

Morwell Park P S

School Community Newsletter

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Morwell Park Primary School Official

12th March, 2025

IMPORTANT DATES	
Wednesday-Monday, 12th-24th March	NAPLAN. Grades 3 & 5.
Friday, 14th March	Issue 2 Book club due back. ONLINE.
Monday, 17th March	Casual Clothes Day, donation of Easter item for the raffle.
Wednesday-Friday, 19th-21st March	Gr 6 The Summit Camp.
Thursday, 20th March	School Council meeting at 5pm.
Thursday, 20th March	Koorie Family Night. 3.00-4.00pm.
Wednesday, 26th March	Gr 6 Science Incursion.
Wednesday, 26th March	Gr 3 MCG excursion. 7.15am-3.00pm.
Friday, 28th March	MPPS Cross Country. Gr 3-6
Thursday, 3rd April	School Athletics. Gr 3-6
Friday, 4th April	Last day of Term One, children dismissed 2.30pm.
Monday-Wednesday 5th-7th May	Gr 4 Woorabinda Camp.
Wednesday-Friday, 7th-9th May	Gr 5 Woorabinda Camp.
Friday, 16th May	School Photos.

Principals Report

Our Commitment to Child Safety

At Morwell Park Primary School we prioritise creating a safe and inclusive environment where our students feel valued and heard. Our school promotes positive and respectful relationships between students and adults, as well as among peers. Special attention is given to the child safety needs of our Indigenous students, those from diverse cultural backgrounds, international students, students with disabilities, and those unable to live at home. Child safety is a shared responsibility, with everyone at the school playing a role in ensuring students' well-being and reporting safety concerns.

We encourage our families to review our Child Safety Policy, Child Safety Code of Conduct, and Child Safety Responding and Reporting Policy available on our website.

School Council Annual General Meeting

Our school council AGM will be on Thursday March 20th at 5pm in our staffroom.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN testing commenced this week for children in grades 3 and 5. The majority of the tests are now online, and parents can expect to receive student results later in the year.

Parking Around Our School

I would like to remind parents and carers about driving safely around our school during drop off and pick up times. Our major concern is that of student safety. We have teachers placed around our school at 8:30am and 3:00pm every day to assist our students to arrive and depart safely.

Our staff have no jurisdiction beyond the school gate, we are not parking officers, and this assistance is voluntary. The lives of all of our students are precious, please be extremely cautious around our school. Children by the virtue of being children do not always recognise the dangers and may act impulsively.

Easter Raffle

Our Parents Committee is hosting an Easter Raffle again this year. Students can wear casual clothes on Monday, March 17th, in exchange for an Easter-themed donation for the prize hampers. Raffle tickets will be sent home this week and are to be returned to school by March 28th. The prize draw will take place on April 2nd.

Simone Richardson, Principal.





Prep Lilly S, Hayley W, Kymberlee O'B

Gr 1 Ranger M, Harper G

Gr 2 Miriam A, Aston R

Gr 3 Ruby W, Brandon W

Gr 4 Alanah F, Blake P

Gr 5 Allira H, Lola P

Gr 6 Liam O, William A-S, Jett W

ARTISTS AWARDS 4F and Cruze L, 2M PE AWARDS 3D and Isaiah K, 4P MUSIC AWARDS P and Claire P, 3M

SCIENCE AWARDS

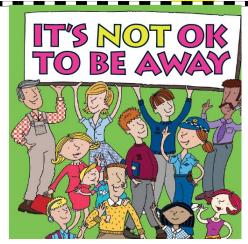
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LIBRARY AWARDS Jaxson L, PR
AUSLAN Bailey W, 4F

SCHOOL VALUE AWARDS.

KIND: Jordan K, 20
GRITTY: Lola P, 5D

FOCUSED: Keeran A-H, 6H



ATTENDANCE AWARD

Grade

3M, 5D, 5H Mateo H-B, 1L

SCHOOL SAVING BONUS - Important Reminder

Please Action if you wish to use any portion of the \$400 School Saving Bonus on any school related activities.

If you wish to use any portion of the \$400 SSB on any school related activities (including excursions or camps) please note that you must go into the SSB Portal and allocate the money to 'Activities'.

You are not selecting a specific activity at this stage, rather an amount you wish to have available to use at the school.

We cannot allocate SSB monies to any school activities unless you have reallocated the funds in the SSB Portal beforehand.

This is a critical step in the process and must be done by each individual family using their secure SSB Portal login details.

The SSB Portal is integrated with the schools administration system and this allocation is required to allow the school to use the funds on your behalf. The SSB Portal works in \$50 increments.

<u>Step 1</u>. Decide what portion of the original SSB (\$400) you wish to use on Textbooks/Uniforms – if any.

 $\underline{\text{Step 2}}.$ In the SSB Portal, reallocate the remainder of the \$400 to Activities.

<u>Step 3</u>. This will then enable you to use the funds on any school activities, excursions or camps in the future.

Please note: Any unspent SSB funds on 1 July 2025 will sit in your Family account indefinitely, the funds rollover for use in future years.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSION FUND (CSEF)

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF.

If you applied at Morwell Park in 2024, and there has been NO change in your family circumstances your application will be copied and processed to 2025.

You need to complete a new application form if any of the following changes have occurred;

- New student enrolments; your child has started (including new Prep children) or changed schools in 2025,
- Newly eligible: did not apply in 2024,
- Changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number.

A CSEF application also entitles Prep students to a SUMMER UNIFORM PACK, issued in Term 1, consisting of a windcheater, trackpants or shorts, dress, shoes & socks.

ARE YOU ELIGIBLE ??

Contact the office for more info or an application form.



MPPS Parents Committee Easter Raffle

With Easter fast approaching the Parents Committee will be running an Easter Raffle, we are kindly asking families to donate a chocolate Easter Egg or anything that relates to Easter. The more donations we get the more prizes we will have on offer.



Students will have a casual clothes day on Monday, 17th March 2025, in return for the donation of Easter items brought to school for the raffle.

Raffle books were sent home yesterday, 12th March 2025 and the raffle will be drawn on Wednesday, 2nd April 2025. All winners will be notified and the results will be included in the school newsletter. Tickets will be \$0.50 cents each, all money and tickets are to be returned to the school by Friday, 28th March 2025. We thank you for your continuing support.

ANZAC DAY 25th April, 2025

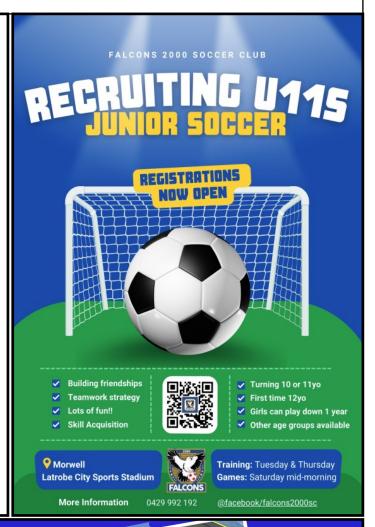
Anzac merchandise is on sale until Anzac Day.



ANZAC APPEAL

A JSC member will visit each classroom daily with items for sale.

Badges \$1, \$2 & \$5 Wristbands \$3 Key Rings \$4





Morwell Park Learning Powers

Social & Behavioural

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Safe

Team Player

Respectful Empathetic



Emotional

Brave

Resilient

Passionate

Determined



Cognitive

Focused

Creative

Collaborative

Motivated

Inquisitive

