

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

SHEPPARTON NEWS / CADBURY EASTER PROMOTION

This promotion exposes students to the newspaper, cover-to-cover, for two weeks, while they hunt for Cadbury tokens 'hidden' within the pages. It encourages team spirit by involving the extended school community to join together for the chance to win 1000's of Cadbury Easter Eggs.

One Cadbury prize pack will be rewarded in each of the following two categories:

The winning school who enters the highest number of tokens per capita of students **with less than 150 students**

The winning school who enters the highest amount of tokens per capita of students **with 150 students or more**

All participating schools have the chance to win.

To enter start collecting tokens from paper the tokens can be from parents, friends, neighbours, and family – everyone connected to your school can collect tokens,

Bring them along to your class room. All tokens will be counted and sent to the Shepparton News Office by 5pm Monday 30 March.



MOORoopNA CATS BASKETBALL CLUB – WINTER 2009.

The Graeter Shepparton Basketball Association's Winter 2009 competition will run from May 4th to August 27th. **ALL** players wishing to participate (including those already playing) are required to register at a registration day. Registrations will be taken on:

Thursday 12th March 4.30 – 5.30 pm at Ferrari Park, Mooroopna
and

Tuesday 17th March 3.45 – 4.30 pm at Mooroopna Secondary College
Players not registered at this time cannot be Guaranteed a Place on a Team

Fees of \$50 per player are to be paid at registration.

(written agreements to pay by installments are available upon payment of a deposit)

AGE GROUPS

Under 10 born 2000 - 2001 Girls Night to be Advised. Boys Wednesday Night.

Under 12 born 1998 – 1999 Girls Wednesday Nights, Boys Monday Nights.

Under 14 born 1996 – 1997 Girls Thursday Nights, Boys Tuesday Nights.

Under 16 born 1994 – 1995 Girls Monday Nights, Boys Thursday Nights.

Under 19 born 1991, 1992 & 1993 Girls Monday Nights Boys Monday Nights.

Enquiries: Girls – Donna Crosbie 5825 2032 Boys Eva Sarkady 0418 265431
President Karon McAuliffe 5825 4366



Week 5 ~ 5 March 2009

MARCH

- 6 Swimming Carnival
- 9 Labor Day Holiday ~ **no students at school**
- 10-12 Parent Teacher interviews
- 11 Community Meeting ~ 7pm
- 12 School Council AGM 7pm
- 13 Book Club forms & money due
- 16 P & F Annual Meeting 9.15am

APRIL

- 3 Last Day of Term 1
- 20 First Day of Term 2

MPPS Values

“Respect – each other and ourselves”

“Responsibility – in everything we do”

“Resilience – we bounce back”

M.P.P.S.THUGHT OF THE WEEK

In the end, those that fail are those that do not try.

Emotional Intelligence (E.Q)

As many of you know all our programs and learning are strongly linked around helping children to develop their emotional intelligence. Emotional intelligence is about knowing yourself, being resilient and building empathy with others. It is also about respecting yourself and others. When children show these virtues and capabilities we tell them that they are being strong. The language helps our children to learn and manage their behaviour. On Monday we had the privilege of hosting a visit from Mr. Wilson McCaskill, a wonderful educator in the field of emotional intelligence. Wilson comes from Western Australia, where he has helped many schools to improve student behaviour and social skills. Wilson worked with two of our classes on Monday helping the children learn how to share and develop social responsibilities through games. Many of our teachers, as well as teachers from other schools had a wonderful opportunity to watch a terrific educator working and teaching students, while the children themselves were learning and developing important skills for life. If you want to know more about emotional intelligence or the games, please talk to your children, or our teachers.

Community Garden

One of our parents, Julie Winch, has been investigating community gardens. Community gardens are a shared facility or space where people can grow vegetables and flowers. They are a great way to share tools and equipment as well as helping each other to grow wonderful food that is cheap and healthy. Some members of our school community are interested in starting a community garden at Mooroopna Park Primary School. However, we would like to know more and gauge how much interest there is before we commit to such a big project. If you are interested in being part of a community garden, a **meeting** will be held at the **school** next **Wednesday 11th March at 7pm** in the staffroom to look at the feasibility of starting a community garden.

School Council AGM and elections

Thursday 12th March at 7pm is our School Council Annual General Meeting, where we will elect a new school council for 2009. Three parent or community member positions are vacant, so if you are interested in being part of a wonderful group, or you know someone who is, please nominate via the form provided in last week's newsletter. Forms are also available from the front office at school.

Swimming Carnival

Tomorrow is our House, Swimming Carnival at the Mooroopna Swimming Pool.

Children need to come to school at the usual time, but they may wear their house colours instead of a full school uniform. The children will be bussed down to the pool. Can you please make sure that your child has a hat, sunscreen, a drink, plenty of food, bathers and a towel. We would love you to join in the day so feel free to come along and cheer for your child's house. The program starts at 10:00am and runs until lunchtime.

Thank you,

Cathy Hair©



MPPS STARS OF THE WEEK 27 February 2009

A1 GRADE 3/ 4 MRS DOWN	Lovepreet Kaur	For her lovely manners and consistently working well in class.
A 2 GRADE 3/4 MS BURDEKIN	Teharliah Cooper	For her persistent effort and positive attitude.
B1 GRADE PREP/1 MRS MAHONEY	Zac Henningsen	For settling to his work so quickly.
B2 GRADE 1/ 2 MRS MARSDEN	Valda Hudson	For her enthusiastic approach to school.
E1 GRADE 5/6 MRS DOORNKAMP	Caitlin Sellick	For showing kindness to others.
E2 GRADE 5/6 MS JAMES	Laa Daniel	For the kindness she demonstrated during her time at M.P.P.S.

