

## Morawa District High School

# NEWSLETTER

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Wow, what a wonderful and busy Term 3 it has been. Our students and staff are just amazing in what they have achieved. I hope you enjoy our last newsletter for this term. I invite you all to like and view our Facebook page for more upto-date information in relation to school events and initiatives.

#### **Interschool Athletics Carnival**

Congratulations to our team who represented Morawa District High School at the Interschool Athletics Carnival on Friday 11 September at the Dongara sports ground, against Carnamah, Dongara and Jurien Bay District High Schools. The Morawa District High School Team of students were well prepared for the Interschool Athletics by our PE staff Miss Pearson and Mr Zwaan and brought home the goods winning the Handicap Shield together with many champions and runner-up champions. It was a fabulous carnival and students displayed good sportsmanship at all times. Dongara won the Outright Shield. Congratulations to all champions and runner-up champions for their outstanding achievements. Thank you to the staff who assisted and the parents and grandparents who supported our students on the day.

#### **Faction Shirt Friday**

Thank you to those parents and students who have supported our Faction Shirt Friday. This was introduced last year as part of our Positive Behaviour Support [PBS] program, whereby students may wear their house faction shirts to promote team spirit and pride each Friday. Please encourage your children to wear them. New faction shirts are available from the uniform shop.

#### School Ball - "The Wild West"

The annual Morawa DHS and WACOAM School Ball was held on Saturday the 19 September in the Morawa Town Hall. It was a huge success with the hall being beautifully transformed and the students looking fabulous in their formal attire. Thank you to Ms Jones, Ms Boyce and all MDHS and WACOA staff for their organisation and supervision of this event.

#### Mo Bucks

A large group of secondary students had a wonderful day out in Geraldton Sandboarding as part of our MO BUCKS

secondary positive reward system. Students are rewarded with 'MO BUCKS' for displaying our Positive Behaviour Expectations of Respect, Responsibility and Achievement each lesson. They have had an opportunity to bank their 'MO BUCKS' to go towards this end of Term excursion to Geraldton, as well as spend them if they wish to purchase goods and services at the weekly secondary assembly via an auction.

I would like to extend my sincere and ongoing thanks to local businesses for supporting the 'Keeping Kids in School' program by declining to serve students who do not have permission to be off school grounds during school hours.

**Term 4 for starts for students on Tuesday 13 October.**Staff will be engaged in Professional Development on Monday 12 October.

Best wishes for a relaxing and safe holiday. I look forward to welcoming everyone back to school in Term 4.

Kind regards

Mrs Tonia Carslake, Principal

#### PRIMARY NEWS

#### Year 1 / 2 Assembly

The Year 1 / 2 class, under the direction of Miss Katona presented a beautiful educational item and song about "Space", when they ran the final primary assembly for Term 3 last



week. Congratulations to all involved. It was delightful.

Maths Wizard students in the primary school have been engaged in the Maths Wizard competition this term. The emphasis is on developing quick and accurate basic fact knowledge (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division). Winners of this competition were announced at the final assembly on Monday. Congratulations to Cameron Tomlinson for winning the Senior Maths Wizard and to Felix Andrews for winning the Junior Maths Wizard.

#### **eMentoring**

Twelve Year 6 students have been engaged in eMentoring this semester, with only 3 sessions remaining. These online mentoring sessions foster resilience and leadership in students. We are delighted to be part of this program again.

Best wishes

Mrs Wendy Glassford-Hill, Acting Primary Deputy

## A DELIGHTFUL NIGHT OF SOPHISTICATED FUN IN THE WILD, WILD WEST ...!



Belle & Beau - Hayley Clayton & Jacob Traylen-Witt

## **READY TO CLIMB MOUNTAINS ....**

Students transitioning into Year 7 High School classes in 2021 proved they were able to scale challenging heights when they climbed the rocks at Koolanooka Springs on September 16. The bush walk was followed by a creative painting session at school, lunch and games and activities at the Morawa Youth Centre. It was the second day of the school's transition program and all students from the school and from Perenjori and Three Springs enjoyed the day.



The only way is up ...!

About 100 "Cowboys" and "Cowgirls" really kicked up their heels at the Town Hall on Saturday night when Morawa District High School and the WA College of Agriculture Morawa joined together for their annual school ball. Following the night's theme of "The Wild West", the hall was decked out with stockyard fencing, wagon wheels, tilly lamps and freshly baled hay. Miss Jones and other teachers, along with staff from WACOAM and students from both schools did an incredible job of setting up a sophisticated rural venue for an impressive night of fun. It was a great night for the Year 12 students to finish the social side of their school journey. Our Year 12 students were dressed in style and made the selection of a "Belle and Beau of the Ball" extremely arduous. In the end, Hayley Clayton and Jacob Traylen-Witt were presented with the winning sashes, after scoring just a few points ahead of the other impressive contenders.

