MORVEN MERCURY  Term 3 - Week 2

Student of the Week

Junior Class
Elly Jackson
For: being ready to begin learning every lesson
Comment: I will do hard work every time

Senior Class
Pheebe Usher
For: great effort working with money in Maths
Comment: Can’t believe I’m great at money

Student Absences
Please call 4654 8151 after 8am.

Newsletter Subscription
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MORVEN STATE SCHOOL
Principal: Mr Hayden Park

Be Respectful       Be Responsible       Be Safe       Be a Learner

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**Principal’s Report**

**School Opinion Survey**

Last week a notice was sent home with the newsletter inviting parents and carers to participate in our school’s annual School Opinion Survey. Your responses to this survey are very much appreciated and will be used to make our school even better. Please take the time to complete the survey online. If you require a new notice or would like to use a school computer please contact the office.

**Upper Warrego Carnival**

As advised on Tuesday, unfortunately the Upper Warrego carnival had to be cancelled for yesterday, due to the unsatisfactory condition of the athletics field. There has been no new date set at this stage but should this change we will inform you ASAP. Qualification for regional carnival will be based on past performances and subject to the approval of the district team officials.

**Canberra Camp**

It’s getting super exciting. Students in Year 4 – 6 leave on camp next Friday. We are really looking forward to a wonderful trip and will be sure to learn lots as we tour Canberra. I will phone parents and carers this week to confirm final details ahead of our departure next Friday. If you have any concerns about the trip please contact the office.

**Parliament and Civics Education Rebate**

- Students from our school will soon be undertaking, an education tour of the national capital.
- Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education.

To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of $80 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

**Cogmed: Getting our brains switched on for learning**

We are always looking for new and innovative ways to help improve the achievement and in Semester Two our students will participate in the Cogmed program. It is our belief that improving the working memory of our students through brain training may also improve their reading comprehension and mathematical ability. The benefits of Cogmed are supported through research and we look forward to it giving our students a greater opportunity to succeed in the classroom and beyond. The program is explained in more depth in the letter attached. We are undertaking the program with select schools in our cluster and look forward to reporting back positive outcomes. The Junior Class will participate in the program this term and due to time away at camp the Senior Class will undertake the program in Term Four. An important part of the brain training is consistency and frequency of training. Therefore attendance is vital to the success and worth of the program. As such, if students are unable to maintain the required training schedule alternative curriculum will be provided. Good luck to the Junior Class.

**School Photos**

An important date for the diary is school photos happening this year on Friday, 2nd September.

**Breakfast is Important!!**

It is important to encourage breakfast. A good night’s sleep followed by food in the morning helps your child to stay active and concentrate at school. It also means that your child is less likely to be hungry during the morning and it will help with performance at school. Be a role model and let your child see you eat breakfast too. A bowl of cereal with a piece of fruit is a great way to start the day for the whole family.

**Broncos Legends Share Some Tips**

It was a treat to have Broncos legends and State of Origin players Michael Devere and Michael Hancock drop in for a game of footy last week. We learnt a few tips from the pros and had a great morning mixing with real NRL stars. We hope you come back soon!

**Mr Hayden Park**

3-6 Teacher & A/Principal

**Junior Report**

Term 3 has started brilliantly with Junior Students returning to school eager to learn.

During this term, students will complete the Cogmed working memory training program. Research has shown that working memory is vital for successfully completing small day to day tasks, such as remembering to pack your hat and lunch box in your school bag. This program is conducted in the first lesson, Monday to Thursday, for the entire 10 week term. To receive maximum benefit from the program, students must complete at least 32 sessions. A letter has been sent home explaining this further. Please let me know if you would like further information about this program.

A huge thank you to all parents who have encouraged their child/ren to read over the school holidays. Junior students are completing their PM reading level diagnostic tests at the moment. Their holiday reading practice is showing in significant increases to their reading level ability.

I looking forward to catching up with you all throughout the term.

**Mrs Deanne Wilson**

Prep—Yr2 Teacher
NOTICES

Library Day:– Library day is Friday.

