



IMPORTANT DATES

Monday-Friday, 28th Aug-1st Sept	Gr 1 & 2 Swimming in Schools Program
Thursday, 31st August	DOJO Reward Puffing Billy, Gr 4-6.
Friday, 1st September	Winter Attendance Celebration Out of Uniform Day & Bike raffle drawn.
Friday, 1st September	Father's/Special Person Day Stall.
Monday-Friday, 4th-8th September	Prep, 4 & 6 Swimming in Schools Program.
Wednesday, 6th September	Show & Shine. 3.00-4.00pm.
Monday-Tuesday, 11th-12th Sept	The Prize, Gr 5 & 6 Production at Performing Arts Centre, McDonald Street.
Monday, 11th September	Full dress rehearsal for The Prize Production. Cast members only.
Tuesday, 12th September	Prep-Gr 2 attending The Prize Production at Performing Arts Centre by bus. 9.30-11.00am
Tuesday, 12th September	Gr 3-6 walking down to The Prize Production at Performing Arts Centre. 12.00-2.30pm.
Wednesday, 13th September	Division Athletics for students participating.

Principals Report

Swimming Program

Our grade 3 and 5 students have been participating in swimming lessons at the Morwell Leisure Centre (MLC) this week. Our swimming program utilises trained swimming teachers from the MLC and provides children with five thirty minute swimming skill development opportunities. Children spend the other thirty minutes having swim play. If your child has difficulty getting organised for changing in and out of the pool please practise with them beforehand. For those who haven't experienced children's change rooms they can be pretty chaotic and staff cannot physically assist so many children!!!!

Puffing Billy Steam Train

Next Thursday students in grades 4-6 who have purchased a ticket with the DOJO points will be attending the Puffing Billy Steam Train at Belgrave. The bus will be departing at 8.15 sharp. Return time is anticipated for 4.30 however that depends on traffic conditions.

School Production

Students in grades 5 & 6 have been invited to participate in our school production "The Prize" which will be performed on Tuesday November 12. Our students in Prep – 2 will be bused to the Performing Arts Centre at Morwell Central Primary School for the morning performance at 9am that day. Children in grades 3-6 will walk to the PAC for the afternoon performance. Parents of the cast and crew will be invited to the evening's performance.

Prep 2024 Enrolments

A reminder that we are currently taking Prep enrolments for 2024. If you have a Prep child for next year or you are aware of a child who is likely to enrol please contact the school to begin the process. School tours are available.

Child Safe Standards and other School Policies

Our Child Safe Standards as well as other school policies are available on our school website for your perusal.

Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease

We have had a number of cases of HF&M, please see the information from our school nurse on page 5.

Parent/Carer/Guardian Opinion Survey

Our school is currently conducting a survey to find out what parents/caregivers/guardians think of our school. The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents/caregivers/guardians (previously known as the Parent Opinion Survey). It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies. Approximately 30% of randomly selected parents are invited via **email** to participate in this year's survey, conducted until **Friday 8th September**.

All responses to the survey are anonymous.

The survey is conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English. These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (Hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Somali, Turkish, Punjabi and Greek.

Chris Joustra, Principal.

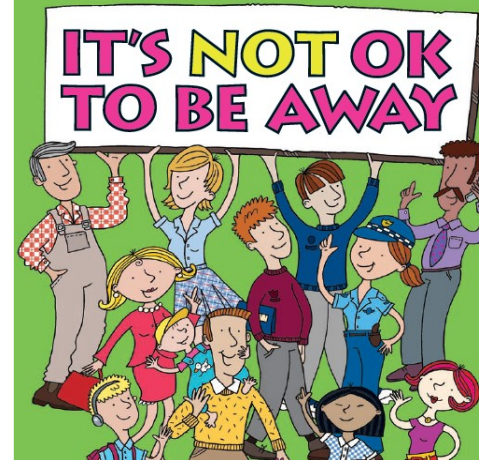


WEEKLY AWARDS



- Prep** Malesha B, Warra S, Payton V
- Gr 1** Indy L, Indie A
- Gr 2** Zion D, James A
- Gr 3** Allira H, Casey W
- Gr 4** Matthew J C, Savannah H T, Leah M
- Gr 5** Theo H, Reece W, Indie P
- Gr 6** Daniel G, Sienna R

- ARTISTS AWARDS Gr 3A, 5A
- PE AWARDS Gr 3 & 4
- MUSIC AWARDS
- LIISA'S LEGEND OF THE WEEK
- SCHOOL VALUE AWARDS.
- KIND: Alannah F, Gr 2
- GRITTY: Bianca P, Gr 3
- FOCUSED: Matthew J, Gr 4



ATTENDANCE AWARD

Grade 1
90.29%

HOT BREAKFAST

Fridays

EVERY FRIDAY

IN THE ART ROOM



8.30AM-8.45AM

COME ALONG AND ENJOY A YUMMY HOT BREAKY

SEE YOU ALL THERE!



