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.

9th February 2012

From the Principal

Hello everyone and welcome to the new school year.

We really have had a wonderful start to 2012! The grades are settled and already focussing on their learning. I have been seeing lots of smiling faces and happy children as I walk around the yard. Our preps have settled well and I warmly welcome them and the other new children across the school, along with their families. Everyone seems to have had a very relaxing holiday and there has been lots of talk and sharing of experiences amongst the children and the staff about their holidays.

I feel very confident that we will have another exciting and productive ‘learning’ year at Morang South, particularly with the addition of our new science program.

A huge thank you to you all for how you have supported your children to make sure that they have sufficient “brain” food and water to ensure they can get through to second lunch without having to eat the ‘snack’ food which doesn’t assist their learning.

The teachers are again encouraging the children to eat fruit during the long sessions and the children are really enjoying this and responding well. This focus on eating and drinking to support our learning is a great feature of our school.

Due to the original school photo date being unsuitable for the PrEpic program, the date has been revised. The new date is Friday 2nd March 2012. We apologize for any inconvenience.

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.
packaging. As we have grades 3/4 this year, we are also going to ask the grade 4 children not to bring disposable packaging. I’d like to congratulate the many other families who have voluntarily chosen to join us in this pursuit of a more environmentally friendly school. Thank you.

This year Jenny Tollit will be our Office Manager Leanne Roberts remains our Business Manager, and Mary-Anne Pollock remains our First Aide Officer, but will also work in our Language Support Program and Program for Students with Disabilities. We are always looking to offer staff opportunities for multi-skilling and to improve our efficiency and processes. Deb Powell will also spend some time working in our office area.

We welcome Ms Sue Grad (P-4 PE), Mr David Mathie (5/6 PE), Mrs Rachel Young (5/6 Teacher) and Mrs Tamara Walters (Grade 1/2 Teacher).

Mrs Heather Govett is on sick leave and has been replaced by Mrs Tamara Walters. Tamara will be teaching HG 20 for the entire year as Heather plans to retire in the near future. Tamara has made a great start with HG 20 and we congratulate her on her appointment.

There is a staff list and current map included with the Newsletter.

Due to the resounding success of our PREPIC program, we are providing this transition to prep program in conjunction with EPIC once again. The program will remain in room 18. This is an exciting program and will support ten children with Special needs an opportunity to have two years in Prep. Chris McCulloch and Sam Jones are running this program again.

On Monday we presented our School Captains and House Captains with their badges. Our student leaders are an important part of our school and we congratulate them all on their appointments. We are looking forward to coming weeks when we will appoint our Junior School Councillors, Student Voice team; office, library, flag, gate and yard duty monitors; and the school reporter and photographer.

All schools constantly battle with the crowded curriculum. To enable us to manage this we will be implementing a new assembly schedule. This schedule is included with the Newsletter for your convenience.

This term is always a busy one filled with lots of opportunities for parents and children to meet with the staff and each other as we cement our relationships as a learning community. Please be sure to check the Important Dates list on the front page of the Newsletter to ensure you are aware of school activities.

Our information evenings are next week. Later in the term we will be having a Family Fun night and of course there are our three way conferences. PFA and School Council meetings also commence this term.

I would also recommend the Cyber Smart forum being held at Mill Park Heights for a number of local schools including ours on the evening of Wednesday February 22nd. A flyer with details is attached to this Newsletter.

School Council Elections and Meeting
At Morang South we have a really fantastic School Council. The first meeting for the year will be the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 28th March at 7:30 p.m. in the staffroom. We hope lots of you will come along. This year there will be four parent vacancies for elected representatives on School Council, if you wish to nominate for one of the routine vacancies or be coopted to the community vacancies for School Council, you can call at the office for a nomination form or if you wish to know more about the work of School Council, please contact me. Please see the official call for nominations form attached to this Gorge News.

A Few other reminders
School Arrival Times
Please ensure that your children do not arrive at school preferably, before 8:45 and certainly not before 8:30 in the mornings. We have staff on duty from 8:45 until 9:00.

Riding Bikes and other “wheeled” items to School
We are very happy for children to ride their bikes and other ‘wheeled’ objects to school. However, they must wear a helmet and must not ride their bike or ‘wheeled’ object in the school grounds during school time. If they don’t adhere to these two requests they will be unable to bring their bike or any other ‘wheeled’ object to school.
Student Dress Code
Please familiarise yourself and your child/children with the Student Dress Code sent home with this Newsletter. It will be reviewed this year.

