Wednesday, 3 June 2015

‘Like’ our new Moonbi Public School Facebook page to keep up with updates and reminders.

What’s On? Upcoming events

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2016 Enrolments K-6 (now open)

We are currently checking details for our 2016 Kindergarten intake and planning for our Integration Program.

We cordially invite interested families to attend our Orientation morning on Friday 26 June at 9am in anticipation of Transition starting our first Friday back next term, 17 July 2015. Please contact the office 67603151 to confirm that you will be attending.

If you have a child or know of a child (turning 5 on or before 30 July 2016) that will be starting school next year, please contact the office as soon as possible. Enrolment forms available.

Year 5/6 Class Sydney Excursion 2015

Notes were sent home earlier this week in regard to the proposed class excursion to Sydney in Term 4. This excursion will be during week 6, Monday 9 – Friday 13 November. The total cost for the excursion is $550. Permission notes and a non-refundable deposit of $100 should be sent to the office by Tuesday 9 June 2015. Further details with regard to itinerary and requirements will be provided later.

K Harris - Teacher

Tennis

Our school has received funding from the Australian Sports Commission as part of their Sporting Schools program. In keeping with the program objectives to increase and promote sport amongst school children, we will now have tennis 2 mornings a week. At this time, tennis will run during the morning session (class sessions are 45 minutes each) on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. It is recommended that students wear appropriate footwear (joggers).

Hockey Training

Please note that Hockey training will be on Fridays at second half of lunch.

S Robertson - coach
Library  
Due to program changes, all classes, K-6 will now have library on Friday mornings. Please remember library bags for borrowing.

A very big THANK YOU to Joy Ballard and Eva Spooner for generously donating books to our library that they purchased at our Book Fair last week. We all love it when you can join us for our special days and events. Thank you for your ongoing support of our small school.

Principal’s Message

National Reconciliation Week
This week is National Reconciliation Week. Reconciliation Week is about supporting and building better relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians. Reconciliation means coming together and in Australia it means bringing together all Australians, particularly Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and non-Indigenous people.

National Reconciliation Week has been held every year since 1996 and provides an opportunity for all Australians to reflect on the relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and other Australians. National Reconciliation Week is celebrated to commemorate two significant dates in Australia’s reconciliation history:
- The 1967 referendum that saw over 90% of people vote in favour of recognising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the national census (giving them the right to vote) and;
- The Mabo decision. On the 3rd June 1992 the High Court of Australia recognised that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have a special relationship and bond with the land, thus leading to land rights known as native title.

Our students have been discussing the importance of respecting Indigenous cultures, histories and beliefs. Our Indigenous students did a fantastic job setting up a special library display and new library bookcase highlighting our Indigenous books!

Bonita Broughton, Principal

PSSA Small Schools Soccer Knockout Competition
We will play our first round game this Friday 5 June at Gloucester Soccer Grounds. Our game against Moorland Public School will start at 11am. Thank you to the parents who have offered to transport students. We will leave school by 8.15. Please make sure students are at school by 8.10am. Good luck team!
K Harris - coordinator PSSA Small Schools Soccer Knockout
Attendance
At a recent school Learning Support Team/Student Welfare Team meeting, school wide attendance and engagement was reviewed. Our students' pattern of attendance was flagged using Departmental attendance software. At this time 15% of our student's attendance rate has fallen below 85% this term.

The Education Act (1990) requires parents to ensure that children of compulsory school age attend school on each day that the school is open for instruction. If children are absent from school, parents are required to provide the school with an acceptable explanation within seven days of the absence. Notification may be in person at the office, telephone call or via letter or email.

Attendance below 85% (deemed unsatisfactory) is automatically reviewed and/or referred to the region's Home School Liaison Program for assistance. The school is obliged to report ongoing unsatisfactory attendances. Unresolved attendance issues must also be reported. The local manager will consider if further action is necessary. This may include the development of an Attendance Improvement Plan with specific targets, strategies and timelines.

High frequency partial absences have also been highlighted within the school. Our school hours are from 9am until 3pm, it is the parent/carers legal obligation to have students in their care at school for that time.

