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.

1st December 2011

From the Principal
Hi Everyone,

Our transition program is well under way. The 2012 preps have had two very successful visits and it has been terrific to meet them and see them settling into the school environment.

The children in grades 1 - 5 have an enjoyable and enlightening session with teachers from the next grade level today and this will follow with two more sessions next Monday, and the following Tuesday. These programs play an important role in supporting our children to move through their schooling years with confidence and enthusiasm. Well done to all of our staff for supporting this program and making it enjoyable for the children.

Last night we had the 2012 Prep Information Evening. We were pleased with the attendance. Congratulations and thank you those parents who attended. We are looking forward to seeing the children and their families at the sausage sizzle next Thursday evening, December 8th.

Once again Bunnings has asked for our support with their children’s Christmas evening.

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.
Hopefully we will once again have a wonderful group of volunteers. I would encourage you to support your child if they are given an opportunity to participate. Lots of fun was had by all last year. It is also a way we can support and thank Bunnings for their generosity to our school.

Each year we like to show our appreciation and recognise the time and effort our parent volunteers put into the school and the myriad of ways in which they support us throughout the year. This year we are holding a morning tea on Monday, 12th December 2011 at 11 am, to express our thanks to these wonderful parent helpers. If you have assisted in the school in any way during the year, we hope you will join us for morning tea.

We know the year is coming to a speedy end when the book lists are distributed! These funds are vital for us and your children to enable the provision of high quality programs and a focus on improved student learning. While the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development provides us with funding for teaching and Integration staff, DEECD expect families to pay for the children’s requisites and excursions. Please complete section 4 of the booklist and return the form to school with payment. Payments can be made from December 5th. BPAY/internet banking at home & eftpos credit facilities are available at school. Providing payments are made before February 2nd, your child will be entitled to collect their book pack on the first day of school. Please contact me if you would like to arrange a payment plan.

School Start Bonus: The School Start Bonus is provided by the Victorian Government to assist low-income families with the costs associated with their child starting Prep or Year 7 at a government or non-government school. If you hold a valid Health Care Card, Pension Card, or are a foster parent, and you have a child starting Prep, you may be eligible to receive this one-off $300 payment. The School Start Bonus will be paid by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) into your nominated bank account in late January 2012. The School Start Bonus is separate, and additional to the Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA).

Should you have any queries or concerns about the arrangements please contact Jenny Tollit or me.

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.

Keep up that life-long learning!

From your Principal,
Julie Jones
## Stars of the Week

Grades Prep – 6  
Week 7

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Week 1-
On Tuesday the 8th of November the Northcote SEDA class made their first appearance at Morang South Primary School for the first part of Sahand, Brett and Gavan’s event, SEDA’s Greatest Footballer. We start off with one class of 5/6’s before recess, two classes of 5/6’s after recess and after lunch we work with the preps. The SEDA coaches work with 3 or 4 students that are assigned to them each week and work on skills such as kicking, handballing, running and agility. We originally planned to run the day using the outdoor areas but weather was not permitting and so we had to move all activities into the gymnasium. The students were loving the drills and tests that were going on and were all giving 100% which was good to see. Next week hopefully the weather is a bit nicer and we can run some larger activities to prepare a bit better for the final day of testing.

Brett W
Week 2 - SEDA

On Tuesday the 15th of November the Northcote SEDA class returned to Morang South Primary School for the second part of Sahand, Brett and Gavan’s event, SEDA’s Greatest Footballer. We start off with one class of 5/6’s before recess, two classes of 5/6’s after recess and after lunch we work with the preps. The SEDA coaches work with the same 3 or 4 students each every week and work on enhancing their skills in the areas of kicking, handballing, marking, speed, agility and hand eye coordination. This week for a change the weather was beautiful which allowed us to go outside and get some fresh air. As I walked around I could tell that the students were being worked hard by their coaches with all the huffing and panting that was going on. There was plenty of yelling screaming and laughing going on which tells me that the kids were enjoying the activities which is the main objective. Next week hopefully all the hard work that has been done will pay off with some good results next week when we come back for the final day of testing.

