

# Marong Primary School Newsletter

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	May		
11th	LCDSSA Athletics Carnival		
12th	Mother's Day morning tea		
15th	Education Week Commences		
16th	Somers Camp Students leave for their 9 day camp		
17th	Education Week Activity Night		
18th	Parent Information Session re School Year 2024		
17th	Grand Parents Morning Tea		

***RESPECT***

***RESPONSIBILITY***

***HONESTY***

## **From the Principal**

Dear parents and care givers,

### **Successful grant Application**

I am pleased to inform our community that we have been advised that a grant for \$25000 has been awarded to our school to provide for 30 new Ipads for use in the junior section of the school. In addition a portion of the grant will be used to develop an area between our OSHC room and the art room for use as an outdoor learning space. This grant has been funded via the Federal Government under the Schools Upgrade Funding program.

### **Athletics Sports**

Please remember that this Thursday May 11<sup>th</sup> we will require all students to go to the Latrobe University Athletics track in Retreat Rd Flora Hill for our annual cluster Athletics sports. Buses will transport students to and from this event. Students who will compete in the 800 metres event will need to be taken by car to the centre as we will run this event first.

Mr Riordan will advise the families of students in the 10/11 and 12 yr age groups that this refers to.

## **From the Principal Cont'd...**

### **2023 Education Week – open evening.**

This year Victoria will celebrate Education Week from Sunday 14 May to Saturday 20 May. The theme is 'Active Learners: Move, Make, Motivate', which celebrates physical activity, hands-on learning and student voice in education. To help celebrate Education Week – our school will like to invite our school community to an Education Evening at our school on Wednesday 17th May. Come along and join in the fun activities between 6pm- 7pm. Each family member attending will receive house points and also go in the draw for our raffle.

### **Enrolment Timeframe**

It has come to my attention that unfortunately an error was made re the date for submission of enrolment applications in previous correspondence. The actual date is listed below.

Please note the submission date for completed enrolment forms to our office for 2024 Foundation students is **Friday June 23<sup>rd</sup> 2023**. Handing in forms by this date will assist us in planning for 2024 school year. We now have hard copies of enrolment forms that can be collected from our office. Or forms can be downloaded from the school website.

Enrolments submitted after June 23<sup>rd</sup> will still be accepted from families who reside in our school zone. Families considering sending a child from outside our zone to Marong PS will need to apply for a placement. Placement Application Forms are also available from our office.

## **Grade Prep/One**

Week 2 has been very busy indeed and we are certainly back into the full swing of things. In reading this week we introduced the first of the reading strategies to our Preps. The reading strategy



Eagle Eye reminds beginning readers to think, 'what is in the picture that starts with the beginning letter'. Our Grade One students were very helpful when modelling and introducing this strategy which was wonderful to see. In maths, we explored place value through the use of tens frames and MAB blocks and the Grade Ones focused on place value and partitioning, eg  $346 = 300 + 40 + 6$ .

We loved watching our students implement their phonics knowledge in writing when decoding CVC words and then putting them into sentences. Our students have also been busy training for athletics which is on Thursday 11th May. Thank you all for another wonderful week.

The Prep/One Team



## **Grade 2/3!**

It's been a busy week for the grade 2/3's this week!

This week we have continued our work with procedures, looking at how to make slime and writing our own recipes. In reading we have been practicing our reading strategies like flippy dolphin, stretchy snake, chunky monkey and eagle eye.

After our hard work on multiplication last week, we have now

turned our attention to division. We have explored how to share equally and what happens when a number cannot be shared equally. Students have looked at a map of Australia, locating the states and territories. We have completed a mini research project on one of the states, investigating its population, state flag, state emblems and interesting facts.

It was great to see a bit of sunshine earlier in the week, giving us an opportunity to train for the upcoming athletics carnival next week. We had a go at some discus, shot put, hurdles and long jump. Our house leaders did a fantastic job showing us the techniques to help us throw, jump and run the little bit further and faster.

Have a great weekend everyone!





## Grade 4/5/6!

Another great week from us in 4/5/6!

**Reading:** This week the 4/5/6's have been focusing on the author's writing and analysing characters description, speech and actions. Using the writer's choice of language as evidence.

**Writing:** The aim of our writing this week has been around our narratives and using our checklists to bump up our writing. We have been focusing on specific areas and our goals to make an impact in our stories.

