

Moreland Mail

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Calendar of Events

Mar 20-22	Grade 5/6 camp
Mar 22	Sentral training for parents
Mar 30	MacBook training for parents
Mar 31	End Term 1
Apr 14	Good Friday
Apr 18	Begin Term 2



Banana smoothies for Friday's breakfast

Sentral Training

We are offering a training session for parents to further familiarize them with our management system 'Sentral'. This session will be at 7pm on March 22nd. If you are interested please book a place by contacting the office.

Thought of the Week

Children must be taught how to think, not what to think

Margaret Mead

Position Vacant

We have recently advertised in the universities for a part time worker but it has been suggested to me that we may have someone in our school community who is interested.

Position Vacant

Media and Communications Administrator

Moreland Primary School, DeCarle Street, Coburg is seeking the services of an administrator for our school management software and our website. The role will involve:

- maintaining our information systems including our new website (to be launched in the next few weeks)
- assisting staff with management of the parent and student portals
- conducting training in new aspects of the software as it comes online

This role will be for 12 hours per week during the school term and these hours will be flexibly negotiated to suit both parties.

This is a casual position remunerated at \$27.51 per hour.

The successful candidate will have a Working With Children certificate and will be available to work during school hours starting immediately.

For more information contact John Williams (Principal) at Moreland Primary School on 9386 2510 during school hours.

Healthy Lunches

Last Friday we had a Walk to School Day and served a healthy breakfast. One of our parents Meg Thompson sent me these healthy lunch ideas. Thanks Meg!

- Sushi
- Banana bread / muffins
- Apples sandwiched with cheese
- Toasted sandwiches (ham and cheese was a popular option with the kids)
- Frittata
- Carrots/cucumber/cherry tomatoes/celery/capsicum/avocado with or without a dip
- Yoghurt with muesli
- Rice paper rolls
- Pasta or noodle dishes in a thermos
- Hummus with flat bread, cucumber and lettuce
- Hard boiled eggs
- 'Popeye sandwiches' - toasted cheese and spinach English muffins
- Left-overs - pasta, curry, etc
- Home made sausage rolls
- Mini quiches
- Meat balls
- Tuna/salmon, rice and veggies
- Homemade cakes or cupcakes
- Frozen grapes
- Pea and halloumi fritters
- Pasta salad with veggies
- Homemade muesli bars
- Cheese and crackers
- Soup in a thermos

MacBook Training for Parents

I would like to thank one of our parents VJ Chhagan, who offered a training session on March 9th that was attended by about twenty parents. The session was so good that there will be a follow up session at 7pm on March 30th. This session will cover: how to review surfing history; how to setup Dropbox and file replication between profiles; and reviewing open DNS and locations.

All welcome

Extend OSHC



Existing Families

Don't forget to manage your 2017 bookings. Last year's bookings do not roll over so log on to the parent portal NOW to secure your bookings for 2017

AUTUMN HOLIDAY PROGRAM BOOKINGS ARE OPEN!

Book 14 days in advance to receive the lowest rate.

New booking terms: Great news! In response to parent feedback we are pleased to announce that our Holiday Program booking terms have now changed to provide greater flexibility for families. See Terms and Conditions on our website for further information.

We have heaps of fun activities planned these school holidays and can't wait for you to attend!

Have fun with science experiments, participate in a bunch of craft activities with access to a plethora of art media, and get active with a variety of outdoor sports and team games. Join in on all this and more at Extend's Autumn Holiday Program. To check out what's on visit our website at extend.com.au and book via the Parent Portal.

This week being a shorter week we have had an activity packed week. On Tuesday we made "Stress Balls" which is often a requested activity by the children, in the afternoon the children were put through their paces with an obstacle course to navigate. Wednesday we made french toast for breakfast "yum", in ASC we did a science activity making salt paintings. Thursday in BSC we had "group time" and in ASC the children made some magical creations with clay!

Jenny Steele

Our Extend Superstars are... Mia, Marlon, Tobias, Julian and Harvey for putting together the new Extend banner, which is now proudly on display in the school yard. Thanks heaps everyone! ☺

Next Week's Activities:

Monday 20th of March: BSC: Cooking:

Pikelets ASC: Water colour Painting

Tuesday: 21st of March: BSC: Science:

Shaving Cream Rain Clouds ASC: Pipe Cleaner Challenge

Wednesday: 22nd of March BSC: Inquiry:

My Family - My House (Art & Craft) ASC:

STEM: Paper plate Marble Maze

Thursday: 23rd of March: BSC: Scrap Paper

Creations ASC: Cooking: Cooking: Anzac Biscuits

Friday: 24th of March: BSC: Technology

Time & Free Choice ASC: Free Choice Friday

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

PARENT PORTAL: extend.com.au

School Gardening Bees

Following the success of our after school gardening bee a few weeks ago, the MPS Gardens and Grounds Committee is organising a number of school grounds clean up and maintenance events for parents - and kids - to help us keep our school looking great.

The next event will be on Saturday 25 March from 11am - 4pm.

Please add this to your diary and let us know what time you can attend and how long you can stay - even an hour or two would be great. There will be a roster of jobs allocated to make sure we can tick off some key ground improvements on the day.

Gardening bees are a great way to help the school - if you haven't volunteered yet, or can't make the weekday events, this is your moment!

As safety is a key priority, no children please at this event- we will be using heavy machinery and power tools.

There will however be another after school clean up - for kids and parents/carers - on Thursday 18 May. Add this one to your diaries as well! More details to come.

To let us know you can attend the working bee please call Sarah Stent on 0418 142 173



Pascoe Vale Girls College invites prospective students and their parents to attend our Open Day on **Wednesday 19th April 2017**.

Information sessions followed by tours of the College will be held at the following times:

1. Morning 9:00am - 10:30am
2. Afternoon 4:00pm - 5:30pm
3. Evening 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Parents and children need only attend one session. There is no need to register attendance at a session

Footy Tipping

Moreland Primary School has a footy tipping competition and you are invited to join. It is \$5 for the season and all monies are offered as prizes at the end of the season. To join go to: www.footytips.com.au and search for the completion: Moreland PS. The password is: Moreland. You have until round 5 to pay your \$5 to Ann in the office

Staffing Changes

This week we had a new staff member begin in the grade 3/4 area. Her name is Haslinawaty (Lina) Kassim and we welcome her to our school. She has been at camp to get to know the children this week.

In other staffing news, Ann McWaters will be dropping her time fraction back to 3 days a week from the start of next term, working Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and I have dropped my time fraction back to nine days a fortnight, having every second Friday away from MPS.

John Williams