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Welcome Back to the 2017 school year.

We hope that you all enjoyed the school holiday break. The year has kicked off smoothly and our leadership team have enjoyed visiting students in their classes this week as they get down to the business of learning routines and establishing relationships. I wish to acknowledge the hard work and significant preparation by all the staff who have made this possible.

A special welcome to the following staff who joined the Moana School Staff for 2017: Josh Withers, Room 6 Year 1 teacher, Greg Brown, Room 14 Year 3 and 4 teacher, and Ted Wilkins who will be working in various classrooms and the admin area.

We have started the year with 495 students. Sixty nine of them are in Reception. They are settling into school routines well and we know they will all be very tired by the end of this week! We wish to also welcome the other new students who have enrolled in our Year 1-7 classes. I am confident that all of our students will experience supported and successful learning at Moana Primary School.

I firmly believe that strong relationships and partnerships are the foundations of a successful school. The staff and teachers look forward to working with all parents to ensure that our students are successful and engaged within a safe and supportive learning environment. I encourage parents to maintain regular contact with teachers and/or the leadership team and to share any concerns so that they can be resolved quickly.

Please register for the MGM School Star App so you can access newsletters and information. You can also message us via this app. The school's phone number is 8386 1144 and you can leave a message for teachers. You can also email dl.1071.admin@schools.sa.edu.au and your email will be passed on. Alternatively you can text 0428 937 348. This number is reliant on us having your current, working mobile in our system.

As you can see there are lots of ways for you to contact us if you have any questions or concerns. We will keep you up to date with what's going on via our App, emails, text messages and posters on classroom doors.

Our Acquaintance Night and AGM will be held next Tuesday 7 February at 6:30-7:15pm. This is a great opportunity for parents to informally meet class teachers and to find out more about class routines, expectations and plans for 2017. Family groups will have an opportunity to 'travel' together between classes.

Please stay for the AGM which will start at 7:30 in the library where our Governing Council will be elected. If you wish to nominate for a position on Governing council then please contact our Front Office staff. Hope to see you there.

Cindy McGarry, Principal



DATES

Tuesday Feb 7

Acquaintance Night

6:30-7:15

AGM in the library 7:30

Friday Feb 10

Monster Truck Visit

Thursday Feb 16

Newsletter

Wednesday Feb 22

Aquatics Year 6 and 7

Swimming Year 5

Thursday Feb 23

Aquatics Year 6 and 7

Swimming Year 5

Friday March 10

Pupil Free Day

All schools in the local area will be at Staff T and D

Notices Distributed this Week

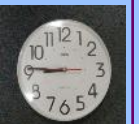
Emergency Contact Forms

Aquatic Consents (Yr1-7)

Swimming Notes Years

5,6,7

Please arrive at school between 8.30 & 8.45am



Hang up your bag. Then wait at the door quietly until the teacher lets you in.

Bells gone? Come to the office for a late slip.

Respect, Friendliness, Caring, Responsibility, Tolerance and Cooperation

Family Emergency Contact Details

Emergency Contact forms were sent out via students this week. We also sent Aquatic Consent forms out to students in Rooms 4-19. Our Reception students had already returned them with their enrolment forms.

It is important that you return these forms with any changes, including phone numbers to your child's teacher ASAP. Thank You.

Canteen News

Welcome back everyone. There is a new price list going out with this newsletter.



For parents of students with allergies I am always happy to have a chat with you and look over our products so you can see what is in them.

If you would like to volunteer in the canteen this year please call in after 9:30 and have a chat.

Regards, *Vanessa, Canteen Manager*

Library Information

Welcome to 2017. Students can borrow up to 2 books at a time. Reception students borrow one book at a time for the first term so that they can learn the routine, amongst all the other new learning they are doing. The borrowing period is for 2 weeks.



Parents need to be familiar with their child's library day and remind their child on that day to take their books back to school. Over time, the child will be able to remember this for themselves and parents can step back. Students need a place at home to put their books so that they can keep track of them.