**Math:** We have been working on telling time to the minute using analogue, digital and 24-hour time. Students have solving and then converting between the three. The other lessons this week we have been learning about BODMAS and how to solve equations with multiple operations.

**Integrated:** This week we have continued our unit on the 8 ways of learning, this week we have looked at symbols and images and what symbols best relate to ourselves and what we identify/belong with.

A big congratulations to everyone in the 4/5/6's who ran in the cross country and Bendigo racecourse on Wednesday, they all represented the school extremely well.

Next week on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> of May we have our Athletics carnival at the Bendigo Athletics track.

We hope you all have a great weekend,  
4/5/6 team.  
Go Panthers!



## Outside School Hours Care





# SPORTS REPORT

## Divisional Cross Country – Bendigo Racecourse

Well done to all the runners who represented out school at the Divisional Cross Country on Wednesday this week. Students had a great day racing, with some great results along the way. Special mention to Jude Bentley who finished 6<sup>th</sup> in blue group and now has qualified for the Regional Cross Country St Arnaud in the coming weeks. A big thanks those parents who transported their child to the event.



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## Athletics Sports – Flora Hill Athletics track

We look forward to our LCDSSA Athletics Sports next Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> May. Buses have been organised to transport your child to and from the event. If you are transporting your child to the event, please let your child's classroom teacher know. Events will start at around 9.45am with the 800m ran at 9.15am from those students ages 10-12. If your child would like to run in the 800m event, they will need to be at the track at 9am to participate. We hope to be finished around 2.45 on the day.



We are still looking for a lot more parent helpers on the day.

Parent helpers are needed to make sure the day is a success. If you can help on the day, please let myself know or contact the office. Parent helpers get great access on the day, and we can always try to ensure you can assist on your child's group for the day.



#### **Prep/One Maddern**

Ruby G- Ruby has been a superstar this week. She has been working really hard on improving her knowledge of letter names and sounds. It is great to see Ruby building her confidence within the classroom. Keep up the super work Ruby, well done!

#### **Prep/One O**

Imogen G – Imogen has been a standout since returning to school this term. She is completing more tasks independently and is walking into school each day with a beautiful smile. I am really happy with how her learning is moving forward and she should be proud of herself.

#### **Prep/One Mrs Cook & Jess**

Gracie O- Gracie has shown great resilience and confidence this week. Each morning she is walking into the classroom with a smile on her face and ready to do her jobs and start the day. Well done Gracie on a fantastic first week at MPS, we are so proud of your efforts. Keep up the hard work.

#### **2/3 Fry**

Alli F- Alli has been a fantastic role model for others in our grade. She loves learning and is an enthusiastic participant during class activities. Alli is a keen writer and wrote a great procedure about how to get ready for school. She loves playing with her friends in the yard and having fun! Well done Alli.

#### **2/3 Stacey**

Izsak H- Izsak has had a terrific week focusing on his reading goals, procedural writing and times table facts. He is a responsible student on a daily basis and is well liked amongst his peers. Izsak has a very caring and kind nature which makes for a great leader now and for the future. Well done Izsak!

#### **2/3 Maher**

Olivia S- Olivia on a tremendous week! Olivia has shown great improvement in her writing, following the correct structure and including some interesting verbs in her procedure. Keep up the great work Olivia!

#### **4/5/6 Johnstone**

Oden G- Oden has started to find his groove and has been producing some fantastic work of late. Oden's work on his narrative writing has been a highlight with his use of descriptive language and attention to detail. Good work Oden, keep up the great work legend!

#### **4/5/6 Riordan**

Ellainah L- E is new to our school and has fitted in wonderfully in to our classroom. She is kind, helpful and always working productively in our classroom. It is great to have you at our school E! Keep up the great work!

#### **4/5/6 Gallagher & Wardell**

Neve B- For showing all the school values this week. Neve can always be relied upon in class and gives everything her best effort. Well done and keep up the great work Neve!





# Mother's Day Stall

Come along and buy a beautiful  
Mother's Day gift for the best  
 mum in the world...

**Your Mum!**



Wednesday 10th of May

All gifts \$5

CASH ONLY

One gift per student (except for 2 x Mumma households) until everyone has shopped and then if any children has extra money/special people they want to buy for they can come back and shop what's left!!