## R U OK DAY!















## **INTER-SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**







## MDHS Champions & Runner-up Champions

Yr 3 girls	Savannah Simpson	R-UP
Yr 3 boys	Nash Forbes	CHAMPION
Yr 4 boys	Cameron Councillor	CHAMPION
	Harry Cosgrove	R-UP
Yr 7 girls	Taysharn Thorne	CHAMPION
Yr 8 girls	Katrina Clayton	CHAMPION
Yr 8 boys	Samuel Councillor	CHAMPION
Yr 9 girls	Bella Tomlinson	R-UP
Yr 9 boys	Corin Campbell	R-UP
Yr 11&over boy	s Jacob Traylen-Witt	R-UP

#### Overall Shield

PLACE	SCHOOL	POINTS
1st	Dongara	889
2nd	Jurien	688
3rd	Morawa	634
4th	Carnamah	464

Handicap Shield

PLACE	SCHOOL	POINTS + HANDICAP	TOTAL
1st	Morawa	634 + 361.25	995.25
2nd	Dongara	889 + 0	889
3rd	Jurien	688 + 147.75	835.75
4th	Carnamah	464 + 357.25	821.25

#### Primary Shield

PLACE	SCHOOL	POINTS
1st	Dongara	385
2nd	Jurien	212
3rd	Morawa	192
4th	Carnamah	142

Secondary Shield

PLACE	SCHOOL	POINTS
1st	Dongara	504
2nd	Jurien	476
3rd	Morawa	442
4th	Carnamah	322

#### Team Games Shield

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PLACE	SCHOOL	POINTS
1st	Dongara	188
2nd	Jurien .	129
3rd	Carnamah	120
4th	Morawa	103

## **100% ATTENDANCE FOR TERM 3**

Year 12	Bailey Campbell	Year 4	Felix Andrews
Year 9	Isabella Tomlinson		Billy Coaker
Year 8	Audrey Addison		Anna Collins
Year 7	Matthew Olsen	Year 3	Harvey Andrews
	Cameron Tomlinson		Blake Appleton
Year 5	Caladyn Milloy	Year 2	Milly Collins
	Samantha Tomlinson		<b>Anlaby Milloy</b>

## **MATHS WIZARD 2020**

Congratulations to our Maths Wizard Champions:

Junior Yrs 1-4- Felix Andrews

Senior Yrs 5-7 - Cameron Tomlinson

Year winners and most improved:

Year	Winner	Most Improved	
1	Violet Andrews	Violet Andrews	
2	Dylan Van der Meer	Dylan Van der Meer	
3	Wylie Chappel	Savannah Simpson	
4	Felix Andrews	Felix Andrews	
5	Samantha Tomlinson	Charlie Harvey	
6	Charli Forbes	Blayke Twomey	
7	Cameron Tomlinson	Travena Lissan	

## YEAR 1/2 ASSEMBLY









## **TERM 3 FINAL ASSEMBLY**



Maths Wizards - Felix Andrews & Cameron Tomlinson



Class Dojo Winners

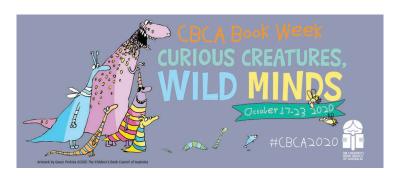


Heywire entrants - Destiny Flanagan & Hayley Clayton



Interschool Athletics Champions & Runner-up Champions

## **BOOK WEEK - WEEK 2, TERM 4**



We will be holding our traditional dress up day for **Book** Week on Thursday, 22 October at 9am in the Performing Arts room. The Children's Book Council of Australia theme for Book Week this year is "Curious Creatures, Wild Minds". Students may dress up as their favourite story book character.

We look forward to having all children from Kindergarten to **Year 6** participate in this fun activity. The most creative Story Book Character in each class will receive a prize.

Straight after the parade come to the MDHS Library for a free Packed with Goodness nutrition session. Each parent will receive a FREE resource kit and be in the running to win the DOOR PRIZE - an apple slinky machine.

## Packed with Goodness

We are running a free, fun and engaging nutrition session for parents.

Packing a healthy lunchbox fuels kids for their best possible day at school and helps form healthy habits.

When: Thursday 22 October

Time: 10am (Straight after the Book Week Dress-up parade)

Where: Morawa DHS Library

It is a 90 minute session and covers the following topics

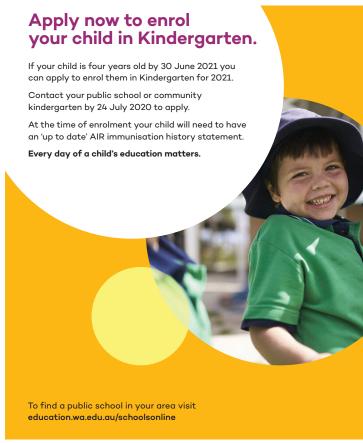
- the importance of fruit and vegies for kids
- tips for packing a healthy lunchbox
- healthy alternatives to pre-packaged snacks
- label reading
- . the best drink choices for kids



DOOR PRIZE - be there to be in the chance to WIN an apple slinky machine!