Please remember when purchasing items they need to conform to the dress code.
If your child is not in uniform they need to bring a note of explanation.

NB. Basketball shorts are not acceptable. I have noticed a few children with these and have asked them to talk to their parents about this.

While the grade six children are allowed to wear black trousers and shorts they need to be logo and stripe free and conform to the dress code.

As we are a Sun Smart school, in Term 1 and until the end of April in term 2, it is compulsory for the children to wear a hat when in the playground and during PE. Please ensure that your child has a school hat. It is a good idea for them to leave it in their bag overnight then they will have it at school each day.

By following the Dress Code families are demonstrating respect for our school and acknowledging their commitment to our learning community.

Please make sure all items of clothing are named with both first and last names. Any lost items will be returned if named and at the end of each week, any un-named clothing will go to our second-hand uniform shop.

Booklists & Payments
The ordering and distribution of booklist materials went smoothly again this year. Thanks to Leanne’s fine organisation and your cooperation and patience.

We are constantly working on improving the system. I would like to thank all of the office staff but particularly Leanne Roberts, who worked so hard to ensure that everyone received their booklist materials in an efficient manner.

At Morang South we provide the students with a comprehensive and varied curriculum. I am sure that you will understand that it is imperative that we receive the amounts we have set for our 2012 booklists.

These funds are vital for your child/children and us. Some members of the broader public are of the opinion that education is ‘free’. In an ideal world we would all like this to be so. However, we are living in a world where there are many competing needs for the tax dollars. The Government clearly states that ‘tuition’ (teaching) is free but families are expected to pay for books, pens, paper and the myriad of other consumables the children use in their programs at school.

Thank you, to the large number of you who have already paid their booklist contributions or have seen Jenny or myself about a payment plan. We would appreciate it if those families who have not paid the requested amount at this stage would do so as soon as possible, particularly those with children in Prep where the children’s materials are purchased in bulk.

Thank you for your support in this! We appreciate your cooperation and the respect you have for your child's learning and our school programs.

Unfortunately during the holidays we had a large amount of damage around the school from the
Christmas night storm and vandalism. Leanne Roberts and Michael Chetcutti worked tirelessly, sometimes when they should have been relaxing not working to get the school in great shape for our start. I’d like to thank them both very much.

A number of schools in the area were broken into and had computer equipment stolen. Fortunately this was not the case for us! I would like to encourage you to report anything you see or hear to the police as soon as you are able. Even the smallest clue can sometimes assist. Thank you to those of you who live nearby or walk in the area for keeping a close eye on our school. We like to have our facilities available to the community after hours and it would be a shame to have to build huge fences around our perimeter in order to prevent this destruction. The money spent on repairing this damage takes valuable resources from our children.

This week will be the last time we distribute a hard copy of the Newsletter. Future Newsletters will be emailed. If you would like a hard copy of the Gorge News, there will be some available in the foyer for collection by you or your child. 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!

Julie Jones
Principal
Our captains from left to right:
Lachie: Vice Captain
Sarah: Captain
Thinura: Captain
Lauren: Vice Captain

Our House Captains from left to right:

**Yellow House:**
Brody: Vice Captain
Luc: Captain
Chloe: Vice Captain
Shaylee: Captain

**Green House:**
Emily: Captain
Jessica: Vice Captain
Brandon: Vice Captain
Joel: Captain

**Red House:**
Jessie: Vice Captain
Paul: Captain
Tahlia: Vice Captain
Natasha: Captain

**Blue House:**
Tara: Vice Captain
Mikieli: Captain
Prep: First day 2012

PrEpic: First Day 2012
Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

We have a winner!!!!

For the old gym:
Congratulations Joshua Ford and the Ford family! Josh wins a prize! As previously mentioned, the old gym was named from an Aboriginal word meaning “Always there” (Our old gym has always been part of the school). The new name is:

**Killara**

For the new gym:
The new name has an Aboriginal meaning of ‘Place at the river’, and was named by a staff member. The staff member was inspired by the dry river bed outside of the complex. The new name is:

**Paringa Complex**

Inside the Paringa Complex we will have:

- The **Performing Arts Room**
- The **Gallery** (The opening learning area inside the Paringa Complex will be turned into a gallery display student work from Morang South Primary School and eventually from local Kindergartens and Secondary Colleges. Wouldn’t it be lovely to have some artwork from the artists in our local community?
- The **Basketball Court**

And...

