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**Parent Survey** - Thank you to the 28 parents who returned the Department’s Parent Opinion Survey last week. These have been sent off to be collated and the school will receive results later in the year.

On surveys, we will be sending out our own in-school survey to parents to ascertain your views on what are the best communication avenues that can be used to send and receive messages and information. This survey will be made available next week. I urge everyone to contribute as it will assist the school in its goal of providing parents with clear, streamlined processes.

**NAPLAN** - The results of NAPLAN at State level have been released and reported in the media. Schools don’t receive their results until after August 15th. Once this occurs, there will be a summary of our results in our next Newsletter and on our website.

Want to have a go at ten maths questions from Year 7 NAPLAN? [Click here.]

Thanks for the great feedback on the overall Student Report Ratings summary that was in the last Newsletter. The results were very good (we can always be better) and reflect the hard work of staff, students and parents.

Next week, the Term three Student Attitudes and Behaviours Report will be released on Sentral.

**Library** - With the upcoming demolition of our Library (the old Caretaker’s residence), there has been much work done behind the scenes to ensure that we are ready for works to begin and students have ongoing access to library books.

The students are very excited about having the books in their rooms. A huge thank you to our wonderful volunteers Jo, Norma and Terri for all the work they have done to make this possible. It would be a nightmare if it wasn’t for these three ladies.

Special call - if you have any boxes that would be suitable for temporarily packing books in, we would love to hear from you.

**Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) Update** - As has been mentioned in Newsletters in term one, the school develops an Annual Implementation Plan every year. It highlights the biggest school priorities of the year. Below is a snapshot of what we are currently working on within those priorities. The whole AIP is available on the school’s website.

1. Mathematics Teaching and Learning Project with the Maths Association of Victoria
   The school is one of just six schools across Victoria to be accepted into this three year investigation into the teaching and learning of mathematics. Staff have used this learning to agree on a number of non-negotiables for the maths block that will apply across all levels. These include areas such as evidence-based grouping, locking in maths blocks, applying practical ‘projects’ to demonstrate mathematical learning, providing various rated activities to cater for point of need, consistent diagnostic tests to be used across all levels and using consistent feedback language with all students. This is all being put together during term three.

2. Collaborative Teaching and Learning Project with Deakin University and the Department of Education and Training
   The school is one of just ten schools across Victoria to be accepted into this one year investigation into teaching and learning practice. This project is now at the phase where teachers are observing their colleagues’ practice and are developing constructive and honest feedback methods. Staff are filming themselves teaching and are part of conversations about what we ‘always do’, what we ‘never do’ and developing clarity on using consistent methods across levels so students know what to expect in their Primary school years.

3. Building Project
   The school is now at the stage of working with the Architects to determine interior joinery and fittings. Costs will determine the final scope of works but demolition of existing facilities may commence in term four.
4. Student Resilience/Positive Mindsets
Staff have included the Capabilities components of the Victorian Curriculum into weekly planners. Social, Personal, Inter-cultural and Ethical capabilities are all given appropriate heed in lessons. More work around positive language is continuing in the school.

As can be seen, this school is proudly transparent with our community. The goal is always the betterment of our young people’s learning experience.

**Parent/Teacher Interviews** - In response to parent feedback from the last interviews, we will be running the parent teacher interviews over two weeks - Thursday 25\textsuperscript{th} August and the following Tuesday 30\textsuperscript{th} August. The interviews will run from 2pm – 7pm on both nights. School will **finish for the students at 2pm** on Thursday 25\textsuperscript{th} and Tuesday 30\textsuperscript{th} August. Out of School Hours Care will be available from this time (please book in advance for these afternoons as we fill up quickly). To book your interview time you will need to log onto SENTRAL. Bookings will open at 9am on Wednesday 10\textsuperscript{th} August and close at 3pm on Wednesday 24\textsuperscript{th} August.

**PLEASE NOTE** – only the Unit leaders name will appear, not necessarily your child’s teacher’s name. You will need to book your interview time under the unit leader’s name.

**Prep** – will appear as Mr Aaron Randall, **1/2** – will appear as Mrs Penny Burke (Harry), **3/4** – will appear as Mr Ben Raidme and **5/6** – will appear as Mrs Teresa Higgins.

You will be sent a confirmation of your booking time. Please contact the office if you have any difficulties.

**Vale** - It is with utter shock and sadness that the school learned of the passing of one of our ex-students yesterday morning. Ben will be remembered as a lad who liked a joke, loved his sport and made very special bonds with staff members who supported him through some tough times. Our condolences and thoughts go out to family and friends.

Part of the fabric of Moriac Primary School always, Ben. Rest In Peace.

If you think that you or someone you know may be experiencing depression, please contact your doctor or health professional. Further information is also available at [www.beyondblue.org.au](http://www.beyondblue.org.au).

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Steve Durkin

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**School News**

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**Stars of Moriac for this fortnight are:**

**Prep:** Jameson R and Mason C

**1/2:** Olivia T, Coen R, Lucy R, George C and Patrick D

**3/4:** Jacob T

**5/6:** Toby C and Lily A.

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NEWS FROM OUR SCHOOL CAPTAINS

On Wednesday 24th of August we will be celebrating Book Week with a dress-up Parade. Come dressed as your favourite book character. The Parade is going to be at 10:30am in the amphitheatre. Everyone is welcome to come as well as our Kinder friends.

As our Library is going to be the first part of our school to get a makeover when the rebuilding starts, all borrowed Library books need to be returned please. This will help our wonderful Library staff pack up and clear out the old Library.

Kaitlyn B, Rose C, Jai L and Mia V.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

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SCHOOL LEADERS

**School Captains**
Rosie C       Mia V
Kaitlyn B     Jai L

**House Captains**
Clodagh N and Luke F (Kidman)
Jacob A and Mali W (MacArthur)
Jaidyn A and Siena M (Farrer)

**SCHOOL COUNCIL**
Steve Durkin – Executive Officer
Jodie Frisch – President
Andrea Delves – Vice President
Stuart Christie – Treasurer
Rebecca Bartlett – Parent
Brett Drayton – Parent
Lance Houlihan – Parent
Ruth Rundell – Parent
Paula Stiles – Parent
Suzanne Prendergast – DET
Aaron Randall – DET
Mikhala Vawdrey – DET

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Sentral Messaging
Over the past few years, the Moriac school community has supported the Geelong Food Relief Centre’s charity drive to collect cans and any other non-perishable foods, groceries and personal care items for distribution to families in need throughout the community.

Please place donations in the carton at the front office at school.

Your support will be greatly appreciated.

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**Book Week Celebrations**

You’re invited to participate in the Moriac PS Book Week Parade

**Date:** 24th of August

**Time:** 10:30-11:00am

**Location:** Amphitheatre

**Theme:** Australia!!! Story Country.

Come dressed as your favourite book character

!!!!!! SALE SALE SALE SALE SALE SALE SALE !!!!!!!

During Book Week lots of lovely novels and picture story books will be on sale.

All books $2 and a 50c sale tub

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**Give a can, if you can**

(or any other non-perishable foods, groceries and personal care items)

...and help support the Geelong Food Relief Centre