# Marong Primary School Newsletter

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	October		November
Thurs 17th & Fri 18th	Grade Two Camp – Pioneer Settlement	2nd, 9th & 16th	2023 Foundation Transition (Extra Sessions)
Thurs	Book Club Due	Tues 15th	Grade 5/6 Camp – Halls Gap
Wed 26th	Bendigo Cup Holiday	22nd & 29th	2023 Foundation Transition (Core Sessions) (6th & 13th December)
		Wed 23rd, Thurs 24th & Fri 25th	Grade 3/4 Camp — Kookaburra Camp, Corop

### RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY HONESTY

### From the Principal

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

### **Emergency Management**

Following advice from the police and the Department of Education, Marong Primary School had to close early on Thursday October 13th. I want to thank all parents and care givers for your cooperation with this process. The advice we received indicated that it was highly likely that all roads would be cut by flood waters and consequently, unless parents came to collect their children early, access to the school may not have been possible. As you are all aware we received further advice last evening, that in the interests of safety of all and the fact that a majority of our staff were unlikely to be able to access the school today, we are to remain closed until Monday October 17th. In closing I wish to thank the Marong Primary School staff for taking appropriate action, in a timely manner as the incident unfolded, to ensure the safety of our students.

### **Marong Community Family Fun Day**

The planned Family Fun Day to be held at Malone Park on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> of October has been cancelled. The organising committee will advise us if an alternative date is possible.

#### **School Buses**

All school bus runs are closed today, I fully expect them to reopen as of Monday October 17<sup>thy</sup> weather permitting.

### Are You Okay?

Given the impact of the rain over the last two days it is likely that some families and staff may have suffered flooding to their homes and/or storm damage to property. If this is the case for you, please let us know. In particular if there is anything you need or any support that our school community can assist you with at this time, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

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

### Melbourne Cup Hat Parade Its Back!

On Tuesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> we will hold our Melbourne Cup Hat Parade. Students are invited to wear a theme based hat on the day. They can create their own or wear something that they have at home. There will be different categories for students to enter into. A panel of judges will be present on the day to judge the winning hats from each category. Please see examples of the categories below.

Biggest hat, Smallest hat, Best Sporting hat, Best Melbourne Cup theme hat, Best floral hat, Best Australian hat and Best Marong Primary School themed hat. There is also a category for Best Parent / Community Member Hat. This year the winners of each category will receive in addition to a certificate, 200 points for their respective houses.

On this day students may wear casual dress, please note as our sun smart policy is now in force, singlet tops and thongs are not permitted.

### **Grade 2 Camp**

A camp is being arranged for your grade 2 students to be held at the Swan Hill Pioneer Museum on the 17th and 18th of November. Planning for this event is well underway and prices for the camp will be provided as soon as possible.

Russell Jeffrey Principal

### SunSmart School

Students will need to have a hat available to them at school at all times. Hats need to be clearly named and may remain in lockers at school to prevent them from being left at home. Students who do not have access to a hat will be asked to remain in shaded areas during time outdoors.

### Thunderstorm Asthma

There is an increased risk of seasonal asthma, hay fever and epidemic thunderstorm asthma during seasons with increased grass pollen levels. This typically occurs between October and December.

**Epidemic thunderstorm asthma** events are triggered by a combination of higher grass pollen levels and a certain type of thunderstorm. People with a history of asthma, undiagnosed asthma or hay fever are at an increased risk under these conditions.

This risk is increased further for people who have poorly treated hay fever and asthma.

The best way to reduce and prevent symptoms of asthma or hay fever and reduce unnecessary absences from school is to follow an up-to-date asthma action plan or hay fever treatment plan, provided by a general practitioner (GP) or specialist.

#### Book Club

Could all orders and payment please be returned by the 20th October.

# Outside School Hours Care (OSHC)



The first two weeks in OSHC have been busy. from the curriculum day to playing outside the OSHC kids have done it all!

On the curriculum day we had Michelle and Kristine from Bunnings come out and do some pot decorating with us. We then planted some seeds and bulbs to take home.

The babies are quite popular at the moment. We have created some new accessories for the dolls including a change may and baby carrier.

We are still working hard on our Harry Potter puzzle.

## Chelsie











Orders can be made from NOW on Qkr!

Orders close at 11.59pm on Friday 21 October 2022.

\$27 Per Tray

# **MANGOES! MANGOES! MANGOES!**

It's that mango time of year again! Fresh
North Queensland mangoes delivered direct
to us in December! Anyone who has got them
before, know how good they are Split a
tray with friends, or keep them all to yourself!

They are back to full harvest, which means full trays again, and cost has gone back up.

Delivery will be sometime early December; we will know more closer to the date and will let you know on Facebook and in the newsletter.

Any questions, yell out!

# GRADE 6 POLO'S

Please keep an eye out in the coming weeks for information about our 2023 Grade 6 shirts.

Parents Club will be paying for 1 x shirt per grade 6 for next year (you'll be able to order extras if you want) and we'll be organizing sizing and orders in the next couple of weeks.



### Prep - Layla C

We are proud of the way Layla C has shown resilience this week. Each day, Layla demonstrates all of our school values and gives every task her best effort. Layla has been working hard to improve her writing and we are seeing lovely growth as a result. Keep up the fantastic work Layla!

### Grade One/Two Stacey - Kia C

Kia has been working hard in class and at home with her reading all year but what's been impressive is her persistence and enthusiasm towards the end of the year as she is still so passionate about her books. Kia has reached 175 nights and doesn't look like slowing down!

### Grade One/Two Whatley/White - Zaiden B

Zaiden has persisted with sounding out new words during reading and is becoming an active participant during spelling lessons. All your hard work is paying off Zaiden, keep up the great work.

### Grade One/Two O'D - Max C

I was stunned and amazed when I tested Max on his reading this week. I knew he worked hard but I couldn't believe the amount of improvement he has made by sticking to his goals.

Max has been a great helper in the classroom this week and I am pleased to see him moving up and up <sup>(3)</sup> Well done Max!

### Grade Three/Four C - Jude B

Jude has had a fantastic start to term 4! He has come back eager to continue his progress on his learning goals from last term and has been smashing through all tasks and challenges this week. Jude was also an enthusiastic participant in our music lesson and is showing some great leadership qualities. Keep up the fantastic efforts Jude!

### Grade Three/Four J - Jett A

Jett has had an amazing week and has been a superstar in and out the classroom. Jett's attitude and his willingness to take on tasks and apply himself has been fantastic to see. I am proud of how Jett has handled himself and I can't wait to see how he goes this last term. Well done legend, keep it up!

### Grade Five/Six R - Dylan T

Dylan has been demonstrating responsibility in his learning this week. He has been working hard, showing focus and engagement in his learning. Well done on a great week Dylan.

### Grade Five/Six G/W - Chiara B

Chiara is continuing a great start to term four and we have been impressed with the responsibility and leadership she has demonstrated this week. Chiara worked exceptionally well with Ruby completing her Integrated project. She worked diligently during class time, ensuring her and Ruby were the first group finished. Chiara then spent time helping her peers with their poster, information report and making the QR codes to share their knowledge. It's been incredibly pleasing to observe Chiara increased confidence. Well done Chiara! Keep up the wonderful work.