EXPERIENCED AND DEDICATED STAFF

- Years 3-6 MEPS students had a fun day of mathematic activities during week 1. They explored games on ipods, mini computers and fun things with cards. We wish to thank the crew from Armidale who helped to make this happen.

The magic number will be drawn this Friday at assembly.

This week’s Magic Question: What is this week’s focus for “You Can Do It”? 
QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Quote for the Week:
“What most people need to learn in life is how to love people and use things instead of using people and loving things.”

(Author Unknown)

The next meeting of the MEPS Community Connections Group will be Tuesday the 31st of July at 10.30am.

Lucky number – The winner of last week’s lucky number draw was Number 8 – owned by the Smith Family (Malakye, Kaedyn & Kiara).

Connecting to Country – For the first 3 days of this week, myself, Mr Churchill, Miss Batten, Ms Mead and Miss Edge were lucky enough to participate in the Connecting to Country Program. We spent 3 days learning more about the Aboriginal Culture by speaking with Aboriginal Elders and visiting significant Aboriginal sites around Moree. We all really enjoyed the experience and look forward to strengthening the connections we made.

Aboriginal Cultural Program – Aboriginal Culture has always been an important part of the Moree East curriculum but we felt we could be doing more to educate our students about it. This semester Mr Warren Saunders and Miss Jacqui Draper will be visiting the junior classes twice a week to assist the teachers to implement Aboriginal Cultural lessons. Kindergarten and Year 2 have started with looking at the Dreamtime and Year 1, Aboriginal art. We will be extending the lessons into Years 3 – 6 later in the year. If you would like to have an input into these lessons we warmly welcome your ideas.

Education Week – Next week is Education Week, which celebrates Public Education in NSW. We are conducting a number of activities including the Official Opening of the School Hall and Canteen on Monday 30th July at 9.00am, Open Classrooms on Monday 30th July from 9.30am and a Family Footy Fun Day on Friday 3rd August where students are invited to come in their footy gear and participate in football based games in the afternoon session.

Aboriginal Artists – This week each class chose an Aboriginal Artist to study. The classes will study the artist for 5 weeks and at the end of this time on Friday the 24th of August the school will have a day totally dedicated to Aboriginal Art. We will be running workshops on different art techniques throughout the day and hope to have some of the Indigenous Artists from TAFE come over to lead the workshops. If you have a flair for art and would like to be involved, please pop in or ring up for a chat.

Athletics Carnival – The MEPS annual Athletics Carnival will be held tomorrow at Boughton Oval. Students should come to school as normal so that attendance rolls can be marked then the school will walk over to the oval together. The day will begin with a March Past around, followed by track and field events. The high jump events were conducted at school this week but all other field events will be held at the carnival. We would love to see as many friends and family at the carnival as possible to cheer the students on.

Until next time ...
Warm Regards

M Mikaele
**WEEKLY MERIT AWARDS**

- Luisa Faimalie—Excellence in fitness tasks
- Jordan McKenzie—Outstanding efforts in spelling

**PRINCIPAL AWARD**

- Hailee Hunt—Helping others and being a good friend

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**WEEKLY MERIT AWARDS**

- Mika Tyson—For fantastic sentence writing
- Shaquil Smith—For great effort in reading groups

**PRINCIPAL AWARD**

- Sam Ronan—Outstanding attitude towards all schooling tasks

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**More Maths Day Pics ...**

- From Left: Nikita Craigie, Bailey Smith, Malika Smith and Shanika Duncan working with computers on the maths day for Years 3-6.
Assembly Awards

First assembly weekly awards winners

. From Left: Sharlee Roberts, Shaquil Smith, Mika Tyson, Tray Smith, Shakira Tyson, Amelia Duncan
Dear Parents & Carers

YOU ARE INVITED TO

MOREE EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL

HALL OPENING
Monday 30th July 2012 9am

to be followed by morning tea and EDUCATION WEEK OPEN DAY
Come and visit classes Enjoy some time seeing the learning happening in our school
We’re collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn points for our school!

The Woolworths Earn & Learn program concludes on the 12th of August 2012.

Just four weeks to go!

Get double the stickers.
From Wednesday the 18th - 24th July, you will get double the amount of stickers by just spending $10 or more and including at least one Kelloggs, Dairy Farmers, Be Natural, Pura or Berri product in your basket.

But that’s not all!

Because Woolworths is all about nurturing homegrown talent, we’re soon going to announce a special competition that could earn your school bonus stickers and a few other surprises. So watch this space. We can’t wait to help your school earn valuable learning resources, just by simply shopping at Woolworths.
Do you have a child starting High School in 2013? Still considering where to send them, or just want to know more about Moree Secondary College?

