MISSION

Morang South Primary School is a committed and unified partnership of teachers, parents and children. We value diversity and strive for excellence. We are committed to providing a high quality education in a cooperative, caring and safe environment. Children are encouraged and challenged to reach their full potential.

25th August 2011

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From the Principal

Hi Everyone,

Last night along with many of you, Sandi and I had the pleasure of attending our heat of Wakakirri. Wakakirri’s primary program is all about using storytelling and creative arts as a way of making a positive impact on our world. Stories are shared through live shows, touring film festivals, published anthologies, television specials, this website & more. Each year Wakakirri stories are seen by over a million people. All primary schools in Australia are eligible to participate. What a night! How proud we were of our children, staff and parents. As you will see from Michele Creevey’s report we won a number of awards both group and individual. Congratulations to Brianna Rodwell who won an individual scholarship to attend Ministry of Dance over summer. I’m sure that you will join with me in thanking the staff, Debbie Cullen, Marg Eames, Heather Govett, Deb Powell and Mel Tollit, who attended; supporting and supervising the children throughout the day and night. Such dedication makes this wonderful experience possible for the children. The staff were incredibly proud, as we all should be of the children’s performance, behaviour and team work both on and off the stage. Therefore it comes as no surprise that we won the ‘team work’ award. A huge thank you also, to all of the parents, staff and children who helped with costumes, props and as back stage support. Of course none of this would be possible without the creativity, passion, dedication and hard work of Michele Creevey. Thank you and congratulations Michele from the bottom of all our hearts.

VISION

Our vision for Morang South Primary is to become a vibrant learning community where all members are challenged and empowered to strive for and celebrate personal excellence and continuous growth. The children will become positive, compassionate, able, creative, confident thinkers, and life long, socially responsible learners equipped to thrive in and shape the future of our evolving global society.
Last week on our pupil free day, the teaching staff were given an opportunity to visit other schools who have been involved in the continuous improvement process through the Northern Region’s AIZ (Achievement Improvement Zone) initiative. They were able to see exemplary practice and have professional dialogue with other school leaders and colleagues. When the teaching staff returned to school their experiences were shared, our great practices were celebrated and improvements we could make were noted. I know some staff members have already started to use some of the ideas from last week. Our staff are life-long learners and as a school we are always looking for ways to improve our school so I know this opportunity was very valuable. During the afternoon we furthered our learning and work on the Ultranet.

Our ES (education support) staff spent the day with Tony Angus, an expert on dealing with difficult people. The learning and information from this day, I’m sure will be put to good use in both the work and personal lives of our support staff. This was a most productive day and Tony proved to be an engaging and informative speaker.

**CANTEEN**

**URGENT ......URGENT......URGENT!**

While I know our canteen continues to provide a well used and valuable service for our community, Kylie and I are still concerned over the lack of volunteers and support in the canteen. We have looked at all the options, including closing the canteen on Thursday and Friday, as a last resort. As from next week half the school will be able to order lunches on Thursday (8 grades) and half (8 grades) on Friday. This will enable Kylie to continue to provide a service on these days.

The canteen will now operate as follows:

- **Monday** – students in all grades can order
- **Tuesday** – Closed
- **Wednesday** – Healthy lunch day; students in all grades can order.
- **Thursday** – (Restricted orders) students (excluding Preps) in ODD numbered home groups can order (5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 21, 23)
- **Friday** – (Restricted orders) Preps and students in EVEN numbered home groups can order (all Prep grades and 4, 16, 18, 22, 24)

When necessary, due to lack of volunteers, counter sales at first and second lunch will unfortunately be suspended.

Let’s hope we can get some volunteers and remove the restrictions!

Next week on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday we will be conducting the grade 3/4 camp at the CYC camp on Phillip Island. We hope they all have a wonderful time and we look forward to hearing the ‘stories’ on their return. If the communication infrastructure and the technology allows we will post some photos directly from the camp onto our website during the camp. Please keep a look out but remember this will only occur when possible.

