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## MOAMA PUBLIC SCHOOL



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Remember no nuts or products containing nuts are permitted at school due to some children being highly allergic. Thank you for your assistance.

#### Newsletter Thursday 9th December 2021 Term 4 Week 10

#### TERM 4 2021 DECEMBER Colour Run—Friday 10th December (full details inside). Children not participating must attend in full school uniform.

School Reports—Monday 13th December

**Presentation Day** - Monday 13th December (details to be advised)

Year 6 Graduation—Monday 13th December

Last day of term for students — Thursday 16th December. School will finish at the normal time of 3:05 pm

Last day of term for staff—Friday 17th December

#### **TERM 1 2022**

#### **FEBRUARY**

**Staff Development Days (no students)** - Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd February

Kindergarten to Year 6 students return to school— Thursday 3rd February

**Preschool commences**—Monday 7th February Moama Public School staff would like to wish you all a wonderful holiday season and thank you all for your brilliant support throughout the year.



Keep safe and well everyone. We are looking forward to a wonderful year in 2022!



CLASS AWARDS Term 4 Week 9 Class awards were presented to:			
	Respect	Responsibility	Achievement
КС	Hope Broadhead	Maya Renfrey	Lacie Christensen
1A	Akaisha Slade	River Taylor	Ruby Currie
2B	Adalyn Peace	Jye Green	Kia Higgins
3/4МЈ	Brodyn McFarlane	Alexis Mason	Nash Myers
3/4H	Dakota O'Brien	Cienna Slade	Zoe Wakeman
5/6C	Leni Bringans	Ryan Meager	Katelyn Ledwidge
5/6J	Clodagh Jeffreys	Tyson Nikkelson	Charlie-Rose Ledwidge
Congratulations to all students for your efforts to support your learning this week			

Please note that **'NPP'** means that parents have not granted permission for these students to have their name published in the newsletter.

# **Parenting Tip:**

**Read books together every day.** Get started when he's a newborn; babies love listening to the sound of their parents' voices. Cuddling up with your child and a book is a great bonding experience that will set him up for a lifetime of reading.

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### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

## Every Student Matters! Every Moment Counts! NEWSLETTER TERM 4 WEEK 10

Dear parents and caregivers,

As this is the final newsletter for 2021 I would like to acknowledge all of the people who make our school the fantastic place that it is. I would like to thank the parents who have made the decision to send your children to our school. As a parent this is a massive decision and, as teachers, we respect and understand the decision you have made and work towards making every educational and social opportunity both inside and outside of the classroom positive.

2021, like 2020, has thrown us challenges with COVID-19. We have negotiated both remote learning and on-site learning again in 2021. During this time all of our families were absolutely brilliant with the support and effort that each and everyone put in to continue the education of their children. Also, during this time our whole school staff demonstrated team work, resilience and an ability to continue with high quality teaching and learning. I would like to thank everyone within the school community—parents, carers, teaching staff, non-teaching staff and the broader community for their support during these periods.

To our Year 6 children who are going on to their next phase of life at the various secondary schools I wish you well with everything you do in the future. The knowledge you have picked up at Moama Public School will certainly assist you as you transition into this new phase of your education.

There are several families who are leaving the school as their youngest child graduates from Year 6 and I would also like to wish them well as they navigate their children through adolescence and Secondary College. Some families have been with us for a long period of time and their contribution to the school cannot be overstated. As a partnership we have shared the raising of their children and they have shown confidence in their teachers to do the best they can for their children. This in an enormous trust and I appreciate the strength of the relationship that has grown over time.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge all of our students. We have a great group of children at our school. It is a pleasure each day to be greeted with happy, smiling faces and the knowledge that our students turn up to school each day striving to be their best.

To all families of the Moama Public School community I would like to wish you a Merry Christmas and a happy and safe New Year. I'm looking forward to the break but excited about the forthcoming school year in 2022.

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#### Presentation Day—Monday, December 13

Next Monday we will hold Presentation Day at school. During this ceremony we will celebrate the wonderful achievements of all of our students. This is whether they received an award or not. We are very proud of all of our students and know that each and every one of them excel in their own right. A huge thank you goes out to Ms Campbell and Di Atkins in the office for their efforts in organising this event.

#### Year 6 Graduation—Monday, December 13

Next Monday night we will be holding our Year 6 graduation at the Moama Bowling Club in a COVID safe environment. This event will be completely different to previously held graduations due to COVID however we are looking forward to it immensely. The change in format did take a lot of organisation. Therefore I would like to especially thank Ms Camin, Ms Jeffs and Ms Campbell for their efforts. I would also like to thank all of the families for their support too.

#### Reports

Reports will be going home on Monday, December 13. After reading the reports if you have any questions feel free to contact your classroom teacher.

#### Step Up—Week 11

Students will all gather in the hall for a special assembly on the Tuesday of our last week. During this time we will then announce and organise them into their classes for 2022. After this the students will spend time with their 2022 teachers and classmates throughout Tuesday and Wednesday.

On the last day for students, **Thursday December 17**, students will return back to their 2021 classrooms to celebrate the end of the school year.

This whole process will allow them to have time to become familiar with the students they will be learning with in 2022.

Careful consideration has been given to class lists. Hopefully this process will assist with the transition from the 2021 school year into 2022.

