



8am – 8.45am Monday October 26, 2009 - online  
 More than 12,000 women are diagnosed with breast cancer in Australia each year.  
 Join us online for a 'virtual breakfast' to find out more about dispelling the myths, reducing the risks and knowing what to watch out for

*Not just for women...*

Breast cancer is uncommon in men, accounting for less than 1% of all breast cancers. In Australia in 2001, a total of 95 men were diagnosed with breast cancer. Breast cancer in men occurs more commonly in those aged 50 years and older.

For every woman diagnosed there will almost certainly be a man in her life – a husband, partner, son, father, brother, or friend – who will also be affected

Why not join us online in Elluminate for a Pink Breakfast (wear pink too!!!) to learn about breast cancer and support a great cause

To register simply sign up for the event at this link  
<http://www.trumba.com/calendars/knowledgebank?trumbaEmbed=view%3Devent%26eventid%3D8604355>

If you can't make it you may wish to donate using the link below  
<https://www.pinkribbonday.com.au/GetInvolved/Donate/DonateForm.htm?state=VIC>

**Week 3: 19-23 October 2009**

**OCTOBER**

- 23 5/6 SPARKL Performance 7pm at the HUB
- 28-30 3/4 School Camp

**NOVEMBER**

- 2 K-Club-Cup Dress up Day-gold coin donation
- 3 Melb Cup Holiday
- 5 P-2 Train Trip Transport Excursion
- 10 E.L.F Community reading day
- 12 P-6 Tabloid Sports
- 13 Combined Infant Sports Day at St Mary's
- 19 School Council
- 26 Jnr Bike Safety Day

**DECEMBER**

- 3 School Council
- 7 Carols in the 'Park'
- 7 Parent Information Meeting for 2010 year 7 students at MSC – 6pm
- 8 Orientation Day
- 10 Gr 6 Graduation
- 18 Last day of school

**MPPS Values**

- "Respect – each other and ourselves"*
- "Responsibility – in everything we do"*
- "Resilience – We bounce back"*

**PRINCIPAL'S NEWS**

**22.10.09**

**Goulburn Valley Water Quilt Competition**

Our Art teacher, Mrs. Aitkin has done some wonderful work with the students this year. She has assisted them to enter many competitions including the quilt patchwork competition that GV Water recently ran to highlight their message of water conservation. Several senior students entered and Tahlia D'Amore has had the privilege of having her work included on one of the winning quilts. Tahlia made a patch that represented our environment of today and what might happen in the future if we don't look after our water supply. Tahlia, her parents and Mrs. Aitkin attended that awards presentation night this week and by all accounts it was a terrific evening. Congratulations Tahlia and well done on representing our school.



**Computers and ICT**

Yesterday, I had the privilege of meeting with the Deputy Secretary of innovations and research in education, Chris Wardlaw, to talk with other principals about digital learning and how computer education assists our students to learn. It was a wonderful privilege to represent our school and share with him the great work that our students are doing with technology and computers. Digital learning is about using computer programs to make learning and education more interesting, interactive and hopefully improve student outcomes. I shared how well our interactive whiteboards have been used to improve the teaching and learning particularly in the areas of literacy and numeracy education at Mooroopna Park Primary.

**Grade 5/6 performance**

Tonight is our grade 5 and 6 performance at the Mooroopna Hub. The show will start at 7pm. Light refreshments will be served afterwards. Tickets are by gold coin donation. The students have written the play and all the songs themselves! Come along and support our children and enjoy a night of entertainment

Thank you for your continued support  
 Cathy Hair, Principal©



## MPPS STARS OF THE WEEK 2-16 OCT 2009

A1 GRADE 3/4 MRS DOWN	<b>Shaneeka Dooly</b>	For showing great strength over the past week and consistently getting on with her work and learning.
A 2 GRADE 3/4 MS BURDEKIN	<b>Rhiannon McGrath</b>	For her persisitent effort with her Times Tables.
B1 GRADE PREP/1 MRS MAHONEY	<b>Sophie McNair</b>	For continuallyy trying to improve her writing.
B2 GRADE 1/2 MRS MARSDEN	<b>Zoe Smith</b>	For persisiting with her work.
E1 GRADE 5/6 MRS DOORNKAMP	<b>Michael watts</b>	For persistently putting a fantastic effort into his getting along.
E2 GRADE 5/6 MRS SMITH	<b>Liam Ralph</b>	For persisiting with his reading.

