Moore Park School News

NEWSLETTER

2015 Term Dates
Term 1  27 Jan - 02 Apr
Term 2  20 Apr - 26 Jun
Term 3  13 July - 18 Sep
Term 4  06 Oct - 11 Dec

Empowerment

Diversity

Confidence

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Great state. Great opportunity.
**What’s On!**

**Ongoing**
- Tuesday- Chappy Kelly visits
- Tuesday- Instrumental Music
- Tuesday- Religious Education

**October**
- Monday 12th- Bundy Crush (Choir)
- Friday 16th- Arts Link
- Friday 19th- Monday 19th OptiMINDS State and National Finals
- Monday 19th- STUDENT FREE DAY
- Tuesday 20th- Parade- Random Acts of Kindness
- Wednesday 28th- Friday 30th- Year 5 Camp
- Thursday 29th— Friday 30th— Year 4 Camp

**November**
- Monday 2nd- Thursday 5th— Year 6 Camp
- Tuesday 3rd- Parade
- Tuesday 17th- Parade
- Thursday 26th- LEAP
- Friday 27th- FAME (P-3)

**December**
- Tuesday 1st- Parade
- Wednesday 2nd- Awards Night
- Tuesday 8th- Celebration Day
- Wednesday 9th— Year 6 Transition Visit
- Wednesday 9th- Report Cards Home
- Thursday 10th- Swimming Carnival
- Friday 11th- Last Day of Term

**PRINCIPAL NEWS**

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

What an amazing start we have had to the term! Congratulations to all of the staff and students for beginning the term in such a positive and enthusiastic way!

**ANNUAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN- 2015**
This term the staff at MPSS will continue to implement our 2015 School Improvement Plan.

**READY: Every Day Counts**

Our GOAL is 92%
Our current WHOLE SCHOOL attendance rate is: 90.4%
Can we make it 92% by the end of the term??

**Attendance Data Percentage**

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**GO: Enhancement Opportunities!**

We would like to wish our Moore Park State School OptiMINDS team the best of luck as they prepare to head to Brisbane to compete in the STATE and NATIONAL finals. They will board the train at 5.15am on Friday morning and return at 6.00pm on Monday night. Good luck to the five girls involved!

Our school now has its very own Facebook page! If you haven’t already, log onto Facebook and like our page: https://www.facebook.com/MooreParkSS. This will be another place to find information, updates and notices about our school. Please read the Department of Education and Training Acceptable Use Guidelines and note that any inappropriate comments or photos will be removed. Please help to keep our page a positive advertisement of our amazing school-the hidden gem!!

**Enrol now for Prep 2016**
Moore Park State School is now accepting Prep enrolments for 2016. Parents/ Carers are encouraged to make contact with the school office.

As always, Moore Park School is great! Our kids are great! Malinda Findlay
Every fortnight each class collects all of the **GOLD FLIPPERS** the students have received for their positive behaviour and effort outside of their classroom. These flippers are tallied up and averaged over the number of students in that class. The class that has the highest average per student wins ‘Salty’ in their classroom for the following fortnight. **Last fortnight the winning class was YEAR 1.**

**CELEBRATION DAY REQUIREMENTS**

This term we are changing the necessary requirements of attendance at ‘Celebration Day’ slightly. Attached to this newsletter is the Moore Park State School behaviour rubric that is used by the teachers at reporting time. This helps the teachers to decide on the appropriate behaviour mark to award a student, while ensuring continuity across our school. This rubric will also be used to select students to attend celebration day. This means students need to have the following things to attend:
- 75 flippers
- No more than one purple form and;
- At least a ‘C’ standard of behaviour

The SWPBS committee is constantly analysing and improving our behaviour focus at Moore Park State School. We commend the team of the development of the rubric to ensure fairness across the school. Well done!

**SCHOOL PARKING**

When dropping off and collecting students, parents are asked to use the **parking provided at the front of the school, or the spare parks, marked with white lines, in the staff carpark.** Parents are NOT permitted to drive down towards the tuckshop to park before school, during school hours or at pick up times. Parents are also asked NOT to park on our grass within the school grounds. It is important that we consider the safety of our students during these times.

**SAUSAGE SIZZLE- EVERY FRIDAY**

There is a sausage sizzle **every Friday** for morning tea. Students are able to purchase a sausage on bread (with sauce) for the cost of $1.50. Students need to give their money to their teacher on the day.

