



The News

Moree Public School

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KEEPING PACE ...

In our fast-paced world, we sometimes neglect the most important, yet seemingly routine or mundane tasks that really do keep our families and friends flourishing. As a school, we must embrace daily variations necessary for programs to run but certainly our standards for class work and student behaviour do not change. We expect the best from everyone.

Over the next four to five weeks leading up to the end of year activities and the excitement of Christmas it is important we continue to take care of each other, stick to family routines and enjoy each special moment that arises – and there will be many! Please take a moment to note the events such as the K-6 Presentation evening, transition to kinder and also to high school, choir and dance performances at Moree Care Centre and Probus (notes to come), Mr Roberts' music concert, Year 6 farewell, discos, creative arts concert and most importantly student reports for Semester 2.

City Country Alliance Student Leadership Summit is into its third year for Moree Public School. Best wishes to the senior students who head off to Sydney with Mrs Fitzgerald on Monday morning. While at camp, the group will visit significant cultural sites, hear from some very engaging speakers sharing different cultures. We look forward to the group speaking about their experiences when they return. Our thanks go to Mrs Fitzgerald for accompanying the students.

Learn to Swim program for Year 2 students started yesterday 18th November. With the warm weather the children will not only enjoy a refreshing dip as they learn what is a massively important skill not only to know how to do, but to do well. Thank you to all of the swim teachers for your efforts over the next two weeks – Miss Ryan, (co-ordinator), Mrs Hunt, Mrs McCudden, Mrs Cicchelli, Mr Cooper/Mrs Smith and Ms Roberts.

While many children will make good progress with their swimming as a result of participation in the program we strongly encourage all parents to continue lessons. Children will learn to swim more confidently if they practice regularly.

2020 Presentation Ceremony is a formal occasion where hard work in all areas – academic, creative arts, sport and social achievements are recognised. We showcase various programs and invite all students to attend. Children who will be receiving an award, a presentation and/or performing an item will receive a note to this effect on Monday 2nd December in readiness for the Thursday ceremony that starts at 6.00pm.

Mrs L Hosegood - Principal (Rel)

2. COURAGE TO CARE

During the past two weeks, our senior students had the opportunity to visit the *Courage to Care* exhibition at Bank Art Museum Moree. The exhibition is a celebration of people who chose to stand up and confront discrimination (upstanders) and injustice – ordinary people who were extraordinary in their bravery and impact. Most significantly, the exhibition was complimented by the attendance of Holocaust survivors, Ana and Gaby, who generously shared their stories of survival and the 'upstanders' who made a positive impact in their lives. Students were encouraged to take positive action against discrimination in all forms – not to be bystanders, but to make a difference whenever possible.

<https://couragetocare.com.au/about-courage-to-care/>



Talara and Darcy meet with Courage to Care guests, Ana and Gaby

Important Information ... MPS website: www.moree-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/

- **Canteen volunteers urgently needed for Wednesday, 27th November – please contact Mrs Mel Lobsey on 67522342**
- **K-6 Presentation ceremony Thursday 5th Dec at Moree Secondary College Multi-purpose Centre – 6.00pm sharp**

3. P&C NEWS

P&C Meeting: The next P&C meeting will be held on Monday, 17th February 2020 commencing at 6.00pm.

CANTEEN: There is an urgent need for volunteers to assist with the canteen especially on Wednesday, 27th November and possibly further days depending upon Jury Duty requirements. If you can assist, please contact canteen manager, Mrs Lobsey with your details on 67522342.

Christmas Hampers – tickets for this popular end of year raffle will be distributed later this week. There are beautiful prizes, so please keep an eye out for the tickets soon.

4.



Social Skills
focus for this
week continues
to be:



**Just because something is
difficult doesn't mean you
shouldn't try. It means you
should just**

**TRY
HARDER.**

Kids Quote

- *Trying harder might mean to try to do it a different way.*
- *Keep on trying until you reach your goal.*
- *Practice makes perfect.*

5. HOME READING – The 80 Club

Ten minutes of reading each night makes all the difference to fluency and comprehension – not to mention the sheer enjoyment of reading a story or learning some new information.

Congratulations to our infants students:

Braxton Carter, Isobel Lavery and Bud Spencer-Moore for continuing to read, read and READ!

130 Reading Club Wow!

Sophie Jenson, James Heard, Mia Howlett, Patrick Tydd, Isaac Brown, Henrietta Lowien and Charlie Jensen.

6. SPORT – STATE ATHLETICS

Seven Moree Public School students and their families travelled to Sydney on the 6th and 7th of November and competed in the NSW PSSA State Athletics Championships. All Moree Public School students recorded personal best times and distances during competition and were placed within the top 40 students in the

state in their selected events. On their return to school we asked each student, *What did you like best about competing in the State Athletics Carnival?*

Harriet Beattie: *I liked seeing everyone else's techniques in discus. It was also special to compete where the Olympics have been held.*

Darcy Brazel: *Competing at the state level pushes me to do new PB's (personal best) times and distances.*

Mitchell Beddoes: *Being in the arena and looking up and around the stadium and thinking to myself, Wow the Olympics were here. I also enjoyed being a part of the North West Team and having them cheer me on.*

Mana Noble: *Being a part of the North West Team and meeting other athletes from other zones.*

Shyanne Roberts: *I liked that the people I met at the carnival were like me. It was also good they gave us a practice throw.*

Chaz Noble: *Having the experience of trying to do my best throw in a big stadium and then next year I'll try and do better.*

David Otero: *It was a lot bigger than I expected. I enjoyed experiencing all the other events that they do. I tried my best.*

7. COMING EVENTS – Terms 4

Please check each week for possible variations or listen to local radio 2VM for the daily School News segment a little after 7.00am. **Term 3:**

Term 4

6	Mon	18	Kiah Grp 1 at 11.30; Yr 2 Learn to Swim program – Day 1
	Tues	19	Gwydir Pre-school at 9.00
	Wed	20	Moree Pre-school at 9.00
	Thurs	21	Grace Lutheran, Good Start & Aussie Kids
	Fri	22	Assemblies: 10.30 1P-3; 11.30 5B-18
7	Mon	25	Glen Innes HS Horse Sports; Kiah Pre-school Grp 2 at 11.30
			City Country Alliance – Student leaders to Sydney camp
			Learn to Swim continues
	Tues	26	
	Wed	27	
	Thurs	28	
	Fri	29	Assemblies: 10.30 KK-9; 11.30 3E-24
8	Mon	2 December	
	Tues	3	3.15 Marty's music concert
	Wed	4	
	Thurs	5	K-6 Presentation evening
	Fri	6	
9	Mon	9	Year 6 Farewell and 3/6 disco
	Tues	10	K-2 infants disco
	Wed	11	
	Thurs	12	Mediator training day
	Fri	13	Semester 2 student reports home
10	Mon	16	Assemblies: 10.30 Combined kinder assembly
	Tues	17	1.45 Creative Arts concert
	Wed	18	Class parties
	Thurs	19	Last day for students
	Dec	20	Last day for staff

8. COMMUNITY NEWS

CWA – Moree Branch

Secondary Schooling Scholarships

Applications for assistance through the CWA are invited from students who are attending a Moree secondary school in 2020 (Moree Secondary Collage, St Philomena's Secondary School or Moree Christian School.

An application is available from the MPS office and will need to be returned for principal endorsement by Friday, 29th November.