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

This **free** program will not be able to continue running if we cannot get enough children to participate. The sports and activities on offer are all conducted by professionals in their chosen sport. We offer a wide range of sports, including: Gymnastics, Cricket, Basketball, Baseball, Martial Arts, Calisthenics, Dance and a whole lot more. This term we are conducting Circus/gymnastics activities, on a Wednesday night and is open to all those children from grades prep to 3. On Friday nights we are conducting Basketball, which is for all those children from grades 3 to 6. Please encourage your child/children to come along and join in. Afternoon tea is provided. It is fully supervised and it is a great way for kids to learn new skills. The times are: 3.20 to 3.45 afternoon tea. 3.45 to 4.45 the activities conducted. Children must be collected no later than 4.45pm.

MOOROOPNA HOCKEY CLUB

The Mooroopna Hockey Club is currently looking for new recruits/ team members to join their club. They have teams in every age group from under 12s through to both mens and womens A and B grades. The Under 12s usually consist of boys and girls from the age of 9 to 12 learning the skills of the game. Please Contact Julie Brown on 5820 3800 Mobile: 0438 019 303

GIRL GUIDES

Mooroopna District Girl Guides have vacancies in both their Guide Groups. The Junior Guides (7-11) meet at 5.30pm on Mondays and the Senior Guides (11-15) meet at 7.00pm also on Mondays. The Guide Hall is situated in Echuca Road, next to the Ambulance Station.

For further information, please contact: MAREE on 58 290714

HOUSE POINTS WEEK 4

MENZIES	1810
NORTON	1681
CHANDLER	1533
GEMMILL	1481

HOUSEMATE WANTED

If you would like to share, have your own space and facilities
Check This Out: Quiet Area in Mooroopna, Lovely new House,
Non - Smoker, No Pets. \$110 per week plus expenses.
Phone: **04383 26041**

SCHOOL LEVIES

The school levies for 2009 are \$185 per student (this includes all school programs, stationery and excursions) which is due for payment by the end of term 1. Please make an appointment with Mrs Hair if you have any concerns regarding payment of the levies.

BIRTH CERTIFICATES & IMMUNISATION FORMS:

All new students are required by the Department of Education (DEECD) to present their child's birth and immunisation certificates. Please provide this information if you have not already done so.

REMINDERS

- **Please check your child's bag each night for important notices.**
- Attendance: Parents must provide a note explaining any absences their child has from school.
- Wide brimmed hats are compulsory when students are outside in terms 1 and 4
- Please return pink forms, EMA applications.
- Grade 5/6 camp deposits of \$60 are required by this week.
- Please supply a box of tissues for your child

HEADLICE

Just letting parents know that we have had headlice reported in all rooms again this week, Please make sure that you check your child/childrens hair on a regular basis.

Parents & Friends: The Annual General Meeting will be held **Monday 16th March**. Nominations are now open for the following positions:
President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.
Nomination forms are available at front office.
There is a \$1. Cost for membership.

BOOK CLUB

Issue 2 is out now. **Due back 13 March 2009**

Thank-you



SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Tomorrow Friday 6th March we are having our Swimming Carnival at the Mooroopna Pool. Parents, family and friends are all welcome to come along and cheer on the children. The cost of admission to the pool and the bus is covered by your school fees. However, parents who haven't yet paid the fees will be required to pay the \$3 cost of this excursion. As the shop will not be open to students, they will need to bring their lunch, snacks and drinks, Students also need to bring along sunscreen, hats etc. The program commences at 10 am.

STUDENT - PARENT - TEACHER

INTERVIEWS 2009

Student /Parent / Teacher Interviews will be held on Tuesday 10th, Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th March. All interviews will be held in your child's/children rooms. Forms were sent home last week in newsletter. Please complete and return to the office as soon as possible. Timeslots will be allocated, on a first back, first allocation of day and time preference basis.

PARENTS AND CARERS

Do you have a child in years 5 to 8? (11-14 years)
Would you like to know more about-
The changes that take place in adolescence?
Your child's need for increased independence?
Setting boundaries and consequences?
Dealing with risk taking?

Then come along to the

ABCD: PARENTING Young Adolescents Program

WHERE: Goulburn Valley Community Health Service 399

Wyndham Street Shepparton.

WHEN: Friday 6th March 2009.

TIME: 10.00am to 12.30pm

COST: \$10 per person \$15 couples

FACILITATOR: Meredith Plunkett

Bookings are essential.

To book or for more information contact Meredith on

Telephone No. 5823 3215

Light refreshment will be provided

GREATER SHEPPARTON ON THE MOOVE

Twilight Stroll Friday 13th March

Leave Aquamoves at 5.30pm, walk to SPC Ardmona Kids Town.

Free Entertainment and Activities: Jumping Castle, Face Painting, Train Rides, Playground, BBQ. Music.

There will be a 52 seat shuttle bus for the return trip.

For more details phone the Council's Recreation Services Department on 5832 9536 or visit www.onthemove.com.au

ATTENTION PARENTS OF CHILDREN UNDER 8 YEARS OF AGE

'Every Child Under 8, Properly Restrained, Every Trip'
New legislation is due to be implemented in Victoria later this year. This will require that children from four to seven years old travel in a booster seat, a forward facing child restraint from six months to four years old, and a rearward facing capsule for infants to six months old. The new legislation will also state that children under age seven must be restrained in the rear seat of a vehicle. *Brochures will be sent home with students today.*



Red Cross Good Start Breakfast Club- ALL WELCOME

Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays 8.30-8.45am at the canteen. Cereal, toast and Milo is offered- No cost

