Dates to Remember

- Feb 13th Swimming Sports Year 3-6
- Feb 16th Family BBQ
- Feb 17th Bookworm Playgroup commences
- Feb 20th Year 4-6 Bike Ed
- Feb 20th Blue Light Disco
- March 9th Labour Day Holiday

Weekly Events

- Tuesdays 9.00am onwards Bookworm
- Thursdays 9.30am Playgroup
- Fridays 9.30 Mother Goose

FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

FOCUS GROUPS
Thank you to the Parents / Guardians who attended the focus groups held last week or emailed their feedback. As always parent participation is most appreciated.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS WEEK’S BEE AWARDS WINNERS:
Year 5/6 Maximus Kearns for having a great start to year 5. Ali Hossain Por for having a fantastic first week. Dakota Cross for being a great listener and completing tasks quickly.
Year 4 Nathan Best for applying himself in Mathematics and trying hard with all work tasks. Mackenzie Hayman for applying herself in Mathematics and trying hard with all work tasks.
Year 3 Conner Pye-Fasham for staying on task in all learning areas and writing with confidence. Charlotte O’Halloran for having a positive attitude towards all school activities and completing her work on time.
Year 2 Cooper McConkey for trying hard to do the right thing in the classroom and remembering to put up his hand during classroom discussions.
Year 1 Marcus Turner for working hard at all tasks. Aleisha Cruickshanks for being an excellent role model in class.
Foundation Foundation Y for a fantastic start to school. Foundation D for a fantastic start to school.

FOUNDATION ATTENDANCE
Each Wednesday until the long weekend in March, Foundation level children are not required to attend. Appointments will be made with individual families for Literacy and Numeracy testing of their children on these days.

HOUSE SWIMMING SPORTS
A reminder that the House Swimming Sports are on this Friday 13th February. Permission notes and payment need to be returned to the office. Please note due to the expected extreme weather the Swimming Sports may be shortened.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK
Congratulations to Sera Bostancioglu and Mya Falla for their great efforts in receiving Awards in the Australia Day colouring competition.
FAMILY BBQ AND WELCOME
Our annual BBQ and Welcome Night will be held on Monday. Families are invited to join us for a sausage sizzle and to visit their child’s classroom. Sausages and bread will be provided. B.Y.O. salads, other food, drinks (non alcoholic), chairs, rugs etc. Drinks will be available for purchase from the Junior School Council. The BBQ will start at 6:00pm and will finish at 6:30pm. Classrooms will be open at 6:30pm until 7:00 pm.

BREAKFAST PROGRAM
We are in need of parent support for our successful breakfast program. If you are able to volunteer for a half an hour a week, fortnight or month, we would greatly appreciate your support. Please see Jenny Ruhe or contact the office if you are able to assist.

TENNIS HOT SHOTS
Mooroopna Primary School has recently signed up to be part of Tennis Australia’s Hot Shots Program. We have been provided with brand new tennis equipment which will be used in Physical Education Sessions throughout the school year. As part of this program students are able to register as a Hot Shots participant. By signing your child/children up to this program they will receive a free t-shirt and the school will also receive a rebate which can be used to purchase more equipment. Registration forms will be sent home with students by the end of this week. To sign up and receive the free shirt these forms need to be filled in and returned to school.

Steve Rogers.

Hi everyone
Mooroopna Primary School offers three different playgroups for preschool children and their parents. All of them provide loads of opportunities for the children and parents to interact in a fun way.

Bookworm is a playgroup which enhances reading, storytelling and activities. The playgroup is open to pre-school children and parents. We would like to encourage children and families to participate in the playgroup and experience an hour of fun with reading.

Day: Tuesday mornings during term
Time: 9:00 am onwards - 10.30 am
Where: Mooroopna Primary School Library
Starting: Tuesday 17th February

Playgroup is a fun and interactive group which encourages preschool children and parents to have interactive and creative play opportunities.

Day: Thursday mornings during term
Time: 9:30 am – 11.00 am
Where: Mooroopna Primary School Learning Centre

Mother Goose is an interactive playgroup which encourages preschool children and parents to join in together and sing nursery rhymes.

Day: Friday mornings during term
Time: 9:30 am – 10.30 am
Where: Mooroopna Primary School Learning Centre

If you are free on any of these days, please feel free to join in and experience lots of fun or talk to Dianne Boulton on 0428 252 060 or Cathy Tricarico on 5825 2060.

Di Bolton
Community Development Officer
0428 252 060

GUITAR & KEYBOARD LESSONS IN 2015
Cliff Doornkamp will be conducting both guitar and keyboard lessons at the school in 2015. Lessons are held each Tuesday with individual lessons lasting 20 minutes. The cost is $17 per lesson (payable at time of lesson). For more information, please contact Cliff Doornkamp on 0474 769 963. Please complete details below and return to the school office to express your interest.

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Guitar □ Keyboard □ Parents Signature Phone
The Year Three’s have been practising their tennis skills this week with our fantastic new equipment. They will continue to improve their skills during PE for a few more weeks.

