Movie Night
The movie night is this Friday night. Tickets are available at the office. In the advent of inclement weather the movie night will be in the gym.

Curriculum Day
A most successful curriculum day was held yesterday. Di Snowball is a literacy consultant with extensive local and international experience conducted two sessions focussing on spelling within the context of writing. Di was last at Moonee Ponds West Primary in 2014 and the work of the day sought to review and build upon the work from 2 years ago. An invitation was extended to our neighbouring schools and a number of staff from Ascot Vale Primary attended the literacy sessions.

Staff also participated in KidsMatter workshops conducted by members of the Student Wellbeing Professional Learning Team.
https://www.kidsmatter.edu.au

Thank you to everyone for their contributions on the day.

Fundraising
The amount raised in 2015 was $27,735.87. We now look forward to the installation of air-conditioning in the gym. Needless to say, thank you indeed to the fundraising committee and everyone who assisted in making an air-conditioned gym a reality.

BBQ's find new home
The BBQ’s have now found a home. Thank you to their new owners.

Cross Country Trials
Thank you to Bree and Mandy for their successful organisation of the Cross Country Trials conducted last Friday. And thank you indeed to all the parents & carers who assisted on the day.

Insurance Reminders
The Department of Education & Training does not provide personal accident insurance for students. Parents and carers are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs. Student accident insurance policies are available from some commercial insurers. These cover a range of medical expenses not covered by Medicare or private health insurance.

The Education Department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to school and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property. Therefore, parents are reminded to discourage children bringing precious, much loved and not easily replaced items to school.

End of term
A reminder to all families that assembly will be at 9am on Thursday 24th March and students will be dismissed from their classrooms at 1.30pm.

With the end of term approaching it may be opportune to check the lost property housed in tubs at the back of the gym. All items unclaimed by the end of term will be donated to charity.

Enjoy the week
Jeff & Fiona
EDUCATION WEEKLY NEWS

MOONEE PONDS WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL
would like to invite your
Year 5 and Year 6 students (along with their parents)
to the
Secondary School Expo
It will be held in the School Gym
On
Thursday 14 April 2016
From 4-7pm.
Moonee Ponds West main entrance
is situated at
61 Athol Street
Moonee Ponds.
Phone Number 9370 6875
For more information.

Secondary schools that have confirmed that they will attend are:

Hopefully more schools will accept the invitation in the near future.

This is an excellent opportunity to speak to staff and students from the secondary colleges in your area.

SPORTS NEWS

Division Swimming
Well done to Felix Fischer (Room 15) and Elli Honan (Room 14) who competed in the Division Swimming Finals at St Albans last week. Felix finished 4th in Butterfly and Elli finished 1st in Breaststroke and 2nd in Butterfly. Elli will now go on to compete in Regionals. Congratulations to both Felix and Elli!

Team Building
The Gr 4/5 & Gr 5/6 classes have been participating in Team Building activities during sport time on Friday mornings. Their have been various challenges that the classes have had to work through to score points and reflect on their own performances. This Friday we conclude our team building with our awards ceremony in the Gym.

Ride2School
A big thank you to everyone who participated in ride to school day

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on Friday 4th March. A fantastic number of students rode their bikes, walked, scooted or skated their way to school as shown in the results from the day.

SOUNDHOUSE
Soundhouse has made a great start to the year at Moonee Ponds West! If you would like your child to be part of the Soundhouse program enrolments are now open for Term 2! We have available spots in Keyboard and Singing and Performance. Please collect an enrolment form from the front office if you are interested.

Just a reminder due to Term 1 being shorter than the other Terms we continue the ‘Soundhouse Term 1’ through to the end of week 2 of Term 2. This ensures students get the appropriate amount of lessons.

Thanks to everyone for all your support with the Soundhouse Program this Term, we’re looking forward to beginning first week back in Term 2 and having a full term of music making fun!!

If there are any enquires regarding Soundhouse please feel free to contact Maddie Owen on 0401 844 522 or meowen9@gmail.com
Room 10

**Autumn**
- Leave swirling brightly
- Leaves swirling on the path too
- Winter will come soon

**Winter**
- Winter the cold wind
- Hugging the fire all day long
- Black smoke filled the air

**Sammy**

**Autumn**
- Colourful leaves fly
- Kids playing with crunchy leaves
- Leaves swirl everywhere

**Winter**
- Rain on the windows.
- Hot cross buns full of butter.
- Rapped in my onesie

**Lenoir**

**Michael**

**Ashley**
COMMUNITY NEWS

REUSABLE LUNCH ORDER BAGS
say goodbye to paper bags from the canteen!

Lunch Wallets available in BLUE, GREEN, PINK, YELLOW, PURPLE, RED & GREY EDGING

All Rounder available in: BLUE, RED & GREY EDGING
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Visit www.stickybeaks.com.au

Aussie Hoops
Basketball for kids 5-10

Westgate Basketball Association, your local association, is running the Aussie Hoops Summer programme for boys and girls 5-10 years old. Sessions are run at the indoor stadium at either UC Community Sports Stadium, William Oval, or Footscray Community Centre, Essendon and Market Streets, with skill sessions, fun drills and friendly games.

The sessions are run by Representative level youth basketball players and give kids a terrific grounding in the fundamental skills for the game.

So if you are wondering if your kid might just be the next Playing Mills or Lauren Jackson, stop wondering and find out! Come along, make new friends and see for yourself why basketball is among the most popular youth sports in Australia.

Sessions are run Thursday afternoons or Saturday mornings.

Aussie Hoops is run on behalf of Basketball Victoria.

Register Now!
and see you on court

For further details on times and dates, prices and registration, please visit our website:
www.westgatebasketball.com.au

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