

# Morwell Park P S

## **School Community Newsletter**

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21st November, 2024



Morwell Park Primary School Official

IMPORTANT DATES	
Thursday, 28th November	Creative Arts Show & Shine. 3.00-4.15pm.
Friday, 29th November	Gr 6 Gumbuya World excursion. 9.00-4.00pm.
Friday, 29th November	DOJO Reward-Inflatable World.
Friday, 29th November	Issue 8 Book Club due <b>ONLINE</b> .
Thursday, 5th December	Prep Get Ready day. 1.45-2.30pm.
Thursday, 5th December	School Council meeting 5pm.
Thursday, 5th December	Dress up Day, holiday themed.
Friday & Monday, 6th & 9th Dec	Gr 6 –Kurnai Yr 7 Transition.
Tuesday, 10th December	Statewide Transition Day. Yr 6 - 7 & Kinder - Prep.
Wednesday, 11th December	Raffle tickets and money due back by 9.00am.
Thursday & Friday 12th-13th Dec	Prep Swimming in Schools Program. 10.45-1.15pm
Friday, 13th December	Raffle drawn.
Wednesday, 18th December	Gr 6 Graduation.
Friday, 20th December	Last day of Term Four, children dismissed 1pm.

## **Principals Report**

#### Parent's Association Special Lunch Day

I would like to thank our dedicated Parent's Association for arranging yesterday's special lunch day. It takes a huge amount of time, effort and coordination to host whole-school special events. We are lucky to have such an amazing group of parents supporting our school. Thank you!!

#### **Creative Arts Show & Shine**

Our Show & Shine is swiftly approaching and staff are looking forward to sharing student learning with parents and carers. We invite you to pop in for a visit when collecting students next Thursday November 28th, we will have loads of fun activities, some raffles and a free Zooper Dooper for every child.

#### **Grade 6 Gumbuya World Excursion**

Next Friday, November 29th our Grade 6 students will begin their end of year celebrations as they venture off on an excursion. Our annual Grade 6 Gumbuya day-out promises to be a great day for students and staff! Remember to get student permissions forms back asap.

#### **DOJO Excursion – Inflatable World**

Also next Friday those students who have used their DOJO points to purchase an excursion ticket will head to Studio 54 in Moe to spend a session at Inflatable World. Excursion permission forms will be sent home today and need to be returned by Tuesday November 26<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations to students for saving their points to attend this event!

#### **Absence Messages**

When students are away from school, our system generates a text message and sends it to parents/carers requesting a reason for the absence. We are legally required to collect this information and provide it to the Department of Education. Please respond to the text if you receive one or call the office to explain any student absences. By doing so, you are preventing further involvement from the Department or any follow-up referrals.

Simone Richardson, Acting Principal.

## **WEEKLY AWARDS**



**Prep** Kelsey M, Jackson C

**Gr 1** Nasma I, Mary A, Noah S

**Gr 2** Mackenzie M, Sabrina W S

**Gr** 3 Sumaya A, Kaylah M

**Gr 4** Noah T, Lucas J, Ava O'C

**Gr 5** Sadie H, Connor B, William A S

**Gr** 6 Archer J, Theo H

ARTISTS AWARDS 4F and Yasmin A S, 5D

PE AWARDS 5B and Nada I, 5B

**MUSIC AWARDS** 

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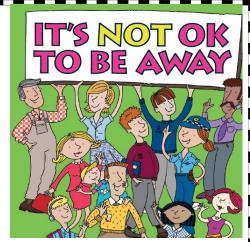
SCIENCE AWARDS 6D and Damen H J, 6D

LIBRARY AWARDS

TEACHER OF THE WEEK

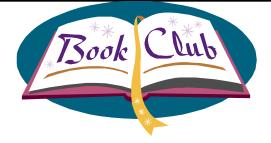
#### **SCHOOL VALUE AWARDS.**

KIND: Juztice D, 6D
GRITTY: Taylor M, 1M
FOCUSED: Robert D, 4P



# ATTENDANCE AWARD Grade

1M, PM, 4P, 4F, 2C



## Issue 8 of Book Club must be submitted **ONLINE** by **Friday 29th November.**

Visit <u>www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP</u> or download the app to order online.