The Prize

TICKET SALES FOR YEAR 5/6 PRODUCTION

The time is finally here again!

This year's production will be held in the Performing Arts Centre, McDonald Street Morwell near the Leisure Centre. There will be enough seating to cater for 300 people for each performance.

All students from Prep – Year 6 will see the performance on Tuesday 12th of September during school hours.

The evening show is reserved for adults and other siblings.



Please return the form below to the school office, tickets will be sent home with your child. Please present your tickets at the door along with your **gold coin donation**, this going towards production costs.

DAY / DATE	TIME OF PERFORMANCE	AUDIENCE	NUMBER OF TICKETS REQUIRED
<i>Monday 11th September</i>	ALL DAY	FULL DRESS REHEARSAL	NO SEATS AVAILABLE
<i>Tuesday 12th September</i>	9.30am-11.00am	GRADE Prep-2	NO SEATS AVAILABLE
<i>Tuesday 12th September</i>	12.30pm-2.00pm	GRADE 3-6	NO SEATS AVAILABLE
<i>Tuesday 12th September</i>	6.30pm-8.00pm	GENERAL PUBLIC (reservations required)	

NAME.....

GRADE.....

Looking for an affordable summer sport?



Little Athletics caters for children aged 5-17 and includes sprints, middle-distance running, hurdles, throws and jumps.

\$135
per athlete

*2 free trials via LAVic registration

2023/2024 TRACK & FIELD SEASON

COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 30TH

SEASON RUNS SEPTEMBER-MARCH

Registrations open mid August

See our Facebook page for more details

Location: Joe Carmody Athletics Track

Newborough at 8:45am



Like Moe Little Athletics on Facebook to stay up to date with the latest information!



Fun, Fitness, Friendship

Email: moe@lavic.com.au

LOWES

2 DAY VIP EVENT

20% OFF EVERYTHING*



AUGUST 24TH & 25TH



INSTORE & ONLINE

*T&C's apply, no rainchecks, savings off original prices.



Glen: 0408 762 679
Sally: 0403 282 630

Come play tennis at the Morwell Tennis Club

Vary St - Morwell

“HOTSHOTS Tennis”

A program teaching children aged 4 – 12 the basics of the game.

“Let’s Play Tennis”

A program for children aged 12 and above. Groups available for those that have never played before and for those that want to improve on their current skills.

FREE ‘Come and Try’ Session

Call for times

FREE trial lesson available for all programs.

FREE junior racquet and Hotshots t-shirt for new players

SENIOR and JUNIOR competitions starting in October

Call now for information or to register your interest

Pre-season Practice session

Tuesday September 12 at 5:00pm

Come along if you are interested in playing this season – beginners welcome

Father’s Day Stall

Friday 1st September

All students will have an opportunity to purchase a gift for their Father/Special person from 8.45 till recess, with a variety of gifts ranging from \$1.00 to 10.00.

Volunteers are required to help on the day, if you can spare some time, even a short amount, it all helps and would be greatly appreciated.

Please email:

mppsparentscommittee@yahoo.com or contact the School Office if you would like to volunteer.

Thank you.

Hello Carers and Family,

At Morwell Park Primary School we have had a number of cases of Hand Foot and Mouth Disease.

Outlined below are some general guidelines for your information.

Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease (HFMD) is a virus that causes a rash or blisters on the hands and feet, as well as in or around the mouth. Other symptoms may include fever and sore throat, leading to loss of appetite or risk of dehydration.

Incubation periods for Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease is commonly three – seven days.

Infectious period (that is the time during which an infected person can infect others and may not attend school) can last from seven – ten days, or until the blisters have dried.

Spread of Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease:

This infection is spread by direct contact with fluid from the skin blisters, nose and throat discharges (including saliva, sputum or nasal mucus), droplets (sneezing, coughing) and faeces (stools). Good personal hygiene is important to prevent spread of the infection to others.

The skin blisters of HFMD are infectious until they become crusty and there is no fluid in the blisters. The virus may also be shed in the faeces (poo) for several weeks after the blisters resolve.

Treatment

HFMD is a mild illness that resolves within a few days. There is no specific treatment and usually none is required.

Use paracetamol (not aspirin) as directed for fever and any discomfort. Offer plenty of fluids, but avoid orange juice, which is acidic and may cause pain with mouth ulcers. Allow blisters to dry naturally. Do not pierce blisters, as the fluid within them is infectious.

If a child with HFMD complains of severe headache, if fever persists, or if there are any worrying symptoms, consult your local doctor immediately.

For further information please refer to:

Hand, foot and mouth disease – <https://www.health.vic.gov.au/infectious-diseases/hand-foot-and-mouth-disease>