WALK WITH ME …

A wonderful group of MPS students and staff members enjoyed the opportunity to proudly walk side by side with other community members last Friday at a function organised by Northcott Society. A short walk for some can be challenging for others and the Walk with Me day aimed to raise awareness and support a world where all are truly included. See more at: https://www.northcott.com.au/walk-me-2015#sthash.MdGg80dN.dpuf

MPS students and staff perform, Lean on Me

Northcott has been providing a vital service for more than 85 years, supporting children, young people and adults with disabilities to develop life skills, build confidence and become active participants in their communities. Today, Northcott helps more than 13,500 people, including many families and carers, driven by a purpose to build an inclusive society where people can live the life they choose. See more at: https://www.northcott.com.au/who-we-are#sthash.JE7BMvYM.dpuf

The Opera House, Taronga Zoo, Darling Harbour and Sydney Harbour Bridge were amazing sights for Year 5 students and staff. Have you ever climbed the Harbour Bridge Pylon? Year 5 can now claim this experience and confirm there are 200 stairs to the top – but what a view! From my talks with the children it is very clear they had a fabulous time visiting many of the great Sydney icons. Trying the hammocks at Hyde Park Barracks certainly gave students an idea of the harsh conditions experienced by the early convicts. In addition to the great learning experience, excursions such as this do provide students with lifelong memories. Special thanks go to Mr Cooper, Mr Brown, Miss White and Mrs Ireland for leading the excursion and our parent helper, Mrs Eggins.

Rubik cubes, socks, world globes, key rings, coffee cups and notebooks were amongst the surprise gifts opened last Sunday. The P&C Fathers Day stall held last week was a very busy place to be and judging by the excitement on children’s faces as they purchased a gift there would were many pampered dads on Sunday. Thank you to co-ordinators, Mrs Humphries and Ms Miller and to all the mums and grandmothers who kindly assisted.

Marching to the beat! Congratulations to 2M-33 and Miss March on hosting a wonderful assembly on Friday with a clever link to class music lessons. Students entertained the audience with a delightful army cadence highlighting rhythm and rhyme. At the primary assembly, 3R-38 demonstrated excellent acting skills performing scenes they had written based on the book, The Day the Crayons Quit. Well done, 3R-38 and Mrs Ross.

Important Information … MPS website: www.moree-schools.nsw.edu.au/

• Best wishes to Rhys Devney playing in the PSSA Golf at Blackheath Golf Course next Monday & Tuesday
Please join us for assemblies this Friday with classes: KR-8 and Miss Ryan at 10:30 am in the hall near the administration office and 6K-18 and Mrs Kelleher and 6M-13 and Miss Michael at 11:30 am in the new hall.

Checkmate! Congratulations to our three chess teams on a wonderful effort at the tournament in Gunnedah last Wednesday. Chess is a game of strategy and a high level of concentration is necessary in order to beat your opponent. Mrs McCudden tells me that our students played very well with many close matches against some very tough opposition. Well done boys and thank you Mrs McCudden and Mrs Hardman. Team 1: Mac Orr, Harry Hardman, Rhys Devney, placing 5th from 18 teams playing the tournament. Team 2 Jock Riley, Luke Devney, Matthew McLane and Team 3 Tom Watts, Dominic Kowalski & Seth Jenkins played strongly, with each player contributing points to their team.

Tell Them From Me is still open giving an opportunity for parents to complete the survey. We are hoping to have 100 parents complete the survey so that we get a broad range of parent responses. If you would like to complete the survey please contact the school office to collect a username and password to enable you to access the website. Tell Them From Me is an online survey system that helps schools capture the views of students, teachers and parents. Students have already completed the survey and staff will do so later this term. The results from all three groups will be amalgamated to provide valuable feedback on what the school does well and some suggestions for what we might do even better.

Getting ready for 2016! Moree Secondary College, Carol Avenue Campus will be holding an information evening for parents and students already enrolled, or considering enrolling, in Year 7, 2016. This will be held in the library at Carol Avenue on Wednesday, 19th September at 6.00pm. A dinner will follow the meeting where uniforms will be available to pre-order and full details regarding next year issued. For more information please contact the school on 02 67506500.

