



MOREE EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL

Term 2 Week 3

Thursday, 10th May, 2012

CARE, INNOVATION, OPPORTUNITY, SUCCESS

Experienced and Dedicated Staff

MEPS' Busy Schedule





QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Quote for the Week:

“One thing you can give and still keep is your word.”

(Anonymous)

PCYC Flood Fundraising Disco – Thankyou to all the wonderful students who attended the disco last Friday night. The event was very successful and everyone appeared to enjoy themselves. The total amount raised hasn't been finalised yet but at last count we had raised just over \$500.00. I would also like to extend a huge thank you to the wonderful staff that gave up their Friday night to support the cause.

Opportunity Class Placement – Opportunity classes cater for highly achieving, academically gifted students. The Opportunity Class in Moree is situated at Moree Public School. If your child will be in Year 5 in 2013 and you think they would be eligible for the Opportunity Class you can complete either an online or paper application form. Online forms are available at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement and must be completed and submitted by **18th May 2012**. If you do not have internet access, paper application forms can be collected from the school and they must also be completed and submitted to the school by the **18th of May**.

Students seeking placement in the Opportunity Class will sit an Opportunity Class Placement Test on the **25th of July 2012**.

If you require further information regarding the Opportunity Class please feel free to contact me on 67521733.

NAPLAN Testing – Next week, students in Years 3 and 5 will sit the National NAPLAN test. The testing will be spread over 3 days, beginning Tuesday 15th May and finishing Thursday 17th May. It is very important for all Year 3 and 5 students to attend on time these days as the testing will occur during the morning session.

Dorothea McKellar Poetry Workshop – On Tuesday, 8th May, the school hosted a Regional Poetry Workshop. A group of MEPS students from Years 3-6 combined with students from Bullarah and Pallamallawa to participate in a number of poetry based activities conducted by renowned Australian Poet, Mandy Tunica. It was so wonderful for our students to have access to such an experienced educator.

Book Fair – The school will be holding a Book Fair in the week beginning 21st of May. In conjunction with the Book Fair we will also be holding a 'Pyjama Day' with special reading activities for students and their families. More information regarding these activities will be sent home soon.

Cross Country Fun Run – Students were recently given the sponsorship forms for the Adidas Fun Run. Students have a choice of prizes based on how much money they raise and the school also receives a percentage of the money raised. The Fun Run will take place tomorrow as part of the annual Cross Country Carnival, beginning at 10.15am. Parents and family members are most welcome to come along and support the students during the race.

Until next time ...

Warm Regards

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Mother's Day Stall



The Sisters Group will be holding a
Mother's Day Stall on Friday 11th May 2012
In the Careunga Kitchen from 9.30am.

Show Mum how much you love her
Gifts between \$1.00 and \$8.00
All proceeds go towards MEPS.

Happy Mother's Day for Sunday 8th May 2012.
Annabelle Simpson

Schools as Community Centres
Moree East Public School

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We're collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn points
for our school!

*You've now got until
1 July 2012 to collect points.*

When shopping at Woolworths make sure you collect the
stickers for their Earn & Learn Campaign to give you the points
needed to get fantastic learning resources for your school.

You've now got until the 1 July 2012 to bring in your
Woolworths stickers to put on your sticker card at school.

So start collecting your stickers today!!



Family &
Community Services
Community Services



PITJARA ABORIGINAL CORPORATION

SORRY DAY 2012

Location: Pitjara Hall

Date: 25 May 2012

Time 10:30

Smoking ceremony
Flag raising
Guest Speakers
Rudd's Apology of 2008
Refreshments

Bring friends and family

All welcome

Life Education Van

\$4 each

Arriving Week 9

**Please pay at the office
or to your teacher**



FOR A SAFER, SMARTER LIFE.



Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 Excursion **PIONEER VILLAGE at INVERELL**

Friday, 14th September, 2012

Costing includes:

- Entry Fee to Pioneer Village
- Damper and Drink (Recess)
- Sausage Sizzle (Lunch)
- Bus Fare

. Cost: \$20-\$30 (TBA)

Students can bring own recess and lunch
to reduce cost if necessary

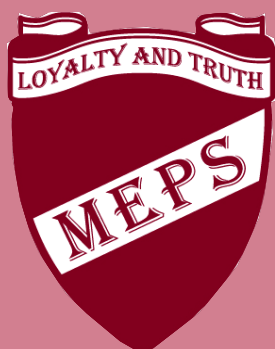
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We encourage all students to participate in the excursions as this is part of our HSIE units:
"Meeting Needs", "Family Past and Present", "Celebrations" and our
Science and Technology units: "Sense of Direction", "Getting About" and "A Place in Time"



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Life Education NSW will be visiting our school

**Thursday 21st June,
Monday 25th June and
Tuesday 26th June 2012**



Here's a brief outline of the range of programs in which the children will be participating:

Clued Up	Early Stage 1 (K) – Healthy lifestyle, personal safety, safety with medicines, body knowledge & self-assertion skills
Harold's Surprise	Early Stage 1 (K) - Healthy food choices, importance of physical activity, safety
Harold's Mystery Tour	Stage 1 (Yr 1) - Body workings, safe use and storage of medicines, peer pressure and coping strategies, safety, decision making
Harold's Heroes	Stage 1 (Yr 2) - Environmental health issues, emergency procedures, individual needs for medicines and safe use and storage.
All Systems Go	Stages 1 & 2 (Yrs 2-3) Function of body systems, peer pressure, second hand smoking, safety with medicines.
Harold's Diary	Stage 2 (Yr 3) - Friendship, resilience, expressing emotions, coping strategies, healthy food choices, active lifestyles
Mind Your Medicine	Stage 2 (Yr 4) - Safe and unsafe situations, medicines and consequence of misuse, peer influence and friendship, positive communication
The Burning Issue	Stage 3 (Yr 5) – Short and long term effects of smoking, effects of passive smoking, laws, peer influence, and refusal skills.
Think Twice	Stage 3 (Yr 6) - Consequences of alcohol use and misuse, stay safe situations and refusal skills, laws controlling purchase and use.
Its Your Call	Stage 3 (Yrs 5 & 6) – Definition of legal drugs, decision making, emotions, peer pressure, risk taking, problem solving

The programs address many of the components and objectives within the NSW PDHPE curriculum.

Teachers of composite classes will choose the program which best suits the needs of their children.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

MAY

EDWARD WHITTON 2/5/05

GRAHAM SMITH 4/5/05

TARYLL GILLON 7/5/01

TYREKE GILLON 8/5/02

SHAQUIL SMITH 8/5/06

TERRENCE GILLON 10/5/01

BRADLEY HAMILTON 11/5/07

LYNDA WASHINGTON 15/5/02

AMELIA DUNCAN 21/5/07

BLAKE HUNT 26/5/04

JALEELL BINGE 30/5/07

JAKIEL GILLON 30/5/04

PARENT TIPS AND INFO

NAPLAN testing

The annual National Assessment Program testing for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 takes place from 15-17 May. Students are tested nationally in reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

For more information including FAQs, a parent brochure and past results, go to: www.nap.edu.au/.

Stewart House Day (11 May)

The Department of Education and Communities' official charity, Stewart House, provides support for children who are in need of a break from their everyday life. Each year 1,800 public school children in need come to Stewart House from many parts of NSW and the ACT. During their stay, they are given optometric, dental and medical treatment as well as emotional support. This is balanced with health and educational programs and out of school activities to boost their self-esteem and to promote a healthier lifestyle.

This year, 11 May is Stewart House Day. We encourage you to make a donation to Stewart House to help support the great work that this charity provides. www.stewarthouse.org.au

International Composting Awareness Week (7-12 May)

This week draws awareness worldwide to the importance and value of restoring health to our soils and the natural environment.

Check with your local council for composting and worm farming workshops in your area – some offer free composting bins for completing a short course.

Get the children into the garden and grow some healthy organic vegetables for winter eating. Many vegetables can be grown in balcony gardens or by easy no-dig gardening.