Each order helps the school earn bonus points that we can order free books for the school library and Lexile program.

# 2ND HAND UNIFORM JUMPER/HOODY SALE

Thursday 28th November 3.00-4.15pm.

Get sorted for the 2025 school year with our 2nd hand jumper & hoody clothing at \$1.00 each.

Great range of sizes available at The Show & Shine afternoon on Thursday 28th November, 3.00-4.15pm.

Look forward to seeing you there.

## School Saving Bonus UPDATE. November 2024

Parent and carer School Saving Bonus code distribution.

The Victorian Government is delivering the School Saving Bonus – a one-off \$400 support for government school students from Prep to Year 12 in 2025.

From Tuesday 26 November 2024, you will receive an email from the Department of Education with your unique \$400 School Saving Bonus code.

The School Saving Bonus will help families cover the cost of uniforms, textbooks, excursions, activities and more.

If you have multiple children enrolled in Victorian government schools for 2025, you will receive one School Saving Bonus code email per child. These emails might arrive on different days. Please make sure to check your spam/junk email folder.

Parents and carers can use the School Saving Bonus code in store at school-nominated suppliers. Parents and carers can also choose to access the School Saving Bonus online system, where they can allocate part or all the \$400 bonus to use at school nominated-online suppliers or for school activities.

To learn more about the School Saving Bonus, visit School Saving Bonus | vic.gov.au (www.vic.gov.au). A step-by-step user guide will be available on the webpage on 26 November.

If you have not received your School Saving Bonus code via email by Friday 29 November, please contact the Department of Education by email: school.saving.bonus@education.vic.gov.au



## CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Drawn on Friday 13th December.

Raffle tickets will be sent home tomorrow with the eldest child in the family.

All tickets are to be returned by <u>9am</u> on 11th December, the raffle will be drawn on Friday 13th December.

Please write the purchasers name **and** phone number clearly on each ticket and return to the school marked CHRISTMAS RAFFLE. Please return any unsold tickets.

### DRESS UP DAY - 5TH DECEMBER

Come dressed up in a holiday theme and we ask that you can bring a donation of a toy, food or items that can go towards our Christmas raffle.



# Need help with your gambling or the effects of someone else's gambling? We can help.

The new team of friendly counsellors at Latrobe Community Health Service are on hand for anyone across Gippsland.

#### We offer free and confidential:

- Phone support
- Face-to-face therapeutic & financial counselling

#### **Ongoing support:**

- advice & advocacy in relation to debts, rental arrears and loans
- advice and ways to deal with gambling-related challenges



Let's talk. Call our friendly team on 1800 242 696 (Mon-Fri 8.30am-5pm) or email gamblingsupportservices@lchs.com.au

Scan the QR code to find out more.

Those outside Gippsland can also access free, 24/7 support by calling Gambler's Help on 1800 858 858.

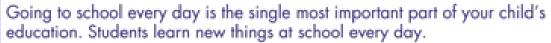






# EVERY Day COUNTS!

## Why going to school is important





It's the law that children 6 to 17 years old go to school. Caregivers are legally responsible for making sure their child goes to school every day.

## Let the school know as soon as possible and explain why your child can't come to school.

# What to do if your child cannot go to school



Call the office on 5134 1793

OR



Message OFFICE STAFF on the Seesaw App

OR



Reply to the text message you receive from the office

If you do not let the school know, we **must** contact you on the same day to make sure your child is safe.

#### Please Note

It is important to communicate with the school when your child is absent from school to prevent attendance issues being escalated to our School Attendance Officer.

A School Attendance Officer is a Department of Education and Early Childhood Development Regional Director who has authority to follow up attendance issues.

Attendance issues that are escalated can lead to an Infringement Notice.

