PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Moree East Public School rules are:
- Be Safe
- Be Responsible
- Be a Learner

Our school is a Positive Learning for Behaviour (PBL) School and our core values are RESPECT - MOTIVATION - EXCELLENCE - PRIDE - SAFETY. Therefore my message to all students, parents and our extended community will reinforce our school rules and PBL core values.

The students are continually reminded and supported by all staff in regard to making the right choices. The staff at MEPS needs your support in regard to reinforcing this talk with your child at home.

RESPECT: I would like to on behalf of the Moree East PS staff acknowledge our school community families who are dealing with Sorry Business. Our prayers and thoughts are with you in this sad time.

MOTIVATION: Motivation can look like and sound like many different things and for that reason I would like to acknowledge the many parents who are doing an amazing job of encouraging and supporting their child’s positive participation at school. Research shows that when parents are involved in their child’s education they are far more likely to succeed in life.

EXCELLENCE: Congratulations to Dwayne and Daniel Smith who have been selected in the North West State Touch team to compete in Coffs Harbour.

PRIDE: MEPS is so proud of Mrs Cutmore, Brandon Barker and Leigh Smith who received awards at the recent Moree Reconciliation Group Awards. Mrs Cutmore was identified as the 2013 Aboriginal Citizen of the Year, Brandon Barker was runner up in the 2013 Aboriginal Youth category and Leigh Smith Runner-up of Non Aboriginal Citizen of the Year.

SAFETY: The climbing of trees is an ongoing concern and the school will need your support to reinforce that fact this activity is very dangerous is certainly not permitted on school grounds. Tree accidents can result in severe injuries however if the student is not in a tree this will not happen. Remember, safe children are happy children.

Our core values are rewarded each day within the classroom and in the playground, and at our K-6 Assembly each week. I must say that I am proud of the many children how are receiving these awards that are given out to children in recognition of them understanding and displaying our school rules and core values. Let us continue to work together to support and help our children make the right choices.

RECONCILIATION WEEK

Reconciliation is about improving relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and the broader Australian community.

Reconciliation Week was launched by the Council for Aboriginal Reconciliation which started in 1988 and is held each year between 27 May and 3 June.

27 May is the day that the 1967 referendum was passed. This was a national vote were more than 90% Australians voted to change the constitution to better recognise Indigenous people as full citizens.

Muriel Kelly
A/Executive Principal
Please note the adjusted bell times and session breaks.

MOREE EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL

BELL TIMES

8.40  MORNING PLAYGROUND
      (indicates that teacher supervision commences)

8.57  3 minute warning
      (students to stop playing and eating, use toilets if necessary and then line up)

9.00  MORNING LEARNING SESSION

11.00 LUNCH (Students remain in class and eat their lunch)
11.10  First half lunch (play)
11.30  Second half lunch (indicates that the library is open)

11.47 3 minute warning
      (students to stop playing and eating, use toilets if necessary, and then line up)

11.50 MIDDAY LEARNING SESSION

1.50  RECESS

2.07  3 minute warning
      (students to stop playing and eating, use toilets if necessary, and then line up)

2.10  AFTERNOON LEARNING SESSION

3.00  END SCHOOL DAY
RECONCILIATION ASSEMBLY

At MEPS a Reconciliation Assembly was held on Monday 27 May to mark the beginning of Reconciliation Week. Thank you to our special guests who made this event one to remember, Lloyd Munro (Master of Ceremony), Tom French (Welcome to Country) Glen Crump (Reconciliation Address) and Zona Moore (Flag Raising). Also thank you to the Colleen Brennan, Leah Smith and Naomi Curtis, members of the Sista’s Group who coordinated morning tea.

3 June marks the anniversary of the High Court of Australia’s 1992 judgement in the celebrated Mabo case. In this case the court recognised the Native Title rights of Indigenous peoples, overturned the myth that Australia was empty of people before colonisation and recognised that Indigenous people did have rights over land.

Each year during Reconciliation Week, people from across Australia gather to hold events that celebrate Indigenous cultures and raise awareness about what still needs to happen to achieve reconciliation.

Mother’s Day Luncheon was held on Wednesday 15th May, 2013 and was attended by 20 mums and nans.
NORTH WEST RUGBY LEAGUE KNOCKOUT

Congratulations to those boys who represented MEPS today for the North West Region Rugby League knockout competition. The boys put in 100% in both tackle and defence and made some inspiring line breaks and tackles.

However, Warialda was too good on the day for us running in 4 tries to nil, converting 2 of them. The final score was 20 nil. It's important to note however, this score does not accurately describe the game. It was quite close for the majority of the game, however a few 'suspect calls' by the ref blew out the margin.

