

A-Z of Extra curricula programs at Moorabbin Primary School

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After School Hours Care

The After School Care Program operates in the School hall every school day between 3.30pm – 6.30pm. Please visit the website or call to find out more or register.

Assembly – whole school

Whole school assemblies are conducted on Fridays at 3.00pm in the school hall where we celebrate the week with student 'TERRIFIC Values' awards, house points, and special events. It is also a time for students to celebrate individual success outside school and to relay important messages to the whole school. Parents are welcome to observe but we do ask – no mobile phones, no pets and please keep toddlers with you.

Art – Smart

A user paid program run by an external company held in the art room after school on Monday

Art- Club

Open to all students from Prep to Year 6, at lunch time on Thursday. Children have the opportunity to come in and complete Art work commenced in Art sessions or start a new one under the guidance of our Art teacher.

B

Bank Day

Bank Day is Wednesday. Monitors collect books and money in the morning and are returned to classrooms the following day. The Bendigo Bank, Highett branch supplies deposit books, applications are available from the office.

Bike Education – is introduced to Grade 3/4 students in preparation for the 5 / 6 program and Bike Hike in Year 6. During Year 4 students undergo an intensive traffic safety program and Year 6 students participate in a bike Hike day.

Book Fair

Conducted yearly through Scholastic for the school community to purchase reading material and raise funds for the school library.

Book Week

Activities relating to literacy, book dress up and parade conducted during Book Week.

Buddy System

Students in Grade Prep and Grade 6 participate in a buddy system where the children from the higher grade are paired for the year with a younger 'buddy'. This is to assist younger children in different activities in the classroom and in the yard. The buddy system is initiated as part of the kinder to Prep transition program so that the child has a point of contact upon arrival in the new school year. All new students to the school are also allocated two buddies to help them transition into the school.

C

Calendar of Events

A calendar listing upcoming school events is published weekly in the school's newsletter. You can also view our calendar of events on our website.

Camping Program

A developmental outdoor education/camping program is organised for Prep to Year 6. As well as classroom activities the following program is organised

Prep – Grade 2 – tea at school, with a movie and games.

Grade 3 & 4 – one night sleepover at school in the Junior learning Centre and on the alternative year an adventure camp to Mt Eliza which involves 3 day and 2 overnight camp

Grade 5 & 6 – An adventure camp which involves a 5 day and 4 overnight stay at “Camp Coonawarra / Rumbug” and on the alternate year all students head off to Canberra camp. With all these camps we attempt to keep costs as low as possible to enable all children to attend. A time payment system operates in an effort to assist parents. Please contact the office for details.

Chess Club

Out sourced and held at school on Wednesday lunchtime

Choir

Lunchtime rehearsals – varied performances throughout the year both internal and external.

Circus Skills

Out sourced self- esteem and confidence bi-annual program

Coding Club

Thursdays at lunchtime

Colouring Club

Held at lunchtime on Wednesday & Thursday

Cross Country

Whole School Event

Culture Fest

Annual Community Event celebrating our families diverse cultural backgrounds.

D

Drama Time

A user paid program that come into our school and offer children

E

Environmental Education

The school is keen to raise awareness of local environmental issues and their global effect. To this end we run a variety of environmental programs like paper and food recycling, plant propagation, vegetable gardens, water conservation etc., to give the students both pride in their local environment and an environmental awareness.

Excursions and Performances

Excursions and performances enable us to extend the opportunities for learning. These experiences are a valuable, planned and integral part of the school program. You will receive advance notice of every excursion being planned for your child. It is essential that you give written permission for your child to be taken from the school's grounds for excursions.

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Family Life

Year 5 / 6 program

Father's Day

Stall and Breakfast

Fete

Annual fundraiser which involves all members of the community – Classes / students make, promote and man their own stall.

Fundraising

Many fundraising events held as Extra Curricula Activities – Bandana Day, Remembrance Day, ANZAC Day, Closet Cleanout, Jeans for Genes, Walk to School etc.

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Grandparents

Morning tea and volunteer reading program

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Hip Hop classes

Done annually in preparation for Year 6 Graduation evening

Homework Club

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Information Sharing Sessions – Term 1

Parents have opportunity to give teachers necessary information about their child early in Term 1.

Midyear Parent/Student/Teacher interviews discuss the child's progress, report and review goals.

Further interviews can be arranged by the teacher or parent as requested.

Instrumental Music

We offer the services of a music provider for students to study an instrument like keyboard and guitar.

Enrolment forms will be attached to a newsletter early in the year for these parent funded sessions.

Our providers are Red Notes and Junior Rockers. These are both user paid programs.

'I sea, I care' Ambassadors

Opportunity to work in a team to look after our bay.

J

Junior School Council (SRC)

Junior School Council is a group of students (2 per class from Yr. 1 – 6) lead by the SRC leaders who attend monthly meetings and help decide on different issues affecting students at our school.

Representatives report back to each class and bring ideas back to the meetings each month. Junior School Council organises fundraising for charities chosen by the student body, theme days and other special events.

K

Karate Club

External providers – after school activity

Kinder Visits

Choir visits kinder to sing – Kinders invited to school for special days

Konnective App

Communication to the wider community

L

Learning Technologies

Our school utilises the latest in computers and information technology to support our work in all areas of the curriculum. We have class sets of netbooks and iPads for student use, with our grade 5/6 students have their device. Our Interactive Whiteboards give teachers and students the opportunity to learn together with regular sessions using a data projector for group work.

Lego Club

Student lead club operating on Thursday and Friday lunchtimes.

