FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Dear Parent/Guardians,

2016 ATTENDANCE DATA

Our goal this year is to reach 94% attendance rate. So far this term, the school data is slightly above this goal. Well done. As you can see, there is the start of a downward sloping trend in the last two weeks. While I don’t want you to send your students to school sick, it is important that attendance rates remain as high as they can for continuity in teaching and learning.

Term 1 Attendance Data

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Average = 94.2 %

Well done to Years 3, 4 and 5 for their data from last week.

Week 6 Attendance Data

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Average = 91.8 %

If your child/ren are absent from school you are required to advise the school. You can do so using a variety of means:
- Send an email to absences@mooreprkss.eq.edu.au
- Call the absence line (at any time of the day) 41 306 111
- Send a note into the school with your child
- Verbally advise the office staff or your child/ren’s classroom teacher/s
- Be clear and honest about the reason for the absence.

When advising the school of an absence please CLEARLY state:
* Your name (parent/guardian)
* Your child’s name and class
* Date/s your child will be absent
* REASON FOR ABSENCE (e.g. Illness, Appointment etc)

Your message will be recorded by the office and your child’s teacher will be notified accordingly. By letting us know, you will prevent your child/ren having an unexplained absences record.

Lots of events happening in the next few weeks. Have a great week.

Regards,

Ms Ann McCullough

STAR STUDENTS

Congratulations to the following students who received a Star Student award on Tuesday for Safety.

DENTAL VAN CLINIC

The Mobile Dental Clinic will be arriving in the first week of Term 2. They are offering treatment to all students that attend Moore Park State School. All Dental Forms must be completed in ink. Please complete both forms and return to the office as soon as possible.

CRAZY HAIR DAY

How Crazy Can You GO!!!!

Let’s find out. March 11 is Crazy Hair Day and we want to support the Leukaemia Foundation. $1 for crazy hair and $1 for free dress. Come on everyone let’s go WILD!! It’s that time of year again! Yes! CRAZY HAIR DAY!!!

This year we want as many people to join in so we can raise as much money as we can for the Leukaemia Foundation! So come on and go crazy with the hair spray or wacky with the wigs! Also in addition it’s a FREE DRESS DAY!!!

P & C MEETING

P & C AGM, Tuesday 15th March 6.30 pm in the Resource Room. All are welcome. New members with new ideas needed. For people who have paid the school levy, your free family planners are in the uniform shop. Open every Wednesday morning.

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SAUSAGE SIZZLE

There will be a sausage sizzle on every Friday for Morning Tea. The cost will be $1.50. Please give the money to your child’s teacher in the morning.

CHESS

Congratulations to our chess team who competed in the Interschool Chess Competition last Thursday at Walkervale SS. Ruby and Deegan managed to win 3 out of eight games, Aiden won five out of eight games and received a merit award. Connor scored an overall second for the whole primary school level, winning 6 out of eight games. Well done team!

STUDENT COUNCIL

5 Prize Monster Easter Raffle

Prize 1-Massive Easter basket
Prize 2-Huge Easter basket
Prize 3- 5 smaller prizes

Tickets $1 each or 6 for $5 Drawn at the Social March 23rd

Good luck!

LIFE EDUCATION

Life Education: 14 -17th March
The Life Education Bundaberg & District mobile classroom, a qualified educator and Harold the giraffe, will be visiting our school.

If you would like to order any Harold products, please fill in and return the order form that was sent home in last weeks newsletter.

SCHOOL DISCO

Here it is! The event you have all been waiting for. This Term’s Social! The theme is colour. So come along and get colourful. It will be held on Wednesday the 23rd of March. The entry fee is $2 and $5 for a family. The social will start at 5:30. The junior students, Prep-3 will be going home at 7:30, and the senior students, Grade 4-6 will be finished at 8:30. The monster Easter raffle will be drawn on the night too!

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY CURRICULUM

This year at Moore Park School, we are beginning to implement the new Australian Curriculum for Technology. You may have seen information through the media about this curriculum last year, as it includes some new areas of learning including Robotics and Coding. Mrs A. Robertson (Technology Specialist teacher) is leading our trialling of this new curriculum, and throughout the year will be working with all classes to introduce them to some new ways of thinking about Digital Technology. This may include using ipads, BeeBots, Lego Robotics and online tools such as Scratch. Our Technology curriculum continues to include lots of work around online safety and using computers for many different purposes. I look forward to sharing with you some of the great things happening in Technology lessons throughout the year.

Mrs Karen Crook (Head of Curriculum)

ARTSLINK

Artslink will be held on Wednesday 23rd March at school in the undercover area. Australian stage magician of the year, Richard Scholes, takes you on a wild ride in this world-class interactive show. Crazy Science features a hilarious mix of science, magic, illusion, comedy, music and the Arts.

$8.00 per child OR $18 for families with 3 or more students. Please send money to the office in an envelope marked Artslink by Friday the 18th