

MPS 2016 SPORT CAPTAINS



STRIVE FOR PERFECTION

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Week 11 Term 1

Principals Desk

by Bonita Broughton

WHAT IMPRESSED ME THIS WEEK

This week I was impressed by the OPALS writing manuscripts. In my opinion many of these are worthy of professional publishing. I really appreciated learning about the sad demise of the Stephen's Island wren and I'm looking forward to reading more manuscripts this week!!

REACHING FOR THE STARS School Kitchen Garden Day

Miss Reilly and her students have been doing amazing work in the garden but they need our support to reach their goals.

Their goal is to not only to provide the SCKG Kitchen with a wide variety of healthy vegetables, fruits and herbs but also provide families with the opportunity to purchase cheap fresh produce. Funds from these sales will support the ongoing sustainability of the program.

The more helpers we can muster the greater the benefits are for the students and the community.

The Benefits of School Gardens

Experience and research have shown numerous benefits of school gardens:

- student's teamwork and social skills improve
- they gain self-confidence and a sense of "capable-ness"
- students knowledge in food — growing and sustainability increase
- garden-based teaching addresses different learning styles and intelligences; our non-readers can blossom in the garden!
- achievement scores improve
- students fitness and health improve and they start choosing healthy foods over junk food
- students share not only their produce but also their healthy messages non-school community members

- graffiti and vandalism decrease because students respect what they feel some ownership

School Holidays – Term 1

School breaks up this Friday afternoon and students will return to school on Tuesday 26 April. Please remember that this may be different to other regional schools as we had changed our return date so that we could hold our school ANZAC service. Students are expected to wear their full school winter uniform.

WE NEED HELP
We Want YOU!

Garden Focus Day
This Friday April 8th

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Celebrating our successes

Following on from our local success at the Tamworth Show, congratulations go to Miss Reilly and all our keen young gardeners for their win at the Sydney Royal Easter Show. FANTASTIC!



Congratulations to our students for their awards from Mondays assembly.

Congratulations are also extended to the following students who were awarded at our Assembly on Monday morning:

Literacy Awards - Hannah and Kye - Opals, Jack and Jayden - Diamonds, Malcolm and Lochlan - Pearls and Jyer and Angus - Sapphires.

Virtue Awards (Manners) - Jaiden and Georgia- Budgies, Tahlia and Corie - Rosellas, Malcolm and Kye- Hawkes

Class Awards:

Budgies - Koby - for being a great leader. Xavier - for trying hard to make sure everyone is doing the right thing.

Rosellas - Taylor - Involvement in all science discussions. Mia - working hard to complete maths activities.

Hawkes - Jayden - Demonstrating great leadership in group work. Coady - working with determination during maths activities.

NSW Premier's Reading Challenge



It's not too late to join our **Super Reader** in the Premier's Reading Challenge. See Mrs Broughton for a Reading Record Form. Bring your reading record in each Friday so Mrs Broughton can enter the books you have completed reading and your name can be added to our list of Super Readers.

LAUREN ROBERTSON
CHELSEA MCDONALD
HERMANI MADDEN
INDI BELL
KAYDEE HERNANDO
RORY MADDEN
LINCOLN HUNT
EMILY MCDONALD
JAIDEN GODLEY
ANGUS ALLEN
FAITH MCMANUS

HANNAH MILGATE
SOPHIE GARLAND
JOEL LEEHY
CORIE FORSYTH
MIA SMITH
ZAVIER OLIPHANT
RUBY HUNT
TAYLOR WHALAN

Opportunity Class Placement – Year 5 2017. Opportunity classes cater for highly achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level. Applications for opportunity class placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Opportunity Class Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on **Wednesday 27 July 2016**.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2017, you need to apply soon. You will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address). Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from 26 April 2016 in a printed application information booklet and at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement. **The application website opens on 26 April 2016 and closes on 13 May 2016. No late applications will be accepted.** There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit for assistance after 26 April 2016. You must submit only ONE application for each student.



Our students were entertained at our annual visit from Jack and Gwen from Outback Sketch Scripture on Monday afternoon.

