

Marong Primary School Newsletter

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	April		May
6th	Last day of Term- 2:30 dismissal	11th	LCDSSA Athletics Carnival
17th-21st	Vacation Care		
24th	Term Two Begins		
25th	ANZAC Day		

RESPECT

RESPONSIBILITY

HONESTY

From the Principal

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

HAPPY EASTER

On behalf of our staff, I wish everyone a very happy Easter! For those who are able to get away at this time, safe travels. If you will be at home for the vacation we trust you can enjoy the break and take advantage of the many things to do around the Bendigo area at this time. Whether it be home or away, please stay safe, we look forward to seeing you all again next term.

EASTER RAFFLE DRAW

I wish to thank everyone who has supported our Easter Raffle. We received a huge number of donations to make up our prizes and the number of tickets sold was also highly pleasing. Whilst a final figure is not yet available, over \$1200 in ticket sales was banked on Wednesday. Congratulations to all the lucky winners.

End of Term One

Parents and care givers are advised that students will be dismissed at 2:30pm on Thursday April 6th. The term one vacation commences on Friday April 7th (Good Friday). School will resume on Monday April 24th. Please note that Tuesday April 25th will be a public holiday due to the observation of Anzac Day.

TERM TWO EVENTS

Pupil Free Day

Please note that school council has approved a Student Free day on Thursday May 4th . Staff will be participating in the 1st of 4 days training in a program entitled "The Berry Street Program". This is a powerful professional development program based around understanding trauma and how best to meet the needs of all students and particularly those experiencing trauma. Day 2 will take place in term 3 2023 and days 3 & 4 will take place in 2024.

From the Principal Cont'd...

School Photos

School photos will take place on Friday May 5th. Order forms have been circulated this week. On this day it is essential all students attend in school uniform. If your child has been absent this week your forms can be collected from the office. Please note each envelope is individually labelled with student names and a specific code. We have kept a record of the codes in case they are required.

Athletics Carnival May 11th 2023

On Thursday May 11th, our school will attend the Athletics Centre in Retreat Road Flora Hill in order to participate in the annual LCDSSA Cluster Athletics Sports program. Our school will be joined by staff and students from 5 other cluster schools. Parents are welcome to attend this event as spectators. In addition we will require many parent helpers on the day. Please contact Mr Riordan if you would like to help. Parents are welcome to transport their child/ren to and from the centre, we will provide drop off and pick up times in a future newsletter. For parents who are unable to transport their children to the sports by car we have organised buses to take the students to and from this event. There will be a charge to cover the transport costs for this activity.

Education Week 2023 Education week will be conducted between Monday May 15th and Friday May 19th. Our school will run a number of special events throughout the week. Look for information regarding Education Week at Marong Primary School in our Term Two Newsletters.

Foundation Enrolment Applications for the 2024 School Year

The Department of Education and Training has aligned the timeline for Foundation enrolments 2024, with the process in place for enrolments for year 6 students, into secondary college 2024. Schools can now receive Foundation enrolment applications for the 2024 school year from the start of Term 2, 2023. There is a new enrolment form coming into being as part of this alignment. From Monday April 24th we will commence taking requests for enrolment packages for the 2024 school year. Current or prospective parents can lodge a request for a package at the office. We will be send packages out as soon as practical after a request for one has been lodged. For more information contact the principal: Russell Jeffrey

Cross Country Event

On behalf of the Loddon Calder District School Sports Association I wish to thank all the volunteers that assisted with our Cross Country and Junior Fun Day events last Friday. Without your help events such as these would not be possible. I wish to also acknowledge the staff from each of our cluster schools for their time and commitment to these annual events. Our Junior Fun Day was fortunate to have 3 students helpers from Crusoe Secondary College. Each of these students approached their roles on the day with great enthusiasm and exhibited their current and potential leadership skills. Our committee greatly appreciated the support of Crusoe SC. Our next event will be the Athletics Carnival to be held at the Latrobe University Athletics Track on Thursday May 11th. Please note for this event we will also be seeking assistance from parent volunteers. If you are able to help please advise your schools sports coordinator. Russell Jeffrey
Committee Member LCDSSA

Grade Prep/One

And just like that term one is over! Cannot believe that we are already a quarter of the way into the year! It feels like only yesterday when our new preps were coming into their first day full of excitement and nerves but now we have very confident little ones who run around the school knowing exactly what to do. It has been a very busy term full of new expectations, new teachers, and new grades but we are so proud of all of our big grade preps and ones for how they have settled into 2023. We have had a lot of fun but have also worked hard to build new skills, friendships, and routines. It has been so wonderful to get to know all these students and we look forward to what term 2 will bring us!



