PRINCIPAL’S NEWS
Communicating about Learning
Each month parents will receive a class newsletter. The newsletter will: engage parents in their child’s learning by providing an overview of the curriculum to be covered, inform parents of upcoming events and key dates, and celebrate the learning in the class. Please ensure that you receive yours!

2016 Enrolments
If you currently have a child at Moolap and are enrolling a sibling next year, please ensure that you have completed and returned an Enrolment Form to the school office. Interest is high again this year so we need your Enrolment Form as soon as possible.

Preps First Full Week
This Wednesday is our last Prep Free day. Preps will have their first full week of school starting next week, Monday 16 March. Preps are adjusting really well to school life.

Welcome Paula
We would like to extend a warm Moolap welcome to Paula Vicary who commences at Moolap this Thursday. Paula has been employed through the National School Chaplaincy Program and will be working at Moolap on Thursdays and Fridays. Over the coming weeks Paula will be visiting classrooms to assist and to get to know our students. Please make sure you say hello!

Good Luck!
Good Luck to ex Moolapian, Brandon Richmond Craig who is competing in the Australian Junior Athletics Championships in Sydney Olympic Park this weekend. Brandon will be competing in the 100m, 200m and 4 x 100m relay. We wish him the very best of luck.
Enjoy!
Robbie

SCHOOL NEWS
Harmony Day Breakfast
A reminder that we will be holding a Harmony Day Breakfast on Tuesday 17 March. If you have not returned a RSVP please do so a soon as possible.

MCG (MOOLAP COMMUNITY GROUP) NEWS
Thanks to Dominos Newcomb for their delicious pizzas last Friday lunch.

HOTCROSS BUNS
Hot Cross Bun Order Forms are now due back. Vouchers will be back to students by March 18.

Special Lunch Friday
Special lunch orders this week are hot dogs. Forms are being handed out today and are due back no later than Thursday 9am. They are also available from the office.

Jam Doughnuts
Frozen jam doughnuts are going to be available at the canteen Thursday from 3.00 - 3.45. Ten for $5.00.

Easter Raffle
Donations are now being taken for our annual Easter raffle. Please leave any donations at the office. Raffle ticket books will be out by the end of the week.

NEXT MCG MEETING
Thank you everyone who attended our last meeting to have their input. Next MCG meeting is Tuesday 14th April at 2pm.

LUNCH ORDERS - TERM 1
Friday 13 March  Hot Dogs
Friday 20 March  Subway
Friday 27 March Last day term 1 – No Lunch Orders
Order forms and prices will be provided to students.

EXTEND OSHC AT MOOLAP PRIMARY SCHOOL
AFTER SCHOOL CARE FOR AS LOW AS $8.14?
Did you know that After School Care is only $8.14 to $12.50 per permanent booking after fee relief?
And the good news is most people are eligible for fee relief! The 50% Child Care Rebate is NOT income tested. For $12.50 per session or less, your child could be attending After School Care which includes:
- A healthy afternoon snack such as sandwiches, a variety of fresh fruit, popcorn, pasta, and more.
- A variety of scheduled activities including arts and crafts, sports and team games, cooking activities, science, and heaps more.
- Lots of free choice.
- Homework club available by request.
Give your child the opportunity they should have, and enrol with Extend today.

AUTUMN HOLIDAY PROGRAM COMING SOON TO GEELONG AREA

Our team have been working hard on the Autumn Holiday Program and bookings will soon be open. We have heaps of fun activities planned that you won’t want to miss out on! Be sure to check our website for updates and watch this space...

Last week at after school care the children had fun creating biscuits in the shape of the Gruffalo, making fruit smoothies, painting, doing scratch art and spending time with friends in group games.

Conveniently located at Moolap Primary School from 3.30pm to 6pm, Monday to Friday. Children can enjoy a healthy snack, a safe and friendly environment, spending time with peers and also engaging in a range of fun activities. To enrol & book, go to www.extend.com.au and visit the parent portal link.

This week’s activities:
Tuesday 10th March: Canvas paintings & t-shirt design
Wednesday 11th March: Cooking Crackles
Thursday 12th March: Cupcake design, 3d Animals
Friday 13th March: Games and Plaster Prints

ONLINE BOOKINGS: extend.com.au
CALL OUR OFFICE: 1300 366 437

NETBALL NEWS
Moolap Cubs – 12 March @ 4.40p.m 19 March @ 5.20 p.m.
Moolap Munchkins#1 - 11 March @ 4.40p.m.
Moolap Munchkins#2 – 11 March @ 5.20p.m.

2015 DIARY DATES

MARCH
Mon 16 Preps First Full Week
Tues 17 Harmony Day Breakfast
Mon 23 School Council Meet 5.30pm
Wed 25 Football Clinic
Thurs 26 Moolap Cross Country
Fri 27 Last Day Term 1 - 2.30 Dismissal
Easter Hat Parade @ 9.00 A.M. / Easter Raffle

APRIL
Mon 13 First Day Term 2
Tue 14 MCG Meeting @ 2.00p.m.
Wed 22 School Photos

COMMUNITY NEWS

Michael Grose.....JUST DO YOUR HOMEWORK!

Rather than homework be a headache for your child and for you, here are some tips to help minimise the hassles and for you to stay sane during the process!

1. Establish homework time and stick to it each day. If children tell you that they don’t have any formal homework then they can read, revise or organise their work. My feedback tells me that sticking to a routine despite the fact that no formal homework is set is extremely useful and helps avoid battles.

2. Put the onus back on your children to take responsibility for their work. Ask children at the start of a homework session to state how much homework they will do. At the end of the session check it to see if it matches with their intentions as well as yours. You need to make sure it is not you but your children who is responsible for homework!

3. Homework is as much a time management issue as anything else. Encourage students to work reasonably quickly and efficiently. Have a set time limit, which they should stick to. There is generally little point slogging away once they become frustrated or tired. A little work each night is more productive than packing it into one weekly session.

Newcomb Secondary Information Night – Monday 23 March 2015, 6.30 p.m. Departing from the Learning Resource Centre. Ph. 5248 1400