### MOOROOPNA GIRL GUIDES

Mooroopna District Girl Guides have vacancies in both of 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 Ambulance Station.

For further information, please contact MAREE on 58 290714

### MOOROOPNA CRICKET CLUB

Junior Training schedule is: U11's Wednesday and Thursday 4.30pm – 6.30pm  
U17's Tuesday & Thursdays 4.30pm – 6.30pm  
Meet at the John Gray Oval at the Practice nets.

Membership is \$50 plus \$1 per game.

**It is never too late to sign up.**

Any questions ring Lloyd on 0438 952 029



### VICSWIM

VICSWIM is the oldest aquatic education course in Victoria and is available to every student in this state. VICSWIM SUMMER KIDZ is a three week program at pools and beaches around the State commencing on the 4th January 2009.

**Enrolements are now open: visit [www.vicswim.com.au](http://www.vicswim.com.au).**

**Please note online enrolments close on December 9th 2009.**



### 2010 PREP ENROLMENTS:

Enrolments are now being taken for 2010. Please call into our office for an enrolment form. To receive the School Start Bonus Voucher before the end of the year, please enrol your prep A.S.A.P.

### PREP TRANSITION SESSIONS

Friday 6 November  
Friday 20 November  
Friday 27 November  
Friday 4 December  
**9.30-10.30am in B1**

### OUTSTANDING FAMILY ACCOUNTS:

It would be appreciated if those parents who had made arrangements to pay levies by instalments could please make further payments.

### GRADE 3/4 CAMP:

Students who have indicated they are attending camp and have an outstanding balance, are asked to finalise their payments.

### SUNBLOCK FUNDRAISING:

In Term 4 the school will be having a Sunblock Fundraiser. An order form will be sent home with your eldest child. All you need to do is fill in and return it to school with your money. Watch this space for more details



### HOUSE POINTS:

**MENZIES 12,723**  
**NORTON 11,462**  
**CHANDLER 11,235**  
**GEMMILL 8,887**

### WIDE BRIMMED HATS FOR TERM 4

A reminder that wide brimmed hats are compulsory when outdoors for students in term4. Black and Gold hats are available at the office for \$9.



### SCHOOL START BONUS

The Victorian Government's School Start Bonus provides a \$300 payment to all parents and carers of children starting Prep and Year 7 in 2010. The payment helps cover the costs of essential school items, such as uniforms, school bags and books, to help give Victorian children a great start at school. More information is available from the front office.

**Statewide Orientation Day is Tuesday 8 December**

### GRADE 5 / 6 PERFORMANCE

'TRAVELLING DOWN OUR FUTURE ROAD'

WHEN: Friday 23rd October  
WHERE: At the Mooroopna Hub.  
TIME: 7pm  
COST: Gold Coin Donation.

The students have been enthusiastically rehearsing for the last few weeks. Please come along and enjoy this wonderful production.



**Reminder:** We are still collecting aluminium cans so please keep them coming. Thanks to everyone that has brought along their cans already.

### **Fire Season preparation**

Last week, I went to a regional briefing on getting prepared for our next summer fire season. You may be aware that the CFA and State Government have introduced another fire danger rating category called Code Red, or Catastrophic. Conditions that occurred on February 7<sup>th</sup> (Black Saturday) will now be rated as a Code Red day. If this occurs on a school day, then our school, along with all others in the area will be closed. Hopefully, we will be given enough warning to make all necessary arrangements for this well before the day. However, we have been advised to make sure that all families contact details are up to date. ***If you have changed address, or phone details recently, can you please call in and update your contact details at our school office.***