



# Moulamein Public School

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## Term 1 Week 6

### Diary Dates:

#### March

- ⇒ 9th Regional Swimming Carnival - Leeton
- ⇒ 11th NAPLAN starts

#### April

- ⇒ 2nd Easter Hat Parade
- ⇒ 2nd Last day of Term 1

#### Excursions

- ⇒ Yr 5/6  
1st - 4th September
- ⇒ Kinder, Yr 1/2  
14th October
- ⇒ Yr 3/4  
4th - 6th November

#### P&C Meetings

- ⇒ Term 2  
30th April 5pm
- ⇒ Term 3  
6th August 5pm
- ⇒ Term 4  
22nd October 5pm

### Principals Message - Judy McGuiness

#### Western Riverina AFL Trials

Yesterday, Will, Hamish, Lewis and Chayse travelled to Narrandera to represent Moulamein PS at the Western Riverina AFL trials. From the boys recounts, they played well against a strong competition and most importantly, enjoyed the experience.

Well done, boys! We are proud of your efforts and sportsmanship.



### P & C Update

Thank you to everyone who attended our P&C AGM last Tuesday. Congratulations to our 2026 Executive:

President Bree-Anna Gray  
Vice-President Kate Graig  
Secretary Shantal Sherman  
Treasurer Tarsh Rodda

### Community Satisfaction Survey

To inform our 2025 Annual School Report we are seeking parents/carers to complete the Community Satisfaction Survey. This is an opportunity for you to provide feedback on school life in a range of areas.

As a small school, we often do not get a large response to these surveys. It would be wonderful to have as many parents/carers complete the survey as possible. The survey will give us valuable insight into what the school is doing well, and where our areas of improvement are. Information collected through this survey, as well as the NSW Public Schools Student Survey, informs our strategic school planning. So, if you could find five minutes to complete the Community Satisfaction Survey, using the link that will be sent out through School Bytes on this Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March, it would be greatly appreciated. The Survey will close on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

## NAPLAN

As the annual NAPLAN testing period approaches for our students in Years 3 and 5, we acknowledge that some students may experience feelings of anxiety and nervousness. It is important for students to understand that these feelings are normal and that our primary focus is on creating a supportive environment where they can confidently demonstrate their abilities. By emphasizing the message of 'try your best on the day', we aim to alleviate unnecessary pressure and stress, encouraging them to approach the tests with a positive mindset.

In 2026, NAPLAN will be held from Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March to Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March. Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 who are enrolled at a school are expected to participate in four NAPLAN tests:

- ◆ Writing
- ◆ Reading
- ◆ Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation)
- ◆ Numeracy

## NAPLAN Schedule

### Year 3 and Year 5

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
7			March 11 <sup>th</sup> <b>Writing</b> Year 3 & Year 5	March 12 <sup>th</sup> <b>Reading</b> Year 3 & Year 5
8	March 16 <sup>th</sup> <b>Language Conventions</b> Year 3	March 17 <sup>th</sup> <b>Language Conventions</b> Year 5		March 19 <sup>th</sup> <b>Numeracy</b> Year 3 & Year 5
9	Catch up day			

## Easter Hat Parade

Get ready for a festive celebration! We are excited to announce that our annual Easter Hat Parade will be held on Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 10 am.

Over the next few weeks, students will unleash their creativity as they craft unique and imaginative Easter hats at school. In addition, Stage 2 and Stage 3 students have prepared a special surprise for everyone to enjoy.

We warmly invite all parents, carers and members of the broader school community to join us in this joyful celebration.

More information to come. We look forward to seeing you there!



## Driving and parking safely near schools



The beginning and end of the school day are busy times for pedestrians and drivers outside schools. Always take extra care when driving in our school zone.

### Always:

- drop off and pick up your child on the school side of the road
- never call out to your child from across the road – it is very dangerous
- park responsibly even if this means you have to walk further to the school gate
- follow all parking signs – these help keep our children as safe as possible
- give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.
- ensure your child enters and exits the vehicle via the safety door (rear left)



### Never:

- do a U-turn or three-point turn outside the school as it puts our children at risk of harm
- double park – it is illegal and puts our children at risk
- park across the school driveway or the entrance to the school car park.

For further support go to the department's Road Safety Education program at [education.nsw.gov.au/road-safety-education](http://education.nsw.gov.au/road-safety-education) or visit the **families** section on [safetytown.com.au](http://safetytown.com.au)



## Stress-free fussy eating ideas

Fussy eating is common, but that still doesn't make it easy.

Does your child dislike foods because of their colour, texture or the way they are prepared?

Don't despair, SWAP IT will help with ideas on how to pack an everyday lunchbox for your fussy eater.



Try the **3:1 lunchbox rule** everyday:

- **Three** items your child likes
- **One** new everyday item