Principal’s Message

Moulamein Public School is among the first group of schools in our region to be cut over to a new IT platform called eT4L. This happened over three days last week and already we are seeing some positive changes to our computer network.

The eT4L services provide schools with a managed, flexible platform to support them in the delivery of ICT skills. The platform is a centrally monitored and maintained server that provides secure storage for staff and students (which are automatically backed up off site), a shared collaborative space, and a consistent desktop operating system based on Windows 7.

The cut-over process has gone relatively smoothly, and we appreciate the efforts and support of our T4L Administrator Michael Byrne, eT4L technician Nathan, and our Technology Adviser, Jenny Good. Together, these people have made sure this process happens with minimal interruption to our school and classes.

The upgrade sees us well situated for IT learning into the future.

Our capacity to integrate IT into our teaching and learning is improving all the time as we purchase new touch pads and receive a fleet of new computers from the current T4L rollout. We will share more information about this soon.

This week I am off to Deniliquin for a Primary Principals’ Association meeting on Tuesday afternoon and then our Principals’ Essential Training on Wednesday. My class program will continue as normal with Mrs Gorey. Enjoy Week 8 everyone.

Catherine Peach

Upcoming Events

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Get Well Soon Bob!

Best wishes to Bob our GA who is having some time away from work. We hope you are resting up Bob and feeling better each day.

Staff & Students at Moulamein PS
PD/HEALTH WORKSHOPS
Students in Year 5 & 6 will attend Personal Development and Health workshops each Tuesday over the next three weeks with a Community Health nurse and a Nutritionist from Swan Hill Community Health. This is an important PD/Health program that focuses on personal growth and the changes and pressures that students face as they develop. Thank you to Leanne and Renae for their time and expertise.

RIVERINA ATHLETICS
Will, Ally, Charlotte and Will competed in Albury at the Riverina Athletics Carnival last Friday.

Ally ran in her Junior Girls 200m individual event and joined Will, Charlotte and Will in the P5 4 x 100m Relay event.

Congratulations to all of our runners for their efforts.

Photos courtesy of parents from Moulamein PS and Wakool Burraboi PS. Thank you everyone!

FOOTY COLOURS DAY COMING SOON
The Student Representative Council (SRC) will be holding a Footy Colours Day next Tuesday, 11th September. Students may come to school dressed in their favourite footy colours, be it on scarves, jerseys, jumpers or shirts. To do this though, each student is to bring in a gold coin donation to go to the Fight Cancer Foundation.

Students can also order a special ‘footy’ lunch and then enjoy football games and activities run by our SRC members during an extended lunch break. It is set to be a fun day and the SRC is hoping families will help them raise some money for this valuable cause. Look for information and an order form coming soon.
PUBLIC SPEAKING
Congratulations to Ally Gray and Charlotte Douglas on their performance at the regional Lions Public Speaking competition held in Pyramid Hill recently. Ally performed well in this, her first public speaking competition, and Charlotte once again presented well, achieving second place in the Years 5/6 division.

Congratulations girls! We must thank our local Lions people for their support and for giving our students the opportunity to participate in this valuable speaking program.

LIBRARY STOCKTAKE
We plan to undertake a Library stock take next week. We are due to have a new Thin Client computer installed on the Wednesday, and have purchased a portable barcode reader. These upgrades will make this enormous job a lot easier.

For students and school families, now is a good time to search for overdue or missing library books, and to check that your child is returning their borrowed books on time.

We purchase new Junior and Senior fiction and non-fiction books regularly, so there are always new books to discover in our Library. Students are encouraged to borrow regularly and we hope you are enjoying sharing the books they bring home.

Regular reading from a broad and rich variety of literature benefits for your child in many ways. Apart from students borrowing books to read and share information and stories with you at home, Library time helps to develop a love of reading and learning, hones research skills and supports literacy learning across the subjects. Visit the school Library next time you are in to see the new books on offer.

K/1/2’s VISIT TO LANGTRYS
Last Wednesday, Mrs Peach’s K/1/2 students, Mrs Peach and Mrs Gorey headed to Langtry’s to learn more about our local General store. Langtry’s is a local ‘site of significance’ that has seen much change over time. It remains though an important feature of our town, servicing families, visitors and other businesses.

We all had lots of fun and learned much about being a shop keeper. Thank you, Lexie for being so generous with your time and teaching us so much about the store – what it is like today and what it was like in the past. Langtrys is an important part of the fabric of our town and we were thrilled to be able to look into its workings (and the freezer and the famous cellar!)