I’d like to thank and acknowledge the donation of some great books for our library by the Brullo family. These will be put to good use. Thank you.

Please continue to use our website to access dates, information and the latest happenings at our school. The address is http://www.morangsouthps.vic.edu.au/

Please remember that we love to have parents helping in the classrooms and if you have any worries or concerns, please let us know straight away.

You are welcome to see me if you wish to discuss the issues I’ve written about today. I would appreciate feedback as to whether you find the information useful.

Keep up that life-long learning!

From your Principal,
Julie Jones
Stars of the Week

Grades Prep – 6
Week 05

Home Group 1  Dakota          Home Group 2  HG 02
Home Group 3  Tehara           Home Group 4  Kai
Home Group 5  Jesse            Home Group 7  Alysha
Home Group 9  Hannah           Home Group 15 Stephanie
Home Group 16 Nathan & Kiara B Home Group 19 George
Home Group 20 Liam             Home Group 21 Katelyn
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SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FAIR

Congratulations to all those students who participated in our Science and Technology Fair. The exhibits were fantastic and enjoyed both by the other classes and families that came to visit during the evening. Well done to all the following students as well as all grade 5/6 students. Keep up that investigating.

Karen Jeffery and Leanne Nicholls

Home group 1: Amant, Ananya, Ashan,
Home group 2: Stephanie, Lachlan,
Home group 3: Nika, Paige, Shynal, Jack, Sanya, Tobey,
Home group 19: Ethan, Mia, Angelo, Georgia, Bronte,
Home group 20: Amber, Taylah, Josh, Riley, Brydee
Home group 23: Jayden, Jayde,
Home group 24: Alexis, Sapna,
Home group 15: Charlotte, Tiana, Anthony,
Home group 16: Zoe, Tayla,
Home group 21: Emily, Zac, Alex, Ryan, Jake, Katelyn,
Home group 22: Jack, Jessie, Grace, Isabelle, Josh,
An intruder skulked through the grade 5 /6 rooms today. Last seen heading towards office area. Can you identify him/ her through the photos?? Don’t be alarmed this is part of our Forensic Science unit!!! Hopefully no little children were harmed during this event! My boys were scared!!! Thank you intruder!!!!

Debbie Cullen

This weird looking intruder paid the 5/6 grades a visit 2 weeks ago and gave us all a fright. We had no idea what was going on. When this intruder walked in, we all jumped and some people left their tables. We were a bit confused about what was going on at the time. After the intruder left, Mrs Cullen told us what was going on and we had to draw a picture of the intruder including all the detail. Four people from room 9 were able to draw the intruder accurately and won $500 Earn and Learn money. We were very good at remembering details and we won $500!
By Kayleigh H and Jessica A
It was fun! Some powders had more reactions than others.

Emily

It all fizzed up over the top!

Scott

It went all soft and runny!

Jordyn

Forensic Science

Powder Analysis

Science Experiment

It was fun! Some powders had more reactions than others.

Emily
Wow what a fabulous night we had last night. The children involved in Wakakirri actually had a very big day. They left school at 10am and didn’t finish at the Melbourne Convention Centre until 10 pm. For that whole time I couldn’t have been more proud of all of the children. They really did work together as a team and were very cooperative throughout the day. My 3/4’s were incredibly nervous going on to stage but performed like seasoned professionals. The 5/6’s dug deep and really performed to an excellent standard. Many tears were shed in the audience, and I must admit behind stage as well. I find it hard to put into words how proud I was of everyone of them. Also I want to make mention of our solo prop person Gabriela S who was so diligent in her job double checking everything was ready and packed up. On the night we received some important awards. Firstly we won the Team work award. This shows how well they worked together. The 5/6’s helped their buddies get ready they all stepped in to help where ever it was needed. All these thing go towards receiving the award. We also won the best item using the signature word “Bug”. The 3/4 Bad Hair Day won this one. Then finally Jason Coleman’s Ministry of Dance gave out a scholarship to a child they thought showed excellent promise and understanding of all facets of dancing—technique, emotion, musicality etc. One of our students Brianna R received the scholarship. We are all so proud of her. I will give a more detailed note in the next Newsletter to acknowledge all of my helpers. I don’t want to leave anyone out as I couldn’t have done it without your support.