If you get an overdue notice or text, please have a chat to your child. If there is a concern, follow it up with us immediately so that we can help solve the mystery of the mislaid book.

You can text, phone, email or call in.

Coni Tan, Librarian

School Uniform

School uniform is available for purchase from the Finance Office, opposite Room 1, between 8:35am and 3:00pm each day.

We have lots of hats, polo shirts and shorts in stock for summer. *Deb, Finance Officer*

MGM School Star App

Moana Primary School is pleased to announce an upgrade to our school communication services to include a free smartphone app – **School Star**. School news, newsletters, event invitations, notices and general messages will now be sent through School Star. Only Moana Primary parents and community members can access content in this highly secure app.



Keeping parents and the community informed is very important to us, and we will be regularly uploading content to School Star. With School Star, you get the following benefits:

- Receive school news immediately, via news feed.
- Filter your news feed to see just the news that relates to your child.
- Receive important messages from the school through School Star, instead of by SMS.
- Reply or send your own message to the school for free, day or night.
- Find the phone number to call the school, quickly and easily.
- Quick links to let you easily view school canteen menus, uniform lists and the parent information handbook.
- Translate content in the app into your preferred language.

We are encouraging all parents to download School Star for free on their iPhone or Android device. Installing School Star is easy. Just follow the instructions below to download and install the app.

iPhone users:

- * Open the App Store on your iPhone by tapping its icon.
- * Search the App Store for "MGM School Star".
- * Tap the button that says "+GET", then "INSTALL".
- * If asked, enter your Apple ID password.
- * The "INSTALL" button will turn into an indicator that shows the progress of the download.
- * Once the download has finished, tap "OPEN" to launch School Star.

Android users:

- * Open the Play Store on your Android Phone by tapping its icon.
- * Search the Play Store for "MGM School Star", and tap the search result in the list.
- * Tap the button marked "INSTALL".
- * The "INSTALL" button will turn into an indicator that shows the progress of the download.
- * Once the download has finished, tap "OPEN" to launch School Star.

After you register a new account, School Star will automatically detect your school and configure your news feed.

We hope you enjoy using School Star.



Term Dates for 2017

Term 1: Jan 30—Apr 13 **Term 2:** May 1—Jul 7

Term 3: Jul 24—Sept 30 **Term 4:** Oct 16—Dec 15

Jolly Phonics and Jolly Grammar T and D

On January 25 our staff attended a whole day workshop about spelling and grammar following the Jolly Phonics and Jolly Grammar programs. The day was filled with hands-on strategies that can be readily used in our classrooms.

Jolly Phonics is a multi-sensory synthetic phonics program that uses actions, jingles and stories for each of the 42 sounds which makes learning fun for both students and teachers. Jolly Phonics teaches children the five essential skills needed for reading and writing.

These skills are:

- Learning the letter sounds
- Learning the letter formations
- Blending
- Identifying words in sounds
- Knowledge of the high frequency/tricky words



Jolly Grammar is the next stage of the Jolly Phonics program. This program involves the teaching of spelling, grammar, punctuation and vocabulary. Jolly Grammar enables children to develop accuracy in spelling and writing through the use of colours and actions. The Jolly Grammar program explores:

- Spelling rules
- Punctuation
- Parts of speech
- Dictionary use
- The tenses: past, present and future



Jenny Jupe, Literacy Coach

Safer Internet Day February 7

Safer Internet Day 2017 (SID2017) is a global celebration for a better internet. This year's theme is:

'Be the change. Unite for a better internet.'

“Safer Internet Day aims to raise awareness of emerging online issues, and promote safer and more responsible use of technology and mobile devices, especially amongst children and young people.”

Families and educators are faced with horror stories about the Internet in the media daily. We continually try to make our children aware of both the great things we can access and do on the net, as well as the dangers.