SICKNESS If your child becomes ill at school you will be notified and asked to come and pick him/her up. Children who are sick should be kept at home. Please notify the school if your child has a communicable disease, e.g. Chicken pox, conjunctivitis or if he/she has head lice. Please ring the school if you are unsure as to how long your child should be kept away from school.

Please see the attached pages, 'Staying Healthy at Moonbi Public School'.

MEDICATION AT SCHOOL Parents should complete an 'Administer Medication' permission and schedule for students requiring medication at school before leaving any medication at the office

FAMILIES AT MOONBI PUBLIC SCHOOL ARE ADVISED THAT WE HAVE HAD ANOTHER REPORT OF A POSITIVE RESULT TO A WHOOPING COUGH TEST WITHIN OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY.

There is an outbreak of whooping cough (pertussis) in NSW, mainly affecting school-aged children.

Coughing spreads the infection to others nearby. Whooping cough can spread to anyone at home, including younger brothers and sisters. Whooping cough can be especially dangerous for babies.

If your doctor diagnoses whooping cough in your school-aged child, please let the school know and keep your child at home until they have taken 5 days of antibiotics. Keep coughing children away from babies.

Lunchbox Mufti Day



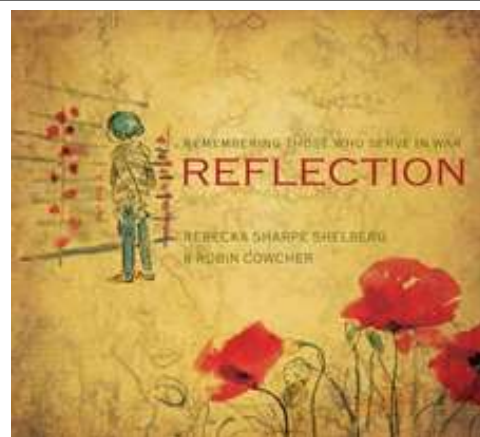
Tomorrow the SRC are inviting student to dress up in the colour of their favourite fruit to celebrate the end of a month of healthy lunchbox promotions.

If you wish to participate in the mufti day, please bring a coin donation.

If you wish to enter the healthy lunch box competition, please also bring a coin donation. There will be a winner and a runner up for each class.



Library News by Bonita Broughton



REFLECTION: Remembering Those Who Serve In War

This poignant picture book is about remembering those who serve at war.

Left! Left! Left! Right! Left! We make our way in the dark. A family journeys through the early morning darkness... A group of young men huddle in a cold muddy trench... Reflection is a powerful tribute to those who have served their country.



Soccer and netball will be on this Friday, weather permitting.

Next Tuesday will be our last Sporting Schools Tennis session. Don't forget your joggers and hats.

Miss Cornish

OUR VALUES

Kindness
Integrity
Determination
Service
Manners
Accountability
Tolerance
Trustworthiness
Empathy
Respect



Hawks bridge building activities



A Hawks healthy lunch.
Yum yum!

UPCOMING – WEEK 1 TERM 2

Spirit of ANZACS excursion Yrs 4-6,
Wednesday 27 April 2016.

Performance at school – Lorin
Nicholson, all years.

Notes attached are due back to
school by Tuesday 26 April 2016.

School Mornings

Active playground supervision commences at 8.45am, students SHOULD NOT be at school prior to this.

Teachers and staff are in meetings or doing class preparation work before this time. Students should only be at school before this time under extraordinary circumstances (the office to be contacted to arrange) These students are asked to put away their bags and then sit quietly on the veranda until 8.45am. Parents are asked to be mindful of the time when dropping their children to school. Thank you.

**Moonbi Explorers
Points Score**

FLINDERS

28



OXLEY

36



MITCHELL

41



P&C News

by Jen Hernando (President)

P&C meeting are usually held once a month. Any parent or guardian can attend.

HELP WANTED

Attunga Rodeo April 9 2016

Moonbi Public P&C have been asked to run the BBQ for the Attunga Rodeo Community. If you enjoy Bull Riding, Saddle Broncs and the crowds favorite World Champion Cowhide Drag, come along and help out for an hour or two.

