As we draw close to the end of another school year I would like to extend a sincere thanks to all of the staff, students and parents for a fantastic year. The teachers are very hard working and caring, the students work hard in everything they do and of course the parents do a great job in supporting their child/ren and the school in educating their child/ren.

On behalf of the school I would like to express our thanks to all the parents and community members that have supported and helped during the year. We had many volunteers present at our morning tea last week. It was great to see so many attend.

We have a number of staff members leaving us at the end of the year. Miss Rachael Fairweather has a position at a Morwell school, Miss Maggie Caffry is going to St. Pauls in Traralgon and Mr Dean Gowing is returning to Kurnai. Also leaving are Mrs. Marr and Ms. Brock. I would like to thank all the leaving staff for their dedication and work at South St. Primary School. I wish them all the best in their future teaching endeavours.

On behalf of all the staff we’d like to wish you all a very happy & safe Christmas. Make the most of this time you have with your children and family. It goes very quickly!

**Departing Grade 6s**

We wish all of our departing grade 6 students the very best in their futures. It is always sad to see students leave primary school and start a new phase in their life, but at the same time, it’s a happy occasion. We will miss them as students and also as young people who were well liked by the staff here and who have made a positive contribution to the school.

All the best in whatever you do in the future.

**End of Term**

School officially finishes on Tuesday 20th at 1:15. Monday 19th and Tuesday 20th Dec will be clean up and moving days.

**Class Structures 2017**

TEACHING STAFF 2017

The following is a list of teachers for 2017.

Principal – Mr Jamie Tactor
Assistant Principal – Mrs Luke Haustorfer
Teaching and Learning Leader – Anna Di-Nuzzo
Foundation /1 - Kim Cranston, Louise Webb and Rebecca Brown.
1/2’s - Gillian Connolly, Jenna Shaw, Lynette Blunt, Ashleigh Vuillermin and Madeleine Crofts.
3/4’s – Anita Houston, Megan Holt, Anne Welsh and Ellen Rosa.
5/6’s - Sandi Kilpatrick, Ben Rilen and Kara Easton

Don’t forget to keep up to date with things happening around the school by downloading the Skoolbag App! Available free for iPhone and Android.

Office – Cathy Tisdale/ Anna Henley
Primary Welfare Office – Brooke Chatterton
Intervention Team – Val Hemmings, Michelle Shearing, Mel Keltie, Bec Wolfenden and Belinda Johnson.

**ESSENTIAL EDUCATION ITEMS – STUDENT SUPPLIES**
The Essential Education Items payment will be the same as it was for the past two years. Any families with a current health care card will contribute $40 per child for supplies and other resources that are used in the classrooms. Families that do not have a health care card will pay $125 for supplies.

Arrangements to collect School Supply Bags
Wednesday 25th January 10:00am– 3:00pm.
Monday 30th January 9:30am – 4:00pm.

A notice was sent out last week with more details.

**SCHOOL REPORTS**
School reports have been sent home today.

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**BREAKFAST CLUB**
As the school year comes to an end we would like to thank all the volunteers that have helped with breakfast club this year.
Breakfast club will not operate on the last week (Monday & Tuesday) of school due to clean up and stock take. However, breakfast club will resume in week 2 on Monday 6th February 2017.

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**LOST PROPERTY**
Lost property is displayed on a table outside the office.
Please take the time to see if any of the items belong to your child/ren. A $1.00 donation would be appreciated for any unnamed items.
Any unclaimed items will be disposed of at the end of the year.
Thank you, Mrs. Hemmings.

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**CHICKEN POX**
We have had two reported cases of chicken pox this week. Please be aware and if you notice anything unusual about your child’s skin, take action and see your G.P.
There is an exclusion period from school. Children should remain home until blisters have dried up.
This usually takes approximately 5 days.

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**CHRISTMAS DAY**
If you are going to be eating Christmas dinner all on your own (i.e. by yourself) then this is for you.

**Christmas Day Luncheon**
Time: 11:30 am for noon start
Venue: Baptist Church
62 Fowler Street, Moe
Cost: Gold coin donation
RSVP: Helene M: 0405 447 150
E: whohohunt@gmail.com
by 14 December
You will need your own transport.
CALLING ALL TRADIES!!

With the amalgamation of the Morwell schools, we have the wonderful opportunity of obtaining some playground equipment, outdoor seating, water taps/ troughs and the like. The only problem is that we can only obtain them by using qualified tradesmen who have public liability insurance.

If you are one of these people and could help us out with the pick up, could you please contact the school, so we can organise it. It would be a shame to miss out!!

SINGERS WELCOME

Singers are welcome to Carols in the Park on Friday 16th December.

Practise to sing the carols and be part of a choir with Latrobe Community Band.

This will be held on Monday 12th December at the Moe Baptist Church, Fowler Street, Moe starting at 7pm, through to 8.30pm.

For more information please ring Val on 51276973.

NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

The SRC are excited to announce our new playground coming soon from a local Melbourne playground equipment company and if you would like to see the drawings please “control - click” 4691002. The money for this was raised over the last two years through our school fun run and small fundraising events. This fantastic climber will be built over the holidays ready for the new year. Thanks again for making this happen. The SRC team.