Michele Creevey - Performing Arts
To celebrate National Literacy and Numeracy Week – 29th August to 2nd September 2011, the students at Morang South Primary School will be engaged in a variety of both Literacy and Numeracy learning tasks throughout next week. Prep students will be involved in a range of activities on a rotation basis between their classrooms, incorporating the numeracy task of counting animal legs, and literacy tasks involving the book Hattie and the Fox – all to tie in with their unit on farm animals.

Grade 1/2 students will be writing and sharing their own versions of fairy tales with some being in PowerPoint format presentations. For Numeracy they will be collecting, recording and sharing data they collect about their classroom.

Grade 3/4 students will be estimating Jelly Beans and undertaking buddies activities that will involve sharing maths games and reading stories to each other. They will also be cooking to incorporate fractions.

Grade 5/6 students will be having a book character day for literacy and undertaking collecting and recording data related to the theme ‘Reach for the Stars’.

It certainly sounds like all students will be having a great time as the celebrate National Literacy and Numeracy Week.

Kaye McLaren - Literacy Coordinator and Diana Gevaux - Numeracy Coordinator
Hi Everyone,
Come and join us on ‘Cooking Wednesdays’ for all the fun and excitement. There will be different recipes each week!
Just a reminder to OSHC families making bookings or cancellations. Our number is 0412 318 716. If there is no answer please leave a message and we will get back to you. You can also make and change bookings on our parent portal at www.campaaustralia.com.au

- Reannan, Monique, Charleigh, Kristin and Belinda.

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**REMINDERS**

*How to get started* before using our programs you must register online for an account. Registering is quick and easy. Visit our website to begin www.campaaustralia.com.au

*Once registered* you can make bookings and cancellations, view your statements and manage your details anytime of the day online. Keep in mind we are able to take bookings at short notice to help busy families.

*Save on Care* You can save 50% or more on Before and After School Care fees with the **non-means tested** Child Care Rebate. Almost all families are eligible. To find out more call our Customer Service Team on 1300 105 343 Monday to Friday.

**AWARDS**... Ticket in the Tub: Lucas and Manisha

www.campaaustralia.com.au
'ONE STOP SHOP TO SUPPORT SCHOOLS'

A motivational session relevant to parents, school councillors & school mgt/staff - 'to sustain and engage school communities'

DATE: Tuesday, August 30, 2011
TIME: 10.00am - 12.00noon
PLACE: Diamond Valley Learning Centre
LOCATION: Cnr Diamond Creek & St Helena Rds, Greensborough

Gail McHardy (Parents Victoria, Executive Officer) will present and discuss the following information and will be available to answer your questions:

- The PV CD Toolkit for Parent Clubs
  (Tip Sheets & Pro Formas designed specifically to assist PCs)
- Families as partners in learning
- Strategies to build Parent Participation
  - Inclusive school communities
  - Communicate more effectively
- Other relevant & current educational issues of interest

Plus

Receive a Communication is the Key booklet containing information on:

- Fundraising
- CASES21 Finance
- Useful Reports
- Communication
- Financial Arrangements (Option 'A' & 'B')
- Requesting Financial Information
- Proforma Examples

P.O. Box 25, Wandoong Vic 3755
(36 Brunswick Road, Brunswick 3056)
Phone: (03) 9380 2158
Fax: (03) 9380 2139
Email: office@parents.victoria.asn.au
Website: www.parents.victoria.asn.au

