Principal's Message

And up by the Moonbi Ranges, where the pine-clad ridges raise
Their torn and rugged battlements on high,
Where the air is clear as crystal, and the white stars fairly blaze
At midnight in the cold and frosty sky,
And where around Moonbi Creek the reed beds sweep and sway
To the breezes, and the rolling plains are wide,
The Horse Sports Day from Moonbi is a household word today,
And the riders tell the story of their day...

On Friday the 6th of March 2015, 10 students from Moonbi Public School participated in Moonbi Horse Sports Day. There were 151 riders in total from 33 schools, all students rode very well. We started off with a March Passed. Moonbi rode extremely well and looked fantastic but sadly we were beaten by a single rider from Narrabri, who were very good. At Moonbi Horse Sports Day, Moonbi had a lot of help from the Horse Sports Committee - Penny Foster, Justine George, Kim Kelly, Jessica Freeman, Abby Blanch, Jen Hernando and James & Jocelyn Goodfellow. Our Moonbi riders were Elsa Hudson, Isabella Anastasi, Jack Foster, Shaelynn Hernando, Kaydee Hernando, Hannah Milgate, Laura George, Mia Anastasi, Karla Hudson and Joel Lefly. At the end of the day we all went home with smiles on our faces. As we all know the Hernando girls got first in the barrels. Some just came along to have fun, of which we all had plenty.
Written by Laura George and Hannah Milgate

On Friday I rode Khia. Khia is my chestnut pony. Kia is very pretty and smart and very good at barrel racing. She likes all the sporting events. I liked going to the horse sports day because it was great fun, I didn't have to do any school work and I got to ride my horse all day.
Written by Mia Anastasi

On Friday the 6th of March 2015 I rode my new horse called Jazz “Sherman Tank”. Jazz is a paint horse (quarter horse), he has 4 white socks and big white splashes on his belly. Jazz is a very smart and a gorgeous natured horse.

Jazz is very good at sporting and loves doing barrels except on Friday he was being cheeky and not wanting to turn around them. Even though Jazz and I have our ups and downs, we are only new to each other and we are still happy to have each other. Horse Sports was lots of fun and I would like to thank the horse sport committee for organising it.
Written by Isabella Anastasi

I would like to thank everyone for their hard work and dedication that enabled us to once again host this wonderful event.
Bonita Broughton - Principal

Cricket Knockout

Last week Moonbi played their first game of their cricket knockout against Manilla. Our side played very well with a convincing win, progressing to the next round against Nemingha on Wednesday the 18th of March. Our team should be very proud of their efforts on the day, they
displayed a great attitude towards the other team and were very well behaved. Special mention goes to Jemma Johnson who took 4 wickets for 10 balls and our top end batters Max Cross and Ben Webster who both retired to give other students a bat. If you would like to watch our team at their next game come down to the school at 10am next Wednesday!

Training is on THURSDAY afternoon at 3pm, with David George.
Chloe Cornish - Sports Coordinator

YEAR 6 FUNDRAISER 2015
LAST CHANCE TO COLLECT ALL OF YOUR ORDERS FOR THESE LOVELY CAKES AND BUNS FROM WATSON’S OF NARRABRI.

ALL ORDERS ARE DUE IN NEXT TUESDAY MORNING 9AM, TUESDAY 17 MARCH.

This year’s Year 6 are a large group of students and the fundraiser throughout the year, will assist the Year 5 parents in catering, decorating and hosting the Year 6 Farewell Dinner. Each year it is up to the parents and students in Year 6 to raise funds towards this event. We thank you all for your support.

Year 6 parents, please contact Kim if you are able to assist with collating orders on Tuesday morning.

Busy Beehive Canteen
Canteen reopens this week after our break for Horse Sports. Many thanks to everyone who assisted in whichever way they could. Your help is always appreciated.

Volunteers this week: Mrs Penny Foster & Kylie

We have some Twisties and Red Rock Deli chips 45gm available this week only for $2.00 ea. Cheese Twisties, Honey Soy or Chilli Chips. (Limit one pkt per child. Thank you)

With the AGM next Wed 18th March I ask that you consider if you would like to be involved with the week to week running of canteen? If so then please contact myself and I will gladly answer any questions that you may have or come along to our meeting. It will begin at 6pm in the old staff room at school.

Canteen Supervisor
Kim Kelly

P&C News

To everyone who was able to assist with the Horse Sports Day last Friday.

As a parent, career or community member, you are invited to attend and participate in our Annual General Meeting next Wednesday evening at 6pm in the Old Staff Room building at school. Your input is vital to the ongoing success of the P&C. All families need to assist in some way to help our small school prosper. The P&C work tirelessly to raise funds to benefit every student at school. All monies raised are returned to the school to further the students educational opportunities.

There will be many positions vacant at this AGM and your interests and skills are required to keep the P&C supporting the school. Working with the P&C helps you to gain a greater knowledge of how your school operates but also, you will make lifelong friends.

If you have any inquiries, then please contact Adele on: 67 60 5751 (ah).

All current members please note that your membership falls due and payable at this AGM. Our fees are $2.00 per year. You are welcome to come along if you are not a member and join at this meeting and stay for the general meeting, but you will be ineligible to vote. A new member must be accepted at the close of an ordinary meeting. Many parents are required to fill the positions as there are at least a dozen of these to be filled. Thank you all.

