### Junior Class

**George Green**

**For:** Independently writing a fantastic history response  
**Comment:** Absent for comment.

### Senior Class: Readers’ Cup Team

**For:** Amazing reading over 10 weeks and representing our school with pride.

### Newsletter Subscription

To subscribe to our newsletter, please email admin@morvens.eq.edu.au

### Student of the Week

**George Green**

For: Independently writing a fantastic history response

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**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**
**Principal’s Report**

**Sad news...**

While the holidays are just days away, this is also the last week for Mrs Jukes who is resigning from her position as teacher aide. Mrs Jukes has been a great support for students at our school over the past two years and has had a significant impact on the lives and learning of our students. I would like to acknowledge the dedication and passion that Mrs Jukes has shown in her role. During her time she has had many roles and duties and has worked tirelessly to improve our students and our school.

Mrs Jukes has been an important part of our team and she will be missed even though she won’t be far away. We wish Mrs Jukes all the best in the future. She can look forward to peaceful days, long lunches and day-time TV soaps ;-)  

**Pathways to Resilience**

On Friday the team from Pathways to Resilience, a national project, visited our school to present ‘Brain Talks’. It was a fun, inclusive session where students learnt about how their brain works and how the “guard dog” and “wise old owl” parts control our actions. Thank you to Anglicare who supported this visit.

Rewards Day

Tomorrow is Rewards Day for those students who have not missed more than two Blue Cards this term. Student Council is asking students to bring in a plate of food for a shared lunch. (No need to bring a packed lunch and this also means that there is no tuckshop). In the afternoon we are holding a Morven’s Got Talent Quest starting at 2pm! All parents and carers are welcome to attend.

**Attendance**

Great to see many students who have had outstanding attendance this term (recognised on page 3). Students with very high attendance will go in the draw to win a $30 Golders gift voucher for the term. Every day counts!

**Polling Booth**

The federal election takes place on Saturday, 2nd July 2016. A polling booth will operate from the school library opening at 8 am.

**OLD SCHOOL vs NEW SCHOOL**

University when the 80s met the 90s was a unique time when old school ideas were being phased out in favour of newer ways. Cassette tapes gave way to CDs, and while the internet was still in its infancy we had arrived in the age of computers. Subsequently many old school techniques such as hand drawing and even lettering would lose their importance to more seductive software and computers which promised greater things delivered faster and easier. However, computers may be easier and faster but they don’t guarantee greatness.

The ability to draw and build models by hand is a timeless quality and skill to have. Hand drawing and physical model making are timeless skills that you can use forever. Software on the other hand is always changing and in fact anyone can learn to use software, even a non-designer. Yet we cannot deny the power of computers and what they can offer us.

What’s important to recognise at all times is that whether it’s a pencil or iPhone, they are all just tools and never to be allowed to take over from design thinking. In the end they are all used to aid the design process as creativity begins first in the mind, our most powerful tool.


**Police Visit**

Last week Senior Constable Sarah and Dave visited the Senior Class to educate our students about making safe and healthy choices. Many topics were covered including drug awareness, laws relating to youths and consequences for breaking the law. It was an informative session and supported our learning in Health this term.

Mr Hayden Park
3-6 Teacher & A/Principal

**Junior Report**

The Junior Class are to be commended on their successful completion of Term 2. I am proud of the hard work and commitment that students have demonstrated to reach their learning goals this term. Once again, thank you to parents and caregivers in supporting your children and encouraging them to reach their goals. As parents you are the most influential person in your child’s life so your enthusiasm and encouragement is vital.

It is lovely to speak with parents and hear that children are enjoying reading at home for pleasure. I am very pleased with every student’s progress in reading this term. Enjoy reading over the holidays too.

Our numeracy skills have grown significantly to allow us to begin to explore counting to 100 for the Preps and Year 1 and to 1000 for Year 2. We will continue to explore addition and subtraction in Term 3 to consolidate our understanding that whole numbers can be shared into different parts.

I would like to wish everyone a very safe, enjoyable and relaxing mid year break. I look forward to hearing about all the holiday news in Term 3.

Mrs Deanne Wilson

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**MORVEN MERCURY Term 2 - Week 11**
Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time.
- Thomas A. Edison

Yesterday we held our annual athletics carnival. Well done to all the students who participated! Congratulations to the Maranoa Magpies on a well deserved win. Thank you to all the parents for coming and cheering us on and also for your help. Thanks to the P & C for providing a sausage sizzle! We will look forward to competing against Augathella and Tambo next term in the Upper Warrego carnival on Wednesday, 20th July 2016.

Morven Values...

... behaviour

Definition – to possess or display courage, or be brave.

Example – The student was very courageous by volunteering to be blindfolded at the taste testing.

Harry Usher
Taleeka Dingle
Fergus Kendall
Trish Kerslake
Blake Johnson
Pheebe Usher
Ella Smith
Maggie Kendall
Riley Tindale-Smith

Homework Recognition

George Green
Harry Usher
Elly Jackson
Max Jukes
Taleeka Dingle
Archie Jukes
Blake Johnson
Maggie Caskey
Belinda Jukes
Riley Tindale-Smith
Ella Smith
Readers Cup

The 2016 Readers’ Cup Competition was a very tight battle. The team from Morven—Ella, Riley, Maggie K, Belinda and Maggie C—travelled to Augathella last Thursday to take on the best readers in the region. After months of preparation our students performed gallantly scoring 58 points from a possible 75. They were quizzed on 5 novels they studied and fell agonising 4 points short of the eventual champions Dunkeld. The students did themselves and our school proud. Their efforts were supported by super coach Marie who volunteered many hours to coach and encourage our readers. A fantastic result and we look forward to the challenge in 2017!

Morven State School

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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