Moree Secondary College Parent Information Evening

Date: Wednesday 1\textsuperscript{st} August 2012
Time: 6.00pm-7:00pm
Location: Moree Secondary College, Carol Avenue Library
For more information: Contact MSC on 67506500

Light refreshments will be served.
CSWP is an early intervention crime prevention program designed to break down barriers between the young people in Moree and Local Police Officers and health / Youth services. The crucial element to this program is having local Police Officers and health / youth service workers attending and training alongside the young people. Are you interested? It’s a free Cardio fitness program and the benefits are enormous not only to you but the community.

The program is conducted 3 mornings per week Wed, Thur, Fri from 6am—8.30am. All young people are transported from their homes to the venue once there they participate in 1 hour of Boxing for Fitness on conclusion a hot breakfast is provided and everyone is encouraged to eat together. An essential part of the program is everyone must participate in the fitness component to have breakfast, after breakfast the participants then shower and will be transported to school. All equipment will be provided.

If you would like to come along and get fit and have fun please contact Andrew Ryan 0409922010
Clean slate Without Prejudice

Commencing Wednesday 6th June 2012.
Contact: Andrew Ryan: (02) 67523741

6 am-8.30 am
Wed, Thur, Fri
Includes:
Boxing for Fitness
Breakfast Provided
Shower Facilities
Transport to School
No Cost
All Equipment Provided
Must Participate in Fitness to have Breakfast
Register at PCYC if you require transport
Enrolment/Referral Form

General Information

Name: ____________________________________________________________
Address: ________________________________________________________

Phone: ___________ Mobile: ___________ Email: _________________
DOB: _______________ Age: _______________
School: ___________________________ Year level: _______________
Do you require transport? Yes/No

School or Referring Organisation Details

School/ Organisation: __________________________ Contact person: _____________
Address: _______________________________________________________

Phone: ___________ Mobile: ___________ Email: _________________

Emergency Contact Information

Name: ____________________________________________________________
Relationship to participant: _________________________________________
Address: ________________________________________________________
Phone: ___________ Mobile: ___________

Name: ____________________________________________________________
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Address: ________________________________________________________
Phone: ___________ Mobile: ___________

Parental/Guardian Consent

I ____________________ give my child ____________________ permission to participate in the Clean Slate Without Prejudice program.

Parent/Guardian Signature: __________________________ Date: ___________
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

Centrepay Available

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”

Click on LIKE to follow our MEPS Facebook Page
SHANIKA DUNCAN 4/7/02
NIRRAKIA KNOX 6/7/05
RAYMOND HEATON 14/7/00
JANAYA HINCH 14/7/04
JACINTA BRIGGS 18/7/02
MYEISHA BARTHOLOMEW 23/7/07
HAYLEI WASHINGTON 23/7/01
DELTA SWAN 24/7/01
JASON COOK 25/7/02
MIKA TYSON 28/7/05

**National Tree Day**
Sunday 29 July 2012 is National Tree Day, Australia's biggest community tree-planting and nature care event. Join with thousands of others and plant a native tree to help improve the environment in which you live. To find out where your local tree-planting site is and for further information go to: [http://treeday.planetark.org/](http://treeday.planetark.org/)

**Healthy Kid Friendly Recipes**
The Healthy Kids website has a range of nutritious, tasty and easy to prepare recipes for young chefs. The website is packed with information and resources and ideas on physical activity and healthy eating for children and young people.
PCYC Junior Futsal

Division 4/Division 3

Competition start: Tuesday July 17th
Time: 4pm-6pm
Age Group: 5-7 yrs & 8-10 yrs.

Division 2/Division 1

Competition start: Wednesday July 18th
Time: 4pm-6pm
Age Group: 11-13 yrs / 14-16 yrs.

Finish date: Tuesday 11th December/12th December
Registration Fees: $25 per player, 12 month insurance.
Individual Competition Fees $55 pay by round 4
Maximum 4 Teams per Division
Maximum 10 players per team

Registrations now open, sign up at PCYC.
"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 **Getting Along**

**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
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**EDUCATION WEEK**

- **Week 4 August**
  - Parent/Teacher Interviews
- **Week 5 August**
  - AECG — St Philomena’s School 11.00am
- **Week 6 August**
  - MEPS Mini Olympics
- **Week 7 August**
  - MEPS Community Connections — 10.30am

- **Week 8 August / September**
  - Years K-2 Excursion to Pioneer Village

- **Week 9 September**
  - School Photos
  - Grandparents Day

- **Week 10 September**
  - Years 5/6 Excursion to Canberra
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