



# Moulamein Public School

2019 Term 1 Week 6

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## Upcoming Events

- Office CLOSED  
Thursday Morning - Mrs Wilson and Colleen are in Deniliquin
- PSSA AFL & Netball trials 15<sup>th</sup> March
- Year 4-6 Art Workshop 3<sup>rd</sup> April
- Assembly 22<sup>nd</sup> March

**School  
Clearing Sale!**  
**Equipment  
Chairs  
Furniture  
Shelving &  
more!  
18<sup>th</sup> May**

## IMPORTANT COMMUNITIY NOTICE: ANZAC DAY SERVICE

This year, our ANZAC Day falls in the school holidays. Staff, including myself, will not be available to run the service as we are all heading home to see our families and will not be present in Moulamein. The school will run a service in the first week of Term 2, and community members are invited to attend this on school grounds. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

## Principal's Messages

Congratulations to our students who represented Moulamein Public School at Moulamein PSSA District Swimming Carnival. Mr Svenssek said he was very proud of the everyone and their determination and tenacity on the day. It was a very hot day! Thanks to the parents who volunteered at the carnival and Mr Svenssek and Mrs Mertz for their roles. Great effort everyone!

Mr Svenssek's Report: We all had a fantastic day at the Districts Swimming Carnival on the 1<sup>st</sup> of March at Swan Hill Swimming Centre. All the students performed well and had a great day. I was proud to accompany our students as they displayed excellent sportsmanship towards all students. The results: Archie Miller placed 1<sup>st</sup> in 11yrs 50m Freestyle, 1<sup>st</sup> in the 11yrs 50m Backstroke and was the Junior Boys Champion, Mia Bennett placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 11yrs 50m backstroke, Colby Skipsey place 1<sup>st</sup> in the 9yrs 50m Freestyle and Sophie Bennett received \$5 for being the loudest cheerer in all the District.

*Moulamein Public School is dedicated to providing an engaging and innovative learning environment that encourages each child to excel and thrive.*



## School Clearing Sale! Save the date- 18<sup>th</sup> May

Due to upgrades, we are clearing some old furniture and school items in a massive garage sale. With various items, such as shelving, tables, chairs, woodwork benches, cupboards, fridge, freezer, books, etc we will be holding a clearing sale in the tennis courts and old wood room. No early entry or pre-buying. All proceeds will be used to upgrade our library. More details at a later date about payment and starting time.

**Contact Us**  
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## Facebook Page

We hope you and your family are enjoying using our Facebook page. I love placing our artworks and class learning on-line to share with the community. Updates and reminders are also being pushed out regularly for parents. We hope this helps keep you informed. Feel free to comment and like our posts and also give us some feedback in the office about if you like receiving information this way.



## Director and Principal Visit

Next Wednesday, Moulamein will host a Principal network meeting for surrounding area Principals. Our director, Helen McRae will also be visiting for the day. Principals meet regularly to discuss directions, policies and new mandatory requirements for schools. We share our successes, and work collaboratively to improve our schools and student outcomes. At Moulamein Public School we have a lot to be proud of and it's always exciting to showcase our school to others. Thank you to the P & C who will be catering for this meeting.

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## Dorothea Mackellar Poetry Competition

This year, students who work with Mrs Wilson in the Year 4-6 class will be entering the Dorothea Mackellar Poetry competition. This year, the Dorothea Mackellar Memorial Society has chosen a line from the poem, "*The Listeners*," by Walter De La Mare (1873-1956.) Walter was a famous British poet, novelist and short story writer. He wrote whimsical, fantastical worlds for children and adults alike, and described children as "visionaries." Given this opinion, it is very fitting that his work be selected for this particular competition and students will be encouraged to use their imagination like he did!

### *What makes a great Poem? They:*

- Stand out from the rest because the poet's approach to the subject matter is individual or "different"
- Have a distinctive style
- Are a personal response to a situation the poet cares deeply about
- Show that the poet is attuned to his or her surroundings
- Touch deep emotions
- Contain powerfully understated last lines
- Resound with metaphors and similes that captivate the reader
- Contain lines which are a treasure of clear, detailed sensory images
- Are skillfully constructed, with memorable lines and poetic devices such as alliteration, rhythm and internal rhyme
- Are thought-provoking.