Butt out! Smoking on school premises, including school buildings, gardens, sports fields and car parks, is prohibited. This includes employees, visitors, students and other people who use school premises, including community groups. The Smoke-free Environment Act 2000 requires enclosed public places to be smoke free. The Act also requires certain outdoor areas to be smoke-free including within ten (10) metres of children’s playgrounds, public transport stops and stations, spectator areas of sports grounds and within four (4) metres from an entrance used by pedestrians to get into or out of a building. Within the Department, pedestrian access points include areas such as school gates where there is limited opportunity for people to avoid second hand tobacco smoke.

Thank you for your co-operation in complying with this legislation but most importantly, setting a positive example for our students.

Just around the corner …. 2016 kindergarten! A reminder that Moree Public School is now accepting enrolment applications for Kindergarten who wish to start in 2016. Children who turn five (5) years of age by 31st July 2016 are eligible to enrol. Please contact the school office for an enrolment form and submit the completed form accompanied by copies of your child’s birth certificate, immunization certificate and confirmation of residency. Should you wish to discuss your child’s enrolment, please contact the school office for an appointment with Mrs Hosegood or Mr King.

Mr Adrian King - Principal

P&C ASSOCIATION

• MEETING: The next general monthly meeting will be held on Monday, 14th September. All welcome.

• FETE & STUDENT TALENT QUEST: Please see attached stall roster

The 2015 Moree Public School fete is on the 16th October and is fast approaching. We will be seeking donations of the following things, in the week or weeks leading up to the fete:-

Potted plants
Homemade cakes, biscuits, jams, pickles and fresh produce
Secondhand books & magazines – sorry, this is NOT a white elephant stall

Items suitable for lucky dips
Hair products such as new bands, clips, Coloured hair spray and similar

If you have an idea for a stall or would like to co-ordinate or organise something, please feel free to give me a call on 0428-663014 or jill@ssearthmoving.com.au

Thanks, Jill Stewart

P&C Talent Quest Rehearsals during lunch times conclude this Friday with Yr 5 and Yr 6.

Mr McDonald is kindly available to assist entrants with their rehearsal but children must bring along their own backing track or dance music, preferably on a CD disc. Please bring these to Mrs Hosegood by this Wednesday, as this will allow more time on the stage. The school will not be sourcing music for any of the performances.

Thanks, Mrs Kelly James (Talent Quest Co-ordinator)
• **UNIFORM SHOP:** The shop continues to be opened by volunteer co-
ordinator and assistant each Wednesday and Friday morning
between 8.30 and 9.30am.

**SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS – CLASS & TEAMS**
The annual photographs are scheduled for early next term (all
classes and special groups on Tuesday, 20th and representative
sporting teams on Wednesday, 21st October). Orders can be made
online by following the guide below. However, pre-paid envelopes
are being sent home today – one with every student. Please note
that due to time restrictions, family photographs are for siblings only
and this envelope can be collected from the school office.

Photos are Now Available for Secure Online Purchase
4 Easy Steps to Online School Photo Ordering
your school code (6L8 LJ4 JA6)
2. Enter your child’s details.
3. Choose the package that best suits your needs (all orders will be
returned to the school for collection).
4. Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of
the page).

Please note: LATE FEES will apply once orders are closed!
Family/Sibling photo orders online close 48 hours before the first
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MPS Librarians

**COMING EVENTS**
**Terms 3 & 4**
Please check each week for possible variations or listen to local radio 2VM for the daily Harvey
Norman Superstore School News segment a little after 7.00am.

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**PCYC**

We are wanting to start **Active Kids** at the PCYC for parents with
children 3-5years. This will include rolling, tumbling, crawling
through tunnels and walking a beam to learn balance. The PCYC is
looking for parents that would like assist the club in operating this
activity on a Monday or Friday at 9am. Please contact the club for
more details.

Kind regard

Andrew Ryan

**Cool At School**

Social Skills

focus for this

week is:

Learn from the

mistakes of others.

You can’t make them

**ALL** yourself!

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Dates to remember!

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Year 5 enjoy Sydney …..