MOOROOPNA CATS NETBALL CLUB

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday 2nd March, 2015 at 7.30pm at Marian Centre, St Mary’s Primary School. All existing and new members are welcome.

This year Netball Victoria has decided that VNA registration is required to be processed online. This can be done now via the link below. You will need a credit card to pay. Please ensure that you print an extra copy as proof of registration – this is to be handed in on registration night. You will be notified of the Registration Nights over the next couple of weeks.


Information regarding Registrations for Net Set Go will also be available over the next couple of weeks. Please do not register for Net Set Go yet as our Mooroopna Netball Club details have not been updated on the Netball Victoria website. I will let you know when these can be processed.

Please also keep in mind that we will be requiring Coaches and Team Managers for all netball teams. Grading is also required for Under 13 teams only. Under 11 & Under 9 will be teams consisting of mixed netball abilities – all about learning and skill development.

Junior season commences on Saturday 11th April, 2015.

Janene Gattuso
President
0438 252 283
Healing Our Past, Building Our Future, Telling Our Stories
You are invited to the
Celebration of the 7th Anniversary of the National Apology

Guest Speaker: Aunty Melva Johnson
Aunty Melva Johnson is a Yorta Yorta and Wemba Wemba Elder, and a champion of Aboriginal education and health. She has taken a leading role in setting up community services around Echuca, and been a source of valuable encouragement and guidance to young and old alike. In 2012 she was inducted into the inaugural Victorian Indigenous Honour Roll.

When: Friday 13 February 2015
Time: 8.00 – 8.30am
Where: Queens Gardens, Welsford St, opposite Eastbank
RSVP: Tuesday 10 February
brooke.humphreys@shepparton.vic.gov.au
RSVP is necessary to ensure there is breakfast for all.
Contact: Dierdre 5621 6600 or Bobby 0434 279 653

The apology made by the then Prime Minister, Kevin Rudd, was made on behalf of the Australian Parliament to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples for the policies of past governments, including those policies which forcibly separated Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children from their families and communities. The apology marks our pledge to begin a new journey together and is the first step towards healing and hope for a future where all Australians have equal opportunity.

Hume Region Parent Education Service and headspace Shepparton:

‘Tuning into Teens’ Parenting Program

Ever feel that ‘my adolescent won’t listen to me’… Or ‘emotions can run high at our house’?
You are not alone!

- Come and join us for this 5 session program for parents/carers of young people aged 12-14 years that helps you to tune into your own and your child’s emotions and respond more effectively to their behaviour.
- Learn about emotion coaching—helping your child to gain more awareness and understanding of their emotions and how to vent them safely.
- Helps you to respond to your child’s individual needs in ways that suit the young person and the family.

State: Tuesday 24th Feb and consecutive 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th March 2015
Time: 12.30pm – 3.00pm
Venue: headspace Shepparton
129 High Street
Shepparton

THIS IS A FREE PROGRAM
Bookings are essential! To book contact Claire at Primary Care Connect
Tel: 58 233 200
For more information phone: Meredith 58 233 200 or Caroline on 58 238 800

Supported by Primary Care Connect and headspace Shepparton

SECRET AGENT SOCIETY PROGRAM

FACTURATED BY: FIONA CRAWFORD AND SONIA PRESTIGE, SPEECH PATHOLOGISTS
AND JENNY MALLAMAS, COORDINATOR R.I.S.E SHEPPARTON

The Secret Agent Society Program is a social skills intervention program designed to improve the emotional understanding and social skills of high-functioning 8 to 12 year old children with Autism Spectrum Disorders.
See http://www.sst-institute.net/ for more detailed information about the program.

Session Dates
1. April 14th – Parent Information
2. April 21st – Introduction session
3. April 28th – Detection of facial expression
4. May 5th – Understanding body signals
5. May 12th – Understanding emotions
6. May 19th – Relaxation techniques
7. May 26th – Developing helpful thoughts
8. June 2nd – Understanding friendships
9. June 9th – Conversations
10. June 16th – Developing resilience to bullying
11. Follow up sessions: R.I.S.E – Future planning
12. Follow up Session R.I.S.E – Graduation

What’s Included
- A Multi-Level animated computer game teaching emotional recognition, emotional regulation and social competence
- Initial individual intake and assessment
- Parent information and training sessions
- 12 weekly group sessions plus 3 month and 6 month follow up sessions
- Weekly teacher tips to encourage children to use their new skills in the classroom and playground

Where? R.I.S.E Centre
38 Padham St Shepparton

Time
4.30 – 6.00pm each Tuesday

Please Contact
Sonia Priestly on 0407 322 189
For more information

WWW.BLUELIGHT.ORG.AU

FRI, 20TH FEBRUARY
MOOROOPNA BLUE LIGHT
7-10PM (AGES 7 TO 14) | COST: $8
CONTACT: MOOROOPNA POLICE STATION 03 5825 4131
SENIORS HALL
MORRELL STREET, MOOROOPNA