We look forward to sharing some poems in the near future.

Parents are also able to enter student poems from home too. If you are interested, go to the website: <https://www.dorothea.com.au/How-to-Enter-awards>

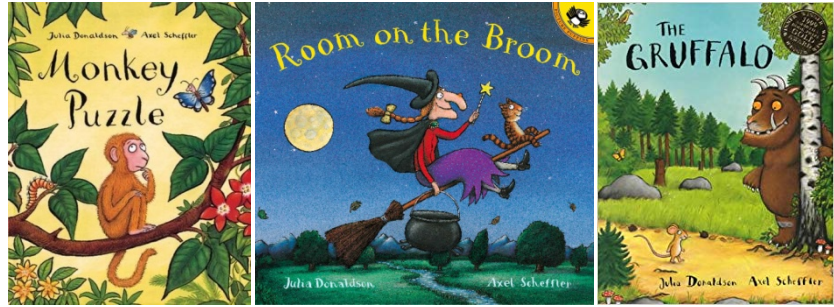
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## News From Mrs Mertz

This Term, Kinder and Year 1 are completing a Julia Donaldson author study unit. Julia's books are funny and entertaining with lots of rhyming that enables students to join in with shared reading.

So far we have read *Monkey Puzzle* and *Room on the Broom*, but our classroom bookshelf is full of other Julia Donaldson titles. Before the term finishes we will also be looking at *The Gruffalo* and *What the Lady Bird Heard*.





Throughout the unit, students will complete a number of literacy, drama and art activities related to the different books. Here is a sample of what we have done so far.

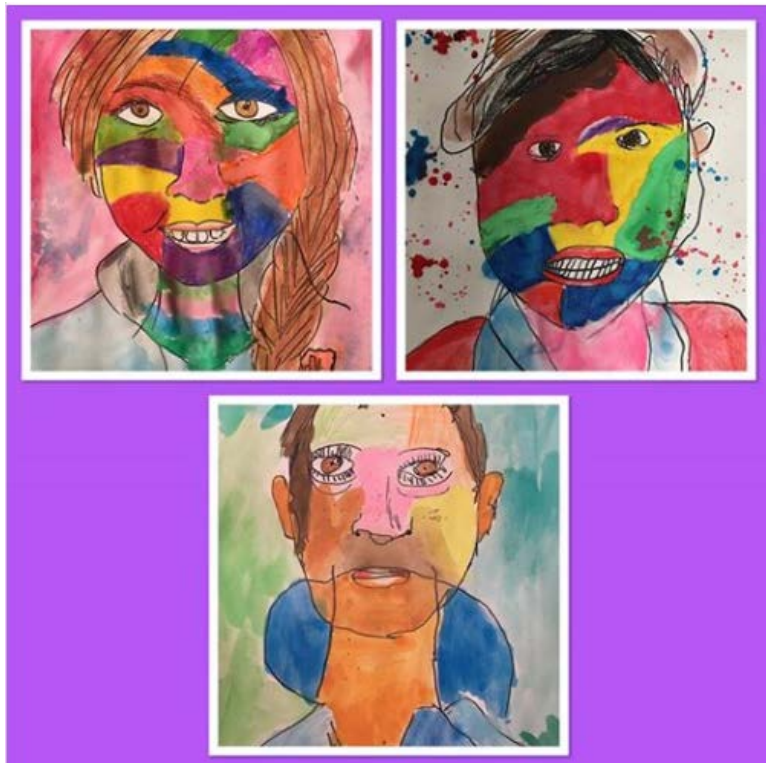
Dramatising *Monkey Puzzle* for an audience:





## Year 4-6 Portraits with Mrs Wilson

The Year 4-6 did some great expressive portraits after a lesson on how to draw eyes and lips. They studied face proportions to try and get a more realistic shape and used photographic references. If you missed them on facebook, here are just a few:







**Students of Moulamein Public School will now be exhibiting work in the Moualmein Gallery on a regular basis. Stay tuned for more information about our contributing artists and their work!**

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**Jennie Wilson- Principal**