IMPORTANT WEBSITE UPDATE
Due to an external issue with the school’s website provider, the newsletter is unable to be uploaded on the school website.
As a result a hard copy of newsletter issue 16 is being sent home with students.

Fun Run
Last week all students at Moonee Ponds West took part in the annual Fun Run. We would like to thank Bree for her organisation of the event and the amazing support from so many parents. We would also like to thank Michelle Leon for her work in putting together a great movie. The movie was shown at assembly this week. Further on in the newsletter is a report on the event. As always we look to improve all that we do and ask that you complete the following survey. The results will be collated and sent to Bree, the coordinator of the event.

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Education Subcommittee
At this week’s Education Subcommittee a number of policies were viewed by the committee. One was the Student Wellbeing and Engagement policy. This will be sent to School Council to be ratified at their next meeting. The Education Subcommittee approved the 5/6 camp for September 1st-5th and the 8th-12th September to then be endorsed by School Council at the June meeting. The MPW Sponsorship Policy is being reviewed as a component of the School Policy Review process. The Department of Education & Early Childhood Development (DEECD) have a number of documents which need to be considered when reviewing this policy. They can be accessed by downloading the policy from our website which has references to a number of links. Helen Thomas is coordinating this process and will feed back comments from the community to the Resources committee for consideration. The draft policy can be found on our website at http://www.mooneewestps.vic.edu.au/page/173/Policies. (Draft policies)
Could all feedback be forwarded to Helen either in person or to thomas.helen.h@edumail.vic.gov.au by Wednesday 12th June.

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Principal’s report continued

Moonee Valley Council
The Learning Community Board of the Moonee Valley Council is committed to the learning opportunities for all residents. At the school office is a postcard entitled ‘Learning Supporters Wanted!’ If you would like to know more, collect a postcard or go to www.mvcc.vic.gov.au/learningboard. There is also a brochure titled ‘Learn for Life’. It lists a number of learning and recreational opportunities available in the city. Finally a copy of a Council publication ‘The Wurundjeri Willam – The Original Inhabitants of Moonee Valley’ was received. This will be catalogued and available in the library.

2014 Victorian State Schools Spectacular
MPW will again participate in this special event during Term 3. More than 3000 students from over 200 Victorian government schools will participate in the 2014 Victorian State Schools Spectacular. This year’s event name is ‘Dare to Dream’, and it will be held at the Hisense Arena on Saturday 13th September. There are two shows; 1.00pm and 6.30pm. Talented young circus performers, skaters, musicians, dancers and vocalists will be on stage, while many other students will work behind the scenes for a unique, on-the-job experience. The three-hour Spectacular – to feature 47 songs from contemporary and classic pop and rock artists – will be filmed for broadcast on Channel 7. Tickets will be available from 10am on Friday 30th May via Ticketek.

Education Week
Today Moonee Ponds West PS celebrated Education Week with a multi-age workshop. It was a wonderful morning of activities as the photos below will show. This year’s theme for the Education week was Science. Some of the activities included reading stories with a Science theme; Eric Carle’s The Very Hungry Caterpillar was the seed for a group making spider webs and recording facts about spiders; another group made paper planes and launched them to see how far they would fly; another group made a basket for an egg and then attached a parachute, the group then recorded how far the egg travelled after dropping them off the big adventure playground.

A big thank you to Toula and Carley who organised this event. Thank you to the staff across the school for supporting this initiative.

Little Big Shots
Little Big Shots is a film festival for children, about children and sometimes by children. The festival was recommended by a family who have attended the event on several occasions. We thought it might be of interest to you as well. For more information you may like to go to http://www.littlebigshots.com.au/program/melbourne

Have a great week,
Jenny, Helen and Randal
School Council Report

The Council had its third meeting for 2014 on Monday 27th May and here is a brief overview of the key issues that are likely to be of interest to the wider school community:

- Cleis Girdler (Grade 5) provided an excellent update on some great activities being coordinated through the JSC. Clearly the amount of work that went into planning the ‘Happy Smiles Day’ by the JSC made it a great success.
- Staff continue to participate in professional learning opportunities to benefit the school including:
  - Michelle Bovè started a middle leader’s course at Bastow Institute aimed at improving student learning priorities through collaboration with colleagues.
  - Mandy Jones and Jenny Irvine attended a 2 day conference with a focus on the Australian Primary Schools Mental Health Initiative - Kids Matter.
  - Lisa McLachlan attended a 3 day workshop ‘Introduction to Philosophical Inquiry in the Classroom’.
  - Terri Campbell has continued working with students in grade 5/6 focusing on developing the voice in their writing. Terri also conducted a successful staff professional development training session concentrated on effective ways to implement the ‘Six Traits of Writing’.
  - The Family Maths night held on April 30th was a huge success with over 200 in attendance.
  - The Australian Maths Competition for Years 3-6 will occur on August 7th and gives students the opportunity to challenge themselves and apply their mathematic skills.
  - As a result of the grant obtained by Paul Langley we have now approved the construction of a new bike shelter.
  - Thanks to some great work by Randal and Jo as the schools anaphylaxis policy was updated in accordance with a recent Ministerial Order and has now been approved.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 23rd June.

