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MOSSFIEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

WE ARE A RESILIENT AND RESPECTFUL COMMUNITY OF LEARNERS

MOSSFIEL DIARY DATES:

3 November	Fete
6 November	Pupil Free Day
7 November	Melbourne Cup Day - no school
20-21 November	Year 5/6 Water Safety Program
30 November	Pupil Free Day
11 December	Year 1/2 Airoworld Excursion
13 December	Year 3/4 Luna Park Excursion
14 December	Year 6 Graduation
18 December	Year 5/6 Adventure Park Excursion

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Carers,

It is amazing how time flies, already 5 weeks into term 4!

Last Friday we had a special morning tea to celebrate World Teachers Day. Please join me and thank the wonderful teachers and support staff at Mossfiel Primary School.



2024 Enrolments - Transition is underway!

The transition sessions for our 2024 Foundation students have begun last Friday and we have now had 2 sessions. The turnout has been fantastic and the students were well settled for the start of an exciting journey. If you know of someone who has not enrolled at MPS yet and wants to join our wonderful community, please direct them to the office to fill out an enrolment form ASAP.

How to do it:

If you have a child who is eligible to come to school in 2024 (turning 5 years of age by April 30th, 2024), we are accepting enrolments now.

To enrol please contact the office for information. To help plan for this process you will need to organise and bring:

- Child's birth certificate
- Immunisation certificate
- Visa (Passport) if child is not born in Australia

If you know someone who would like a tour of our school, we will be running tours on Fridays at 10am, please ask them to call the office to book a tour or direct them to our website where you can find our virtual tour:

<http://www.mossfielps.vic.edu.au/>

Students moving to other schools:

If your child is leaving Mossfiel at the end of the year please inform the office as soon as possible. It is essential to fill in an exit form at the office so we can send the data to the new school. This is a natural part of the ebb and flow of any student population within schools and we totally understand that family circumstances sometimes have evolving needs. Your child will NOT be disadvantaged in any way if you let us know that they will not be with us in 2024.

New Flags

At our assembly on Friday we were honoured to have Joanne Ryan ,MP, attend and present the school community with flags that will fly proudly on our new flag poles. Our student leaders will take on this important responsibility.



ASSEMBLY - STUDENT AWARDS

It is always great to hear how our students have demonstrated our school values. Well done to all the students receiving awards. 😊

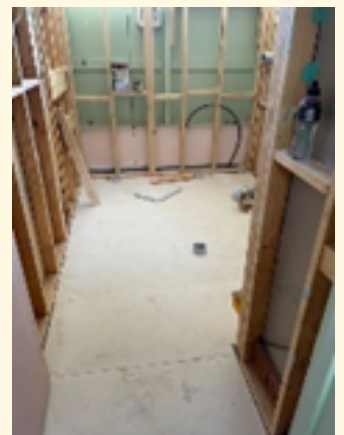


THINK COMMUNITY

It was great to see our students picking up papers and 'Keeping Mossfiel Clean'. As part of a SRC initiative, students seen keeping MPS clean are given a raffle ticket and it is drawn at assembly each fortnight. Here are this week's winners ... well done!

Block A Toilet Update:

Last week we had a visit from our local state member for Tarneit, Dylan Wright, who inspected the upgrade works on the toilets in Block A. We are still on track to have them completed by the end of the year. Below are some photos of the progress to date. Stay tuned.



Take care,
Paul Maisey
Principal



School is important!

We asked some of our current students about why coming to school every day is important and what they would say to the new 2024 students starting at Mossfiel. Their replies were very encouraging!

Verserat - 1/2W

“Coming to school is so important because you will learn to do things.”

Shin - 5/6P

“Every day you get to learn new things. Everyone is friendly and you get to make new friends.”

Ruby - 3/4P

“To be happy and you can meet all your friends.”

TK - 0B

“Because school is fun!”



CLASSROOM CHALLENGE

Our Classroom Attendance Challenge continues this term.

- 1st - 12W - 94.8%
- 2nd - 12D- 94.5%
- 3rd - 12F - 89.65%
- 4th - 56P - 89.44%
- 5th - 34P - 89.42%

Keep up the great work everyone!

