School Captain Elections

This Thursday, when the year 6 are at their High School Orientation, our year 5 students (who are interested in standing for captain) will be presenting their speeches to the rest of the school. We will then vote for the two people we would like to be our student leaders in 2016. All our year five students have the potential to be great school leaders. During Kindergarten Orientation earlier this term, a number of our students were a wonderful support to our new students.

This is not meant to be a popularity contest, and we encourage all students to think about the way year five students have treated them and behaved over the past few years. It is an honour to be elected captain and we hope students who are considering “running” will be good role models for the rest of our student body and helpful, cooperative seniors for our teachers.

Regards,
Chris Godman

Student of the Week

Congratulations to the following student who has been chosen as our student of the week.

Patrick Fisher

For: Always offering a helping hand when it’s needed

Coming events

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Merit Certificates ~ Be Proud

K/1/2 ~ Wade Marquett
3/4 ~ Bianca Hamilton
5/6 ~ Zack Robson

Canteen Volunteers

Friday 4th December ~ Bec Parsons (lunch only)

Monday 7th December ~ Veronica Ryan

Canteen News

Due to the term ending in a few weeks, the canteen will not be re-ordering any products - limited stocks - some orders may have to be changed.

Breakfast Club

Pancakes available tomorrow for Breakfast Club.
Swimming for sport
Mr Jeffers reports that everyone behaved responsibly and sensibly at swimming last Friday, and all seemed to enjoy the time in the pool. This Friday 4th December all staff and students will again be participating in swimming activities at Taree Aquatic Centre.

Year 6 High School Orientation
Don’t forget Orientation Day is this Thursday, 3rd December. Students are to make their own transport arrangements in order to attend their local high school. School uniform is to be worn.

Year Six lunch next week
Next Wednesday, I have invited Year 6 students to lunch in Taree. As there are 9 students, I will need a spare parent (of year 6) to assist me with transport. Please call in at the office if you are able to help. Thanks!

School Picnic at Kendall Pool
All students and staff will be attending the annual school picnic at Kendall Pool next Friday 11 December. Permission notes and lunch orders are attached.

Please return all Library Books
Thanks to everyone who has already returned their library books. If you have lost or damaged your books we expect you will make a donation to replace them. There will be no further borrowing until next year.

Outstanding expenses
A few families still have money owing to the school for uniforms, hats, camp and swimming. Please pay these amounts before the end of the year. Moorland does not charge school fees, and we try to keep costs to a minimum. Parents are always encouraged to pay small amounts of money regularly if they find large payments difficult. We give everyone as much notice as possible so families can plan for expenses. We also have a limited amount of money available if you find it difficult to complete payments, we can provide some subsidies. But you need to see the principal about this and complete a form. We try very hard to be fair and equal to everyone, and expect parents to try and do the same.

If substantial amounts of money are still owing at the beginning of the following year we will not be able to provide any new uniforms or hats until accounts are paid. This can be embarrassing for all parties, but it is only fair that everyone “shares the load”.

New General Assistant
Yesterday Graham and Lionel spent time cleaning out the shed and discussing general assistant tasks around the school. They also moved some of the paintings along the verandah to make way for our new signs. The paintings will find new places to “live” around our school.

Tree Audit
A tree inspector came out last Friday to have a look at the state of our trees. He will send his report on to O’Donnell and Hanlon who look after our school. They will decide whether the trees need to be trimmed or cut down.

Your feedback please...
We welcome both positive comments and suggestions for areas that need improvement. If you would like to drop us a line, speak to a staff member or phone the school to offer your opinions we would greatly appreciate your input.

P&C News – Christmas Raffle
Tickets for our annual Christmas Raffle are attached. We have some great prizes this year...

1st Seafood Platter
2nd Meat & Vegetable Tray
3rd Fruit Tray

Please support our school by selling tickets to family and friends. More tickets are available from the office. The raffle will be drawn at Presentation Day, Tuesday 15th December.

Education Minister at Conference
A few weeks ago, Mr Adrian Piccoli, our State Education minister attended the State Principals Conference in Sydney. He is very interested in Rural Education and is always keen to talk to principals. I had the opportunity to tell him about our fabulous little school.