Stewart Burte
School Councillor

Reminder: Sibling Prep Enrolment 2015

Enrolment applications are now available at the office.

If you are a current parent at the school, could you please complete and return your enrolment application by Friday 8th August 2014.

All prep enrolments for 2015 will be confirmed by Friday 5th September.

Please see Denise if you have any queries or contact her on 9370 6875.

Moonee Ponds West Primary has been selected for the Grill’d “Local Matters” campaign. Pop into Grill’d on Puckle Street during the month of June and for every purchase you will be able to use your token to nominate MPWPS. If we collect the most tokens for June, Grill’d will donate $300 to the school. It’s that easy and the food is delicious!
## Sports News

### Interschool Sports Results

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### Cross Country

Amazing results from our students representing our district at Division Cross Country last Thursday at Green Gully Reserve. In the Girls 12/13 years Tara N finished in 13th place. In the Boys 12/13 years we saw Dan P finish 11th & Stuart P finish 14th place. Nathan J-S qualified for Regions by finishing 5th in the Boys 9/10 years.

Well done to all our runners on their fantastic effort and good luck to Nathan in the next stage of cross country.

## Fun Run

Congratulations to everyone involved in the Fun Run last Wednesday. Our guest speaker was Jenna Drummond, who shared her experiences of playing soccer from a young age to then playing for Australia.

Jenna was a fantastic role model for all of our students.

The morning of the Fun Run had perfect weather conditions and as seen in the photos below, it was great to see students, staff and members of the MPW community enjoying some exercise together.

A huge thank you to all the volunteers on the day, from fruit cutters to hand stampers, we could not have held the day without your support.

Bree White
P.E Teacher
Spotlight On English: Week 7

Phases

Phase 1: Role Play Writing

Children are beginning to come to terms with a new aspect of language, that of written symbols. They experiment with marks on paper with the intention of communicating a message or emulating adult writing.

Key Indicators

The Writer:

- Assigns a message to own symbols
- Understands that writing and drawing are different, e.g. points to words while ‘reading’
- Is aware that print carries a message
- Uses known letters or approximation of letters to represent written language
- Shows beginning awareness of directionality: i.e. points to where print begins

Major Teaching Emphasis:

- Demonstrate the connection between oral and written language
- Demonstrate that written messages remain constant
- Demonstrate that writing communicates a message
- Focus on the way print works (print concepts and conventions)
- Demonstrate that writing is purposeful and has an intended audience
- Use correct terminology for letters, sounds, words
- Encourage children to experiment with writing

At All Phases:

- Model good English language use
- Model writing everyday
- Encourage students to reflect on their understandings, gradually building a complete picture of written language structures
- Ensure that students have opportunities to write for a variety of audiences and purposes
- Encourage students to share their writing experiences
CLASS WEEKLY NEWS

Water
Bright, sunny
Running, splashing, jumping
Taste the salty sand
Beach
~By Abby~

Darkness,
Quiet, spooky
Standing, watching, shuffleing
All torches are off
Night walk
~By Dahlia~

Camp Cinquain Poetry-
By Grade 3’s from Room 11

Burger
Scrumptious, awesome
Eating, talking, munching
Number one best burger
BBQ
~By Sam~

Falling
Excited, nervous,
Balancing, concentrating, jumping
Heart racing against me
Low ropes
~By Tiana~

Bush-huts
Difficult, challenging
Building, fetching, wedging
Falling tree logs everywhere
Bush-huts
~By Grace~

Archery
Impressive, quick
Aiming, shooting, hitting
I am super happy
Archery
~By Hector~
Dear Parents/Guardians

WORLD BOOK WEB

Good news! Our library now subscribes to the following award winning World Book Web products.

World Book Kids—is based on World Book’s award winning Discovery Encyclopedia and is designed to give younger students, ESL students and reluctant readers a rewarding online learning experience. The site illustrations, diagrams and maps enrich more than 2,000 articles selected for appeal and relevance.

