



Moreland Mail

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2019 Important Dates

March 7	Curriculum Day- No students at school
March 11	Labour Day Public Holiday
April 5	Last Day of Term 1
April 23	Term 2 Begins
April 25	Anzac Day Public Holiday
June 7	Curriculum Day- No students at school
June 10	Queens Birthday Public Holiday
June 28	Last Day of Term 2
July 15	Term 3 Begins
Sept 20	Last Day of Term 3
Oct 7	Term 4 Begins
Nov 4	Curriculum Day- No students at school
Nov 5	Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday
Dec 20	Last Day of Term 4

Welcome back for 2019

It has been wonderful to see children so engaged in their first couple of days of school this year. We have started very smoothly, largely thanks to the preparation by staff at the end of last year and I would like to thank Bec Spink for the great job she did replacing me for Term 4. Together with Donna, Jennah and all of the staff, we have things in place to get down to the work of providing the best possible education for all children at MPS.

Many exciting things are planned for this year. On Wednesday, Donna and I met with the architects to proceed to the next stage of planning for our courtyard refurbishment and window replacement program. The architects are intent on giving us the best value for our money available and by the end of the year you will see wonderful results for your kind donations to our building fund over the past couple of years. I will be able to give the school council and then the whole school community much more detail of this project in a few weeks but we are anticipating that the works will be completed by the end of the year.

Another huge project upon which we are embarking this year is through the 'Pick my Project' funding we have been fortunate enough to have received. I would like to thank Sarita and Bruce, in particular, for their work in acquiring this funding. One of the first things we will be doing is an introductory day by Uncle Bill Nicholson of the Wurundjeri people which we will be conducting on March 7th. This is the Thursday prior to the Labour Day long weekend. Some of you may have been informed that the pupil free day was to be the Friday but unfortunately Uncle Bill is unavailable that day.

We have also been fortunate this year to have gained funding for two members of our staff to be trained over the next two years as Mathematics Specialist teachers. Roxanne will work specifically with the grades 3-6 area and Pru will be working in the P-2 area. These two teachers will have access to 20 days professional learning over the next two years along with two days each week to not only improve their own skills but to develop the skills of their teams. Jennah will take up the role of leading Literacy throughout the school and will form a strong curriculum leadership team with Roxanne and Pru. These three teachers will move into the office at the front of the school to enable them to collaborate easily and meaningfully and I have moved to the office around the corner near the business manager's office.

2019 promises to be a year of strong development for Moreland Primary School and I am looking forward to the great things we will achieve together.

Pupil Free Day Thursday 7th March

(this date has changed it was previously advertised as Friday 8th March)

Compass

Hopefully everyone has logged in to Compass now and receiving notifications. If you need to notify of an Absence, you can do this via the APPROVALS tab on either the APP or the Web based version. You can enter an absence or holiday notification via the blue + at the bottom.

Any issues, please see Belinda in the office (Thurs / Fri) or email her on slomo.belinda.j@edumail.vic.gov.au

John Williams - Principal



Extend Update

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Making Pom Poms	Aboriginal Art	Cricket	Choir	Sorbet

The Extend Superstar is...

Evie C - for being a Cleaning up superstar

What's Been Happening?

My name is Shui and I am the new Service Coordinator! A bit about myself - for the last 3 years I've been working as a full-time Opera Singer for Opera Australia, singing in various shows and presenting education programs for them. This year I'm returning to Uni to study a Master of Primary Teaching at Monash University. This week we've been focusing on getting to know each other while setting up a safe and fun environment for the kids. I've thoroughly enjoyed my first week at Moreland and I'm very excited to get to know everyone better as the year progresses! I'd also like to extend a big thank you to our outgoing Coordinator Steph who moves on to another exciting opportunity within Extend.

Enrol and book now: extend.com.au

Bunnings Coburg BBQ

Saturday 16th Feb

If you would like to help, please let Alex know on 0423726904.

All parents are welcome.

(Note, date was originally Sun 3rd Feb but changed)



Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is open every Thursdays from 3-4pm.

Foundation Year

The foundation school students will be attending full days next week but will not be attending school on Wednesday.

School Banking



Banking will resume again on Thursday 7th Feb.

Clubs at Moreland

Fencing - (for students from year 2-6) will commence next Thursday lunchtime. For details & enrolment form please contact the office.

Coding - (for students from year 2-6) After school on Monday afternoons, beginning on 11th Feb.

Donated Instruments



These are just some of the many instruments donated to the school by one of our families who will be returning to Indonesia soon.

They are called Angklung and are made from bamboo.