Thank you to the children and families who participated in the naming the gym competition or voting for the names. All of these names were put into a hat and one lucky winner was pulled out! **Congratulations Heath Sanderson, you have won a free lunch order!!!**

Thank you,
Sandi Young
Don’t forget that Wednesday is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit.

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week using their Dollarmites deposit wallet. If your child has misplaced their Dollarmites deposit book or deposit wallet, they can request a new one from either the local branch or contact the School Banking Co-ordinator.

School Banking accounts can now be opened at any Commonwealth Bank branch. You no longer need to complete application forms and return them to school. Just go into any branch and ask to open a Youthsaver account for School Banking.

Remember to take in identification for you and your child (such as drivers license and birth certificate), you will receive a Dollarmites wallet and deposit book on the spot and be able to start banking on the next business day – it is that easy!

If you are a Commonwealth Bank customer with NetBank you have the option to open the account online as well!

From January 2012 when children make their first deposit they will get their first token and our school will also receive $5 commission. Thank you for supporting our school and teaching your child good savings skills.

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**Student Cash Book Envelopes**

*Caring Instructions for Lopees Cloth Envelopes.*

With all Lopees products it is very important to iron the screen printing with a hot iron before washing for the first time, only hand wash in cold water, do not tumble dry and air dry only.

Do not over fill as this only puts stress on the zips and material.

Do not use any chemicals and please take out paper cards before washing.
The ACMA’s Cybersmart Outreach

Internet Safety Awareness presentation for M.S.P.S parents

Wednesday 22nd Feb 6:30pm at Mill Park Heights P.S

As part of its Cybersmart Outreach program, the Australian Communications and Media Authority (the ACMA), delivers free internet safety awareness presentations for parents, teachers and students. Presentations provide valuable information about the risks confronting children online, and offer tools and tips to help make their Internet experiences safe and positive.

Morang South PS is very excited to offer this Internet safety presentation again! The parent response to this program in 2010 was very positive. At different times during Term 1- week 4, free student presentations will be offered to grades 4-6 students, teachers and parents. I strongly encourage all parents to attend this free presentation. It has taken 18 months to secure this presentation and we are sharing the presenters with schools in our local network. YES, it is that popular!!

Internet safety presentations cover topics including:

- the ways children use the internet and emerging technologies
- potential risks for children online, such as cyberbullying, illegal content, inappropriate contact, identity theft, grooming and predatory activity
- tips to help children stay safe online.

The presentation is thorough, non-technical and is conducted by an accredited cybersmart trainer. Presentations are provided to schools free of charge.

Support materials for parents

The ACMA’s Cybersmart Outreach program offers a range of free resources for parents, teachers and children. Materials developed for parents include:

Cybersmart brochures:

- Cybersmart Guide for Families
- Say no to cyberbullying
- Sexting
- Socialising on the internet
- Guide to online safety
- Dealing with offensive content
- Mobile phone safety

Cybersmart Gateway, a web portal giving all Australian primary and secondary schools easy access to the full range of the ACMA’s cybersmart education resources. The Gateway hosts current ACMA resources, links to existing national and international resources and offers new materials as they are developed. The Gateway includes strategic tools for cybersafety education planning.

- Visit www.cybersmart.gov.au
- Cybersmart Contact Centre, for information and advice. Telephone 1800 880 176.
- Email for information, printed materials and advice about online safety.
  cybersafety@acma.gov.au
Comments on the ACMA’s Cybersmart Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness Presentations

“The presentation helped to highlight how easily children can find themselves in situations that they are not prepared to deal with. It informed parents that the internet can be a safe and educating tool when appropriate safety measures are in place.”

“The information provided was practical and useful and provided ways that students could easily begin to protect themselves.”

“It was one of the most powerful presentations I have seen in 20 years.”

“The presentation opened my eyes to what is really going on online, particularly as I am not a frequent user of the internet.”

“I think parents walked away with a broader understanding of what young people are doing online and how they can begin talking to their children about staying safe online.”

“The presentation showed parents the uptake of the internet by children and how it is a significant part of their lives.”