So, go on, get your hands dirty and reap the benefits. For local information, go to:

www.compostweek.com.au/core/

YOU CAN DO IT - BRONZE AWARDS

CLASS 6-12 BRONZE AWARDS FOR WEEK 3

**Adrian Smith
Haylei Washington
Sam Ronan**

**Elizabeth Green
Luisa Faimilie
Raymond Heaton**

**Terique Smith
Melissa Tighe**



MEPS Sports Tops **MEPS Sports Tops Have Arrived!!**

Anyone either enquiring or waiting on Sports Tops please phone the office 67521733 or call into the office to purchase yours today.

We apologise for the long wait for them to arrive but it was out of our control.

"YOU CAN DO IT"

"You Can Do It" is the social skills program used at Moree East Public School. The program focuses on 5 Keys to success – **Organisation**, **Confidence**, **Persistence**, **Getting Along** and **Resilience**.

This week's focus is **Organisation**



Organisation

Being organised means:

- Making sure I understand my teacher's instructions before I begin work
 - Keeping a neat desk and school bag
 - Having all my school supplies ready
- Planning when I'm going to do my homework so I have enough time



Confidence

Being Confident means:

- Trying something new
 - Doing hard things without asking for help
 - Sharing new ideas with my teacher
 - Talking to someone new
 - Standing up tall
- Speaking with a clear voice



Persistence

Being Persistent means:

- Trying hard and not giving up
 - Not letting others distract me from my work
 - Checking that my work is correct
- Finishing my class work and homework on time



Getting Along

Getting Along with others involves:

- Following classroom rules
 - Solving conflict peacefully
 - Listening and not interrupting when someone is speaking
 - Working well with my classmates
- Volunteering for jobs



Resilience

Being Resilient means:

- Staying calm
 - Not losing my cool
 - Not getting extremely worried, angry or down
 - Calming down quickly
 - Not fighting when upset
- Bouncing back



Mother's Day

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BRUNCH
 BOUQUET
 CANDY
 CARDS
 CARING
 CHILDREN
 DAUGHTERS
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 FAMILY
 FLOWERS
 FRIEND
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 GRANDMA
 HOME
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 LAUGHTER
 LOVING
 MAY
 MEMORIES
 MOTHER
 PARENT
 ROSES
 SUNDAY
 SONS
 TRIBUTE

Term 2 Calendar 2012

Week	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Week 2 April / May	<i>30</i>	<i>1</i> •MEPS Community Connections Meeting 10.00am Community Room	<i>2</i> • Zone Touch Football Trials • Kindergarten Transition	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i> •Captains Cup Years 3 & 4 •Fundraising Disco at PCYC •Miss McDonnell's Class 4/5 Assembly
Week 3 May	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i> • Kindergarten Transition	<i>10</i> •AECG Carol Avenue 11.00am	<i>11</i> •Fun Run Cross Country 11.30am • Ms Edge's Class 6-10 Assembly
Week 4 May	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i> •NAPLAN Writing	<i>16</i> •NAPLAN Literacy •Kindergarten Transition	<i>17</i> •AECG—MEPS 11.00am •NAPLAN Numeracy	<i>18</i> • Knockout Touch Football Comp • Mr Churchill's Class 1-24 Assembly
Week 5 May	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i> • Kindergarten Transition	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i> •Ms Mead's Class 3/4 Assembly
BOOK FAIR					
Week 6 May / June	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i> •Legends of League	<i>30</i> • Kindergarten Transition	<i>31</i>	<i>1</i> •Ms Batten's Class K-23 Assembly
Week 7 June	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i> • Kindergarten Transition	<i>7</i> •AECG MPS 11.00am	<i>8</i> •Mrs Cutmore Class 2-24 Assembly
Week 8 June	<i>11</i> • Queen's Birthday	<i>12</i>	<i>13</i> • Kindergarten Transition	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i>
Week 9 June	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>20</i> • Kindergarten Transition	<i>21</i> •Life Education Van AECG 11.00am Albert Street	<i>22</i>
Week 10 April	<i>25</i> •Life Education Van	<i>26</i> •Life Education Van	<i>27</i> • Kindergarten Transition	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>