



MOULAMEIN PUBLIC SCHOOL

2017 Term 3 Week 9 Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

15 th September	Assembly and Book week
18 th -22 nd September	Year 5 & 6 Canberra Excursion
22 nd September	LAST DAY of TERM

Principal Message



Enrolments are DUE NOW!

Please see the front office to collect enrolment forms and let us know if you have a child ready for school in 2018. We need contact details for families. This is very important as our funding is based on numbers and we need to have this information into the system next week. We will hold another information session early next term. We will invite new Kindergarten students to three transition days from 9-11.00. A letter will go out to families regarding this Week 1, Term 4.

BOOK WEEK

Mrs Gibson has unpacked some great books in our library that will be for sale on Friday. There is a great array of books covering many different genres. These books will be suitable for all ages.

Due to the 150th celebration events taking place during the official dates, our **Book Week** activities will be held **this week instead**. Students will take part in theme related activities in the morning session, followed by an Assembly open to all at 12:30pm. From 1pm during the lunch break,

Happy Book Week!

Don't forget to dress-up in a book themed outfit or you can come out of uniform for the day (since we already had our 150th dress-up day this term).

**Assembly will be at
12.30 Friday.**



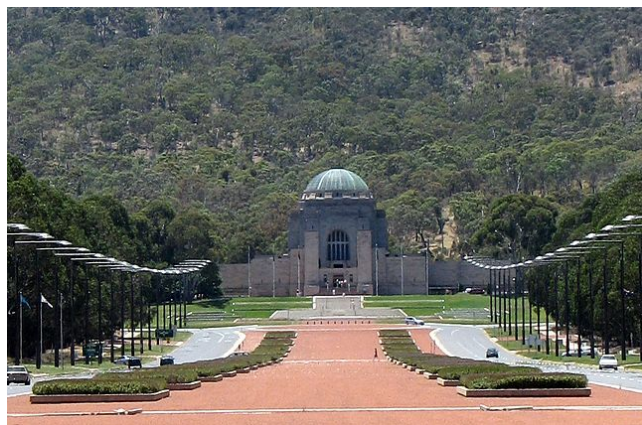
the traditional **Book Fair** will be open in the library. Students and their families will be able to purchase or order books at this time.

The theme for Book Week this year *is* **Escape to Everywhere**. Although not compulsory, students are invited to dress-up in their favourite book character for Friday. If not, students are able to wear casual clothing for the day.

Thank you to Mrs Gibson and Miss Fay for organising this day for us.

Canberra Excursion Next Week!

We wish Miss Middson and some of our year 5/6 students the best of luck in Canberra next week. This is a great excursion and they will be visiting the Australian War Memorial, Parliament House and Questacon (plus loads more) to learn about our past and how important democracy is in our country. This week they have been completing a unit of work to help them understand the political structure and our government system. I wish I was going too! **Don't forget to pack some warm clothes is my advice.** After living in Canberra for a short time I still remember how cold it gets. Icy winds and freezing nights are very much part of the ACT weather system! Thank you to the efforts of the P &C, this excursion has been subsidised, making more affordable for families. Thank you also to Barham Public School for including Moulamein Public School and their organisation. We look forward to seeing some of your photos and publishing them in Wongi next term.

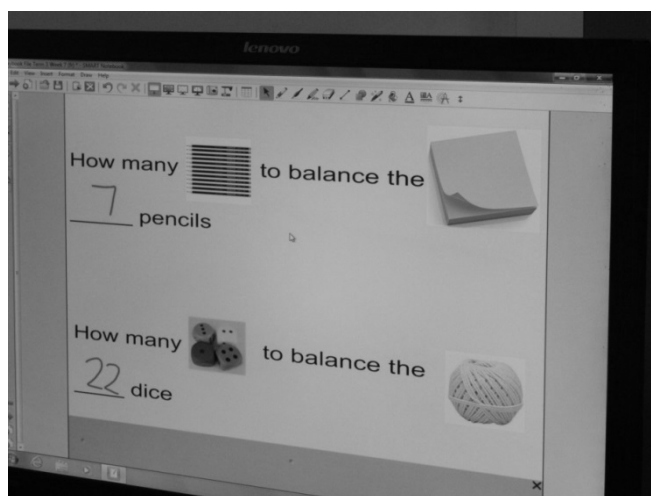


K/1's Mass Investigations

When learning about Mass this Term, K/1 discovered that it takes more lighter items to balance a heavy one.

Working in pairs, students moved around 7 'Investigation Stations', carefully placing items into the balance pans until they were equal. They had to record results at each station so that we could compare our findings at the end of the session.

As you can see from these photos, hands on activities are a fun way to learn in Maths:



Modelling on the Interactive Whiteboard how to record results



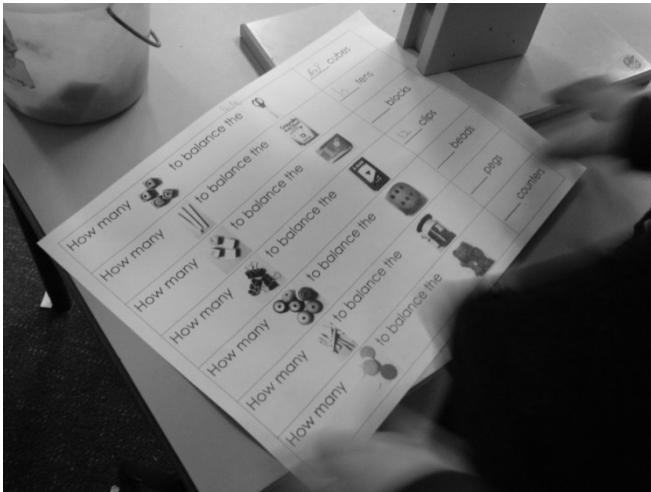
One of the seven Investigation Stations



We learnt that the balance pans have to be level before we can start or our results will be different



Paige and Fletcher enjoying their investigations



Our recording sheet



Seth checking that the pans are balanced



Hope and Phoenix adding the counters carefully to balance the teddy



Partners displaying great team work by helping each other



Georgie and Amy collecting blocks to balance the box of paper clips



Jazmyn recording her results



Makenna recording results carefully



Alek and Millie checking how many counters it took to balance the teddy



Tarlia and Lawson counting how many beads it took to balance the large die



Seth and Althea getting ready to see how many cubes will be needed to balance the scissors