



The News

Moree Public School

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WELCOME BACK!

It is great to have school back to *almost normal* again. It was wonderful to see our students stream through the gates on Monday morning but with this change comes great responsibility. We can stay open and continue to increase access to additional resources in the school - only achievable if we all closely adhere to what we have been asked to do by the Department of Education, NSW Health and Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC).



Welcome to 1W-5 ... we love to learn!

This is not a time to become complacent and we need your help. Vigilance is imperative to keep us all safe, well and moving forward. The cold and flu season is headed our way - if your child has a night-time cough at home, more than likely they will be coughing during the day too. We have had children also complaining of headaches and tummy upsets coming to the front office, causing them to be sent home. If your child is sick, please keep them at home and contact the school via the SkoolBag App to let us know.

Drop-off and pick-up procedures will remain in place to limit the number of adults on site. Thank you to our parents for saying goodbye at the gate in the morning and waiting outside the gate in the afternoon. We appreciate your help in keeping physical distancing measures in place. To assist a little during the busy afternoon pick-up time, we have increased the time frame to collect your children, between 2:50 - 3:10pm.

The canteen is open but as parents are currently unable to come in the school grounds, students are asked to bring their lunch orders to the canteen or more conveniently, order online through registering at www.flexischools.com.au. The P&C uniform shop can also be accessed through Flexischools.

Around the school we continue to implement a range of strategies to support safe practice. Bringing a water bottle is very important as we cannot use the bubblers. Water bottles can be filled up from the taps in the classroom or else at designated taps around the school. Our helpful cleaning staff are on site every day cleaning high touch areas over and over again. Hand-sanitiser is available in many locations across the school. Our teachers and staff have been following-up with extra lessons and times to ensure hand-washing is occurring throughout the day.

Student reports are currently being prepared for Semester 1. Please see the information attached if you would like to discuss your child's progress with their teacher.

Wearing the MPS uniforms is one of many ways in which we show case our students. The full school uniform, including a school hat) is smart, functional and promotes school pride. As the cold weather has begun, there are a few 'coloured' jumpers appearing. Our full school uniform can be found on the Moree Public School website under 'essential information'. Please go to the P&C Flexitime or Facebook page if you would like more information.

Mrs Sharyn Cox - Principal

2. ENGAGING WITH PARENTS

In addition to a written report, parents are being offered an opportunity to have a conversation with class teachers about their child's learning achievements for all of Semester 1 and to develop goals for Semester 2. The phone call will replace the usual parent/teacher interviews conducted at the beginning of Term 3. Teachers have allocated times they will be available before or after school during Weeks 8 and 9 (Monday 15th to Friday 26th June). To book a ten minute timeslot parents are asked to contact the school office by COB Friday, 5th June. Teachers will ring parents on the phone number nominated. We do hope you will take this opportunity to share the education journey for your child during 2020.

Important Information MPS Website: <https://www.moree-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

- **Every child needs to bring a refillable water bottle to school - the bubblers will remain off until further notice**
- **Book a telephone conversation (in addition to receiving a Semester 1 report) - call 67521913 by COB Friday 5th June**
- **National Reconciliation Week - In this together - 27th May to 3rd June**

3. RECONCILIATION WEEK

National Reconciliation Week (NRW) 2020 runs from May 27 to June 3. These dates commemorate the successful 1967 Referendum and the High Court Mabo decision. This year's theme, ***In this together*** has a resonance beyond that Reconciliation Australia probably imagined when the theme was announced early this year. Even though some of us may not be physically together, it's still hugely important that we get together socially and make space to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

4. P&C ASSOCIATION

- **MEETING:** The P&C AGM postponed on Monday, 16th March will be rescheduled on a date TBC.
- **UNIFORM SHOP:** The uniform shop orders can be made through www.flexischools.com.au.



5. COMING EVENTS

Please check the current calendar on a regular basis (also published on the MPS website, Skoolbag App, and electronic board).