Everyone is most welcome to attend any meeting, member or not. We are here to help you with any concerns that you may have. Once an issue is raised it can be addressed or directed to the correct procedure. As an issue is raised it is then recorded in the minutes of that meeting, then of course followed up at the next meeting. Everyone needs to always be aware of the P&C Code of Conduct. Our meetings are for your voice, support and input, not as a means to verbally attack another member, school staff member or visitor to our meetings. Sometimes by just asking a question or raising a concern it can be dealt with at that meeting or passed directly onto our Principal.

P&C AGM WEDNESDAY 18th MARCH 6pm OLD STAFF ROOM BUILDING AT SCHOOL

Thank you
Kim Kelly
President (Acting)
P&C Report

Bunnings BBQ
A reminder that we will be running a Bunnings BBQ this Sunday, 15 March 2015. Any time you can spare to help out on the day will be greatly appreciated.

Unfortunately we have a lack of response from the school community. This is a fantastic fundraising opportunity for our school and it would be a shame if we had to give it up future BBQs due to a lack of support.

Please submit your pink roster request with your preferred time ASAP via the office.

Annual General Meeting & Next General Meeting
Our AGM will be held next Wednesday, 18 March 2015, at 6.00pm in the old staff room (followed by our regular monthly meeting).

The following positions will be declared vacant at the AGM:

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Assistant Treasurer
Clothing Pool Supervisor
Clothing Pool Assistant
Canteen Supervisor
Canteen Committee
Student Banking Officer
Student Banking Assistant
Fundraising Committee

If you wish to nominate for any of the above positions, please attend the AGM in person, or alternatively put your nomination and acceptance in writing and submit it to the Secretary, Adele Forsyth, prior to the day of the meeting. A 'word of mouth' nomination cannot be accepted.

If you have any questions or concerns about what a particular role entails, please ask one of your P&C Committee. We promise it’s not as daunting as it seems!

If you are not currently a member of our P&C and wish to vote at the AGM please be aware that your membership must have been submitted and paid by the close of last week’s meeting.

If you are an existing P&C member you will be eligible to vote but your membership fee will be due and payable at the AGM on Wednesday, 18 March 2015.

You are welcome to become a member of the P&C at any time throughout the year. Membership forms are available from Adele Forsyth on 0439 422007 or from Michelle at the office. Your $2.00 membership fee can be forwarded, along with your completed form, to the Treasurer, Justine George, via the office.

Remember, all the money we raise goes back to improving our kids’ education and resources.

Adele Forsyth
P&C Secretary

Clothing Pool
REMINDER: Please complete and return completed order form together with your PAYMENT to school by 13th March (THIS FRIDAY).

Yr6 shirt size forms are also to be handed in by this date.

I am usually available at school Thursday mornings or Wednesday, Thursday, Friday afternoons by appointment only.

Clothing pool has a variety of second hand uniform items that are always available, prices vary on condition. You can contact me on 67605218 or 0429445253.

Please be aware that limited new uniform items are on hand in clothing pool so please try to order when an order form is being run to avoid students’ disappointment.

Clothing Pool Supervisor – Penny Foster

Student banking
Next week Thursday 19th at 10am, we are fortunate to have Jessi from the Commonwealth Bank in Tamworth coming for a visit. Parents and family are welcome to come.

Redeeming reward items
For each deposit made at school, regardless of the amount, the student will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once they have collected 10 tokens they can swap them for the School Banking rewards on offer. There are rewards to appeal to kids of all primary school ages. Reward items have release dates and are only available once they are released.

Ordering reward items
Since February 2014 the ordering of reward items is conducted through the Web Based system. For instructions please refer to the Web Based system user guide.
Combining tokens with other children.
This is referred to as token “pooling” and is not permitted. The program is about rewarding individual savings behaviour.
Banking day is **Thursday**. If you do not have a Banking day magnet please see me in the office on Thursday mornings. Keep smiling, Lisa Madden School Banking Coordinator

**Moonbi-Kootingal Junior Cricket Club**  
**Moonbi-Kootingal Cricket news, Saturday 7/03/15**  
Well done to Moonbi-Kootingal for a well played match against Tamworth Public School on Saturday. It was played in good spirits which saw a very competitive outcome.

Moonbi-Kootingal lost the toss and were sent into the field.
The TPS's batting line-up posted 120 runs with no loss of wickets. Our team played very well in the field with good straight bowling and fielding.

The Moonbi-Kootingal batting got off to good start with Ben (17) and Jack(7) opening the batting and both retiring on the day. Jemma batted well for 12 and shared an exciting partnership with Laura. Zac got some good quick runs but our team ran out of overs scoring 7/82.

The new team members are progressing well and are receiving lots of encouragement from the more experienced team members. Brendon, Matt and Hermani have shown great improvement. Your team shows great sportsmanship and teamwork each week.

Thanks to all the supporters who assist with scoring, umpiring and keeping the team organised. It is very much appreciated.

**Training on Thursdays at 4pm until 5.30pm.**

**We play at Moonbi school on Saturday.**

The Moonbi-Kootingal Junior Cricket club are still recruiting for this season and next season. We are looking at teams in all ages from Under 9 through to Open players. I look forward to hearing from students that would like to play. Please contact me 0402356245.

Thanks to Moonbi school for the way the field has been turned out each week. The quality of the outfield ensures a safe and fun morning is enjoyed by both teams.

Please note that the Moonbi-Kootingal 9 years side have had a change of venue for this Saturday. The match will be played at Tamworth’s Number 1 oval for a 20/20 Big Bash. The game begins at 8.30am until 11.00am.

David George – Coach

Come along and have some fun playing the great game of cricket

**What’s On? Upcoming events**

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