EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

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Welcome to Term 4, the final term of the year with the last day for students being Wednesday 16th December 2014. However, until then there is plenty of teaching and learning opportunities to be accessed by your child. So please support their learning by sending them to school every day. We certainly don’t want your child missing out on the many interactive and exciting activities scheduled to take place throughout the term. For your information, the Term 4 calendar is attached.

One very exciting event happened just last week. MEPS had a visit from Minister for Education, Mr Adrian Piccoli. Also accompanying Minister Piccoli was the Secretary for Department of Education and Communities, Dr. Michele Brungies, Executive Director, Connected Communities, Ms. Michele Hall and Chair of the NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group, Ms Cindy Berwick.

During Minister Piccoli’s time at MEPS he yarnd with students, staff and the School Reference Group. Students and staff had the opportunity to showcase their many talents and teaching and learnings through song, dance, culture, language and film. Minister Piccoli also had the opportunity to view the new school plans.

Also next Tuesday, 21st October School Community Yarn-Ups will take place in the school hall at 11.00am-12.30pm and 5.15pm-6.45pm. The Yarn-Up will be led by the School Reference Group who will share information about our school programs, the building of our new school, the teaching of culture and language but most importantly consultation on a proposed model to change the school operational times for 2015. There will be opportunities for school communities to ask questions and provide feedback on the information provided. This information will shape our new School Plan currently being developed. All feedback is warmly welcomed and greatly appreciated.

See you next Tuesday at our Yarn-Up.

Muriel Kelly
Executive Principal

OFFICE HOURS
Monday-Friday
8:30am-3:00pm
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Fax: (02) 6752 1553
moreeeast-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
www.moreeeast-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

SCHOOL HOURS
Monday-Friday
8:50 am- 3:00pm

UNIFORM SHOP
Monday-Friday
8:30am-3:00pm
• Cash Only
• Layby available
• Sorry no Centrepay

DATES TO REMEMBER
Friday 24th & 31st October
Transition to School
9:00am to 11:00am
Thursday 23 October
Grandparents Day &
PBL Celebration Day
Thursday 30 October
Dad’s Camp -
Terry Hie Hie
Intensive Swim

When: 10\textsuperscript{th} November 2014 to 21 November 2014
Where: Moree Artesian Aquatic Centre
Time: Years 3-6: 9:00am -11:00am
Years K-2: 10:30am – 12:30am
Cost: $50 ($20 travel & $30 pool entry for 10 days)

Please do not forget to bring in your permission notes.

What to bring: swimmers, towel, sunscreen, rash shirt, goggles, hat.

Year 3 & 4—Lake Keepit Camp

CANCELLED

Stage 2 (Year 3 & 4) End of Year Camp 2014 – LAKE KEEPIT

Please note that the 3 & 4 end of Year Camp to Lake has been cancelled due to lack of numbers!

A day excursion will be offered later throughout Term 4.
Moree East Public School invites family and friends to:

Positive Behaviour for Learning
Celebration and Grandparents day!

Thursday 23rd of October, 2014.
12pm – 2pm

12pm - Grandparents, parents and extended family are invited to attend a demonstration of 21st century learning in their child’s classroom. See some of the great ways we use technology in our school.

12:30pm - Join us in the hall to meet our new PBL mascot and to celebrate our achievements with Positive Behaviours for Learning (PBL) program this year.

1pm - Join our students as they participate in fun activities celebrating our school rules and values.
Radford School Visit

K-2 Dental Checks
MEPS Twilight Markets

The MEPS Twilight Markets, held on the last Thursday of Term 3, was a great success. We managed to raise close to $1,500.00 for the school.

A huge thank you to everyone involved -

The Sista’s group and Miss Jeffs worked tirelessly baking goodies for the cake stall, Miss McLennan and Bus busily painted faces, while Miss Batten and some helpful students painted nails and applied tattoos.

Mrs Barwick and Mrs Jenkins made some delicious milkshakes, Mr Kelly whipped up Chinese omelets and Brian and Sam enticed us over to their guessing competition with jars full of lollies.

Mrs Cutmore, Miss McDonnell, Mrs Horvat and Paula did a wonderful job selling an assortment of `trash and treasure’, books and plants while Mr Mawby and Jerome tested everyone’s footy throwing skills.

Mrs Kelly and Miss O’Brien allowed the kids to get in touch with their artistic side and Matty and the Men’s Group ran an outstanding raffle. In addition to running the stalls, many of these people also donated ingredients and other items.

Particular mention must also be made of the Hazell Bros Group, who are currently building the new bypass, because not only did they run the BBQ and supply all the food, they donated a brand new BBQ to the school!!

Our other wonderful sponsors include Kate Warby, Assefs Moree, Harvey Norman Moree, Homemaker Furniture Store, Moree Discount Drug Store, Toyworld Moree, Target Moree and Balo Square Newspower - Archie Karam.

