FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK
LAST DAY TERM 4
The last day for students for term 4 is Thursday, 17th December. School will finish at 3:30pm.

FIRST DAY TERM, 1, 2016
The first day for all students at Mooroopna Primary in 2016 is Friday, 29th January.

STAFFING
On behalf of Mooroopna Primary School, I would like to wish the following staff members, who are leaving our school, the very best for the future: Rachelle Hannam, Sally Fyfield, Alicia Jones, Samantha Gill, Andrew King, Kristen Pritchett & Jenny Pracy.

I would like to welcome Carla May, Zoe Albrecht, Janine Hahnel, Jordyn Poliness, Chloe Reither, Tom Vincent & Matthew Caruso to our staff.

Our 2016 Teaching Staff will include:
- Leading Teacher - Carla May
- Foundation - Liz Young & Zoe Albrecht
- Year 1/2 - Janine Hahnel, Grant Hicks & Jordyn Poliness
- Year 3 - Chloe Reither
- Year 4/5 - Sam Fenton, Bianca De Angelis & Tom Vincent
- Year 6 - Stacey Hill
- Art/Library/Nurture room - Matthew Caruso
- Music/Library/Intervention - Katie Keller

2016 LEADERS
Congratulations to the Year 5 students who nominated for positions and presented their leadership speeches this week. The students spoke extremely well and should be very proud of their efforts. I am pleased to announce the following students have received leadership positions for 2016:

School Captains - Ella Kuiper & Riley Moon

House Captains:
- Archer - Milly Hildebrandt & Keira Stingel
- Cowper - Elisha Pye-Fasham & Aadon Latham
- Morrell - Opal Charles-Roberts

School Leader:
- Emma Gascoyne

MORNING TEA
It was the last week this year for students to exchange their BEE tokens for morning tea with Mr. Rogers and Mrs. Goodwin. Congratulations to the many students who did. Well done.

SEMESTER 2 REPORTS
Reports are being finalised and will be sent home at the beginning of next week.

CASUAL CLOTHES DAY
Next Thursday, the last day of term, is an out of uniform day. No open shouldered clothing (including singlets), no caps, thongs or open footwear is to be worn.
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NEWSLETTERS

Our School Council have decided that from the beginning of 2016 we will change the way we deliver school newsletters to our families and the wider community. The newsletters will be uploaded to our website each Thursday, they will be accessible through our Tiqbiz App and we will also be able to email them to families. We will no longer be able to post out copies of the newsletter. This means we will no longer have the expense of printing the newsletters each week and we will be able to use the money saved in our educational programs in the classrooms.

If you would like your newsletter emailed to you each week please complete the form included in the newsletter on page 3 and we will be able to begin this immediately. Please contact the school office if you have any queries.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION

The Graduation is on Tuesday, December 15th at 6pm here at the school. The Graduation Ceremony celebrates the successful completion of our Year 6 student’s primary school education and is an opportunity to wish them well as they move on into Year 7. After the ceremony the Graduation Dinner will take place at the Mooroopna Golf Club. Payment for the dinner is $14 per adult person, younger siblings pay equivalent to age. This must be paid on the night.

CANTEEN

Tomorrow the 11th December will be the last day for canteen this term.

REFLECTIONS ON TERM 4

We have had a very busy Term 4 and I would like to thank students and parents for their support during the term. Some of the things we have achieved in term 4 are:
- Footy colours day
- House athletics
- Swimming lessons
- Choir Performances
- Interschool sports
- Family Fun Night
- 3/4 excursion to Beechworth
- School concert
- Community Meals Program
- Transition

SEASONS GREETINGS

As this will be the last newsletter for 2015 I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing you all in 2016.

Steve Rogers

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This year the Year 3 students took part in River Connect Sessions with a Bush Art program. The students really enjoyed these sessions where they learnt about our local environment. They entered some photos of the bush artwork they had made into the School Tree Day competition and were winners! Their craft idea was selected to feature in the printed Nature Inspired Arts and Crafts book, which the school has won a hard copy of. Well done Year 3’s.

GUITAR & KEYBOARD LESSONS IN 2016
Cliff Doornkamp will be conducting both guitar and keyboard lessons at the school in 2016. 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.

Name ................................................................. Grade ........ Room .......................

Guitar □ Keyboard □ Parents Signature ................................................. Phone ..............................

CHRISTMAS HAMPER
Once again this year we will be organising the annual Christmas Hamper Raffle. Some suggestions for donations include: Christmas decorations, long-life grocery items, stationary etc. Anything would be greatly appreciated. Donations need to be brought to school by Tuesday 15th December.

CONCERT DVD’S
We have a few spare concert DVD’s in the office if anyone would like to purchase one. Cost $15.

eNEWSLETTERS
I wish to have the school Newsletter emailed each week:

FAMILY NAME: .................................................................

EMAIL ADDRESS: .................................................................

ADDITIONAL EMAIL ADDRESS: .................................................................
Mooroopna Carols in the Park 2015

Sunday 13th December @ 6:30pm
John Gray Oval, McLennan Street, Mooroolbark

FREE EVENT

Bring your picnic blanket & chairs for a fabulous family event

Special guest: Santa Claus
- Kiwanis BBQ, hot & cold drinks
- Freshly roasted coffee
- Battery LED candles
- Carol songbooks
- Face painting

Proudly presented by,
Kiwanis Club of Mooroolbark Inc.

For further information contact:
Gary Alexander - 0411 728 105
e-mail: mooroopna@kiwanis.org.au

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The final information for students who will be attending the Mooroolbark Christmas Carols is as follows:

- **4:15 – 5:00pm** rehearsal time
- **6:30pm** all students need to be assembled at the marquee ready to go on stage

Students need to be in full school uniform for the performance and band students need to have their instruments. Mrs Tennant and myself will be at the rehearsal and at the marquee if you have any questions. The carols start at 6:30pm and we will be performing at 6:45. All families are welcome to stay and enjoy the carols but students should be finished performing by 7pm if they need to go home.

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

Regards,

Katie Keller.