A full school assembly will also take place Wednesday at around 2.45pm to farewell all of our students. **Students are dismissed on the last day at the normal time of 3.05pm.** 

Scott McKenzie **Principal** 

# **Kindergarten Transition**

On Wednesday our 2022 Kindergarten students had their final transition day for the year. The theme of this session was all about Christmas! The students got to decorate Santa and test their fine motor skills out by cutting and rolling up Santa's beard. They also got busy making glittery Reindeer Food to sprinkle on the ground on Christmas Eve to help guide the reindeer in the dark to their homes.

At the end of the session all students received their transition bags which the students will use next year as a home reading satchel. There were lots of goodies inside for each student, which included a variety of activities for families to help their child be school ready at the start of the year.



Another great day was had by the students. We can't wait to see them in their

uniforms ready to start the school year on Thursday 3rd February 2022. In the meantime, if any parents and carers have questions, please don't hesitate to contact the school or myself—we are happy to help make the transition for your child as smooth as possible.

Have a lovely Christmas and new year.

*Ms Rana Catlow* Kindergarten Teacher



### Preschool Term 4 Week: 10 Date: 6th December 2021



What a wonderful fun week we had completing all our little activities and gift making for our families. The children wrote letters to Santa, learnt a Christmas bush dance and songs. The glitter playdough was popular with the children making candy cane and Christmas tree cookies. *Learning Outcome 3 Wellbeing* 

The children were able to seek out and accept new challenges, share ideas, and celebrate their own efforts and achievements and those of others.



Here are some of the children working on their special gifts for their families. The children did an awesome job concentrating hard to produce special drawings.

#### Learning Outcome 5 Communication

The children use language and engage in symbolic play to imagine and create roles to represent and make meaning of the world around them.

## 5/6C News

To finish off a very busy term 5/6 Class designed and created their own Monopoly boards.

The students have been learning about the history of Monopoly and it's various pieces through our ESTEEM project. They then sketched and made their own unique pieces in Makers Empire and were endeavouring to have them printed on the 3D printer, although some of the pieces were just too large and detailed.

The students then grouped together to create their own board complete with game instructions, real estate, Chance and Community Chest cards. Some very creative boards were made including Shopnopoly, Clothesopoly and Foodnopoly from around Echuca/Moama. We even had Worldopoly and Citi-o-poly from famous landmarks. Each group then tested out their boards and instructions.





## What a colourful way to end our school year!

Students and staff are encouraged to wear white or light-coloured sun smart clothing (no singlets or thongs) to school to participate in our Colour Run. All students will require a change of clothes for after the event. Students not participating must attend in full school uniform.

# When: Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December Where: MPS oval Time: 12.00pm

Colour explosion powder is made up of corn starch and permitted colours, therefore easily wiped, or washed off. Although colour powder washes out very easily, we advise you not to wear your best clothes or most expensive shoes.

NB: The powder is non-toxic and will wash out of clothing.





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#### MOAMA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Enrolments are always open at Moama Public School and we are keen to welcome new students and families.

Visit our website to fill in an online enrolment form. https://moama-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-ourschool/enrolment.html

Contact us by phone or email if you have any questions. We look forward to hearing from you.

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We operate Monday to Friday



We run art classes, daily cooking experiences, sports, conservation programs within the school, and excursions to explore around your local community!

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Christmas craft was made by the Infants classes this week!



### FESTIVE CHRISTMAS BARK SLICE FOR THE FESTIVE SEASON!

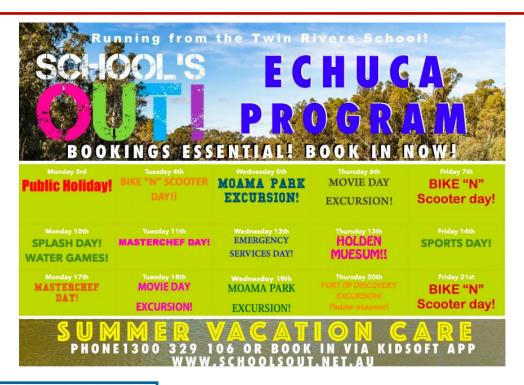
#### Ingredients

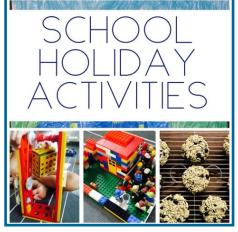
- 1kg Greek yoghurt
- 1/2 cup honey, melted
- 1/2 cup + 2 tbs desiccated coconut
- 1/3 cup dried fruit (i.e. cranberries, apricots or ginger)
- 1 cup pistachios, chopped
- 1 punnet raspberries or strawberries chopped

Mix together the yoghurt, honey and half cup of the coconut. Pour into a greased baking tray that's lined with baking paper and sprayed with olive oil).

Scatter the dried fruit, pistachios and raspberries evenly over the top and then freeze for a few hours until hard. When ready, cut into slices and serve! Delicious!

PS For a nut-free version you could swap out the nuts with sunflower seeds or pepitas. There are many variations you can use.





The Echuca Games Store will have activities over the school holidays. Learn to play Pokemon and Magic The Gathering card games plus tournaments. Also beginners to Advanced Dungeon and Dragons role playing sessions over the summer break (broken into under 14 and 14+).

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