

MOULAMEIN PUBLIC SCHOOL

2017 Term 4 Week 10 Newsletter

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Principal Message

It is our final week of school and it only feels like yesterday we were starting Term 4. To be honest, I cannot believe how quickly the entire year has flown by. My family have all settled into life in the district quickly and we thank the community for their kindness and warm welcome. I think I met most people in town now! I am looking forward to continuing my work at Moulamein Public School next year and feel grateful and thankful for working with such a great community, staff and students. Staff have been very supportive and patient with the 'new' principal on staff! Each and every day at Moulamein is a great day and my favourite part of the day is the time I spend with the students. I still and always will love teaching. For me, being a Teaching Principal is the perfect balance.

Presentation Night

This is a very busy week, with our Presentation Night tonight and our Year 6 dinner on Thursday. Each teacher has had the very hard job of choosing prize winners. We value each and every student and I know it is often a really difficult decision.



The academic award is given to the student who has performed the best in all subject areas, not just mathematics and English. One of my favourite awards is, 'The Most Improved'. This award is presented to the individual in each class who has shown tremendous growth in developing skills to better themselves by demonstrating consistent determination, initiation and independence throughout the year. It is based on emotional, social and academic growth.

Farewell to our School Leaders!

I would like acknowledge our wonderful Captains and Vice Captains this year on their outstanding job. They have presented our school on numerous occasions and led school assemblies with ease and reliability. Tyler, Connor and Ethan have demonstrated leadership qualities throughout the entire year in the classroom, within the playground and at official events. I have been impressed with their maturity and their growing confidence throughout the year when representing our school. I would like to thank our leaders for their efforts and our school community will miss you. I know I have counted on these three great kids a number of times and confidently trusted them to complete a task. Moulamein students have enjoyed you playing games with them, organising sporting equipment, your kindness and generosity of time throughout the year. It is the encouragement I see you offer to students trying a new sport that impresses our teaching staff. It is the little things. We wish them the best of luck in high school and for their journey ahead. Well done to Ethan, Connor and Tyler, you have made us very proud this year!

2018 School Captains Role

Last week, our Year 5 students who were interested in applying for the role of School Captain



delivered inspiring speeches to our other students. Each student in the school voted on the student that perceived as having the skills to take on this role. They were reminded that School Captains are leaders, independent and reliable. They are able to inspire others; they enjoy the confidence and respect of students and teachers. To be able to fulfil the position of School Captain, applicants must be able to demonstrate in this role:

- An exceptional attendance and behaviour record
- Commitment to the school through academic and cultural involvement
- Leadership
- Resilience
- Kindness
- Representation of the school at official functions
- Addressing school assemblies to promote the values and good name of our school
- Speaking to the whole school about relevant matters
- Exhibiting leadership in activities special events

• Being an outstanding role model to all students within the school at all times

Our school captain voting procedure is purely democratic. All students did a fantastic job when presenting their speeches and I would like to thank all the Year 5 students who volunteered for this important role. We will have two school leaders in 2018, which are the two students who received the most votes, this is not gender based due to our small numbers.

Classes for 2018

Class structures will be announced the first week back in 2018. Our funding will not be finalised until January and that itself dictates our staffing and class structure. We have some exciting new learning opportunities planned for 2018 and are looking forward to sharing more information about these next year. We also are looking forward to our new Kindergarten students joining our school!

Thank you to the P & C and Volunteers

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the P&C for their fundraising efforts and work for our school and students throughout the entire year. I know how busy everyone is and each month a small number of volunteers come together to make decisions on how to support students and the school. Offering to subsidise excursions is very generous and substantial. I thank them for their consistent work and their continued support throughout the year. I particularly want to thank Rebecca Gray, Colleen Wilson, Gema Hull, Belinda Gorey and Christine Neish who hold official positions on the P & C and go above and beyond. The 150th was a huge workload and I want to thank all families who helped on this occasion.

Christmas Raffle-Don't forget to buy your tickets!



Thank you to the donations that have been coming in for the Christmas Sleigh Raffle. We have a great variety of goodies in the sleigh and the lucky winner will be announced at presentation night tonight. I am sure the winner will be very pleased.

Merry Christmas Moulamein!

From the

Staff at Moulamein Public School!

Jennie Wilson

Principal