P&C News
Help! Volunteers needed ☀️ Bunnings BBQ
Once again we have been given the opportunity to fundraise to help further our kids' education.

We NEED volunteers JUNE 14, Bunnings Sausage Sizzle -8am-3pm
All you have to do is come, no bringing baked goods, just your hands to help serve or cook.

The P&C are asking for volunteers for 5 shifts of 3 or 4 people to cook and serve sausage slings and drinks. An hour and a half of your time can make a huge difference. We have to have 3 at all times otherwise we aren't allowed to sell. Please come and help with serving or cooking. Many hands make light work. ☺️

If you would like to volunteer please contact Jen Hernando 0429181727 or leave a message at the school office.

Our next meeting will be held 17 June at 6pm in the old staff room. Everyone is welcome.

Athletics Carnival at TREC Thursday 18 June: Also helpers are required for the P&C canteen at the athletics
carnival. If you are unable to help out on the day we would gratefully receive donations of baked cakes and slices

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

Jen Hernando - President - 0429 181727

Busy Beehive Canteen
Term 2 is going so fast, I am busy preparing for next term. I will be looking for volunteers once again. If you are interested and can spare even one day a term, please come and see me. It is a great way to get to know some of the other parents and all the children that go to the school. The children love to see their loved ones in the canteen. If you are a parent, grandparent or carer we would love to have you.

This week’s busy bee volunteers are: Jackie and Anita
Canteen Supervisor - Jackie Robertson 0458201127

Clothing Pool
PLEASE NOTE THAT I AM NOT AVAILABLE TOMORROW, THURSDAY 4 JUNE.

I am usually available at school Thursday mornings or Wednesday, Thursday, Friday afternoons by appointment only. You can contact me on 67605218 or 0429445253.
Clothing Pool Supervisor - Penny Foster

Student banking
Competition time! I have some fun colouring pictures for the younger bankers and a crossword or an adventure story writing challenge for the older ones. These are available at the office for any banking students that would like to participate. There are some fantastic prizes for the winners. Thursday is banking day. If you would like to open an account for your child please call into the office Wednesdays or see me Thursday mornings.

This terms rewards are Invisible Ink Martian Pens and Intergalactic Rockets. Commonwealth Bank has a website that the kids can interact with. It has some fun interactive games, colouring pages and puzzles.

Keep smiling, Lisa Madden School Banking Coordinator

Horse Sports
Tamworth Marsupial Park Adventure Playground

With lots and lots of excitement and a little bit for terror, I write to let you know that the Tamworth Adventure Playground Build Event is only two months away!!! The build dates are **Tuesday the 28th of July through to Sunday the 2nd of August** to build this amazing playground within the awesome Tamworth Marsupial Park.

The ground is currently getting prepared and I am hoping that you have already, or can, give some of your time to help build this amazing play space for our children. Without your help we cannot build this playground. You don’t have to have any particular skills. We just need people that want to help others and help our community. We can guarantee that this build event will be fun, exciting and the most rewarding and inspiring thing you have done all year!!

Please come and join our team and help build this incredible playground that all children, regardless of their abilities, can enjoy.

If you are part of a business, get everyone you work with on board!! It will be a great team building opportunity and a great way to show how community-minded your business is. A wonderful free positive branding opportunity!!

**We have three shifts throughout each day of the build. They are as follows:**
- **Morning shift** 7.30am - 12noon
- **Afternoon shift** 12noon - 5pm
- **Evening shift** 5pm - 9pm

If you can spare just 5 hours of your time, please go online to www.tamworthadventureplayground.com and register or if you would rather register in person, we will have a registration office at the Tamworth Community Centre from 4pm - 6pm every Thursday night.

If you would like any further information, please don’t hesitate to contact me via this email address or on my mobile 0427 000 633.

Thank you for your support for our playground and for those that have already registered to help and I really look forward to seeing you all in July!

Veronica Filby - Volunteer Coordinator
Tamworth Adventure Playground Committee