opportunities on the horizon and our staff are aiming to provide an array of learning opportunities throughout the term.

150th School Anniversary

Moulamein Public School opened in 1867 and so we will be having its sesquicentenary this year. We are inviting, parents, community and family members to join a committee where we will, as a community, decide on how to celebrate our birthday. Staff already have some exciting ideas but we would like our community to part of the decision making process. If you would like to join this committee, please leave your name and number in the office and we will let you know when our first meeting will be. Stay tuned for ways in which you can help us celebrate

Library

Is held each Friday and students must remember to bring their library bag. Set a time for helping your child either read their library book each week.

Due to the Swimming Carnival on Friday, students from Year 3-6 will not be able to borrow from the library.

Swimming Carnival Reminder

Our Small Schools Swimming Carnival with Wakool Burraboi and Clare Public Schools' will be held this Friday. The District Carnival will be held in Swan Hill on Friday, 3rd March. Students who are turning 8 this year may attend and participate in events if they are able to swim 50 metres safely. We will need parent volunteers for the smooth running of the carnival. If you are able to assist on the day, please contact the school and let us know. A big thank you to Mrs Cathy Mertz for

organising this great day. I am sure it will be a great event and best of luck to our students competing! Don't forget to SLIP, SLOP, SLAP and WRAP!

School Uniform

Students are expected to wear school uniform, including appropriate shoes for school, every day. Shoes and socks must be worn throughout the day.

- Please Note: Casual clothes items are not permitted.
- School hats must always be worn outside.
- If you need assistance with purchasing uniforms, please contact the Principal.

P&C AGM REMINDER

The Parents and Citizens Association is a vital supporting body of our school. Their aim is to promote the interests of the school by bringing parents, citizens, pupils and teaching staff into close co-operation. They assist in providing equipment required by the school, subsidising excursions and school programs and providing financial assistance for staffing where needed.

Please consider coming along to their AGM on Tuesday 14th February commencing at 7pm in the VC room adjacent to the office. They meet twice a term, Week 3 and Week 7, and would welcome any new members.

VISUAL ARTS EDUCATION

Learning to create and appreciate visual aesthetics may be more important than ever to the development of the next generation of children as they grow up in a digital world. Many of the skills involved in making art, such as holding a paintbrush or scribbling with a crayon, are essential to the growth of fine motor skills in young students. According to research, art education strengthens problem-solving and critical-thinking skills. The experience of making decisions and choices in the course of creating art carries over into other parts of life. "If they are exploring and thinking and experimenting and trying new ideas, then creativity has a chance to blossom," says MaryAnn Kohl, an arts educator, author and researcher.



K-2 VISUAL ARTS UNIT

Students in K-2, have started a unit of work called, 'Zany Birds', exploring colour, style, shape and balance. Each art work is individual and students are enjoying the experience. Mr Troy Mott, our School Director, did not believe that our K-2 students were able to produce such a high standard of work! He was impressed with the individuality and use of colour. They have already completed two artworks and would like to share some of their work below. Stay tuned for further examples of their fabulous work!



Peacock - Hope Year 1



Chicken – Clem Year 2



Chicken - Seth Year 1

Jennie Wilson Principal