The BBQ will be operating from 11am till late. Gate entry will be waviered. If you would like to help please contact Jen Hernando 0429181727

**COME COOK SOME SAUSAGES
AND HELP SUPPORT THE P&C
THAT HELPS SUPPORT THE
STUDENTS**

We would love to see new faces and hear new voices around the table of our next meeting. First week back of term 2
Wednesday 27 April 4:30 in old staff room.



Please note; Membership forms are available from Kelly Constable or from Mrs. Nash in the office. Your \$2.00 membership fee can be forwarded, along with completed form, to the Treasurer, Lisa Madden, via the office.

Jen Hernando

MEETINGS

3RD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH.

LONE PINE COMMUNITY ROOM

JEN HERNANDO
President

Ph: 0429181727

Student Banking by Lisa Madden

Hi bankers.

Friday is the last day for banking in term two. I hope everyone has an exceptionally awesome holiday and come refreshed and ready for Term 2. If you would like to open a new account for you child, please don't hesitate to contact me at the school Friday mornings. This term with your tokens you can claim a Flying Snake and a Wildlife Writer Set.

This year we're giving students the chance to win a family trip for up to two adults and three children to explore Australia Zoo and meet Bindi and Robert Irwin.

Students who make 15 or more School Banking deposits by the end of Term 3, 2016 will be automatically entered into the draw. This is another great way to motivate students to save regularly and reach their savings goals. Find out more at www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking
Lisa Madden - School Banking Coordinator

Busy Bee Canteen

by Jackie Robertson

As this is our last week we are **out of of stock of Shaky shake and Calippo.**

If anyone has any questions about our menu or you would like us to put some on our menu please come and see us or give me call.

This week Volunteers are: **Jackie & Zoe**

Jackie Robertson – Canteen
Supervisor 0458201127



Volunteers needed

Remember to complete a **FREE** online Working With Children Clearance Check (it is free for volunteers and lasts 5 years). Information available at office.

Clothing Pool

A winter uniform order is being run. If you wish to place an order please complete and return the attached order form together with your PAYMENT to school by 29th April 2016.

I am available at school Wednesday afternoons from 2:30pm or by appointment only on other days. You can contact me on 0432614097.
Clothing Pool Supervisor –Jessica Freeman

Mother's Day Stall

We will be running a Mother's Day Stall again this year. We will be running it on the 5th May in Term 2. If anyone would like to donate any gifts or homemade gifts please come and see me or give me a call. Just remember, all money we raise goes back to improving our kids' education and resources.

Thank You Jackie Robertson (0458201127)

Opals – Acrostic Poems

Brilliant made for high traffic
Risks. Some bridges have
Immense piers to hold them up
Dangerous bridges such as
Golden Gate Bridge must have parts replaced
Every few months
So they don't collapse on themselves

Written by Liam Hanigan

Beetles

Blood sucking, man eating bugs
Eating you up
Everywhere bugs, bugs and bugs
Tiny little bugs waking up your legs
Leaving trails of destruction
Everyone watch out!!
Scary, psycho BUGS!! On the loose.

Written by Hermarni Madden



BEETLES

Beetles bug me all the time
Every day and every night
Everywhere! At home, at school and at my friends!
They are annoying me, my family and my pets! They
Leap everywhere
Even the
Smaller ones! I hate them all!



By Lachlan :)

SCIENTIST

BY HANNAH

Some things are fun to discover
Creativity is the key
If unsure about a bug, leave it up to me
Even when it seems impossible
Nothing can be left to the imagination
This can be sure, experiments are
Intensely awesome and fun to do
Some scientists like to say
Trust and believe in yourself and wonderful things
will happen



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE CLASSROOM



Budgies

Kindergarten are learning the letters 'O' and 'G' this week. We also designed and created our own farm using classroom resources. It was a very successful assignment with students understanding what their needs would be and how to meet them.

Rosellas

This week students have been investigating ways Australian farmers produce food and fibres. We have been discussing the different farms and what they produce for us, with a specific focus on cotton farms. The class was very impressed with how hard farmers work and the amount of time that is taken to provide us with these products.

Hawkes

This week in Science our paddle pop stick bridges will be completed and ready for testing their load bearing capacities. We will also briefly look at some causes of bridge failures by learning about famous bridge disasters.

