



# MOULAMEIN PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## Upcoming Events

7<sup>th</sup> March

P & C Meeting 7pm

10<sup>th</sup> March

School Assembly 12.30

13<sup>th</sup> March

School Anniversary Meeting

16<sup>th</sup> March

PSSA Football Trials, Leeton

28<sup>th</sup> March

PSSA Netball Trials, Griffith

4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> August

150 Year School celebrations

## Principal's Message

### Evacuation

Due to the smell of smoke in one of our older buildings when lights and fans were turned off, we evacuated the students on Thursday afternoon until we could ensure that the building was safe. All students and teachers did this promptly and the fire brigade were called to investigate. A faulty ceiling fan was later located in the room by an electrician. Better to be safe than sorry!

### Sharing a book at home

When students start to learn to read, parents often stop reading to them. No matter what age a child is, they love when a parent, grandparent or older sibling shares a book with them. Children love to hear a story read aloud! Try reading with different voices, lots of emotion, invented sound effects and funny faces. Change the tone in your voice and vary its loudness or softness. Have fun and enjoy it. If they are too tired to read their home reader, read a picture book or library book instead.

It's a good idea to prompt for comprehension too. Try asking your child which parts of the books they found exciting, funny or different. Learning to listen is a very important skill that can be learnt through reading to children.



Reading aloud introduces the language of books, which differs from language heard in daily conversations, on television, and in movies. Book language is more descriptive and uses more formal grammatical structures.

Reading aloud lets children use their imaginations to explore people, places, times, and events beyond their own experiences.

## Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to some of our students from MPS who attended our District carnival on Friday in Swan Hill.

Max – 2<sup>nd</sup> Junior Boys Individual Medley

1<sup>st</sup> Open PP5 Relay 4 x 50m

Ethan – 3<sup>rd</sup> Senior Boys Individual Medley

1<sup>st</sup> Open PP5 Relay 4 x 50m

Abby- 3<sup>rd</sup> Junior Girls Individual Medley

2<sup>nd</sup> 8yrs Girls 50m Freestyle

Indiana - 1<sup>st</sup> Open PP5 Relay 4 x 50m

Caleb - 1<sup>st</sup> Open PP5 Relay 4 x 50m

## Assemblies

Our first assembly will be held this week on Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> March. This will start at 12.30 and conclude at lunchtime. Our Captain, Ethan as well as Connor and Tyler, our Vice Captains, will be presented with their leadership badges. They are already doing an outstanding job within our school! All teachers are very proud of their efforts and the level of responsibility they are displaying on a daily basis at school. Parents are welcome to stay and have lunch with their children. Students from each class will share some work with the audience. Kindergarten and Year 1 will be reading one of their favourite big books to everyone.

## 150<sup>th</sup> School Anniversary



**Date Set!**

**August 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>**

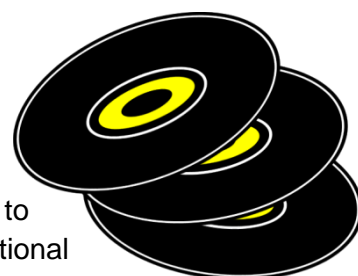
Moulamein PS have set a date for the sesquicentenary Anniversary this year. The weekend we have nominated is the long weekend in August. Celebrations will begin though on Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup>. We are inviting parents, community and family members to join our committee to help with the organisation of this

day. Many hands make light work for such a big event for our town!

Our second meeting will be held on the 13<sup>th</sup> of March 4.00-5.00pm at Moulamein Public School. Please let us know if you would like to attend our meetings. We will be publishing a timetable with an order of events as soon as we are finished planning. A facebook page will also be set up for the Anniversary soon. Please let all family members and friends aware of this date and to save it in their calendar.

## Music Room Make-Over! Vinyl Records WANTED

In preparation for an unused room becoming a permanent music room, we are seeking to transform it into an inspirational learning environment ready for lessons. We are looking for about 20-30 vinyl records that we could use as part of a wall display. If you are able to donate any records or unused instruments, please drop them off to the front office during office hours. You may even have some music posters that you no longer want! Once we complete the make-over we will take some photos and place them in our newsletter. Thank you in advance.



## Canberra Excursion

Our Year 5/6 students are invited to attend the Canberra/ Snowy Mountains Excursion with Barham Public school. The dates will be the 18<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> of September, which is the last week in Term 3. Costing and more information is to follow in weeks ahead. Excursion payments will need to be finalised before they take place. Deposits will also need to be made to secure a place on the excursion. Looks like an amazing experience for students! A teacher from Moulamein PS will be escorting the students.

*Jennie Wilson*

**Principal**