Finally, a big thank you to all the parents and community members who came along to the markets and supported our school. We hope you enjoyed yourselves!
During the last week of Term 3, children in kindergarten travelled by train to Gunnedah to visit the Waterways Wildlife Park. A lovely day was enjoyed by the children, teachers and the accompanying family members.

The children were able to pat a koala, feed the emus, kangaroos, wombats and birds. They were also able to see other Australian animals including echidnas, wedge-tailed eagles and possums. The day out was a nice way to end class work around the theme of Australian Animals. Other impressive animals were the ostrich and the deer. A sausage sizzle lunch and a trip to the local park were also enjoyed before returning to Moree on the train.

Ms Horvat, Ms O’Brien, Ms McDonnell and the children would like to thank Aunty Shell, Donovan, Tara, Alma, Melissa, Monique, Bridget, Russell, Jennifer and Vincent for accompanying them on the excursion.

A trip to Gunnedah Waterways Wildlife Park is highly recommended for a fun day out for families!
This week is national Mental Health Week. It is a time when we Australians should spend a little time focusing on our own mental health and that of our family and close friends. Recent data suggests that one in four Australians will suffer from an episode of major depression at least once in their lifetime. As well, we know that one in seven people are now living below the poverty line. This means that many of us in our community are suffering in a very real way: from having not enough money and not enough support.

But it isn’t all bad news. What’s great is that we know it is okay to speak out! It’s okay to have a bad day once in a while and it’s okay to tell someone and ask for help. Here at MEPS we are working to build a strong and connected community; and connecting to others is important for everyone’s mental health. All our children know it’s okay to speak to a friend, to a teacher or to the School Counsellor if they need help... and that’s a good start towards better mental health for everyone.

Ruth Jenkins
Registered Psychologist
District Guidance Officer
MOREE EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL

Zoning information for families with children
entering the public system in Moree

The Public Education zones are enforced within Moree. This means for Moree East Public School, if you live on the south side of Mehi River (excluding Mehi Crescent, the housing estate just on the east side of the railway track (ie. around Maude Street and Sullivan’s Place and Stanley Village) you are zoned to attend Moree East Public School.

A zoning map is on our website at www.moreeeast-p.schools.nsw.edu.au and contained within the Moree East Public School enrolment pack.
“Transition To School”

Preschool aged children enrolling at Moree East Public School in 2015 are invited to join in with our “Gaaymaalbah – Transition to School” sessions.

These will begin this Friday between 9:00am and 11:00am. Children turning 5 before July 31 2015, are able to start school next year and are welcome to come along.

These transition sessions will be held every Friday. Children who usually go to Kiah Preschool will be able to join us in the morning and finish the day with Kiah.

Parents are welcome to join us for the morning.

Please see Ms Horvat for more information.
## COMMUNITY NEWS

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KinderGarten 2015

Enrolment Packages Available
From Office

Learning is FUN at Moree East Public School!

Enrolling now for Kindergarten 2015
COMMUNITY NEWS

YCAMAAY Brothers Group
YAMMA WELCOME

BIG M REVIVAL
-Men's camp 'back to country 'Terry Hie Hie

To have a big yarn up
Back in our Country
Terry Hie Hie
catering provided

Program Structure: - Men's camp 'Back to Country'Terry Hie Hie

Date: 30/31 October
depart Moree East Public School at 9.30 am
Come for Breakfast -Time 8.30am-9.30am

For further information, please contact:
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COMMUNITY NEWS

MOREE EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL PRESENTS

FESTIVAL OF THE BROGLA

FRIDAY
5TH DECEMBER

INSTALLATION LAUNCH
THE SAFETY NET
ASSEMBLY HALL
MOREE EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL
ADELAIDE STREET
MOREE AT 10.15AM

COMMUNITY MARKETS
3.30PM-5.30PM

CELEBRATION OF THE BROGLA
THROUGH DANCE, SONG, FILM
AND STORYTELLING
MOREE EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL
ADELAIDE STREET, MOREE
BEGINNS AT 5.30PM

Celebrating identity and talent through creative and cultural learning opportunities.

THURSDAY
4TH DECEMBER

PORTRAIT EXHIBITION
ADMIRE
YAAMA GANU CENTRE
211 BATO STREET
MOREE AT 6PM
The LifeHouse Pantry caters to low income earners by providing low cost food for a small service fee. The pantry is open to any person on a current health care card or pension.

Moree
LifeHouse Care Shop
81 Heber Street Moree
Thursdays 10am to 12 noon

02 6752 8009

* Eligibility Criteria One person per household address. A person will be individually assessed if the person is in crisis and does not have a health care card. This person will be allowed 6 weeks assistance.
COMMUNITY NEWS

MEPS

SCHOOL COMMUNITY
YARN – UP
Tuesday, 21st October.

Come, listen and have your say!

11:00AM - 12:30PM
5:15PM - 6:45PM

SCHOOL PROGRAMS
2015 OPERATIONAL TIMES

NEW SCHOOL

PRESENTED BY:
MOREE EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL REFERENCE GROUP