From the Attendance Team



REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER 2023

A FAMILY FUN DAY FULL OF T-BALL & SOFTBALL AT FAWKNER PARK, SOUTH YARRA



FOR KIDS AGED 5-12
ENTER YOUR
SCHOOL TEAM OR AS AN INDIVIDUAL PLAYER
(G BE PLACED IN A TEAM)
COACHES & SUPPORT PROVIDED FOR SCHOOL TEAMS





JOIN US FOR OUR
**School
Fete**

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 3RD
12.30 - 2.30PM



FAMILIES
WELCOME

Join us for loads of
fun activities, yummy
food and browse through
our range of stalls!

This includes *Jumping Castles
*‘Dunk the Teacher’ Tank *Games
such as Bean bag Toss, Knock ‘em
Down, Balloon Bust & Ring Toss as
well as *Fairy Floss *Popcorn
*BBQ *Dance Floor *Mini golf
*Plants *Books... and much much
more!



MOSSFIEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

FETE TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW FROM THE FRONT OFFICE

FAMILY WELLBEING NEWS

I respectfully acknowledge the Bunurong people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which I work and live and pay my respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.



Wominjeka - Welcome!

KID'S SAFETY WEEK



Last week at Mossfiel, our students enjoyed learning and celebrating Kid's Safety Week. On Friday, we held our free dress day, where students and staff were encouraged to wear a splash of red.

It was wonderful to see our students proudly wearing red, which is the national colour that represents "Day for Daniel".

Our SRC team would like to say a big thank you to all students and staff who donated funds to the Daniel Morcombe Foundation.

We would also like to thank a group of students (all ages) who came along to the art room and library during break times, to create a special display which features student's painted handprints, in red colours. This week, students will be invited to add important safety words to the display.

In classrooms, our students created a safety picture of their own handprint, where students then identified 5 trusted adults who they can speak to, if they ever feel unsafe.

Finally, classes were invited during library sessions to explore a range of safety books and to discuss safe people in our community who can help us.



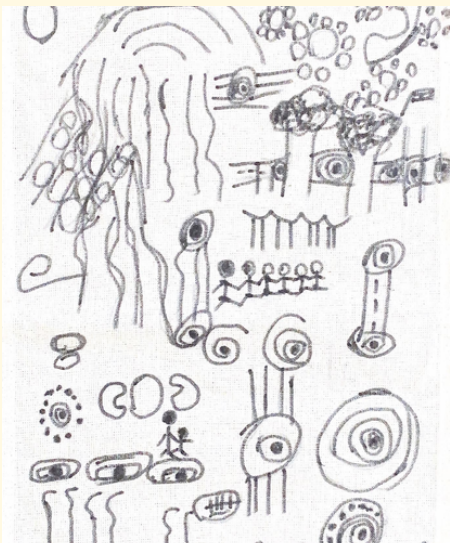
ABORIGINAL LEARNING

This week, our Year 1/2 and 3/4 Aboriginal learning groups have been busy working on a range of projects, including collaborative canvas art, Aboriginal drawings on calico flags, exploring Aboriginal books and enjoying mindful Aboriginal colouring. They have been enjoying using a range of art materials, such as pencil, ink, paints and even playdough.

Our groups begin their workshops by making an acknowledgement to our traditional owners and elders, they have a chat in a yarning circle and practise playing rhythms on Aboriginal clapping sticks.

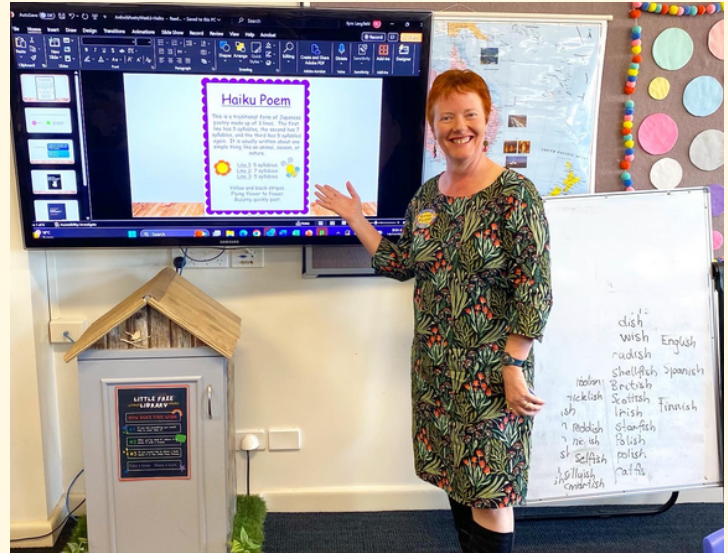
I would also like to take this opportunity on behalf of our school community, to thank Ms Plaha and her mother. Recently, Ms Plaha selected some beautiful fabrics designed by Aboriginal artists and then organised for her clever mum to sew lots of beautiful cushions for our school, which can be used in yarning circles, to inspire our learning and as part of whole school events. THANK YOU Ms Plaha and your mum for all the hard work that went into creating these cushions!