**★ YOU ARE INVITED ★**

You are INVITED to attend our whole school parades for **this term.** Please note the date of our parades for this term:
- Tuesday 20th October 2015
- Tuesday 3rd November 2015
- Tuesday 17th November 2015
- Tuesday 1st December 2015

Parade is run by our Student Leaders and is held in the Undercover Area at 2.30pm. Please come along and support our students and staff!

**ARTSLINK**

Our Term 4 Artslink will be held on **Friday 16th October 2015- this week!**

*The Park Cleaners* brings red nose clown, slapstick and physical comedy into one hilarious show about two park cleaner clowns and a rubbish bin. These two clowns have a job to clean the park for the grand spring opening. Expect a whole lot of chaos, comic creativity and fantastic situations in what should normally be a very routine day. The clowns will delight you with their antics and share the lunacy of their world.

Cost: $8.00/ student OR $20.00 for a family of three or more children

**Money due to the office by THURSDAY 15th OCTOBER 2015.**

**SCHOOL CHAPLAIN NEWS**

A BIG Welcome back to Term 4! I hope you all had a lovely break. Below are some special things happening this term:

- **RAOK** - October is **Random Acts of Kindness** month! An SU QLD initiative focussing on and highlighting the importance of kindness and caring for others both at school and in our communities. Our whole school will be involved in this. Each class will be involved in making a "kindness chain". The classes will then bring their chains to Parade on Tuesday 20th October to display the many acts of kindness which took place over the past weeks. Mrs Anastasi has offered to display the "kindness chain" in the library until the end of term.
CALLING ALL YEAR 5 & 6 STUDENTS... Registrations are now open for UPGRADE our Annual “Chappy Camp” held out at Bucca Retreat. This is a Christian Camp with team building challenges, Group activities, Waterslide, Bible Input, Music, Games & opportunities to get to know your High School Chappies. For more information visit www.sucamps.org.au & choose "Upgrade Camp 2015"

**Date:** 11-15 December (yes, you drop them out to us straight after school on the last day! And you get a break until Sunday!!)  
**Cost:** $125  
Or see me for more information.  
Chappy Kelly

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**HATS FOR SALE**

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The uniform shop now sells the official Moore Park SS hat!  
A wide brimmed microfiber hat with the school name printed on the front- Variety of sizes available!  

**Cost:** $18.00  
The uniform shop is open every Tuesday morning

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**P & C NEWS**

There will be a P & C meeting on the Tuesday 27th October at 6:30pm at school in the Resource Building. All welcome!

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**SPORTING SCHOOLS**

Students have an opportunity to participate in FREE soccer lessons on Monday afternoons from 3.15pm-4.15pm starting Monday 26th October 2015.

All students who wish to participate need to get a form from the office. Hurry spots are limited! Only 30 spaces available!

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**CLASS OF THE WEEK**

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Let’s Visit Prep B and Prep C!

As we approach the final term of the year, as educators we begin reflecting on how far our students have come. The students that we often see the most growth and development in are our PREPS! It is hard to think that three terms ago; these 40 little students joined us at Moore Park State School for their first formal day of schooling. They have learnt so much and grown so quickly, it is amazing.

It is without a doubt, that the minds and futures of our Prep students have been shaped by our amazing Prep teachers, Mrs Mary-Lou Barone and Mrs Katie Woods. I am in awe of the amazing work that these ladies do with our Prep students. They are able to build independence, develop resilience, teach the curriculum requirements, encourage play based learning and foster social skills all while withholding a strong early childhood philosophy.

Our Prep teachers are also supported by the amazing work of our Prep teacher-aides, Mrs Cheryl Duke and Mrs Juanita Nisbet. These ladies are often the quiet souls in the background getting their hands dirty, setting up the obstacle course, organising craft materials, teaching cooking and preparing resources. They are a vital and irreplaceable part of the smooth running of our Prep classrooms.

Our Prep students love school. Check out some of the things they had to say!

“My favourite thing to do is read books. I love reading the book, Dear Dad.”

“Mrs Woods is really good at teaching us everything we need to know.”

“I love colouring in. My favourite colours are green, pink and black.”

“I love it when Mary-Lou gives us lots of work!”

“I love painting, especially pictures of turtles.”

“Mary-Lou makes things fun for us!”

“Mrs Woods is so good at teaching us every day.”

“I love doing puzzles, especially the Kookaburra one!”