Sahand G

Week 3 - On Tuesday the 22nd of November the Northcote SEDA class returned to Morang South Primary School for the final day of SEDA’s greatest athlete. Today all the tests were run in perfect conditions and the students had a blast. Each class had a winning boy and girl for the day and these students were presented with certificates at the end of each session. We also decided to promote healthy eating and instead of giving out lollies and junk food we brought along oranges and watermelon for the kids to eat. The event overall was a success with very little going wrong or off of schedule.

Brett W and Sahand G
At the beginning of this term, I wrote a letter to Nick Dragarski from Preston Motors, at 300 Cooper Street Epping and asked him if he could support my billy cart team. He phoned the school and invited me to his showroom to sit in his rally car and show me some of his cars. He also gave me a fabulous Mitsubishi racing vest, centre caps for my billy cart wheels, badges and stickers. He also took some photos of me in the cars and gave me a copy to keep. Nick was really helpful and he explained how rally art is used to decorate cars for racing. I had a great time visiting Preston Motors Epping and Nick was really helpful.

On Friday the 18\textsuperscript{th} of November, Nick and Ian came to MSPS with their cars and talked about driving, keeping safe and racing cars. He also talked about the way vehicles have an impact on our environment in regards to fuel and sound and what the E.P.A do in regards to cars in our environment. He told us lots of facts about cars and then he quizzed us. Then he gave the people who answered the questions a poster. Nick and Ian were kind enough to share their cars with the 5/6 team and we are very grateful that Nick and Ian offered to give up their time to share their knowledge with us.

Michael F

Home Group 11
Holden Racing Visit

HG 5 Making Billy Carts
The Astronaut is going to Mars Christmas

My Shape Picture

My Shape Picture Diploma

Eva

Duck

Pond

Unicorn Christmas
FUNDRAISING MADE EASY & FUN WITH MATCHBOX
School Loyalty Program -
Head into Matchbox Plenty Valley and have fun shopping
for great cookware and kitchenware products
Mention your school when you make a purchase at
Matchbox Plenty Valley and your purchases will go towards
earning rewards and vouchers for your school

PAVERS
For anyone interested we are doing Pavers (one name per Paver)
where you draw your image or write your name and they will be displayed around
the new gym in 2012. Please refer to the attached flyer.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE
Donations are now being taken towards our end of year Christmas Raffle.
The donations box can be found in the foyer.
Raffle tickets to follow shortly.

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

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
Fundraising made easy & fun with Matchbox!

Raise funds for your school in just 3 easy steps:

1. Head into Matchbox Plenty Valley and have fun shopping for great cookware and kitchenware products.

2. Mention your school when you make a purchase at Matchbox Plenty Valley and your purchases will go towards earning rewards and vouchers for your school.

3. Stay tuned for extra events and promos at Matchbox Plenty Valley to help your school earn more rewards!

It’s never been easier to cook great meals at home with your kids and family.

Talk to our friendly team for great advice on the right cookware and tools for your kitchen.

Matchbox – Plenty Valley
Phone: (03) 9436 0857 | Shop 23, Westfield Plenty Valley
OSHC NEWS

Hi Everyone,

Just letting all OSHC family’s know that there will be no After school care running on the last day of term 4 the 22nd of December.

For families that have preps starting in 2012 please remember to add them to your OSHC account, you can do this online at www.campaustralia.com.au. Please call 1300 105 343 for any assistance.

- Reannan, Monique, Charleigh, Kristin and Belinda.

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.campaustralia.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.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK:

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AWARDS... Ticket in the Tub: Elijah & Kaniesha
South Morang Junior Basketball Club
Registration for players for next season starting
February 2012 in all age groups from U/8’s to U/19’s
For information please call Margaret Bate 9436 8252

KEYBOARD LESSONS

New Enrolments are currently being accepted for Term 1, 2012.
At only $11.90 (incl. GST) per lesson, this keyboard music program is Great Value!!!

Enrolment forms are available from keyboard music teacher(s), the school office or you can enrol electronically on our website – www.primarymusicInstitute.com.au.

Small Reminder
Re-enrolment from term to the next (including from one year to the next) is automatic so, once enrolled, you don’t need to send in a new enrolment form each term in order to continue.