World Book Student—forms the foundation of an expansive reference database that includes over 40,000 encyclopedia and reference articles, thousands of links to outside web sites selected by World Book editors and contributors. It also includes an extensive Dictionary and Atlas plus audios, visuals and animations.

World Book Advanced—tailored for the needs of older students, it includes encyclopedic content, integrates primary and secondary source databases plus more than 5,500 e-books in a single search, over 700 e-books can be downloaded to e-readers and iPads, and a wealth of research tools that allow students to customise and save their work.

Early World of Learning—includes narrated stories, interactive games, videos, readers and story books, and a visual encyclopedia.

Enciclopedia Estudiantil Hallazgos—the optimal beginner’s Spanish language reference site.

World Book Mobile—a mobile-friendly version of the reference database.

Our World Book subscription allows us to give you and your family access to this valuable reference source at your home computers 365 days a year, 24 hours a day. We are providing this service to you at no charge!

We hope that your whole family will use the World Book sites often to help with homework, special projects, at-home learning and information seeking.

To access the World Book Web, follow these simple steps:
1. Go to the World Book web site: http://www.worldbookonline.com
2. Type in the following user Login ID: MPWPS
3. Password: 2901

Please remember that login and password information is for students and their families only, and extending this information to people who do not live within the school district could result in loss of at-home access for our students.
SATURDAY 21ST JUNE 7PM
PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE
$25 PP – ARRANGE A TABLE OF 10
GREAT PRIZES - ENTERTAINMENT - FOOD PROVIDED - AUCTION & MORE!

Please note hamper baskets have been put in each room. These contain a theme that we would like to collect donations for trivia night. If you are unable to donate in your child’s room perhaps you can donate in another room. The list is as follows;

- Room 1 - Health, wellbeing, fitness
- Room 2 - Gardening
- Room 3 - Pets
- Room 4 - Car Care
- Room 5 - Stationary, art and craft
- Room 6 - Wine
- Room 7 - Gourmet food
- Room 8 - Sport
- Room 9 - Sport
- Room 10 - Toys
- Room 11 & 12 - Beauty & Books (Adults)
- Room 13 - Books (Kids)
- Room 14 - Homewares
- Room 15 - Jewellery
- Room 16 - Chocolates
- Room 17 - Cooking
- Room 18 - Coffee
- Room 19 - Loom Bands
- Room 20 - AFL
- Room 21 - Wine
- Room 22 - Gourmet Food
- Room 23 - Beveridge's (Adults)

We are looking for quality products that will assist in fundraising for the school. Please don’t donate second hand goods or poor quality goods as these will not be used on the night.

You assistance and support is appreciated. Please contact Elisa McDonald on mobile 0413 001 584 if you have any queries regarding the hampers.

The hampers will be collected from the classrooms soon, so please don’t hesitate to donate!
**COMMUNITY NEWS**

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**YMCA Swimming Lessons**

To book your free trial swimming lesson at Ascot Vale Leisure Centre, contact us on:

**9375 3411**

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**North Melbourne Super Footy Clinic**

FREE FOOTY CLINIC
FOR ALL NAB AFL AUSKICK CENTRES AND SCHOOLS WITHIN NORTH MELBOURNE AND CRAIGSBURN

**DATE:** Monday 7 July, 2014
**TIME:** 1:30pm
**WHERE:** 104-206 Arden Street, North Melbourne

**PLUS**
Giveaways and a special appearance from NMFC's mascot, Ranga

REGISTRATION:
NMFC.com.au/superfooty

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**Keep saving to win a family underwater adventure holiday.**

Plus make friends with the dolphins at Sea World.

The Collinsville Power and Conservation Reservoir is a unique example of a sustainable tourism development, with marine life and water sports activities. The reservoir is located in the heart of Australia, just a short drive from the Gold Coast.

**Rules:**
- Visitors will be invited to join the Swim & Surf competition at the Collinsville Power and Conservation Reservoir.
- The winner will receive a family pass to Sea World, a 1-night stay at a Collinsville Power and Conservation Reservoir accommodation.
- The family will also have the opportunity to swim with dolphins at Sea World.

For more information, visit www.cmmbank.com.au/keepmakingmemories

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**Beginning the Journey**

Parent group program

Join us on this free program for families of children newly diagnosed with disabilities.

Type of program:

- Socializing with other families
- Providing information and support
- Accessing local community resources
- Parent support

**Dates:**
- Each session is held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month
- 12 sessions in total

**Contact:**
- Melissa, 0408 847 920
- www.mcen.org.au

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**Foundation for Children with a Disability**

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