

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

We have had a very smooth start for the term with everyone at school and very keen to learn. There will still be a few things that we would normally do at the end of the year that may not be possible but we will address these things as they arise.

Transition Days

Transition for the new Preps and year 6 children going to secondary school will hopefully happen. We will plan for it to happen and make changes as we need.

MOSH

We welcome our new after school care educator, Shelley Clarkson. Shelley is qualified and has a lot of experience with children. Shelley also works as Education Support at Myhrree Primary. Myhrree has recently received a grant for After School Care so we are working together now moving forward but the service will remain operating here at Moyhu Primary School. We are also happy to offer the program four days a week, Monday to Thursday inclusive. Shelley is settling in well and already doing a wonderful job.

Staff Professional Learning Day

On Monday 22nd November staff will be undertaking a follow up professional learning focussing on developing writing skills in literacy. This workshop day supports our student learning in the classroom and has further enhanced the work staff have been doing with our Literacy Learning Coaches.

Parent Teacher Online Interview

Over the next week we will be sending out an invite for parents to book a 10min interview time to go over your child's wellbeing, academic progress and to discuss their co-constructed learning goals for Term 4. Please keep an eye out for this on SchoolStream to book your time.

Wellbeing

We understand that due to the many changes and challenges of the year that students can be unsettled with the routine of school. We have adjusted our learning program to help support all children with their learning. Our afternoon sessions have been focusing on wellbeing and responding to the student needs in the moment, to help them slowly increase their stamina and ease any stresses of the day. If you have any concerns about your child please contact myself or Hanna so we can work together to best support you and your child.

Stay safe,
Rick Martin,
Principal



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DATES TO REMEMBER

Wed 27th Oct - School Council meeting at Moyhu Hotel

Tues 2nd Nov - Melbourne Cup - Public Holiday - No School

Mon 22nd Nov - Pupil Free Day (Staff Professional Development)

Mon 29th Nov - Last School Council Meeting at school for 2021

COVID 19

At Moyhu Primary we are following the recommended guidelines which includes:

- Everyone washing hands regularly
- Maintaining 1.5 metres apart from others
- If anyone is feeling unwell they are to stay home
- Please get tested, even if you have the mildest symptoms

For information in regards to COVID-19 and school, please refer to:

www.education.vic.gov.au/coronavirus or phone the department's hotline on 1800 338 663.

Or DHHS Website at www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus



Term 4 Learning Overview

Reading

Reading workshops for this term will focus on various comprehension strategies and questioning techniques. Building the students' ability to respond critically to various texts and answer different question types about these texts will be a major focus. Independent Reading will be timetabled in every day and the aim will be to improve reading stamina, comprehension and allow students to work on their individual reading goal. Reading conferences will allow a discussion about their independent text and the development of student reading goals; these will take place on a regular basis.

Writing

Writing this term will focus primarily on biographies and persuasive texts. Each lesson will be presented to build on prior knowledge and working towards creating an interesting text that allows the students to practise using writer's craft and present a point of view. The goal is to publish a piece of writing that shows steps towards achieving their individual writing goals whilst working in a variety of writing styles.

Maths

In Maths this term we will be continuing to explore the different areas of the maths curriculum.

Number:

- Division Consolidation
- Patterns & Algebra
- Fractions & Decimals
- Money & Finance

Measurement & Geometry:

- Volume & Capacity

Statistics & Probability:

- Data representation & interpretation

Across all areas we will look at different problem solving strategies that students can practise and relate to new concepts. This is a way for the students to learn different steps to solve multi-tiered real world problems.

Inquiry

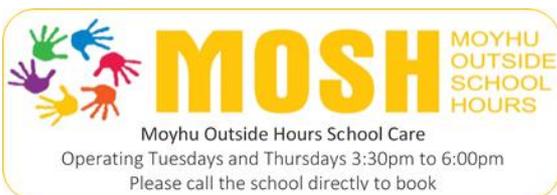
Our focus for this Term is the topic 'Forces of Science'. We are investigating how objects move and how that depends on a variety of factors including their size and shape and that a push or a pull affects how an object moves or changes shape. We are learning about simple machines and how these are used to make every day life easier and the inventive ways humans have applied this understanding.

Spelling

F-1 students are focussing on weekly spelling words of the first 100 high frequency words, with Grade 2 students learning the first 300 high frequency words. Grades 3-6 will continue to develop their spelling through the SMART Spelling Program. Students learn the meaning of words to expand their vocabulary and then words are broken down into syllables, sounds and letter patterns (graphs, digraphs and trigraphs) following a simple routine to reinforce spelling rules and phonological understanding.

Calendar

Check out School Stream for the latest calendar updates



CHILDSAFE

Moyhu is a Childsafe school
For related policies please refer to our school website.

Further information on Childsafe can be found at
<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/health/protect/Pages/default.aspx>