Do you know there is an Office of the Children's eSafety? You can access it using the address below to find resources to help you find resources to help you become more confident and informed about children's internet use.

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/education-resources/iparent>



Reception

Room 1 - Mrs McHenry



Room 2 - Mrs Richter



Room 3 - Mrs Hocking



School Rock Band

A school Rock Band is being started up this year by Brett Menadue (Room 8 teacher) and Julie Moore (Music teacher).

Can you help us out? We are looking for donations of guitars, amps, drums and keyboards. We could also consider purchasing these items if you are thinking of selling.

Please contact the Front Office and they can put you in touch with Brett or Mrs Moore.
8386 1144



Lunch Eating at 10:55pm and Recess at 1:05pm

This week has seen us swap our recess and lunch times over. Students are eating their lunch at 10:55 until 11:05 and then they have their snack/recess at 1:05pm. Many schools have adopted this approach and have observed significant changes in students' improved behaviour and their increased ability to concentrate and engage in learning. We look forward to seeing similar results here at Moana Primary School.

Moey's Munchies - Moana Primary School Canteen 2017

Green Hot Food

Mac & Cheese \$4.00
Lasagne \$4.00
Corn Cob \$1.40
Gluten free Chicken Tender \$1.40



Tasty Toasties and Wraps

On Wholemeal Bread OR a Wrap (state which one)
Ham & Cheese \$2.50
Ham Cheese Tomato \$2.70
Ham \$2.20

Hot & Homemade

Shepherd's Pie \$4.00
No Meat Pasta Bolognaise \$4.00
Hot Ham & Cheese Roll \$3.00
Tropical Burger \$5.00 Chicken Pattie Salad & Pineapple on a Roll
Baked Potato \$4.00 Ham Cheese & Butter
Baked Sweet Potato \$5.00 Ham, Cheese Spinach Corn Tomato Butter

Fresh Sandwiches/Rolls

Vegemite \$2.00
Ham Lettuce Cheese Tomato Carrot Mayo Sandwich \$3.00
Ham Lettuce Cheese Tomato Carrot Cucumber Mayo Roll \$4.00
Lettuce Cheese Carrot Tomato Cucumber Beetroot Mayo Roll \$3.50

Fresh Salad

4 Chicken Nuggets Lettuce Carrot Cheese Tomato Pineapple Cucumber Beetroot Corn Spinach \$5.00

Hot Amber Food

Pizza Ham Pineapple OR Plain Cheese \$3.20
Hot Dog No Sauce \$3.00
Hot Dog Sauce \$3.20
Hot Dog Cheese & Sauce \$3.50
Sausage Roll \$2.80
Meat Pie \$3.40
Hash Browns \$1.50
Potato Gems 10 for \$1.00
Chicken Nuggets 70c
Chicken Burger \$4.00

Weekly Specials

Monday Ham Cheese Toasty OR Wrap & Juice \$4.00
Tuesday Pizza & Frozen OJ \$4.00
Wednesday 4 Fish Fingers & Salad \$4.50
Thursday Lasagne OR Mac & Cheese & Water \$5.00
Friday Pie & Icy Pole \$4.20

Drinks

Water \$1.50
Chocolate Milk \$2.50
Strawberry Milk \$2.50
Fruit Juice Box Apple or Orange only \$2.00



Sauce 20c
Brown Bags 10 for 60c

Open every day for lunch and recess

Variety of Chips

\$1.00
JJs \$1.50
Popcorn \$1.50
Lamingtons 60c

Fresh Slices, Breads Cakes 60c
Fresh Cookies 50c

Juices \$1.00

Frozen Yoghurt \$2.00
Icy Poles \$1.50
Lifesavers \$1.50
Fandangels \$1.50
Nice & Juicy 70c
Moo Frozen Milk 70c
Slushies \$2.00



Grapes 50c
Jelly \$1.00
Fruit \$1.30
Jelly & Fruit \$2.00
Frozen OJ \$1.20