Library

All children in the school will be able to borrow library books to take home. Children will begin borrowing at the commencement of the school year. All children must have a named Blue school

satchel. (These are provided for preps and available for purchase). Loaned books are the responsibility of the borrower and damaged/lost books will have to be paid for. The library is open to students at Lunchtime on a Tuesday and Wednesday, including before and after school on those days. **We actively encourage all families to be members of our library and to borrow regularly!**

Life Education

Bi annual life education program – external provider

Lunch Orders

Lunch orders are available on Tuesday's and Thursday's and are made on site in the school canteen. Children must have individual envelopes, clearly labelled with name and grade, containing the correct money. Menu lists and prices are issued at the beginning of the year and updated as necessary, you can also download our School Lunch Menu on our website. Parents can also order online using "flexi schools". Late orders may result in a sandwich organised at school.

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Maths Parent Night

Offered by the Maths Professional Learning team on an annual basis

Moorabbin Cup

Fun activity related to the Melbourne Cup

Mother's Day

Stall and Breakfast

N

Newsletter

A weekly newsletter is issued via our "Konnnective App" to all families, including a hard copy each Tuesday to the eldest member of each family at school. Please take time to read it as it outlines important dates in the school calendar and will keep you as parents informed as to what is happening around the school. In an effort to save paper we would like as many newsletters as possible emailed to families rather than receiving hard copies. If you are happy to receive an electronic version of our newsletter please let the office know and a copy will be emailed to you weekly. Alternatively you can view the newsletter on our website.

Termly newsletter

Each term there is an additional newsletter put out by each of the teams in the school P-2, 3-4 and 5-6. These newsletters outline the specific focus that students will be undertaking as part of their learning in the core subjects as well as a short outline covering sustainability, Inquiry and a small snippet from all the specialists.

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Parent Handbook

Updated each year with all current information re. MPS – available on the website and given to new prep parents.

Parent Helper Program

Timetabled sessions to PD parents on being effective classroom helpers.

Parent Info Nights

Held at the beginning of the year to disseminate whole school and Team information

Principal for a day

Yr. 4 / 5 students can apply to be 'Principal for a day' and then shadow the Principal for the day. Great leadership opportunity

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Online payment system set up for the convenience of the parents making school related payments.

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Science Expo

Held afterschool to highlight our science program

Science Ambassadors –

Opportunity for Year 4 students to visit the John Monash Science School and be part of their 'Young Scientist Program'

School Concert

Showcasing of our talented students in the musical field – held at Kingston City Hall in Term 3.

Special Programs

As part of our policy to cater for the educational needs of all children and to encourage a sense of community, we provide a variety of educational experiences in addition to the core curriculum. These include:– Peer Support; Prep–Grade 6 Buddy System; District, Zone and state wide sporting events; instrumental music lessons; local environmental support to the bay and native river areas; Inquiring Minds Program and Reading Recovery.

Sport

1. **Phys. Ed.** – Children should be appropriately dressed for P.E. and sport sessions. Sensible shoes are most important. From time to time children will participate in sporting events outside of the school. Parents will be informed of these in advance.

2. **Swimming** – This is an important part of the curriculum that includes Prep–6 in an intensive 10–day program at an indoor venue with qualified instructors. All students will be involved in our swimming program that takes place at the .

Grade P–4 Swimming – Term 4

Grade 5–6 Swimming – Term 4

3. **Surfing Awareness**– For students in Grades 5–6 we offer a surfing/lifesaving awareness program during the learn to swim program for grades 5–6 where students attend the local beach for both on the beach and in the water activities in conjunction with Life Saving Victoria.

Support Programs

We offer a wide range of support programs throughout the year that raise awareness of social and emotional issues. These include Music, Phys Ed/Health, LOTE Mandarin, Life Education, Drug Education, Responsible Pet Ownership, Health and Human Relations and Instrumental Music. Information of these will be on the newsletter leading up to their implementation.

Sustainability Team

Work on community projects with community resources – Bunnings, Lions, Rotary etc.

T

Technology Themed Afternoon

Whole School Community Event organised to showcase the technology being used in education.

TERRIFIC Program

Link to Values and Kiwanis Group.

Transition

Special programs for Kinder to Prep and Yr. 6 to Yr. 7

Twilight Sports

Fun activities – races and relays for the students in a community environment – held on the ‘Rec’ in the afternoon – community invited to attend.

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Updays

Transition days for each year level organised at 5 – 6 per year in Term 4

Uniform Shop

On site uniform shop open Monday's 8.45am – 9.15am

V

Values Education

Values are a huge focus in ALL programs run at, during, after school

W

Weather – special arrangements

Wet weather

Students are directed inside from 8.30am in wet weather and have passive play inside during the day if it persists. After periods of rain students are kept off playground equipment and grassed areas if possible.

Extreme weather

If the temperature is expected to go over 32 degrees with hot northerly winds students are kept inside during play times. All classrooms are fully air conditioned and it is safer to have them passively engaged inside. Sealable water bottles are permitted in class during hot weather.

Website & Email

The school website is found at <http://www.moorabbin.vic.edu.au/>

The website will be updated regularly with happenings going on around the school so check back regularly to see what we're up to at Moorabbin Primary School.

Working Bees

Held 4 times per year to maintain our school grounds

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eXtra-Curricular Activities

Besides our commitment to literacy and numeracy we have a host of support extracurricular activities during the year that round off our work and give more value to the student's educational experience. These include excursions and camps, concerts and performances, visiting performances, environmental activities, Book Week, Life Ed, Health & Human relations, Special Days, Mandarin performances and activities, Sporting activities and a host of teacher inspired and student initiated activities throughout the year.

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Yoga

Outsourced and offered every second year – developing relaxation and stress relief techniques

Young Scientists

Working with John Monash Science school on projects.

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