

Moulamein Public School

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2020 Term 4 Week 7

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Principal Messages

Construction at our School

As you can tell we have a lot of construction happening at our school. Gas heaters and lines are being removed from many learning areas and reverse cycle air conditioners are now being placed into rooms. This means evaporative air-conditioners are being removed also. This is a huge job for our contractors and we are expecting the job to be finished by the end of the year. It will be nice to have cooler classrooms and a healthier heating system in the classrooms. Please be aware of the extra vehicles and movement around the school, even on weekends.

Within the next few weeks we have a new boundary fence being installed also. This means extra contractors will be here and the old school fence will be removed and replaced. The old fence will not be for sale. This new fence is funded by the department and not by the school. We have been on a waiting list to receive a security fence that will a have lockable gates.

Please be aware that contractors are working 7 days a week.

Year 6 Captains Speeches

Congratulations to all Year 5 students who delivered their proposals to the students and teachers to become 2021 School Captains yesterday. We will again have two captains next year. All students had commendable speeches and I was extremely proud of the way they spoke to the rest of the school with confidence and honesty. Parents were not able to attend due to COVID-19 restrictions and social distancing guidelines, so speeches were filmed and sent to parents via their mobile phone. Thank you for the lovely feedback from parents. It is always nice to be appreciated.

Year 6 Graduation Dinner

Our Year 6 graduation will go ahead, but with some changes due to COVID-19 Restrictions. Due to a smaller number of students in this grade, it has made it a little easier.

Date: Monday 14th December

Location: Moulamein Bowling Club

Dress: Smart casual for parents and students

Other: No Alcohol in the Auditorium during the school event

A detailed note will go home this week with more information.

Presentation Day

We currently still have in place restrictions around the number of people who can attend events at one time. There are a number of factors we must consider before going ahead with any school event. Working through the restrictions and limitations we will be holding a modified Presentation Day. Many schools are having a student only event, but we would like to go ahead with an event where we can have parents and carers involved. The day will be completely different to our usual proceedings. I would like to thank my staff for working around the restrictions to ensure our community and families feel part of this special end of year celebration. I am aware not everyone will be happy with these arrangements but please be aware we must follow policy and we have problem-solved to work within the guidelines to still provide this opportunity for parents to attend. There will be a separate Presentation ceremony for each class due to COVID restrictions.

<u>Date:</u> Monday 7th December

Location: Moulamein Bowling Club Auditorium

Restrictions: All students will be allocated two tickets for parents and carers to attend the presentation ceremony relevant. Visitors are to use this ticket to attend their child's ceremony only and not for the entire day. Visitor lists will be put together before the event. All visitors are to sign in, use hand sanitiser and provide contact details on entry. Younger siblings will need to remain seated and in the company of their parents (they are not to roam around freely and sit with students).

<u>Times:</u> Kindergarten – 9.15-9.45

Year 1/2 - 10.00 - 10.30 Year 3/4 - 11.00-11.30 Year 5/6- 11.45-12.15

Other:

- We will set up an outdoor photo booth for photos. No alcohol.
- If a student wins a community award or scholarship, then it will be given out in the relevant time slot to that student.
- Captains for 2021 will be announced at the Year 5/6 ceremony.
- No outside visitors (who usually present awards) will be attending, but we appreciate their generosity and will hand out awards on their behalf.
- Meg Gorey and Rhys Wilson will run each ceremony, as 2020 school captains.
- A detailed note will go home this week with more information.
- Due to restrictions, there will be no performances.



Athletics Carnival

Last week we had a school-based student only Athletics carnival. We waited until enough restrictions were lifted so we could use the sports oval and run the carnival with all the students. Thank you to Mr Svensek and Mr Mason who spent a lot of time after school marking the oval for the running races and Mrs Mertz for her expertise. It was a great day and the carnival ran very smoothly. I was impressed with the level of participation, sportsmanship displayed and the community spirit on display. Students congratulated each other, cheered and encouraged others to participate.

Athletics Champions

- Junior Girls (8, 9, 10 years) Tarlia McGlashan, Mila Gray (equal points)
- Junior Boys (8,9,10 years) Clem Harris, Colby Skipsey (equal points)
- 11 Year Girls Jie Ann Edullantes
- 11 Year Boys Baxter Russ
- Senior Girls (12, 13 years) Charlotte Burnside
- Senior Boys (12, 13 years) Ryleigh Wilkinson

















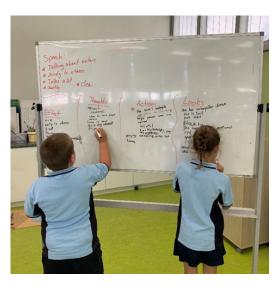




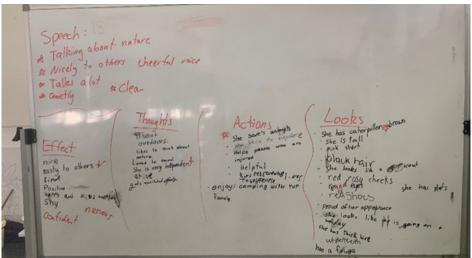
News from Year 3/4

We have had a very busy and productive term in Year 3/4. We have been working hard in Literacy to create some excellent character descriptions and to construct exciting narratives. This week Year 3/4 have been using different strategies to create exciting paragraphs to engage the reader and capture the audience's attention. They enjoyed sharing the whiteboard marker and writing down their own ideas so we could create an interesting joint paragraph.









The Finished joint paragraph

As she gazed into the clear waters, she saw her reflection starring back at her. Dora had red rosy cheeks and thick plaits falling down her back. Her big brown eyes rested above her large excited smile. She started to think about all the dangerous animals that could be watching her from the tree line. Dora smiled to herself as she ran and jumped into the refreshing river, enjoying how the water felt on her skin. While she floated calmly down the river, she spotted a sparkle in the distance. As she came closer, she discovered it was the reflection of the rapids, quickly flowing up ahead. Before she could swim to the edge, a curious, but dangerous Anaconda came lurking out of the dense shrubs, stopping her escape.

In Numeracy this term, Year 3/4 have enjoyed working in rotational groups to find solutions to complex mathematic sums as a team, trying new mathematical activities and to assist in the learning and development of each other.







This term is wrapping up, which means that we will be finishing up using our STEM kits very soon. Year 3/4 have enjoyed using the Dash robots to code basic and complex commands such as guarding a particular area and line dancing.











Dates ahead for 2020 & 2021:

- 26th November & 10th November Kindergarten Transition
- 30th November- Glass Art Workshop for Year 6
- 1st-2nd December Barham High School Transition
- 7th December- Presentation Ceremony
- 11th December Director Visit
- 14th December- Year 6 Graduation
- 15th December- Christmas Craft Day
- 16th December- Water Fun & Colour Run Day
- 16th December- Last day for students
- 3rd & 4th February 2021 First days back for staff
- 5th February 2021 First day back for Year 1-6
- 8th February 2021 First day for Kindergarten

Jennie Wilson

Principal