Below are some works-in-progress by our year 1/2 students, Aboriginal books we are enjoying and the beautiful cushion covers by Ms Plaha's mum:



VISITING AUTHOR - HEATHER GALLAGHER!

Last week our visiting author Heather Gallagher had her last writing workshop with our young author group. With Heather's wonderful guidance, our young authors have selected a poem that they have written, to be included in our Mossfiel anthology book. They have been carefully publishing and editing their poems, ready to be sent to the printers for publication! Tomorrow they will continue to work with Mrs Langfield to polish their poems and to sketch illustrations for the book. Later this term a book launch will be held, where family members will be invited to celebrate the release of their very own book. How exciting!



BREAKFAST CLUB NEWS

The toasters continue to work overtime at Breakfast Club! It has been brilliant to see so many of our fantastic students come along to enjoy their breakfast before starting their day of learning. All students are welcome to come along to Breakfast Club on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, from 8.20am. This week we have a special thank you to our brilliant breakfast club volunteers: Mrs White, Mrs Farnsworth, Mr Borg, Ms Cochrane and Mrs Langton. We are extremely grateful for your help! From Ms Louise and Mrs Langfield.



Gobata - Take care!
Kym Langfield
 Mental Health and Wellbeing Leader



We would like to wish a very happy birthday to our Mossfiel students who have their birthday in NOVEMBER. We hope that your child has a wonderful day! 😊

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

MAKOI DANIEL JASMINE
 ARSHIA ALEXANDER G YAW
 BA CHRIS L FAHD DUNTAY
 OM HARLEY CHARLOTTE T
 RYDER LUKE YONI EMANEE
 A AVA H GURSHAAN SLYVIA
 AKSHAY SHIN DAKOTA
 SRIHITH RIDHAAN RAZAN
 ALI A RYAN M

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We want to work with you to make a positive and lasting difference to the lives of children in your community.

As a Key Assets foster carer we'll provide you with 24/7 support, a dedicated social worker and on-going training. If you're looking to provide love, safety and care for a child we'd love to hear from you.





Holiday Camps

2024

DATES

Malmsbury Camp: Monday 8th - Friday 12th January

City Camp - Monday 15th - Friday 19th January

MALMSBURY

Located in an idyllic bush setting in Central Victoria

- ✓ High Ropes Activities
- ✓ Canoeing & Swimming
- ✓ Archery & Orienteering
- ✓ Night Walk, Movie Night, Trivia

CITY

Located in the heart of the Melbourne CBD

- ✓ Big Bash & Aus Open
- ✓ Pool & Beach
- ✓ Melbourne Zoo & Museum
- ✓ Eureka Skydeck, Movie Night, Trivia



TRANSPORT

Malmsbury: Doxa facilitated bus transport provided from Melbourne & Bendigo

City: Doxa facilitated bus transport provided from Traralgon / Pakenham & Bendigo

COST

Our holiday camps are FREE.

Holiday camps are funded by our amazing donors and philanthropic ventures.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Email: info@doxa.org.au

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MOSSFIEL SCHOOL LEADERS

Principal - Paul Maisey

Carmen Morrison
Dennis Osborne

Assistant Principal - Shannon Taylor

Diane Delapa
Craig O'Donnell

MOSSFIEL SCHOOL COUNCILLORS

President : Mistie Foley

Vice President : Chloe Bell

Treasurer : Jane Churchland

Minute Taker : Linda Spencer

Desiree King

Dennis Osborne

Nicole Aquilina

Jacqueline Drew

Iris Carnat

Louise Price