Term 2	WHILST TERMS 2 & 3 CONTINUES BELOW, PLEASE EXPECT & CHECK FOR FURTHER VARIATIONS.....		
5	Mon	25	All students return to school – 5 days per week
	Tues	26	National Reconciliation Week
	Wed	27	National Simultaneous Storytime
	Thurs	28	
	Fri	29	Assemblies: 10.30 KS-10; 11.30 4BT-39; Zone cross country
6	Mon	1 June	Final rugby union trials
	Tues	2	Science & Engineering Challenge; G rugby 7s trials
	Wed	3	Alternate date – zone cross country
	Thurs	4	
	Fri	5	Book your time for teacher phone call by COB Assemblies: 10.30 1H-3; 11.30 5/6L-14; Netball trials
7	Mon	8	Queen's Birthday holiday
	Tues	9	Rugby union knockout gala day – Inverell
	Wed	10	
	Thurs	11	
	Fri	12	Assemblies: 10.30 KR-9; 11.30 3E-23; Regional cross country – Mullaley

8	Mon	15	
	Tues	16	
	Wed	17	
	Thurs	18	
	Fri	19	Assemblies: 10.30 1B-8; 11.30 6G-18
9	Mon	22	All schools golf – Bateman Bay (5 days)
	Tues	23	PSSA open rugby league – Tamworth
	Wed	24	
	Thurs	25	
	Fri	26	Assemblies: 10.30 KM-11; 11.30 4T-13
10	Mon	29	
	Tues	30	NAIDOC Week
	Wed	1 July	Semester 1 student reports home
	Thurs	2	
	Fri	3	K-6 Athletics carnival; Last day of Term 2
Term 3			
1	Mon	20 July	Staff Development Day
	Tues	21	K-6 students resume
	Wed	22	
	Thurs	23	PSSA cross country – Eastern Creek
	Fri	24	
2	Mon	27	Prim golf trials
	Tues	28	Life Education van
	Wed	29	Life Education van; Children's Book Council Aust - Picture Book
	Thurs	30	Life Education van
	Fri	31	Assemblies: 10.30 1B-4; 11.30 6K-15; Heferen Shield zone athletics carnival
3	Mon	3 Aug	Education Week – open day; Life Education van
	Tues	4	
	Wed	5	Year 4 excursion to Coffs Harbour; Life Education van
	Thurs	6	Year 4 excursion to Coffs Harbour; Life Education van
	Fri	7	Year 4 excursion to Coffs Harbour; Assemblies: 10.30 KS-10; 11.30 3P-21
4	Mon	10	
	Tues	11	Life Education van
	Wed	12	Life Education van
	Thurs	13	Life Education van
	Fri	14	Assemblies: 10.30 2M-29; 11.30 5M-16
5	Mon	17	Year 6 excursion – Canberra; Life Education van
	Tues	18	Life Education van
	Wed	19	Life Education van
	Thurs	20	
	Fri	21	
			Assemblies: 10.30 KR-9; 11.30 4J-30
6	Mon	24	
	Tues	25	PSSA rugby union – Mudgee (4 days)
	Wed	26	
	Thurs	27	
	Fri	28	Assemblies: 10.30 2M-7; 11.30 5B-17
7	Mon	31	
	Tues	1 Sept	Year 5 Sydney excursion
	Wed	2	Year 5 Sydney excursion
	Thurs	3	Year 5 Sydney excursion
	Fri	4	Year 5 Sydney excursion; Assemblies: 10.30 KM-11; 11.30 3/4R-24
8	Mon	7	
	Tues	8	
	Wed	9	
	Thurs	10	
	Fri	11	Regional athletics trials – Tamworth; Assemblies: 10.30 2P-6; 11.30 5/6B-19
9	Mon	14	
	Tues	15	
	Wed	16	
	Thurs	17	
	Fri	18	Assemblies: 10.30 KS-10; 11.30 3R-22
10	Mon	21	
	Tues	22	
	Wed	23	
	Thurs	24	Year 3 excursion – Lake Keepit
	Fri	25	Year 3 excursion – Lake Keepit; Assemblies: 10.30 1W-5; 11.30 4BT-39; Last day of Term 3