Yaama

It is with great excitement that I announce the commencement of the major building works at Moree East Public School. Yes, it is really happening!

The lengthy consultation and design phase has resulted in amazing shared learning spaces that will include state of the art classrooms, outdoor learning spaces, a teaching kitchen and a well resourced library and school hall. Also unique to the new look Moree East Public School will be a community precinct which will house a community room; an early childhood space, an undercover meeting area and a yarning circle. The school plan will be on display in the front office so please come on in and have a look.

The school will be rebuilt in over the next 18 months in three stages. The rebuild has been planned so that construction will cause minimal disruption to daily school operations and student learning.

Next week, the contractors, Richard Crook Construction will begin to install an access gate off Boston Street, adjacent to the PCYC. Fencing will also be erected to create a construction compound and also cordon off several buildings as part of Stage 1.

It is very important that I reiterate the danger that lies within the fenced off area, the construction site. The staff at the school will be having regularly safety talks with the students and ask that you also reinforce the School Rule, BE SAFE.

A ceremony is currently being planned to officially acknowledge and celebrate the beginning of construction. An invitation to come and join in this historical event will be distributed in the near future. An event not to be missed.

Regular updates will be posted in the Newsletter.

Muriel

Executive Principal
# Special Events

## Week 2

### PBL Awards - Safe, Respectful, Learner

#### 1/2 J
- Raymond Bently
- Gregory Binion
- Mayesha Brown
- Alfred Duncan
- Codie Duncan
- Jamaya Fernando
- Jardie Smith-Brown
- Ngateika Tighe
- Isabelle Lysaght
- Veronica Kelly
- Laniqua O’Toole
- Christopher Tierney
- Marsha Tighe
- Rachael Tyson

#### 1/2 SM
- Shataiya Swan
- Bryce Baker
- Tiffany Brown
- Hermonie Hona
- Kyleika Haines
- Malachi Hughes
- Delaynna Smith
- Jordan Weatherall
- Matari Walker

#### 3/4/5 T
- Rory Hodges
- Brandon Smith
- Ronald Swan
- Jakeob Lysaght
- Donny Rose
- Malakye Smith
- Jerrone Williams
- Chris Hona
- Michael Leslie
- Cody Picker
- Jermaine Smith

#### 3/4/5/6 M
- Norman Roberts
- Drayden Weatherall
- Edward Whitton
- Graham Smith
- Jordan Baker
- James Haines
- Memphis Hughes
- Adam Paterson
- Kaedyn Smith
- Trey Waites
- Tyson Ward

#### 3/4/5/6 H
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- Kelinyaar Munro
- Nyesha Nean
- Narkeasha Smith
- Emma Weatherall
- Kea Anderson
- Cloe Grant
- Hailee Hunt
- Mackayla Ward-Hodges
- Shakila Fernando
- Janaya Hinch
- Cahaylee O’Toole
- Breanna Williams
- Malika Smith

#### K-B
- Alcarrae Doolan
- Marybelle Haines
- Maxwell Haines
- Kayne O’Neill
- Harmony Oates
- Olivia Pinner
- Kariesha Roberts
- Haru Smith
- Terrence Smith
- Nekarri Weatherall

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Scripture

Section 32 of the Education Act requires that ‘in every government school, time is to be allowed for the religious education of children of any religious persuasion’.

At Moree East Public School, Special Religious Education (SRE) will occur every Friday for a 30 minutes session for those students who’s enrolment form identifies a religion. However, for those students who’s enrolment form does not identify a religion a non-scripture class will be operating.

The SRE session will be for a period of 30 minutes every Friday from 11:00am-11:30am.

Please note that in support of the delivery of SRE no academic instruction will be occur within the school.
On Thursday, 23\textsuperscript{rd} April 2015 we held our ANZAC Day Commemoration Ceremony, Special Guests were Mr Raymond Dennison (Grandson of Mr Albert Dennison who served in both World I and II), Mrs Zona Moore (Moree Senior Citizens for 2015) and Mr Michael Hankey (R. S.L)

Mr Dennison did the “Welcome to Country”, Mrs Moore “Flag raising” and Mr Hankey spoke about the ANZAC story and did “The Ode”.

Other Special Guests were Mr David Aber -Moree Shire Plains Council; Mrs Edna Craigie – Elder’s Group; Paula Duncan and Dorothy Lines -Sister’s Group; Brian Saunders Jnr – Dhiiyan Centre/Boomerangs Football; MEPS Reference Group members; Lloyd Munro – Aboriginal Education Consultative Group and parents.

The ceremony followed the traditional ANZAC ceremony including wreath laying. All our Special Guests laid a wreath on behalf of their organisations. Our school captains – Kaedyn and Malika; Miss Callander on behalf of the staff and two students from each class also laid a wreath. This was followed by students attending our school, who were descendants of War Veterans, laying a flower in remembrance.
On Friday April 24th the Zone Touch Football trials were held at Boughton Oval. Students from Moree East Public School, Moree Public School and Mungindi Public School attended the trials for selection in the Zone Touch Football Teams. A high standard of players represented from all schools on the day and Moree East Public School was no exception with four students gaining selection. Malika Smith and Mika Tyson earned spots in the Girls team with Kaedyn Smith and Michael Leslie making it to the Boys team. Our representatives will travel to Rologas Fields in Armidale on May 20th to play at the Regional Touch Football Trials. We wish them a safe trip and the best of luck!

The annual PSSA Rugby League State Knock-Out saw our MEPS Boys drawn against local rivals Moree Public School in the first round of games on Tuesday April 28th. Due to a lack of permission notes returned to school, MEPS was only able to send a team of 12 boys to represent on the day. Despite being a man short, our boys played their best in what was a defensive contest against an impressive 17-man Moree Public School squad. Highlights of the match included strong runs by Memphis Hughes, dazzling footwork from Terrence Craigie and a try-saving tackle from James Haines who brought down the Moree Public School five-eight after a 60m break away. A special mention also goes to debutants Blake Hunt, Jordan Baker and Orlando Green who donned the maroon and white jersey for the first time. The match finished 20-0 in favour of the opposition, but our boys left the field with their heads held high and respect of the spectators on the sideline for a gutsy effort. Well done lads! The annual PSSA Rugby League State Knock-Out saw our MEPS Boys drawn against local rivals Moree Public School in the first round of games on Tuesday April 28th. Due to a lack of permission notes returned to school, MEPS was only able to send a team of 12 boys to represent on the day. Despite being a man short, our boys played their best in what was a defensive contest against an impressive 17-man Moree Public School squad. Highlights of the match included strong runs by Memphis Hughes, dazzling footwork from Terrence Craigie and a try-saving tackle from James Haines who brought down the Moree Public School five-eight after a 60m break away. A special mention also goes to debutants Blake Hunt, Jordan Baker and Orlando Green who donned the maroon and white jersey for the first time. The match finished 20-0 in favour of the opposition, but our boys left the field with their heads held high and respect of the spectators on the sideline for a gutsy effort. Well done lads!
MOTHER’S DAY MORNING TEA

A Mother’s Day morning tea was held on Friday 8th of May to acknowledge and say thank you to all our mums, nans and aunties and wish them a Happy Mother’s Day.
In Memory of

**AUNTY SHIRLEY SAUNDERS**

On behalf of Moree East Public School students and staff I would like to express our sincere and deepest condolences to the Saunders and Draper families.

Aunty Shirley was a beautiful woman who was committed to MEPS for the past 40 years.
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