The ACMA’s National Cybersmart program

The Cybersmart program is a national cybersafety education program managed by the Australian Communications and Media Authority (the ACMA), as part of the Australian Government’s commitment to promoting online safety for children and young people. The world online is powerful and engaging for young people and adults alike, offering a wealth of opportunity. The Cybersmart program enables children, parents, carers, teachers and library staff to manage online risks, so their experiences are safe and positive.

The Cybersmart program aims to:
- Inform children, parents, teachers and library staff about cybersafety issues
- Educate audiences through information, resources and practical advice
- Empower children to be safe online.

The Cybersmart program includes:
- Cybersmart Outreach Professional Development for Educators program and Internet Safety Awareness Presentations for parents and children.
- A professional development program for trainee teachers.
- A comprehensive range of information and resources designed to meet the needs of children, parents, teachers, and library staff. All resources are provided free of charge in Australia.
- Funding for Kids Helpline to provide an online helpline service to young people who have experienced issues online.
- The Cybersmart Contact Centre—a national telephone centre providing online safety information, advice and ac-

Internet Safety Awareness presentation for M.S.P.S parents

Wednesday 22\textsuperscript{nd} Feb 6:30pm at Mill Park Heights P.S

Yes, I will be attending the Internet Safety Awareness presentation for MSPS parents.

No, I will NOT be attending the Internet Safety Awareness presentation for MSPS parents.

Parent name: ______________ Child(ren): ____________________________ HS9s): _______
MORANG SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL  

STUDENT DRESS CODE  

(As amended by School Council 13th June 2007)

RATIONALE:

Wearing the compulsory school uniform fosters pride in the school and unifies students from various social backgrounds into a more cohesive school community. It encourages children to identify with the school and helps to break down discrimination by removing peer pressure to conform to passing fashion trends. Whilst on excursions, the uniform enables our children to be easily identified and helps them to project a positive image outside the school.

AIM:

To have all children at this school wearing the compulsory uniform everyday as described within this policy.

IMPLEMENTATION:

All children are to wear uniform at all times.

1: DESCRIPTION OF THE UNIFORM

Parents and children may choose from any of the options listed below.

JUMPERS: A maroon top with a white Morang South logo in either windcheater or bomber jacket styles. The Grade 6 jacket will be black with the children's signatures inscribed on it. An explanation on how to order this will go home with the grade six booklist each year.

SHIRTS: A maroon polo shirt with white Morang South logo, or a white polo shirt with maroon Morang South logo. These are available with either long or short sleeves.

SHORTS: Maroon cotton knit elastic waist unisex short or a maroon drill short (mid thigh – knee length) for boys. Grade six children may wear a black short in the styles listed above. All shorts must be above knee length; no three quarter length shorts.

PANTS: Unisex maroon track pants. Maroon drill pants for boys and bootleg pants for girls are optional. Grade six children may wear black pants in the styles listed above.

EXTRA OPTIONS FOR GIRLS: Girls may also choose to wear our summer dress, maroon skort or the winter tunic (tunic has detachable bodice and may be worn as a skirt only). Black skort is optional for Grade six. Socks can be worn with dress, skort or tunic. Maroon or black tights may be worn with the tunic/winter skirt if extra warmth is desired. No shorts or pants are to be visible below the hemline of the dress. All hair accessories should be selected to conform to the colour scheme as listed in this policy.

HATS: These are compulsory in terms one and four and are available in a legionnaire,
broad-brimmed and bucket hat style. They are available from the school office as well as our uniform supplier. A maroon, white or black beanie (no logos) may be worn in winter. A maroon, white or black beanie (no logos) may be worn in winter.

SOCKS: Only plain maroon, black or white socks may be worn.

SHOES: Solid practical shoes are to be worn – no thongs or open toed sandals. We would encourage black school shoes or sport shoes which are predominately black or white.

JEWELLERY: For safety reasons earrings must be studs or sleepers only.

SCHOOL BAGS: A maroon back pack style bag with the school logo is recommended. These are available from the school office.

ART SMOCK: A waterproof art smock is available, the purchase of which is optional. However, children must be provided with some kind of protective clothing for art.

Items not bearing school logo are acceptable only when colour and style are identical to standard uniform.

A neat and tidy appearance is expected at all times.

2. AVAILABILITY:
New uniforms are available from our approved supplier. A second hand uniform shop, at the school, is run by Parents and Friends – check on the door for opening times.

