Most parents will experience a child who is not motivated to be at school at some point in their lives. Many parents were that child!

Trying to stimulate your child’s motivation at school is extremely difficult for parents, primarily because so much of what happens at school is out of your control. The environment provided by the teacher, other students, and the school community can have a powerful impact on your child’s level of motivation. There are, however, several things that parents can do to increase their child’s motivation at school.

Most researchers agree that the most effective way parents can increase their child’s motivation at school is through modelling how much they value education. This can be done by:

- talking to your child everyday about what they did at school
- praising your child’s achievements in front of them to others
- referring to the benefits of education in general conversation
- talking about the importance of teachers
- keeping the newsletter on the fridge
- attending functions at your child’s school.

These are just a few simple suggestions, the common thread of which is demonstrating to your child how much you value education – leading by example.

One of the ways in which we try to support your access to school to show your child how much you as a parent value their learning is through our twice yearly Exhibition of Learning.

Our final Exhibition of Learning for the year is on in two weeks’ time, on Wednesday December 2nd from 3-6pm. The Exhibition provides a great opportunity to come and share in the fabulous achievements of all the students at MOC. I encourage all parents to attend and to bring along other interested adults, grandparents, aunts, uncles, friends to show how much you value what your child has been doing. The students always talk about how proud they are when their families attend Exhibition of Learning, they love the opportunity to talk about their achievements and enjoy sharing the celebration with their friends.

I hope to see many of you at Exhibition of Learning on Wednesday 2nd December.

For further information about strategies for parents to engage in school related activities the following links may be useful:


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MEET THE STAFF

Paul Sharer
"Hi, my name is Paul Sharer and I am in my third year of teaching Design and Technology to the Middle Years students here at MOC. I play a variety of sports including tennis, mixed netball and footy, but also enjoy spending time with my Border Collie down at the beach."

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Grace on the Green
PERFORMANCE SHOWCASE
Wednesday 25th November 2015
from 6.00-7.30pm
Entertainment
Raffles
Sausage sizzle
GOLD COIN DONATION

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City of Playford Australia Day Awards 2016 Nominations
On Australia Day, the City of Playford recognises the outstanding achievements of community members and local heroes through the City of Playford Australia Day Awards. These awards acknowledge the valued work and commitment of our unsung heroes who give generously of their time and expertise to help others.
Help us to recognise and award these people and groups that you believe make the City of Playford a great place to live, work, play, build... and grow.
We are currently sourcing nominations for our awards ceremony for the day. We have 4 categories, these include:
- Citizen of the year
- Community group
- Sports club of the year
- Young citizen of the year
Please contact Natalie for more information:
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