**MORVEN MERCURY**  
Term 4 - Week 6

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**MORVEN STATE SCHOOL**  
8th November 2016

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**NOVEMBER 2016**

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Principal’s Report

Eromanga Camp
Our whirlwind trip to the Natural History Museum at Eromanga was completed last week. The students had the opportunity to get up close to Cooper's bones which are tens of millions of years old and see how the archaeologists do their work. The students had plenty of fun and did our school proud. A big thank you to everyone who helped make it a success including Quilpie State College for use of their facilities, Carolynn from the Quilpie Pool for opening early, and our parents who volunteered to help us out. Here is Fiona in action...

See more photos on back page!

School Photos
The group and individual school photos arrived this week and were sent home yesterday. Unfortunately the sibling photos were yet to be printed. They will be distributed on arrival.

What's happening next week?
On Tuesday 15th Nov, the Life Education van will visit our school. Parents are invited to check it out and meet Claire our educator at 8:30am before the children participate in the program.

On Friday 18th Nov, from 9:00 we have the Morven Swimming Carnival. Mungallala will join us for the event. Any parents or carers who can volunteer would be greatly appreciated.

PRC Awards
Prior to the Readers’ Cup Competition tomorrow at 8:30 am we will be presenting awards to the students who completed the Premiers Reading Challenge. Families are welcome to attend.

MSS Readers’ Cup Competition
Our Senior Class Readers’ Cup competition will be held tomorrow from 8:45 am. Students in the Senior Class will participate on one of two teams. Parents or family members are most welcome to come along for the reading competition. There will be 15 questions on each of the following four books:

1. The War that Saved My Life
2. 88 Lime Street
3. The Barrumbi Kids
4. Fantastic Mr Fox

Time for some last minute book study!

Year 7 Transition Day
Ella and Belinda travelled to CSHS to participate in the year 7 transition day last Friday. Both got an insight into pastoral care at high school and were out in a battle of Bulldozers and Builders. Only four and half weeks of primary school left!

Remembrance Day
This Friday, 11th November we will pause for Remembrance Day. A date chosen in honour of the armistice that was signed to end World War One, we remember all who have lost their lives in conflicts around the globe. At the 11th hour of the 11th Day of the 11th Month... We will remember them..... LEST WE FORGET.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.

New Home Readers
A big thank you to Miss Bron and Melissa Jackson who helped us cover over 300 new home readers. They are excellent additions to our levelled home reader boxes and emphasise our commitment to our school improvement agenda. Reading the key skill to being a life long learner. Please be encouraging your child to read every day.

NRL
Our regional NRL Development Officer Grant Bignell will visit the students this Friday. The students will participate in a functional movement program and have some fun while developing their teamwork skills.

Mr Hayden Park
3-6 Teacher & A/Principal

Junior Report
The Junior Class are working well to complete all their required work for the year. It is hard to believe that Christmas holidays are coming up so fast.

All students had a brilliant time on camp. They would like to thank Mrs Roberts and Mrs Crichton for organising such an exciting excursion. According to the Juniors, “Dinosaurs Rule!”

If your child has a reading log at home and has read 20, 40, 60, 80 or 100 books, please bring the log into class, as I can reward your child. A new class chant is, “If you can read, you can do anything!”

There was no homework for the students to complete last week (week 5) so we will do week 5 homework this week please. Thank you for your help with this.

Our last English unit focuses on writing our own narratives. We will be talking about how to brainstorm and plan a narrative, writing a sizzling start, tightening tension and exciting endings. Our Alien Talk knowledge and skills will help us to write good sentences that will contribute to a great narrative. Our writing is improving everyday.

Once again, please pop into the classroom if you have any questions or just want to catch up.

Mrs Deanne Wilson
Prep–Yr2 Teacher
- Anonymous

Quote of the week

Notices

Library Day:- Library day is Friday. Please remember to bring in your borrowed books so that they can be swapped over.

Homework Club:- Homework club is on every Wednesday in the school library. If you are coming to homework club you will need your homework folder! Don’t forget to bring along a snack for afternoon tea. See you there!

Cricket news:- Junior cricket is on this weekend! It is on Saturday morning at the Rec Grounds from 10am - 12noon. It is for school age children only. Contact Carl Green for any more info 04327458566

The seniors will be playing after the junior cricket is finished. Everybody is welcome to come down and support our local boys!! They haven’t lost a game yet! Go Morven!!!!

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Yearbook:- Its that time of year again! We are in the process of compiling our Morven State School 2016 Yearbook. Once again, they will be able to be purchased for $15 each. If you would like to place an order, please fill out the attached order form and return it to school ASAP along with your money. They will be ready for distribution in week 10 (last week of school for 2016).

Student Council news:- Please tell the student council if you would like some salad lettuce. It is best if they are picked fresh so if you can put your order in one afternoon after school, we will pick them for you the next morning as you drop your children to school.

Thank you to all those people who ordered mangoes. It is turning out to be an incredibly successful endeavour. Remember the delivery date is approximately 28th of November.

Attachments:- Yearbook order form, MPA AGM notice.

Term 4 - Week 5
Blue Card Draw Winner
Archie Jukes

Morven Values... Outstanding Behaviour

Morven State School Values....

... tolerant

Definition - that you accept people who are unlike you or put up with stuff you don’t like.

Example - The student displayed tolerant behaviour by allowing his noisy younger brother to sit next to him in the playground.

LEXIA LEGENDS

↑ Blake Johnson ↑
Level 10
↑ Taleeka Dingle ↑
Level 8

Improving Reading at MSS

Mathletics

Mathletes

No Mathletes this week but keep up the great work everyone!!

♫ HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU ♫
☆ Max Jukes ☆
Who turns 7 on Thursday!

☆ Harry Usher ☆
Who turns 7 on Sunday!

Attendance Rate
Year to Date...
92.8%
Our goal is 96%
Every day counts!

P & C News:- Don’t forget the meeting tomorrow (Wednesday) to discuss the planning of the annual “Christmas Tree”. It will be after school and should take only 20 mins or so. We need as many parents as possible to attend. The more ideas and suggestions we have the better the event will be. See you there!

Swimming Club news:- Swimming club is on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons straight after school. The Augathella Aqua Ants annual swimming carnival is coming up on Saturday 19th November. Please have your nomination forms and monies in by 12th November to participate. Contact Chrissy Johnson for more information.

Morven Progress Assoc. news:- The Morven Progress Association will be holding their Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Thursday 24th November at 5pm in the Hall. If you have considered nominating for an executive position before, now is the time to put your hand up! Both the secretary and the treasurer are outgoing and will not be accepting nominations to continue in these roles. If you can’t make it to the meeting but would like to nominate yourself or someone else please contact John Kendall before the meeting. See you there!

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Morven State School Improvement Focus
1. Every student will achieve at least a ‘C’ standard in English and Mathematics.
2. 50% of all students will be in the Upper Two Bands in the NAPLAN.

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SCHOOL HOLIDAYS