



Upcoming Events at MPS

Dec 19	Helpers Morning Tea
Dec 19	Year 6 Graduation
Dec 20	Yr 5 /6 excursion to Funfields
Dec 21	School Holidays Begin! <u>1:30</u> FINISH

Student Achievement Awards



New Learning Management System 2019

All parents will receive new login details next week for our new Learning Management System - Compass. This will replace Sentral and will be ready for use from day 1 of school in 2019.

Helpers Morning Tea

As a thank you to our helpers who have supported MPS throughout the school year we will be having a morning tea on:
Wednesday 19th from 11.45 - 12.30
Please RSVP to the office.

Last day of Term Friday 21st - Timetable

10-11am	Talent Quest
11am-11.30	Recess
11.30am-12pm	Resume Talent Quest
1.10pm-1.30	Final Assembly

Please pick your child/children up at 1.30

Extend OSHC at Moreland Primary School



Weekly Recap

We had a fun-filled week this week in Before and After School Care! We began our week by creating an amazing Wreath using our handprints. This week we also reflected on the busy year of 2018 where we used watercolours to create wonderful "Thank You" Cards addressed to many community members who have supported us during the year. We concluded our week by decorating mugs and also Christmas Baubles. We cannot believe that next week is the last week of school! We will be celebrating all week in Before and After School Care!

Extend's Summer Holiday Program

Extend's Summer Holiday Program bookings are now open! The Moreland Extend Team are very excited for the upcoming Summer Holiday Program at Our Lady Help of Christians, Brunswick East. Book in today for Excursions to the movies, MCG and the Aquarium as well as many fantastic incursions and fun-filled summer experiences! To find your nearest Holiday Program visit

<https://extend.com.au/parents/find-holiday-program/>

- Stephanie, Service Coordinator

Our Extend Superstar is... Raff C for being an excellent role model and spreading great joy during Before and After School Care

Next week's activities

- Monday 17 December:** Clay Decorations
- Tuesday 18 December:** Dodgeball Challenge
- Wednesday 19 December:** Festive Baking!
- Thursday 20 December:** Christmas Crackers
- Friday 21 December:** End of Year Party!

Watch this space throughout the term for regular updates from our Extend team!

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UPDATE FROM SCHOOL COUNCIL

School Council met on 26th November and then for the last time this year on Monday 10th December.

Key business discussed at the last meetings:

Emergency building works

Drainage and roof guttering works have been completed under emergency maintenance funding. During the work other items requiring attention were identified. We have been advised that additional funds have been approved to complete these items also under emergency management funding provision. These will be organised by the department in due course.

Progress against the previously announced \$600k buildings grant

Work continues on scoping and sizing the activity that will fall under the grant remit. So far we know that the work will involve replacement of all windows in the two main blocks of the school and updating of electrical switchboards to bring them up to current safety codes. There have been some discussions about exploring opportunities to combine the \$113k funds available from the inclusive schools grant with the \$600k to maximise improvement opportunities in the courtyard. Council discussed this at high level but resolved that more information was required as to how this may play out before any decision or direction could be given about this. Further investigative work will be undertaken during school holidays. Works are not expected to commence for around 12 months and further updates will be provided in 2019 as information becomes available.

Kindergarten

Work continues to transition the Licence to operate Moreland Kindergarten to a management body called the Northern Schools Cluster. It is expected that the transition will be completed in time for the start of the 2019 kindergarten year.

Mission, Vision and Values statement

This was developed out of the consultation sessions earlier this year and was presented to council during the November meeting. It was accepted at that meeting.

New four year school strategy and 2019 Annual Implementation Plan

The draft strategy was presented to the council in November and was accepted. The 2019 Annual Implementation Plan was reviewed at the December meeting – key focus areas being improvement of student growth in reading and development of a Professional Learning Community approach within the teacher community. Further details will be provided by the principal.

2019 Budget

This was tabled and approved in principle

2019 school fees

The 2019 fees are expected to be the same as those for 2018.

General Business

- Following the accident and damage to the wall around the prep garden in November, council resolved to write to Moreland Council requesting a safety review of the area. This letter has been sent.
- Dates for the 2019 school camps and pupil free days were tabled and approved.

While 2018 has not been without its challenges, there has also been much achieved. While we started the year with the main building still under renovation, its now looking great inside and much brighter than before – and the long-awaited repairs to the roof and gutters are finally done! The grounds are looking great and we have an approved grant to make them even better with a sensory garden to be built next year. Following the success of the Pick my Project grant, 2019 will see exciting developments as the fruits of the work put in here are delivered. An updated vision, mission and values statement has been created and a new four-year strategy has been produced. The operational rhythm and standard of governance provided by the school council continues to improve with standing orders for the conduct of council meetings now in place. There is always more to do and with the parent, teacher and school leadership team working in partnership even more can be achieved in the coming years.

All that remains is to thank the school council for their efforts during the year and to wish all members of the MPS community a merry Christmas and a safe and happy new year.