Whole School Excursion to Glen Cromie

Tomorrow Friday, 16th December all students and staff will be going by bus to Glen Cromie Caravan Park to celebrate the end of the year together. The cost of this excursion is being funded by the school Canteen Committee, so it is free for all children.

Children can wear casual (sun smart clothes). Please tell them to bring/pack sunscreen, mosquito repellent, all drinks, snacks, lunch and recess for the day. If they have permission, they can bring their bathers, however, be very careful to monitor this. Picnic rugs, sports equipment, etc. can be brought.

There are walking trails, however, students must be accompanied by a teacher and be wearing suitable footwear. No electronic devices are to be brought by students.

Parents are welcome to come-at a cost of $2.00 per person. If they take their child at the end of the day, they must sign the check box that has all of the permission/swimming permission forms. Please bring these with you and a pen at the end of the day.

We have been informed that there is a shop at Glen Cromie and that children will be allowed to bring up to $5.00 (not compulsory) to spend. We will depart Glen Cromie at around 1.30pm. to arrive back at school by 2.30pm.

‘SNACK ATTACK’ CANTEEN

Thankyou to all the volunteers who have helped with the roster and events for the canteen this year.

Yesterday (Wednesday) was our last canteen for the year. There will be NO recess opening on Monday due to cleaning.

Thankyou for allowing your children to support us through lunch orders and other purchases.

This year we have funded Star Lab. (science), buses for the production and the whole school excursion to Glen Cromie Park, happening tomorrow.

I look forward to your support in 2017. Mandy.
Our stars of the week

Jackson Hilton

Positivity Awards

Jackson Unwin
Competitive Lunchtime Sports - Diamond Cricket Grand Final

This term in our Competitive Lunchtime Sports Program the students have been playing Diamond Cricket. This term’s fixture was disrupted with school camps, transition and the SRC community involvement program, but each team managed to play each other once and set up an exciting finals series.

In the Grand Final for the second term in a row Red House squared off against Green House. Red House batted first in windy conditions on the outdoor basketball court posting a very respectable total of 3 – 28. Green House was up next to bat and they managed to chase down the runs needed with 30 seconds to spare coming away with the win after scoring 3 – 31.

A huge thank you needs to go out to all of the House Captains and their helpers as they picked their side, organised the teams on the day, organised umpires and scorers. You guys all did a fantastic job. So thank you very much Simone Cervi, Ebony Jones, Darcy Seccombe, Bryce Witham, Tanisha Harbour, Brizy Wright, Matthew Davies and Jaymee-Lee Barnes.

Congratulations to Green House on taking out their 2nd title of the year.

Staff vs Champions Showdown

After winning the grand final against the previous week, Green House earned the right to play off against the staff in the Staff vs Champions showdown in the Gym last Thursday. The teachers won the toss and elected to bowl first. Brilliant bowling displays from Mr. Webber and Miss V. restricted Green House to a very competitive total of 11 – 32. Not to be outdone, the staff put on a batting masterclass despite some snappy fielding from the student champs. As the final whistle blew to end time the scoreboard read that the staff had triumphed over the Champions by 12 runs finishing on 3 – 44.

I’m looking forward to the new grade 5’s & 6’s getting their shot at playing in next year’s Competitive Lunchtime Sports program and seeing the students continue to develop their skills and strategic thinking. Thanks for an awesome year by everyone who participated.

Mr. R
Adonis's Gippsland Taekwondo Academy is branching out a new club at the St Kieran's Primary School in Moe. With Instructor Kyle Watkins at Moe Academy, and head Instructor Adonis Mazzarella at Trafalgar and Warragul, both combined have 30 years of experience in the art of self-Defense, and have made many state and national champions in the past. Taekwondo teaches respect, discipline, coordination, and most of all self-defence. It is a great way to make friends and is so much fun for both kids and adults.

### Kite Making with Jo

**Monday**

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Jo is back by popular demand!

Come to your local library and join Jo from Kitekidz to make and decorate a diamond kite to take home to fly.

Cost $6 per child/kit, this activity is suitable for children 4-12 years. Places are limited so bookings are essential, don't miss out today!

**Tuesday 24 January**

- Trafalgan Library: 10am-11:30am
- Moe Library: 2pm-3pm

**Wednesday 25 January**

- Churchill Library: 10am-11:30am
- Morwell Library: 2pm-3pm

$6 per child/kit

**Heroes & Villains Storytime**

Come dressed up in your favourite hero or villain costume to a special Storytime at your local library.

Listen to the stories and participate in a simple craft activity.

**Tuesday 10 January**

- Churchill Library: 10am
- Morwell Library: 3pm

**Wednesday 11 January**

- Moe Library: 11am

**Thursday 12 January**

- Churchill Library: 3:30pm on or 11:30 am

**Friday 13 January**

- Moe Library: 3:30pm

Come along and join in the fun at the Library. Kids can enjoy making craft activities to take home to keep.

**Tuesdays 17 January**

- Moe Library: 3:30pm
- Trafalgan Library: 11am

**Wednesdays 18 January**

- Moe Library: 11am
- Trafalgan Library: 11am

**Thursdays 19 January**

- Moe Library: 11am
- Trafalgan Library: 3:30pm

**Fridays 20 January**

- Moe Library: 11am

Sessions may be photographed for promotional purposes, please advise a staff member on the day if you do not wish to be photographed.

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