However, as usual, our players showed great sportsmanship in congratulating their opponents and held their heads high in defeat. I was very proud of the players as our fundamental skills were still strong, despite having an off day.

Mr Sifko
Teacher

NORTH WEST RUGBY SEVENS REGIONAL FINALS

On Tuesday 28th May, a number of students from MEPS represented our school in the North West Rugby 7’s Regional Finals held in Tamworth.

MEPS were proudly represented by Tray Smith, Daniel Hunt, Tyrelle Weatherall, Brandon Smith, Kaedyn Smith, Neil Cutmore, Richard Chatfield, Brayden Smith and Latrel Newman. Our boys won two out of our four matches played, which was against some very stiff competition.

Our boys represented the school with pride and showed great sportsmanship all day. We were even lucky enough to be featured in the Prime 7 evening news.

Friday's weekly assembly will see Mr Sifko select player of the day, who will receive a NSW Waratahs backpack supplied by the Australian Rugby Union.

Mr Sifko
Teacher
STUDENT CLASS AWARDS

TERM 2 - WEEK 4

PRINCIPAL AWARDS
K-23—Laniqua O’Toole—Showing excellent manners at the excursion
K-24—Rachel Tyson—Showing pride and motivation in all learning tasks
1-20—Jessica Pitt
2-21—Darryl Smith—For his mature and responsible attitude in class
5/6-10—Shann-A Nicholls—Showing pride when completing tasks

ASSEMBLY AWARDS
K-23—Drewcilla Squires—Making positive choices
K-23—Jamirrakai Binge—Trying hard in mathematics
K-24—Nathan Pedlow—Excellent effort during writing tasks
K-24—Christopher Tiemey—Displaying pride and excellence at Fairview
1-20—Branden Smith
2-21—Tyrese Fernando—Showing motivation during science and technology lessons
2-21—Hailee Hunt—Showing respect to all members of the class
5/6-10—Taryll Gillon—Having a good attitude in class
5/6-10—Tyrelle Weatherall—Demonstrating motivation to class tasks
Canteen—Daniel Hunt

Attendance—Malakye Smith and Malika Smith

Breakfast Club Awards—
Malika Smith
Jalika Leslie
Kowhai Roberts
Janaya Hinch
Justina Brown
Jason Eldridge
Britney Brown
Raylene Squires
Kalara Duncan
Orlando Green
SCHOOL PERFORMANCES FOR 2013

The school has organised four (4) school performances to come to our school this year. Each School performance will cost $5.00 per student, a total of $20.00 altogether.

Dates and names for the school performances are as follows:

THE LITTLE BAD WOLF — TUESDAY, 18TH JUNE, 2013
BUDDIES2 — THURSDAY, 29TH AUGUST, 2013
READ YOU CAN ORANG-UTAN — TUESDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER, 2013
LET THE MUSIC MOVE YOU — TUESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 2013

These performances come highly recommended by other Primary Schools from around Australia. The performances link to units of works in Personal Development, Human Society and Its Environment, Drama, Reading and Music being taught in our school curriculum.

Parents and Caregivers may pay the amount of $20.00 in full OR pay small amounts when possible OR use the Centrepay facilities available (Please see the ladies in the front office for information and application form for Centrepay).

A refund will be made if your child pays and does not attend the performance on that particular date. Reminders about the school performances will appear in our weekly newsletters and notices will go home closer to the due dates.

If you would like your child to attend these school performances, please fill in the form provided and return to your child’s teacher.

Barbara Cutmore
School Performances Co-Ordinator
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**RECONCILIATION WEEK**

| 6    | June 3rd<br>• Playgroup | June 4th<br>• Sister’s Group<br>• Community Connection Meeting | June 5th<br>• K-24 Fairview Visit | June 6th | June 7th<br>• Yr 2 Assembly<br>• Infants Cricket Clinic 9.15am-10.15am |

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• Regional  
• Yr 1 Assembly  
• Cross Country |
|      | **June 17th**  
School Reports Home | **June 18th**  
• Visiting Performance: ‘The Little Bad Wolf’  
• Playgroup | **June 19th**  
• Sister’s Group | **June 20th** | **June 21st**  
• MEPS Athletics Carnival  
• Kinder Assembly—Mrs McLennan |
| 8    | **June 24th**  
• NAIDOC Assembly | **June 25th**  
• Playgroup | **June 26th**  
• NAIDOC activities  
• Sister’s Group | **June 27th**  
PBL Launch | **June 28th**  
Last Day Term 2  
• Kinder Assembly—Ms Batten |

**NAIDOC WEEK**