SPRINGING INTO TERM 4

Congratulations boys, girls, staff and parents on another exciting term at Moree Public School. Term 3 has presented many highlights and certainly too numerous to mention all but of particular note have been the excursions to Sydney, Canberra and Coffs Harbour, Book Week, Inverell Eisteddfod, ICAS assessments, chess tournament, participation in many sporting activities - MPS, district and regional athletics carnivals, netball, touch football, hockey, rugby league workshops and Jump Rope for Heart.

On behalf of the MPS staff, I wish everyone a safe break and we look forward to working with you again when school returns for students and staff on Tuesday 6th October 2015.

Moree – a generous community! Kindergarten children enjoyed a special learning opportunity in the form of an excursion last Wednesday. The day commenced with a presentation by officers from the Moree Police and a chance for children to sit in a police car. This entailed starting the flashing lights and sounding the siren. This set the scene for a walk to several venues including Woolworths, hospital, post office and the fire station. A picnic lunch in the park gave everyone an opportunity to rest, enjoy a little play on the equipment before moving to their last venue. The excursion is designed to compliment class lessons for the HSIE unit – Who in the community helps us? Moree Public School thanks the management and staff of each venue – the students and staff were warmly welcomed and a lot of effort was made to provide interesting and informative tours. Such generous support ensures that children learn from a very early age that we live in a caring community and there are many people and organisations that help us live a good and healthy life.

Bullseye! As Year 3 students prepare for their first overnight excursion to Lake Keepit Sport and Recreation camp on Thursday, everyone can be assured of some fantastic outdoor activities – archery, canoeing and abseiling. Thank you in advance to staff, Mr Burgess, Miss Higham, Mrs Ireland, Mrs McLane and Mr French for kindly providing their time to enable the children to enjoy such a special trip with their friends.

Moree Public School News Flash was the theme for a delightful assembly item from KR-8 on Friday. The children created their own news channel to report events that have happened at school this term. News anchors, Trixie and Meg announced the live crosses to a sport reporter (featuring the Jump Rope for Heart jump off), the all important weather report and an entertainment reporter who introduced a very talented dance troupe. Well done, boys and girls and thank you, Miss Ryan.

Pantomime was the theme for the primary assembly hosted by 6K-18 and 5/6M-13. Clever acting (mime) had the audience laughing as students, dressed in wonderful costumes performed several delightful acts. The boxing match complete with seconds and audience (acting) was timed to perfection as with the other scenes. 6K-18 and 5/6M-13 excelled – congratulations!

Please join us for assembly this Friday hosted by 1M-6 and Mrs McCudden at 10:30am in the hall near the administration office. There is no primary assembly this week.

Tell Them From Me: If you have not already completed the survey please contact our office for a username and password.

The P&C Twilight fete and talent quest will be held on Friday, 16th October and already the co-ordinators have committed a huge amount of time. The talent quest entrants have rehearsed on stage and are eagerly looking forward to the evening finale! However, there is still much to do for this special family event and Mrs Jill Stewart will warmly welcome all offers of assistance – helping to set up, running a stall, helping to serve for even a short period, and of course at the end, packing equipment, tables and chairs away. Please ring Jill on 0428-663014. Thank you to those who have already put their name forward.
**Anaphylaxis** is a severe allergic reaction that is potentially life threatening. Food allergies are the most common cause of anaphylaxis. There is no cure for food allergy therefore avoidance of known food allergens is crucial. Peanuts and tree nuts are the foods most likely to cause anaphylaxis.

Moree Public School is supporting children at risk of anaphylaxis by:

- training staff,
- developing individual health care plans in consultation with health professionals and parents,
- encouraging children to wash their hands after eating,
- educating children about food allergies, and
- choosing not to sell food in the school canteen which contains nuts.

We ask you to support children at risk of anaphylaxis by:

- not sending food which has peanuts or tree nuts (eg hazelnuts, cashews, almonds) in the main ingredients list.
- teaching your child not to share food with friends that have food allergy,
- encouraging your child to wash their hands after eating,
- asking your child to get help immediately if their allergic schoolmate gets sick, and
- explaining to your child that teasing a child with an allergy or tampering with their medication, is bullying and could be life threatening.

With your help we can continue to provide a safe environment that meets the needs of all our children.

**Passing, ducking, weaving and speed** were just some of the skills shown by the girls’ touch football team against Warialda Public School last week. Coach, Miss Meadham is glowing in her praise for the students - who with great spirit faced a very talented opposition. Well done, girls and thank you Miss Meadham.

**Howzat!** Congratulations to our cricketers on a great win over Gulargambone Central School last week. A combination of excellent batting, good bowling and some very focused fielding contributed to the performance. The boys will go on to play Ben Venue Public School on Thursday. Well done, boys and coach, Mr Cooper. Thank you also to umpire, Mr Kaukiainen for again supporting our district PSSA sport.

P& C **ASSOCIATION**

**Meeting:** The next general monthly meeting will be held on **Monday, 12th October**. This will be an important meeting as the final arrangements for the fete will be discussed. 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 are seeking donations of the following:

- **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 have concluded** and the final running order is being prepared. It is anticipated that a final after school rehearsal will be held early next term to ensure each act knows the order of events and how to enter and exit the stage. A school note will be sent home with final details

Thanks, Mrs Kelly James
(Talent Quest Co-ordinator)
BOOKS, Books, Books – where are you?

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Mrs L Beatle & Mr K Cattanach
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**Uniform Shop:** The shop continues to be opened by volunteer coordinator and assistant each Wednesday and Friday morning between 8.30 and 9.30am.

**Cool at School**

Learn from the mistakes of others. You can’t make them ALL yourself!

**Kids Quotes:**
- Learn to observe others and be prepared to help them if they make a mistake.
- We all make mistakes but try to avoid following the mistakes of others.
- Look before you leap!

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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

BRING YOUR CHILDREN ALONG FOR A BIT OF FUN
Tickets are now on sale for Storytime 2 presented by Moree Arts Council Thespians and performed by our local primary school children. The children will be performing the following books:

- 10 Little princesses
- Dr Dog
- Little Red Riding Hood
- Room on a Broom
- Sleepy Hollow

When: Saturday 19th September 10 am & Sunday 20th September at 10.30 am

Where: Aeroclub
Cost: Adults $10 / Primary School Children $5 / Preschool Age Free
Tickets: Moree Frame and Art Shop, Heber St (or on day if still available)

Kind regards
Bec Reardon

Year 5 Excursion to Sydney …

Resting, admiring the view at Darling Harbour …

Warning, warning …

Dates to remember!
- Thursday, 17th September Cricket – MPS vs Ben Venue PS at Armidale
- Friday, 18th September – Last day of Term 3; Tuesday, 6th October – First day of Term 4 for staff and students