Thursday 4th February 2016

SUPERVISED SCHOOL HOURS 8:30am – 3:15pm

The community of Albert Street PS Moe encourages everyone to dare to dream and reach their potential in supportive, caring environments. Together we recognise and celebrate success. We value Partnership, Respect, Optimism and Pride.

Our Preps have had a very fun and creative start to the year with Mr Van in the Art Room.

Congratulations to Spencer, Giovanna, Jacqui and Virginia who were awarded Arts Awards for their very creative efforts in Art this week!
From the Principal

Hello Everyone

We have almost been back to school for a week! With quite a few new staff and students it is fabulous to see how well everyone has settled into routine. Walking through the school this morning I had the opportunity to introduce new staff members to our current School Council President Al Kurzawa. Some of our students were engaged in a VCOP Cold Writing task. It was delightful for Al and I to walking into the 3/4s with classical musical playing quietly in the background as the students were engaged in a writing task. We visited the Art Class and observed the 1/2 students engaged in a creative drawing activity with pastels. We also observed Kieran Browne and Carolyn Cohen engaged in a follow the leader task as the Preps were learning to move between buildings in role order, Chris Thomas had also managed to join them for a few moments. Albert St has certainly become a calm and engaging learning environment.

PREP PARENTS

A morning coffee and tea session was made available to our parents, and in particular our new parents to the school last Friday- being the first school day for all our students. It was great to see both new and existing parents arrive in the staffroom to have informal chats with staff and others. We value partnership at our school, and it is important that new parents have the opportunity to meet other families and staff. More family events will be coordinated by our Chaplain Suzanne for this reason.

ADULT ART CLASSES.

We are pleased to be able to offer an art class for our parents/guardians with our talented art teacher James in the art room. These will be held on Wednesdays 2:00pm-3:00pm, all materials supplied. Our school council president Al Kurzawa has signed up already! If you would like to join him please notify the office. Classes will begin next week.

EDUCATIONAL SUPPLIES

A kind reminder to those parents/guardians who have not managed to get to the office to purchase supplies for their children. It is important that all students have the appropriate materials required for their learning. Please call the office if you have difficulties with payment.

CHOIR AUDITION

Caitlyn Anderson our music teacher, who works on Tuesdays, will hold an audition for our School Choir and State School Spectacular Choir. Students in years 3-6 can audition. A notice about this was distributed to students on Tuesday this week. Please encourage your child to audition if they have an interest in music and singing.

ASSEMBLY

A kind reminder that assemblies will now take place on Friday afternoons, 2:40pm-3:00pm in the Multi Purpose Room this year. All parents and family members are welcome.

Hoax Phone Calls to Victorian Schools

I am writing to reassure you in light of the recent hoax threatening phone calls to Victorian schools in the last few days.

Our school has not received such a call but I wanted to inform you that, like all schools, we have an emergency management plan in place for situations like this, and we practise it throughout the year.

Those schools which did receive a threatening call enacted their emergency management plans and they worked well.

The safety and wellbeing of our students is always our top priority.

If you have any questions please contact me.

Monique Osborn

STUDENT BANKING

Student Banking is a great way to give your child/ren a kick start on saving money. Deposits only need to be minimal. If you would like to start student banking with us, please come to the office and collect a dolarmites pack and we can sign you up!
HATS
Hats are compulsory in terms 1 and 4, as stated in the School SunSmart Policy. The weather is still quite warm, therefore it is important that all students are wearing a **school hat**. Students who do not have a school hat will play in the undercover area. Hats are available from the school uniform shop for $12.00, we also have a selection of hats in our second hand uniform area for $2.

Jayco Herald Sun Tour—February 5th 2016
The finish line for the second stage of this bike tour will take place in Moe. Our school has been selected to host surrounding schools to participate in cycling skills and other interactive activities. Therefore we encourage all students who can confidently ride a bike to bring them to school on this day to participate in the riding activities. There will be other activities for those students who are unable to bring a bike. At approximately 2pm all our students will watch the riders cross the finish line. Families are welcome to participate.

Playgroup
This morning was Albert Street’s first Playgroup session for the year. It was great to see some new faces in our school. The kids enjoyed some developmental play as well as singing and enjoying morning tea together.

All inquiries relating to Playgroup at Albert Street, please call Good Beginnings on 51277270.

Drive In Movie and Market Night
We are excited to announce we are hosting yet another Drive In Movie Night at The Moe Racing Club on Friday 4th March. This year, we are welcoming a night market as well, kicking off at 5pm. Joining us at our market is a huge range of stalls and food vans! There’s Wheelie Good Pizza, Arctic Slushies, Melly’s Paint n Plaster, Mad Cow Jerky and Terry’s Metal Art. Just to name a few! With the Albert Street Primary School crew cooking up a delicious storm, you’ll have dinner and dessert sorted with a sausage sizzle, hot jam donuts and pop corn! So, come along and enjoy a fun filled, family night out!

**Tickets will be available from Monday 8th February from the school office and limited tickets will also be available on the night.**
Healthy Kids : Lunch Box Ideas

- □ 2 1/2 cups nut-free toasted muesli
- □ 1 cup pitted prunes
- □ 1/4 cup honey
- □ 1/4 teaspoon mixed spice
- □ 50g butter, melted, cooled

Step 1
Process 2 cups muesli, prunes, honey, mixed spice and butter in a food processor until well combined.

Step 2
Place remaining muesli on a plate. Using 1 level tablespoon of prune mixture at a time, roll into a ball, then roll in remaining muesli to coat. Place on a baking tray lined with baking paper. Refrigerate for 30 minutes or until firm.

Step 3
Store muesli balls in an airtight container in the fridge.

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Busy Bodies – Thursday – Arts ‘n’ Craft

Commencing – Thursday 11th February
Time – 3pm until 4:15pm

Limited spaces available – Return by Friday 5th February

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Room _______________________________ Room _______________________________
Parent Name __________________________ Parent Name __________________________
Phone Number ________________________ Phone Number ________________________
Parent Signature ______________________ Parent Signature ______________________

*Preference will be given to those students who have previously not attended Busy Bodies.*