Morwell Park P S
School Community Newsletter
28th July, 2016

Principal’s Report

Commencement of Building Construction

It is likely that construction will commence by late August, approximately 4 weeks away.

During construction there will be major impact on the school in terms of the fenced off zone of the school and the impact of parking.

It is with great excitement that multiple millions of dollars will be spent on the facilities in our school, in the medium term however of approximately 1 year we will need to accommodate disruption.

School Closure Day August 12

The school will be closed for students on Friday August 12. Staff will be involved in professional development activities.

Grade One Relocatable Classrooms

The relocatable classrooms have as of yesterday been approved to be used again so once the furniture is back in they will be ready. This seems to have taken longer than anticipated and apologies to the grade ones for the disruption.

Parent Opinion Survey

The Education Department has generated a random sample of parents who will have received the ‘Parent Opinion Survey’ in the mail.

The survey provides our school with valuable feedback which can influence school climate.

If you receive the survey please return it as soon as possible.

Chris Joustra,
Principal.
STUDENT AWARDS THIS WEEK

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD
Emily L, Prep

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Preps  
Aiden A, Chelsey S & Emily B

Grade 1  
Luke E, Sarah H & Ruby-Rose R

Grade 2  
Tanisha M, Chelsea B & Archer K

Grade 3  
Ayla S & Donavan T

Grade 4  
Shay K, Levitt P & Sara McC

Grade 5  
Alexander B & Sophie B

Grade 6  
Shannon L & Nyoka A

STUDENT NATASHA T, GR 5 RECEIVES $5.00 CANTEEN LUNCH VOUCHER.

ATTENDANCE AWARDS

CLASS  Grade 3

TIPS FOR BUSY STUDENTS

Body Brilliance.

- When was the last time you improved your personal appearance?
- Junk food is just that – JUNK.
- Junk food makes you feel sluggish, gives you zits, dulls your complexion, plays havoc with your bowels, rots your teeth, ruins your appetite and wastes your money!
- Drink lots of water. Think of it as washing out the dirt from your system.

TIPS FOR BUSY PARENTS

- Children who receive different messages from their parents gain too much power by playing one off against the other. To avoid sending different messages to your child, talk with your partner first before setting rules.
- The more ‘open’ you are with your adolescents, about what you think and how you feel, the more willing they will be to share things with you.
- What children really want is to be loved and understood.

Canteen Roster

Friday 29th July  
8.30-10.00  Kerri Kingston
10.00-12.00 Tammy O’Halloran
12.00-1.30 Nissa Ling
1.30-3.30 Alisha Galea

Monday 1st August  
8.30-10.00 Deb
10.00-12.00 Jane Gibson
12.00-1.30

If you are not available please ring the school (5134 1793) to let Deb Minster know. Thank you
The Value of the Fortnight is:

**DETERMINATION**

**What is it?**
Determination is using your willpower and focusing your energy on a task until it is done. It's usually an important task that will make a big difference to you if you succeed. It means caring so much about doing something that even when it becomes difficult, you still keep on going. You don’t stop until the job is done.

**Why practise it?**
Determination is important to get things done. Often people who are not determined just give up when things get tough. Then they need other people to push them into getting things accomplished. Determined people see difficult tasks as challenges they are willing to accept.

**How to practise it**
To practise determination you need to know what is important to you. Then use your willpower to make it happen. Stay on track even if something distracts you. Get help if you need it because what you are doing is very important to you.

**Role play and discussion**
- You are trying to learn to tie your shoelaces.
- You are making a cake for your mum’s birthday and you need help.
- You have a homework project due tomorrow and you are finding it difficult.

**Signs of success**
- You can resist being distracted.
- You keep focused on what you are doing.
- You ask for help when you need it.
- You complete what you started.

**Starter activities**
- Write an instruction guide on how to tie shoelaces in five easy steps.
- Brainstorm things that you have achieved because you have been determined, for example, riding a bike.
Enrolments for 2017 have now commenced.

If you have a child who will be enrolling for Prep next year please contact the office to arrange an appointment to complete the required paperwork.

Please be aware that proof of date of birth (eg Birth Certificate) and an Immunisation History Statement are required for enrolment.

The Immunisation History Statement is available from:-
- any Medicare office,
- by ringing 1800 653 809, or
- online at www.medicareaustralia.com.au.

Please also pass this information on to others who may not be aware that enrolments have commenced.

School tours are available at any time by appointment. Thank you.

JEANS 4 GENES DAY
Friday 5th August.
Out of Uniform Day

Students are asked to come dressed in denim and make a gold coin donation.

All money raised goes to Children’s Medical Research Foundation.

Thank you.

SPECIAL LUNCH DAY
HPV FUNDRAISER

A ‘special lunch order’ day on Wednesday 31st August has been organised to help raise money for the RACV Energy Breakthrough event in November.

Order forms have been sent home, please return orders and money by Wednesday 24th August, (NO LATE ORDERS).

Spare forms are available at the office.

We hope everyone will support our HPV (Human Powered Vehicle) fundraising event.

GROUP PHOTOS:

On photo day a traditional style group photo was taken of Junior School Council members. This photo is on display in the foyer and is available to order at $10.00 each.

Cheque made payable to “Leading Image School Photos” is required with your order by tomorrow Friday 29th July.

Parents can use their unique online order code to have access to the special group their child was involved in to order directly.