Homework Club:– Homework Club is on every Wednesday in the school library from 3pm - 4pm. Don’t forget a snack! Please remember your homework folder too.

AJRL News:– Training for Morven players is on Thursday afternoons at the Rec. Grounds at 3:30pm.

This Weekend is the Intrust Super Cup weekend with Western Rugby League hosting the weekend in Charleville.

The weekend starts out with a Dinner Dance on the Friday night with the two teams, the Ipswich Jets & the Burleigh Bears. Tickets are $75 each and are available from Monique at the Murweh Shire. Contact her at:– monique_johnson@murweh.qld.gov.au

Junior games will be on the Saturday morning (which will be run exactly the same as our other Round Robin days).

Game times are as follows:

6’s & 8’s -  7.30 for 8am start
Under 10’s -  9.15 for 9.45 start
Under 12’s-  11.45 for 12.15pm start

AJRL will also be required to man the Canteen & Gate from 10am – 12pm. A roster has been emailed to all members.

The Main Game starts @ 3pm seeing the Ipswich Jets vs Burleigh Bears, followed by the Comets & the Meat Ants.

On Sunday there will be a Coaching Clinic with Keiron Landers (ex Jets captain, and a local boy of Quilpie I have just been informed) from 9.30am @ the Charleville Show Grounds for the Multi draw.

Each rider is paying a fee of $40 to ride in the event which will also cover a meal.

There will be meals available to members of the public not riding by RSVP as well.

The Gardening Committee desperately need your help to make this night a success. We need help with catering which will be a hot crock pot dinner and we will also need help with ticket sales, set up clean up etc.

We will also gratefully accept donations for the Multi draw.

So if you can help in any way could you please let me know.

The Tennis Club have generously offered the use of the new club house for the catering and many members have already come forward with offers to help. This will be a joint community effort to pull this event off so I hope everyone will get on board.

Kylee Tindale-Smith

Garden Co-ordinator

Old school items:– Our new science equipment has arrived!! Due to this, our old science desk is no longer required. It is available FREE for anyone who wishes to take it. First in, first served.

PRC Reminder:– The PRC runs until 26th August. Be sure to encourage your child to keep up their reading. We have had some great stories so far.

Congratulations

P & C News:– The P & C would like to announce that the order for the school shirts will hopefully arrive next week. Contact one of the P & C ladies if you would like to purchase new shirts. Also the order for the jerseys has arrived and these are available for purchase. We will be organising a general meeting soon. Stay tuned for details...

Trev’s Track Memorial Park Fundraiser

30th July - Charleville to Morven. Both Push and Motor bikes are participating in the ride. A group of enthusiastic people have gotten together to take part in this ride with all funds raised going towards the creation of the Trevor Eckel Memorial Park in Morven. The riders will leave Charleville early Saturday morning and will congregate at the Morven Rec Grounds mid Afternoon.

The “Old Prick Band” along with some local talent and the “Eckelets” will be providing live music for the night. The cricket club will be running the bar and there will also be a multi draw and raffles.

Please remember your homework folder for them by the teacher.

Attachments:– Trev’s Track flyer, COG-MED information Letter.

Morven State School Values....

hard-working

Definition – tending to work with energy and commitment; diligent; trying your hardest and keep going no matter what.

Example – The hard-working students did not give up and managed to finish the difficult task set out for them by the teacher.

Mathletics

Mathletes

GOLD AWARDS

Harry Usher

Silver Awards

Hayleigh Pearce

Bronze Awards

Riley Burns  Archie Jukes

Fergus Kendall  Blake Johnson

Pheebe Usher  Trish Kerslake

Maggie Caskey  Harry Usher

Max Jukes  Elly Jackson

Attendance Rate

Year to Date...  93.1%

Our goal is 96%

Every day counts!

MORVEN MERCURY
**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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**AUGUST 2016**

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**CANBERRA CAMP!! 29th July—4th August**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!**

☆ George Green ☆

Who turns 5 next Monday!

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**LEXIA LEGENDS**

― (No legends for this week) ―

Improving Reading at MSS