FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK.

WELCOME BACK
Term 2 is off to a flying a start! I hope you all had a terrific break and are ready for another busy term.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS
Parent Teacher interviews are being held tonight and tomorrow morning. Students are encouraged to attend the interviews with their parents. There will be no classes running on Friday.

SIR ANDREW AND LADY FAIRLEY FOUNDATION
It was with great pride that on Tuesday evening I attended a reception hosted by His Excellency The Governor of Victoria at Government House Melbourne to mark the 50th anniversary of the Sir Andrew and Lady Fairley Foundation.

Whilst I was personally honoured with this, it was with particular pride that I represented our great school and community. I was fortunate to meet the Governor and for a few minutes I was able to share some of the terrific and exciting work we are doing, particularly with our music program and the Mooroopna Kids Hub. I was also able to catch up with Directors of the Foundation and to thank them for their ongoing support and friendship that they provide to our school and students.

This was my first visit to Government House. I’m sure like all visitors, I was incredibly impressed with the building. The large ballroom was fantastic and I include a picture of me standing at the front of the ballroom.

I can assure parents I am working hard to maintain our significant relationship with the Sir Andrew and Lady Fairley Foundation and other philanthropic groups.

BRAINSTORM
Brainstorm Productions will be presenting the H Team on Thursday 21st May. The show gives children strategies to resist advertising and peer pressure to buy junk food and all the latest clothes and toys. It inspires them to make good decisions so they can stay fit and maintain healthy self esteem. The H Team encourages kids to be kind to themselves and others. It has been brought to our attention that there was an error on the form regarding the cost. The correct amount payable for the performance is $6.00.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
Monday is School Photo Day. Please ensure your child has returned their photo envelope to the school office. Some tips from the photographers to ensure you get the most out of your school photos:
- Ensure your child is groomed and in the best, cleanest uniform, with the correct shoes.
- Ensure your child is on time to school on photo day. Encourage your child to smile.
- The school cannot help you with your enquiries. Please direct your questions and comments straight to MSP Photography at jenny.davies@msp.com.au or phone (03) 5881 3436.

DONUT DAY
Our Parent and Friends Club have organised a Donut Day to be held on Tuesday 28th April. Donuts will be delivered to the students in their classroom at 11am, ready for recess. Cost is $1.00 per donut and order forms were sent home earlier in the week.

Steve Rogers
CONGRATULATIONS TO LAST WEEK’S BEE AWARDS WINNERS:

Year 5/6  Dakota Condon for a big improvement in number facts.
          Kyle Mildren for having a wonderful week.
          Jarrah Weston for having a wonderful week.

Year 4   Joshua Berry for continually demonstrating MPS’s Golden Rule and outstanding behaviour.
          Ashanti Besim for continually displaying our school values.

Year 3   Rowan Kirkpatrick for his brilliant efforts in class, staying on task and getting his work done.
          Kiara Lammon for her fantastic attitude towards her learning and reading brilliantly each morning.

Year 2   Jean Firebrace for working hard during our math lessons and for always trying her best.

Year 1   Matthew Villani for getting lots of excellent work done in his writing book.
          Kyrah Williams–Lamers for contributing her ideas to our Big Book discussion

Foundation Crystal Pye-Fasham for persisting with all her tasks
          Jamie-Lea Lummas for always trying her hardest to complete her work.

Welcome back everyone.
Hope you all had a great Easter and School holidays

A hearty and warm recipe to start the term off with.

**Vegetable Minestrone Recipe**

**Ingredients:**
- 1 tbsp oil
- 1 onion, chopped
- 3 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- 1 carrot, sliced
- 1 cup pasta (recommend large macaroni)
- 400g can whole tomatoes, chopped
- 2 tbsp tomato paste
- 2 cups sliced mixed vegetables (beans, zucchini, celery)
- 1litre MAGGI Homestyle Vegetable Stock
- salt & pepper

**Method:**
Heat oil in large saucepan, add onion, garlic and carrot, stir 3 mins.
Add pasta, tomatoes, tomato paste, vegetables, vegetable stock, salt and pepper.
Bring to boil, simmer for 15 mins.
If desired, garnish with chopped parsley.
Tip: Minestrone taste fabulous served with freshly grated Parmesan cheese sprinkled on top.

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Mooroopna Junior Football Club
1st Training for 2015

**Mooroopna Kids Hub**

**Date:** Thursday 16th April
**Time:** 4.30 to 5.30
**Venue:** Grade 4 back oval behind John Gray
           Grade 5 & 6 John Gray Oval

All registrations are this year are to be done online.
Search for Mooroopna Junior Football Club. Link is Top Right of page
Money can be paid at training.
**Cost:** $90 per Player, $80 for additional family members.

**Team APP**
To keep informed on all things MJFC, please download Team App on your Smart Phone
And search for Mooroopna Jnr Football Club. This is where all future info will be posted.

For any more information please contact Corey Vanderwerf,
after 5pm on 0414 978 394

Go Cats
HAROLD AND THE ROTARY RIDE

Last term we were lucky to have Harold drop by on his bike to visit the Year 1, 2 and 3 students. He’d been for a 600km bike ride with Rotarians from the District of Murray, they were joined by 52 riders and support crew and also 12 exchange students. They raised $48,000.00 during their 600km ride.

EASTER BONNET PARADE

What a fantastic way to end the term! The children prepared their bonnets at home and it was wonderful to have so many parents and friends come along to enjoy the parade.

NETBALL NEWS

The SNA Junior Competition begins this Saturday 18th April, 2015. If you have not received your information by Thursday night then please text me on 0438 252283 with your name so that I can contact you.

Net Set Go

Enrolments are now being taken. Please also text me on 0438 252283 with your name and email address if you require an enrolment form. Email requests can also be forwarded to mooroopnacatsnetball@live.com.au.

We are anticipating (dependent upon numbers) that Net Set Go will commence on Friday 1st May, 4.00-4.45pm. The earlier we receive enrolments the earlier we can receive our packs. Cost is $55.00/person. It is preferable that all enrolments will be received by Friday 24th April – so start texting or emailing me.