EXEMPTIONS
Exemptions will be provided where…..
- An aspect of the uniform policy offends a religious belief held by the student and/or parents.
- An aspect of the uniform policy prevents the student from complying with a requirement of his/her ethnic or cultural background.
- An aspect of the uniform policy prevents students with disabilities from being able to attend school or participate in school activities on the same terms as other students.
- The student has a particular health condition that requires a variation to the uniform policy.

For a short time when children are new to the school.

4. AMENDMENTS TO THE UNIFORM POLICY:
Any amendment to this policy requires a formal motion of the School Council, and only after a process of due consultation.

5. ENFORCEMENT OF THE UNIFORM POLICY:
A note of explanation from the parents is required on each occasion the child is not in uniform. If a particular student is regularly out of uniform, the Principal (or delegate) will follow up the matter with the child’s parents with a view to enabling the child to conform to the policy.

6. EVALUATION:
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### OUT OF HOURS CARE

| Minutoli | Monique | 17 |
| Schrader | Reannan | 17 |

### CLEANERS & MAINTENANCE

| Chetcuti | Darren | Cleaning |
| Chetcuti | Michael | Maintenance | Part Time |
# ASSEMBLY ROSTER – TERM 1 2012

ASSEMBLY WILL BE HELD ON ALTERNATE MONDAYS FROM 

**WEEK 3**

2.45PM IN THE PARINGA COMPLEX

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**END OF TERM 1 FRIDAY MARCH 30 SCHOOL FINISHES AT 2.30**

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Thank you for your cooperation.
"Helping your primary schooler through times of stress and worry"
An Information Evening for those with Children at Primary School

Monday, March 19th 2012, 7:30-9PM
Calvary Lutheran Church, Greensborough

In a complex and demanding world, children can be especially vulnerable to anxiety and stress.

A current challenge for today’s parents is helping to equip their child with the necessary resilience to thrive during their primary school years.

Come along on March 19th to learn more, and to pick up practical tips on supporting your child.

Topics: Identifying modern pressures experienced by children which can lead to excessive worry and anxiety.

Understanding what happens when your child experiences excessive worry and anxiety.

Prevention strategies for avoiding excessive worry and anxiety.

Helpful practices for parents, that can assist children managing their worries, stresses and anxiety.

A community service initiative of...

Calvary Lutheran Church,
"Christ has called us together
in love to be his people.
We are sharing his love with others."

Where?
1 Oldstead Road Greensborough

Please note that parking at our venue is limited, but ample parking is available at St Saba's Orthodox Church, 250 metres north on Diamond Creek Rd.

How to Register?
Registration costs $15 per person and can be made online at: http://Ez.com/infonight

For more information phone: 0424 469 458

Please note, due to venue capacity and parking, seats are strictly limited. Registrations are essential and close on March 12th 2012.
Parents & Friends

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE 2011 WINNERS
We would like to congratulate the following people on their prizes:

1st prize – A & D Fothergill
2nd prize – Declan McLellan
3rd prize – M.Richards
4th prize – George Mikropoulos
5th prize – Jayden Boyle
6th prize – Andrew (c/- Lisa Cauchi)
7th prize – Stuart McLellan
8th prize – Pam Guy
9th prize – Turner Family
10th prize – Matthew Falzon
11th prize – co/ Collard Family
12th prize – Daniel Carranza
13th prize – Tianna King

Mystery prize winners:
(1) Charlotte Bradstreet, (2) Eric Hatzis, (3) Cathy Johnstone, (4) Jack McAdam

COMMEMORATIVE BRICKS (PAVERS)
For anyone interested, these special bricks will be placed around the new gym as part of our landscaping
Simply draw your image or write your name (one name per paver) as per the instructions – 1 brick: $30, 2 bricks: $50, 3 bricks: $70, 4 bricks: $90
For further information please see the office or contact Michelle Lewis on 0419 580 768

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS 2011/12
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

We always welcome new members – Next Meeting (AGM) to be confirmed
OSHC NEWS

Welcome back to 2012. We hope you all had a fantastic summer break!

We are so, so happy to see new and old faces in OSHC!

This year is going to be full of new and engaging games, cooking, craft and fun!

To our new families please provide your child with a spare hat to keep at OSHC, to ensure your child plays safe in the sun.

- Reannan, Monique, Kristin and Charleigh

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: coming next weekend

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BACK TO SCHOOL IN 2012

It may not be the average hot summer, but head lice are still thriving!

