

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.

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

VOICE OF HARMONY

The 21st March 2009 will be a free event for Harmony Day

Fun for all the family,

Rumbalara Sports Complex, Mercury Drive Shepparton.

- Jumping Castle
 - Local Band after the match (6pm)
 - African Performance
- Sausage Sizzle and refreshments. 1-2pm Clinics
AUSKICK
Junior Soccer Clinic
1-2.30 pm 5 a-side Jnr Knock out Soccer game
2-45 to 3-45 pm Women's Soccer
4-6pm Three coded football match. (Touch, Soccer, AFL)

Gold coin donations are welcome Please come and support "OUR" community

All proceeds go towards raising money for the UCCE bushfire appeal
Harmony Day celebrates Australia's success as a diverse society and embraces the notion that whilst we are all different we are united by a common set of values and beliefs.

RESPECT
PARTICIPATION
SENSE OF BELONGING

Week 6 ~ 12 March 2009

MARCH

- 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
16 Garden Meeting
APRIL
3 Last Day of Term 1
20 First Day of Term 2
24 School Photo's

MPPS Values

"Respect – each other and ourselves"

"Responsibility – in everything we do"

"Resilience – we bounce back"

M.P.P.S. THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

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

Swimming Sports

Last Friday saw Mooroopna Park Primary School students participate in an excellent swimming carnival. Despite the cooler conditions, our students had a terrific time participating in lots of water events. Well done to Chandler House for coming in first with a score of 975. Well done to all the other Houses for the top competition that they provided. My thanks go to all the students, staff and parents who supported the day. Without your contributions events like the swimming carnival could not be held. My thanks particularly go to Mrs. Marsden who organised all the races and events.

Building the Education Revolution

Many of you will have seen the news reports about the Rudd Government trying to help employment and the economy by spending money on school buildings. I attended a meeting in Shepparton last Friday about the initiative and we have received some more information this week. Our School Council will investigate the best options for our school and I will keep you informed via the newsletter as to which option our School Council decides on. Hopefully, we will have some exciting projects underway soon that will make a difference to our children's learning environment.

K-Club

Mooroopna Kiwanis Club have offered to help us set up a Junior K-Club. A K-Club is made up of students who meet once a fortnight and organising projects such as fundraising and activities to help the school and the wider community. They are similar to a Junior School Council, but the main difference with a K-Club is that the children learn more about leadership and work with teachers and Kiwanis Club members as role models. I am very keen for our school to develop a K-Club. Can you please talk with your children and if they are interested, can they come and see me as we would like to start the group soon.

Well Done!

While I was out in the playground recently, one of our students had just bought an icy-pole from the canteen and she was happily enjoying it. She turned to me and said, "Here you are Mrs. Hair, here's my change (20cents); you can give it to the Bushfires". That's the 'giving' spirit that makes a difference, no matter how small the gift! She understood that it was important to try and help other people. Well one, we are all proud of you!

Thank you,

Cathy Hair ☺



MPPS STARS OF THE WEEK 6 March 2009

A1 GRADE 3/4 MRS DOWN	Emma Kniese	For persisting with her work every day.
A 2 GRADE 3/4 MS BURDEKIN	Jade Erdenay	For her persistent effort every day.
B1 GRADE PREP/1 MRS MAHONEY	Dwayne Mansfield	For the wonderful effort he makes with his work each day.
B2 GRADE 1/2 MRS MARSDEN	Sharharnie Atkinson	For persisting with her reading and spelling.
E1 GRADE 5/6 MRS DOORNKAMP	Braden Johns	For showing persistence in all his school work.
E2 GRADE 5/6 MS JAMES	April Kniese	For always demonstrating the virtue of persistence across all areas of schooling.

Is your child getting enough sleep?

About school-age sleep- *By Raising Children Network*

Getting a good night's sleep is important for your child's health, growth and development. It helps your child become more settled and ready for school the next day.

Children aged 6-9 need **10-11 hours sleep** a night.

Bedtime is usually from about 7.30 pm.

It is important to have a bed time routine.

Keep the bedroom dark, cool and quiet.

Sleepwalking is nothing to worry about.

Bedwetting is something your child will grow out of: 20% of children wet the bed at age five, only 5% by age 10.

Night terrors usually disappear by age six.

Up to 50% of children aged under seven have nightmares.

Children have a 40-minute sleep cycle of light sleep and deep sleep, followed by brief waking.

School mornings

How things go at home in the morning can set the tone for the day.

Children who arrive at school calm, relaxed, fed and ready can make the most of the first few hours of the day (also the best learning time).

Getting up an extra 15-30 minutes earlier might help things run more smoothly.

Mornings are easier if your child can do things for him/herself. Prepare a list of things your child can do to help.

Your child may be slow and make mistakes at first but will get the hang of it with practice. Once your child is really good at it, it will be one less thing you have to do.

TV can distract children from getting ready (and they can't hear you) so consider leaving it off.

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

Grade 5/6 Camp

A reminder to all families that a deposit of \$60 was required by the end of February. A number of families have not made this payment and need to do so A..S.A.P . The next installment is required by the 27th of March

HEADLICE

The Australian Head Lice Treatment Centre will be opening within the coming months , it will be located in Shepparton. You can bring in your child/ren and your child will be professionally treated for head lice with an Australian All-Natural product, which is NOT available in stores or pharmacies.

The treatment the company uses treats not only the lice but the eggs too. Also very minimal combing is required, as the eggs will fall out upon brushing. Please take a moment to complete a survey in which gives me an idea on how to best help and assist families in need throughout the Goulburn Valley. Survey forms can be collected from the front office.
Remember head lice is not dirty! Everyone is susceptible to it and we are here to help!

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

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



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

MOORoopNA JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB INC.

The Mooropna Junior Football Club are having a registration night on Wednesday 25th March at the Mooroopna Cricket Club rooms between 4.30 & 5.30 for any boys or girls that would like to play football in grades 4, 5 & 6. The season will commence in early May.
The cost is \$65. For all information please contact :
Mick Betson on 0428114800.

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

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 6

NORTON 3243

CHANDLER 3105

MENZIES 3103

GEMMILL 2814

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**

COMMUNITY GARDEN

The meeting for the Community Garden will now be held on
Monday 16th March.