



Moomba Messenger

We empower resilient, creative and successful young people who strive for personal excellence and positively contribute to the world.

We provide an inclusive, supportive and engaging learning environment for our school community in which students are inspired to become resilient lifelong learners.

Upcoming Events & Important Dates

Monday 5th February
Room 14 & 15
Swimming commences

Wednesday 7th
February
Foundation students
begin

Friday 9th February
9am Assembly

Friday 9th February
Room 16 Swimming
Lessons

Wednesday 21st
February
Meet the Teacher

Monday 11th March
Labour Day Public
Holiday

Friday 24th May
Photo Day

Principal Report

Dear Families,

Welcome Back!

Welcome to the 2024 school year. I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer break with family and friends, as well as having a well-earned rest. I would like to extend a special welcome to all our new families that have joined the Moomba Park community this year from other schools.

This year we welcome back Miss Monica who will be the teacher in Rm 3.

We welcome back Ms Barr who will be teaching Rm 11 on Fridays.

Enhancements to outdoor areas

The students returned to see some exciting changes to the outside environment. One of the first things they noticed was the bright and beautiful mural near the basketball court. The mural displays our new values Respect, Responsibility and Resilience. The shapes on the mural were made by the students in class last year. Our school council President Dean designed the mural and coordinated some parents to paint it during the holidays. I would like to thank Julie Plancoulaine who sourced the paint and the following parents who did some of the painting.

Thank you!

- Dean Julie Em Felicia
- Kim Sandra Magdalena Anton

Our new outdoor shop and mud kitchen were also installed. These items were purchased with money donated by our school communities through our fundraisers e.g. Bunnings BBQ, Colour run. As you can see the students are using them well!

We also replaced the timber retaining wall near the playground with the same type of rocks we used in the amphitheatre.

These new changes have given the school a lift.



2024 Assembly

Our weekly assembly is held on a Friday morning at 9am in the hall/gym. Our first Assembly will be held on Friday 9th of February and parents are most welcome to attend.

A reminder that the school is open for students from 8:40am and students are to go straight to their classroom. This works incredibly well as we have noticed that when students do this, it's a calmer start to their learning day. It allows time to get themselves organised, chat to their teacher and classmates and be ready for their lessons to begin at 8:50am.

All students will be dismissed from school at 3:10.

Before and after school

Our Out of School Hours Care program delivered by YMCA is available. Please see the flyer attached for more details. If you have any questions about the service including accessing the Child Care Subsidy, the program, booking please see attached flyer and give them a call.

Mobile phones

In 2020 a mandatory Department Mobile Phone Policy was introduced. Students who choose to bring mobile phones to school **must bring them to the school office on arrival** where they will be switched off and securely stored during school hours. Students will then collect them from the office at the end of the school day. This also applies to smart watches that can make calls/access internet and record images.

The full policy is attached Please read it carefully and contact me if you have any questions.

Statement of Values and School Philosophy

Attached to the newsletter is our Statement of Values and School Philosophy which outlines the values of our school and explain the vision, mission, objectives and expectations of our school community. It can also be found on our website.

Canteen

In 2024, we are lucky to have Classroom delivering delicious lunches to our school every **Wednesday** and **Thursday** again.

To place an order, you will need to Register on their webpage: <https://classroomcuisine.com.au/>

We are currently still on the search for school canteen manager. The Canteen role will be advertised in Recruitment Online soon. We will publish the link via Xuno next week. Until we find a suitable canteen manager for our school, only Classroom Cuisine will be available.

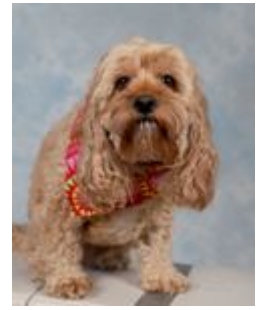
Meet the Teacher will be on Wednesday 21st February from 3:20-5:00pm

Have a great week,

Maria Marchionna



Wellbeing with Lisa & Luna



School is back! Luna and I hope all our families had a relaxing summer


break. Now school is back you may be noticing some early struggles with anxieties, emotions or establishing a daily routine. These are common situations that arise with the start of school.

Here a few handy hints to develop your daily routine. What works for you and your family?

Consistent routines provide comfort and a sense of safety to young children. Following a schedule each day makes children feel safer and happier, which often leads to better behaviour and cooperation. When they know what to expect, and what's expected of them, kids feel more comfortable and confident about what lies ahead.