Head lice are prevalent all year round. Our bodies regulate our temperature, which is perfect for a head lice infestation, whether it's 20° or 40° outside.

Head lice are tiny little wingless parasites that are highly contagious. They are only transferred by direct human contact, they are not dangerous, do not carry diseases and are not a sign of poor hygiene.

It is said that one in four young school children carry head lice at any one time and 95 percent of head lice cases are picked up at school.

Head lice can be passed around by innocent close play such as a hug, sharing hair ties, brushes and caps. Head lice crawl exceptionally fast and have a firm grip on the hair once in contact, the transfer can happen in an instant. It only takes one louse to start the head lice life cycle

Getting rid of head lice - Top Tips

1. Make sure the treatment is massaged into the scalp and complete coverage is achieved – many people don’t realize that a newly hatched louse (a nymph) is almost translucent in colour and lives directly on the scalp for this stage of its life. Without focusing on the scalp during treatment it is possible that the nymphs are left to continue the infestation.
2. Combing is important to ensure all nits (head lice eggs) are removed. Many treatments don’t penetrate the egg’s shell leaving the embryo inside to continue to grow and eventually hatch. The nits are tiny, between 0.5mm and 2mm in length so it’s handy to have a magnifying glass with you when treating. Parents should pay particular attention to the back of the neck and also behind the ears when looking for nits.
3. Us mums aren’t superwomen, although we are close, so it is possible that even with the most thorough treatment we could leave behind a couple of healthy nits which would create a new generation of head lice. Therefore it is important to retreat around 7 days after the initial treatment which will tackle those undetected hatchlings.
4. If someone in the household has head lice, it is highly recommended to check the other family members for head lice.
Workshops at the Modern School of Singing are conducted by a qualified teacher. The curriculum consists of vocal exercises, breathing techniques and performance development. Students are given the opportunity to improve the agility and flexibility of their voice and develop as a performer.

- Voice Placement
- Breathing Control
- Microphone Technique
- Projection
- Stagecraft & Performance
- Song Writing
- Confidence & Image Building

**Current Workshops Available:**

Group Workshops
1 Hour Duration

More information and enrolment forms are available at the MSPS Office.
A payment of a total 5 Workshops ($85) must be paid in full, prior to the commencement of the term

For all other enquiries please contact Belinda

0410 607 005
msos@optusnet.com.au
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STOLEN!
IN SOUTH MORANG

Eastern Traildigger 20” BMX Bike
REWARD for information which leads to recovery of bike.
Call 0411 429 072 if you can help!
IMPORTANT NOTICE

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Over the past 12 months there has been significant media exposure given to situations where children have been severely injured at school yet have not been covered by insurance. Add to this the accidents that occur outside school hours.

The financial pressures that parents and guardians may have to endure following these accidents can themselves be crippling.

StudentCover was developed to give parents and guardians a helping hand when they need it the most.

The annual cost of a StudentCover policy is just $29.00.

Unfortunately parents are too often surprised to learn just how little cover, if any, their children have when they are at school or at play.

StudentCover is student accident insurance that provides protection for your children 24 hours a day, seven days a week, anywhere in the world*. The cover applies whether they are at school or at play.

Some of the features include:

- Compensation of $500,000 for major injuries such as paraplegia and quadriplegia;
- Compensation for other major injuries such as loss of sight or loss of use of a limb and death;
- Reimbursement for emergency transport including the cost of ambulance;
- Compensation for common injuries included such as broken bones, fractures, dislocations or loss of teeth;
- Fee relief following the death of a parent or guardian; and
- Help with student tutoring expenses as a result of total disablement, to ensure a child’s education suffers the least possible disruption.

How to apply

StudentCover is only available online – making it quick and easy to protect your child or children. Payment can be made by credit card at the time of application, or by BPAY once you receive your invoice.

To apply online simply go to www.studentcover.com.au and click APPLY NOW.

With a new school year now upon us, we trust you will see the value in taking up this offer and in doing so enjoy just a little more peace of mind when protecting your children.

Kind regards

Jeff Adams
Managing Director

General Advice Notice - Our advice is provided for your general information and does not take into account your individual needs. StudentCover is underwritten by American Home Assurance Company ABN 67 007 483 267 AFS Licence No. 230903 trading in Australia as Charis.
PFA Fundraiser

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**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 $__________.

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(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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