



MORUYA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Memo

8 February 2023

Welcome to the 2023 school year at Moruya Public School. A special welcome to new families, students and staff who have joined us. We are looking forward to connecting with all families this year and welcoming you into our school. We value the partnership that we have with families and know that we get great outcomes when we all work together. Our first formal newsletter will be published next week. Below is some information regarding the start of the school year.

Class placements

This year we have 17 classes. This includes 4 support classes. While every effort is made not to make changes to student placements after classes have been formed, there can be some changes within the first few weeks if there is an increase in student enrolments. We will let you know when classes are finalised. If there are changes to be made parents will be contacted.

Swimming carnival

A big thank you to Mrs Allison and the staff who attended the swimming carnival last Friday. It was a beautiful sunny day at Moruya Pool and it was wonderful to see so many students enjoying the events. The district swimming carnival will be held on 14 February at Narooma Pool. A separate note has been sent home to students who qualified.

Meet the teacher information sessions

Next week we will be holding class information sessions. These sessions are a chance for you to meet your child's teacher and hear valuable information about the teaching and learning programs. Teachers will also be able to answer any questions you might have. These sessions are not parent teacher interviews. If you would like time to speak with your child's teacher please contact the office to organise a time for the teacher to call or meet with you. Class information sessions will be as follows:

Monday 13 February

3—3.30 pm Year 3 & Year 4

3.30—4 pm Year 5 & Year 6

Tuesday 14 February

3—3.30 pm Kindergarten

3.30—4 pm Year 1 & Year 2

P&C Meeting

The next P&C Meeting will be held on **Tuesday 21 February at 3:10 pm** in the Kitchen Garden. Our P&C supports our school by operating our uniform shop and canteen. Without the P&C we would not have either of these valuable resources for our students. The P&C also fundraise and contribute to purchases including computers, books and air conditioners. We really need more parents to come along and get involved for the P&C to remain sustainable. If you are able to please come and join us. It's a great opportunity to connect with other families. Afternoon tea will also be provided for adults and children. Children will be able to play in the Kitchen Garden area during the meeting. Siblings who don't attend school yet are welcome. Hope to see you there.

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Deputy Principal position

This year we have included a Deputy Principal position in our staffing organisation. We are delighted that Tracy Scobie has joined our staff team. Tracy has extensive experience as an educational leader and will be working with students, staff and families to support engagement at school. I am sure you will join me in welcoming Tracy to our school.

Covid guidelines

While the community continues to transition towards living with COVID-19, NSW Health advised that the unpredictable nature of the virus will continue to present a health risk to the community, with new waves of transmission expected this year. Our school will continue to operate with baseline COVID-smart measures in place this term to minimise transmission. These include a combination of layered safety measures, such as:

- Staying home when unwell and test for COVID-19 if showing any symptoms
- Boosted day cleaning of high-touch areas in our schools
- Strongly encouraging masks to be worn by all students, staff and visitors, particularly when indoors or outdoors when physical distancing is difficult to maintain
- Strongly encouraging up-to-date vaccinations for our staff and students, including COVID-19 booster shots for anyone eligible
- Maintaining natural ventilation with windows and doors open whenever possible, including when cooling/heating systems are in use
- Continuing to provide RATs and other hygiene products to schools free of charge

In certain circumstances, NSW Health and the Department of Education may recommend that additional COVID-smart measures be temporarily reintroduced at our school. We will provide further details of any changes to COVID-smart measures at our school, if and when required.

Please continue to notify our school if your child tests positive to COVID-19 as we will continue to regularly notify the school community of any known positive cases, to prioritise student and staff safety and wellbeing. Although no longer mandatory, NSW Health recommends you register your result with Service NSW; this helps you to access medical support from NSW Health, including antiviral medicines, if you're eligible.

For further information about the COVID-smart measures in place this term, refer to Advice for families: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families>

I am looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning at Moruya Public School. As always you can contact me on 4474 2363 or via email: sarah.davis47@det.nsw.edu.au

Have a wonderful week.

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