## MORAWA SWIMMING POOL

**OPENING SATURDAY OCTOBER 17** 



## Have you considered attending playgroup?

### Why?

Playgroups are a fun way for kids to prepare for school before they hit kindy. In Morawa we are doubly lucky because the DHS hosts playgroup on the school grounds. Every Wednesday during school term kids aged 0-5 and their parent/grandparent or carer meet at the DHS pre primary building, just off Prater street. A range of toys and activities are available to help kids learn social skills and make friends. While the children play the adults can have a coffee and a chat or join in the play.

#### The details

Morawa's playgroup meets on a Wednesday morning from 9am to 11am. And no you do not need to arrive at 9am on the dot, just come when you and your little ones make it out the door. Your first two visits are free! After that its \$2 per week, this covers the cost of coffees for adults and play equipment for kids. Plus a one off insurance fee of \$15, less if you have a concession card. Bring some fruit for your little ones and come and join the fun.



### TRIPLE P - POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAM



## Register for your **free** seminar

#### **Triple P - Positive Parenting Program**

Get support, information and tips to give your child the best start in life.

Triple P gives you simple, practical strategies to help you raise happy and confident children. Attend a free session near you, or talk to your school about how they can provide a free seminar for your school community.





## **Children thrive** when they are raised in a nurturing environment

The early years are so important. Triple P gives mums and dads ideas on how to help their child develop the skills and behaviours they need for a healthy childhood.

## Learn proven strategies from trained facilitators to:

- raise happy, confident children
- manage misbehaviour so everyone in the family enjoys life
- · set rules and routines that everyone respects
- encourage behaviour you like
- take care of yourself as a parent.

#### Find a free session near you

Seminar 1, 'The Power of Positive Parenting', is provided **free of charge** to parents of children across Western Australia, thanks to the support of the State Government.

Take advantage of this incredible opportunity.
Find a seminar near you at education.wa.edu.au/triplep

Further **free** seminars and discussion groups are available for parents of young children and teenagers. If you prefer, you can register for Triple P Online (a fee applies).





We support all public schools to host free Triple P seminars at their school, a Child and Parent Centre or other community venue, so that every Western Australian family has the opportunity to benefit from this positive parenting program.

Talk to your school about how they can host a free Triple P seminar for your community.



Register now

education.wa.edu.au/triplep

#### Triple P Online is also available.

#### WHAT'S IN THE COURSE?

Triple P online is suitable for all parents. There is a junior and teen version. This is the toolkit you'll rely on for years to come. Adapt the techniques to help you through all kinds of situations. With all these positive parenting strategies, you'll be set for a lifetime of raising kids. Please find more information at their website: <a href="https://www.triplep-parenting.net.au/au-uken/find-help/triple-p-online/">https://www.triplep-parenting.net.au/au-uken/find-help/triple-p-online/</a>

It costs \$79.95 and parents will need a device, internet connection and basic English-language literacy\*. A new module was added 'Positive Parenting During COVID-19'. This contains an excellent 15-minute video, which clearly outlines some simple tips and strategies for parents and a tip sheet.

\*There are current negotiations for the limited provision of free access codes for the Triple P Online course. Please contact the school or our School Psychologist Shirley, Ming Lui Kwok at <a href="mailto:ming.kwok@education.wa.edu.au">ming.kwok@education.wa.edu.au</a> for more information or if you wish to apply for the free access code.

## THE WILD WEST BALL

















## A NOTE FROM THE COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE

My name is Kathryn Anthony. I am the Community Health Nurse who visits your school.

Community Health Nurses work in schools to promote healthy development and wellbeing so students may reach their full potential. A major part of our work is focused on early intervention and the School Entry Health Assessment program.

Community Health Nurses serve as a health contact point for children and their families, providing information, assessment, health counselling and referral. The services provided are free and confidential.

## TERM PLANNER 2020, TERM 4, WEEKS 1 - 5

WEEK	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT/SUN
1	12 October Term 4 begins PD Day	Students return Team Building Day	14	15	16	17/18
2	BOOK WEEK BASE (PIPS) testing	20	21 K/PP Information Day 1.30-2.30pm Library	Book Week Parade Packed with Goodness	GRADUATION BREAKFAST and ASSEMBLY	24/25
3	Jump Rope for Heart begins On entry testing	27	28	29 NMEITA	30 K 2021 Orientation 9-10am	31/1 November Band workshop & concert Mellenbye Saturday 31
4	2 On entry	3	4	5	6	7/8
5	9 Secondary Exams	10	11	12 Year 6 Camp	K 2021 Orientation 9-10am Year 6 camp	14/15

Grounds and Security: Parents are asked to remind students that the school grounds are out of bounds out of school hours. In the event of vandalism, please report to School Watch on 1800 177 777 or the local Police on 99 601 666.

## **MORAWA DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL BUSINESS PLAN 2019-21**

#### Vision

Growing good people

#### Positive Behaviour Support Expectations:

Respect - We treat others with consideration and respect.

**Responsibility** - We are accountable for our own actions, resolving differences in constructive, peaceful ways; we contribute to society and we take care of the environment.

**Achievement** - We have high expectations of students and staff and endeavour to achieve our best.

**School Priorities** 

**PRIORITY 1**: Success for all students

PRIORITY 3: Effective leadership

**PRIORITY 2**: High quality teaching

**PRIORITY 4**: Strong governance and support