Register your attendance by August 29 -
Phone: Parents Victoria office – 9380 2158 or
Email: office@parents.victoria.asn.au
(please advise your name, school, contact phone number/email and session date)
FATHERS DAY STALL
Held today- Thursday 25th August,
with a second chance visit on Friday 26th August (2:45-3:15pm)
Gifts will range from .50 cents to $5.00

FOOTY DAY
To be held on Tuesday 6th September
Order forms have been sent out with orders & payment required by
Tuesday 30th August. On this day students are asked to come along to school
wearing the colours of their favourite team (please no coloured hair spray)

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS
These are still available for purchase at $65 from the office with $13 profit
going towards the school

BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE - Sunday 11 September
Further details to follow – volunteers are required on the day so if
you can help out for a couple of hours please leave your
contact details at the office

CLASSIFIEDS
Advertising prices (per month) are:
   Business card $12
   ¼ page $18, ½ page $24
   Full page $48
To advertise, contact Donna on 0439 322 242 or
email donnaforthergill@hotmail.com

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP
Situated in the Parents & Friends Room (opposite Room 22).
Open Thursday mornings 9:00-9:30am

BAKERS DELIGHT – RIVERGUM “Dough Raiser”
Shop at Bakers Delight Rivergum Shopping Village,
mention Morang South Primary School and they will happily
donate a % of the total you spend back to the school

Full Life PHARMACY MILL PARK
AND Amcal PHARMACY RIVERGUM
Remember to place your receipts in the Morang South Primary School box

New Members Welcome J

Next Meeting
Wednesday 21st September
7:30pm - Staffroom
Community News

Morang South Primary School Play Group

When: Monday Morning 9.30-11.30 approx
Where: Morang South Primary School
Cost: $2.00 per week per child.
      Gorge Road, South Morang.
      Call Donna on 9437-8833 and leave a message.

Come and enjoy some time with your children whilst meeting other parents in the area. Tea and coffee provided.

The group begins with some music, singing and dancing followed by craft activities with breaks for snacks. Many of the songs use instruments and other props to keep the children focussed.

All you need to bring is a snack for your child. For those not wanting to join in with craft activities there is plenty to keep them busy.

FOR SALE

Jack Russell x Chihuahua 9 month old, vaccinated with Kennel. $200
0409381872
JUNIOR FUTSAL AT TRAC
BOYS AND GIRLS
FRIDAY NIGHT COMPETITIONS

GAME TIMES: Junior Competition Friday night’s
Starting at 6.00pm, last game 8.15pm

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE: 6th September 2011,
Will close earlier if team places are filled.

FEES: Team Registration: $50.00 per team per season.
Game fees: $40 per team per game

Door/entry fee: NO entry fee for players and Spectators

Please contact Moya for any further information on 9463 0730

MILL PARK ✦ SOUTH MORANG
Little Athletics Club
ESTABLISHED 1980

“Family, Fun & Fitness”           “Be Your Best”

REGISTRATION DAY
Saturday, 3rd September, 2011: 10.00 am - 12.00 pm
Meadowglen Athletics Stadium, McDonalds Road, Epping

The 2011-2012 Little Athletics Season is starting soon.
We welcome girls & boys from 5 years to under 16 years to join our Club and
participate in a healthy outdoor sport in a fun and family friendly environment.

****For new Registrations please bring Birth Certificate****

◊ The Little Athletics Season commences on Saturday, 24th September, 2011 ◊
◊ Weekly competition is on Saturday mornings or Friday nights ◊
◊ Structured weekly training sessions with individual coaches for each age group ◊
◊ Club Training is on Tuesday nights, commencing 6th September, 2011 ◊
◊ from 5pm - 6pm at Meadowglen International Athletics Stadium ◊

Contacts: Tony Newstead, Secretary - 0431 665 350
Vince Barca, Team Manager - 0425 786 863

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