Walhallow Excursion
On Friday K1b went to Walhallow school for a cultural day. When we got there we were welcomed with a traditional dance. After that we were put into groups and made Johnny cakes, played games and learned new languages. Then we ate kangaroo stew, it was yum!

By Kindergarten



ATSEC

Walhallow Excursion Recount

*We started on the bus. It was a long trip. We played games and fun sport. We read a aboriginal book and ate aboriginal food. It was a great day. **Tahlia***

*We caught the bus to another school. We played some games and then we watched aboriginal dancing. We got to play in the playground and cooked some Johnny cakes. We sang aboriginal songs and got to play with other people before we went home. **Riley***

*We went on the bus, it was a long time. We went to Walhallow Public School to make new friends and we did activities. They danced really cool. We had kangaroo stew for lunch. We got to make Johnny cakes, heard aboriginal stories and learnt some more of the Gamiliraay language. It was a fun day. **Seth***



If you have any suggestions, we would love to hear from you, you can call in at the office, telephone or even drop us an email.

Our regular meetings will be held at 2pm on the first Wednesday of each month. Come along, you are welcome to bring your other children as well as friends, family and community members that may be interested.

Next meeting; Wednesday 6 April, 2pm



Thank you everyone for a great and productive Term 1.

SRC Fundraising – thank you for your support. Watch this space for next term's fundraising.



THIS WEEK IN THE KITCHEN GARDEN

What's Growing?

To start leeks from seed, sow indoors 8-10 weeks before the last expected spring frost. Plant seeds 1/2 inch deep in pots at least 6 inches deep, thinning to 1 inch apart when the seedlings are 3 inches tall. Growing conditions on the cool side are best. Begin harvesting leeks as soon as they are big enough to use; the slender young stalks are tasty braised. But for the biggest stalks, let short-season leeks grow until just before the first fall frosts. Be sure to loosen the soil around the leeks with a garden fork before pulling them up so they don't break off. Let the hardy long-season leeks remain in the garden until just before the ground freezes or throughout the winter. Mulching around the plants with straw can extend your harvest season by keeping the soil from freezing. You can also harvest overwintered leeks in early spring before these biennial plants send up a flower stalk; after that, they'll be stringy and tough. Harvested leeks will keep wrapped in plastic in the refrigerator for up to 2 weeks; cut off all but a few inches of the green tops to make them easier to store.
Miss Reilly

Garden Focus Day - 8th April

This Friday students will be participating in the school garden focus day. Parents and members of the community are invited to attend. Throughout the day we will be working on a number of fun, different activities to help expand our school garden. Students are to wear old clothes (mufti) and enclosed shoes.



What's Cooking?

We are slowly building up our kitchen equipment. Target Tamworth has kindly provided a gift card for us to use to purchase some more equipment. This week the Corn Cobs group will be cooking muffin frittatas.



OUR VISION

Is that we are producing lifelong, responsible learners and that every member of our school community at Moonbi Public School is supported to achieve success and happiness.

Upcoming Events

Last Day of Term 1

Friday 8 April

Have a happy and safe holiday.

ANZAC Day

Monday 25 April

Students will meet outside Kootingal Public School for the March at 7.45am. Students are requested to wear their full winter uniform.

Students return to school

Tuesday 26 April

School ANZAC Service

Tuesday 26 April

Spirit of the ANZACS exhibition – Tamworth

Years 4-6

Wednesday 27 April

Note attached.

Lorin Nicholson

Whole school presentation.

Thursday 28 April.

Note attached.

Year 5-6 Canberra

Excursion

Week 10, Term 2

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

HONOUR BOARD



SCHOOL MISSION

Our motto is to

'STRIVE FOR PERFECTION'

and our students are expected to strive for the highest standards academically, socially, physically, emotionally and culturally.

Year 3-4 Tea Gardens Excursion

Week 8, Term 3

Moonbi Sports House Points Score

BULLIMBALLA



CARRAGUNDI



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Moonbi Horse Sports Team Events

Quirindi Public School
Friday 29 April 2016
(entries close Friday 1 April)
Forms available at the office.

Gunnedah South Public School
Friday 1 July 2016

Moonbi Public School
September 2016
Entry forms will be available soon.