If at any stage you wish to cancel, written advice to that effect must be mailed or faxed to P.M.I. at the above address/fax number at least two weeks prior to the start of any given term in order to avoid incurring the next term’s fees. (Please note: It is not sufficient for this advice to be communicated to the school or keyboard teacher).

The Primary Music Institute wishes all families a safe and musical holiday!!
South Morang Cricket Club

Annual Market Day and Fireworks Spectacular

Sunday 18th December 2011
Starting at 3.30pm
at
South Morang Cricket Ground
The Lakes Boulevard, Mill Park Lakes.

Market Stalls, Amusement Rides
and a Variety of Food available.
A guest appearance from Santa Finished off
with a Spectacular Fireworks Display

All are welcome to attend this free event.

All interested stall holders should contact
Cynamin on 0433 393 579 or
southmorang@juniors.cricketvictoria.com.au

Proudly supported by:
AFTER SCHOOL NETBALL COMPETITION
Where: Diamond Creek Community Bank Stadium
Diamond Creek (between Diamond Creek East Primary & Diamond Valley College)

When; Thursdays After School commencing Thursday 16th Feb 4pm

Cost: Team Registration $75 (to enter the team)
      Game Fee $48 (weekly)
Ins: Netball Victoria Registration & Insurance
     9/U & 11/U $30 (per annum)
     13/U, 15/U $40 (per annum)
Contact: Sue Taylor 0413 725 911/ 9438 6098 for further queries and registration.
Look us up www.diamondcreekforce.com.au

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Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

At this stage, we still refer to the gymnasiums as the ‘old gym’ or the ‘new gym’. As you know we thought that the official opening ceremony was a great opportunity to give both of our gyms new names that represented our school and broader community. We are pleased to report that there has been a few entries and much discussion amongst our School Councillors.

Now, we would love your help!

**For the old gym:**
It will be named from an Aboriginal word meaning “Always there” (Our old gym has always been part of the school). This ‘secret’ will be announced at an assembly very soon and the family who made the suggestion will be presented with a small prize.

**For the new gym:**
Please vote for your favourite short listed suggestion by ticking one box below
- Paringa Complex (Aboriginal meaning – Place at the river)
- Karbeethon Complex (Aboriginal meaning – Sport or play)
- Kanyaka Complex (Aboriginal meaning – A stony place)
- MSPS Complex
- Plenty Gorge Complex
- Riverside Complex
- Multipurpose Complex

The winning suggestion for the new gym will also be announced at an assembly very soon and the family who made the suggestion will be presented with a small prize.

If you would like to participate and be part of the voting for this competition, please vote for your favourite suggestion and return this note to the front office before Wednesday 23rd November 2011 at 3:30pm. We request that no more than one slip per family is returned.

Thank you,
Sandi Young

*Morang South Primary School*

**Old Gym/New Gym Naming Competition**

Student(s) name: ____________________________ Home Group(s):___________

Please return this A4 note with your vote above to the front office before Wednesday 23rd November 2011.
PFA Fundraiser

Commemorative Bricks

We will be using these special bricks around the new Gym as part of our landscaping.

Prices: 1 brick: $30   2 bricks: $50   3 bricks: $70   4 bricks: $90

Morang South Primary School Commemorative Bricks Fundraiser

If you would like to participate in this fundraiser, please return this section below in an envelope with the correct money and the slip of paper below with your design on the back. (Please remember to follow the instructions below).

Name: _______________________________   HG: ________

YES PLEASE! I would like to purchase ______ brick(s) and I have enclosed $__________.

(ONE NAME PER PAVER) Please follow these simple steps when creating your hand drawn image.

- Draw your image on the other side of this slip of paper. (the size is the same as the engraving area of a paver.)
- Draw your image using a good quality medium thickness black marker pen. (about 2mm thick.) Do not use a ballpoint pen!
- Make sure that you rub out any pencil lines as these will show up in the finished paver.
- Do not include computer generated or pasted pictures, the hand drawn image engraving process is set up to engrave hand drawn images only.
- Sample #1 has been drawn correctly. Sample #2 is incorrect it has a computer generated image and the text was written with a ballpoint pen.

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On the back of this section record your design

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