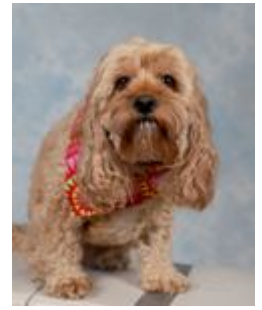
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😊 Getting Back in a School Routine 😊

 <p>Go to bed at a reasonable time each night to ensure a good sleep.</p>	<p>Eat a good breakfast to start each new day.</p> 	<p>Remember your school hat and be sun safe.</p> 	<p>Exercise and play at recess and lunchtime.</p> 
<p>Pack your school bag each night ready for the next day.</p> 	<p>Clean your teeth and do your hair each morning.</p> 	<p>Pack a healthy recess and lunch. Bring fruit too.</p> 	 <p>Unpack your school bag each afternoon.</p>
<p>Keep using your smile - bring it to school each day.</p> 	<p>SCHOOL UNIFORM</p>  <p>Have your school uniform ready for each school day.</p>	 <p>Dedicate a part of the afternoon to do any homework.</p>	 <p>Set the alarm to get up in time for school.</p>

If in a few weeks you have concerns about how your child is settling back into school please talk to your child's classroom teacher or contact Lisa at the office.

Wellbeing with Lisa & Luna



Wellbeing at Moomba Park Primary School in 2024

On our first curriculum day this year the staff reviewed and planned for

new processes and routines we are implementing this year to assist students, teachers and the school community to manage their wellbeing.

As a school we are excited to see these processes ready to be launched to the students and the school community. Over the next few weeks we hope to hear your child/children speaking about our:

- updated school values of Resilience, Responsibility and Respect
- Expected Behaviours Chart
- Problem Solving Wheel

Moomba Park Primary School Expected Behaviours

Resilience		Responsibility		Respect	
How we bounce back.		How we make good habits.		How we treat others and the world	
Ask for Help		Own it		Track the speaker	
Spot Strengths		Safe Body		Wait for my turn	
Solve the Problem		Look after my belongings		Be an upstander	
Tell people what I am feeling		Be organised		Kind words	
Match my behaviour to the environment		Stay in my lane		Keep it clean	
Repair and Restore		Be a SMART Learner		My space/your space	
Flexible Thinking		Bring it back			
S	E	A	R	C	H
Strengths	Emotional Management	Attention and Awareness	Relationships	Coping	Helping and Goals



Introducing

Moomba Park Primary School

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

YMCA Victoria is excited to be joining your school community Term 1 2023.

Our Outside School Hours Care program launches week of Monday 30 January.

We're starting with a daily Before and After School Care sessions during the school term and a quarterly School Holiday Program will launch over the autumn break.

PROGRAM DETAILS

We tailor our OSHC program to support each child's individual interests and ideas. We perform a variety of planned and spontaneous activities that help children develop life skills and enhance their autonomy.

Children are actively encouraged to engage with their peers from all year levels.

Some of our activities include:

- Active play outdoors
- Board games and puzzles
- Construction and engineering
- Cooking and baking
- Music, singing and dancing
- Dramatic and imaginative play
- Homework items and reading
- Sustainability initiatives

HOURS, FEES AND CHILD CARE SUBSIDY

SESSION TYPE	HOURS	SESSION FEE	FEE AFTER MAX CCS*
Before School Care (permanent booking)	7:00am - 8:40am	\$20.00	\$4.00
Before School Care (casual booking)		\$25.00	\$5.00
After School Care (permanent booking)	3:10pm - 6:00pm	\$25.00	\$5.00
After School Care (casual booking)		\$30.00	\$6.00
Pupil Free Day (numbers pending)	7:00am - 6:00pm	\$80.00	\$16.00
School Holiday Program* (in house activity)			

*MAX CSS is the out of pocket fee paid by families who qualify for the maximum Child Care Subsidy percentage (85%). The fees above are calculated at 80% subsidy to allow for the 5% withheld by Services Australia to reduce the chances of an overpayment.

The fees come into effect on Monday 30 January 2023.

Quick step-by-step guide to enrol



STEP 1 – REGISTER

www.childrensprogramms.ymca.org.au



**ADD CONTACT
AND CHILD**



**BILLING AND
DECLARATIONS**



**MAKE A
BOOKING**

CONTACT US

E: newfamilies@ymca.org.au

Scan QR code to visit our website
and start enrolment process.