Grade 2/3!

What a great term its been! The Grade 2/3s took no time at all settling in for the year and have finished off this week well. There are so many good relationships between peers happening amongst the cohort and it was evident again during Easter activities rotations. We looked at division with remainders and strategies based around sharing, we looked at a job application as the next Easter Bunny and we focused on inferencing, using hints and clues in our text to make calculated predictions. A big congratulations to all winners in the raffle and we hope you all have a relaxing break.

Grade 2/3 team



Grade 4/5/6!

The grade 4/5/6's have had a great term and it's absolutely flown by us already!

Reading this week has seen us revisiting areas that we have covered this term, such as inferencing, synthesising and analysing.

For Writing, we have turned our attention to procedural texts. This has seen the 4/5/6's trying our hand at origami paper folding and being able to recreate the method accurately.

Numeracy has focused on revision of all concepts covered this term, lots of place value, fractions, decimals, percentages and the four operations.

Integrated has finished up with our famous Australian project which has been a major success this last month.

We hope everyone enjoys their Easter and enjoys some family time, stay safe!

4/5/6 team! (Go lions)



Outside School Hours Care

Vacation care

As of Today Thursday the 6th of April at 9am bookings for Vacation care are closed. Thank you to everyone who has booked their child in for our very first Vacation care program at Marong Primary School. All confirmation of bookings have been sent home. If you have given me a booking request form and have not received confirmation please contact me ASAP.

A reminder to those who will use our service over the holidays, it will run strictly from 8:45am-5:00pm. You must bring your child into the OSHC room and sign them in like you would for Before school care we cannot accept children without an adult.

I will be on school holidays for the week of the 10th of April, consequently I will be unreachable during this time. If you need to log an absence please do so via the Xplor app.






We look forward to seeing you in week 2 of the holidays!

Chelsie Nickson, OSHC coordinator along with our Vacation care team: Annie Bergman, Corbin Stacey and Fraser Stewart.

MARONG PRIMARY SCHOOL VACATION CARE

8:45am-5:00pm daily



Monday 17/4/23	Tuesday 18/4/23	Wednesday 19/4/23	Thursday 20/4/23	Friday 21/4/23
Wheels day	Kangaroo flat Library	Prima and Picasso	Botanical Gardens	Carnival day
Students can bring their own set of wheels to enjoy through out the day. This may include bikes, scooters and skate boards. Helmets must be worn.	Today we will catch the bus to the kangaroo flat library. Here we will explore all that the library has to offer.	Participate in a guided drawing activity while sipping on a prima. Each student will get to create a master piece on a canvas to take home.	Today we will board the bus and head to 'the garden for the future' in White Hills. Enjoys some fresh air while exploring the gardens.	End the holidays with a bang and enjoy a day of fun and games with your OSHC friends.
				



ANZAC DAY SERVICE

Harry, Neve and Nate all represented our school with pride yesterday as we trekked down to Melbourne for the Victorian Schools Anzac Service at the Melbourne Shrine of Remembrance.

It was an early start on the bus, but a well received day as the students enjoyed exploring inside the Shrine museum, especially in the World War One section. It was amazing reading stories and looking at artefacts, particularly the medals.

Well done to the three students representing our school and laying a wreath on our behalf. You all did an amazing job!





Prep/One Maddern

Charlie W- Charlie has blown us away with his fantastic attitude towards reading this term. Charlie has taken responsibility for his learning, and he has moved up two reading levels already. We are very proud of you Charlie, keep up the great work!

Prep/One O

Benny T- It has been wonderful welcoming Benny into Marong Primary School this year. He is a friendly, kind and happy addition to our classroom, and I have loved getting to know his personality. Benny has made some wonderful social connections and has shown so much improvement in a short time! Go Benny, we look forward to term 2 with you.

Prep/One Mrs Cook & Jess

Archie G - Archie has had a wonderful couple of weeks and blown us away with his writing. He is doing a fantastic job at following instructions and understanding what is expected of him. Archie has also been very helpful towards others when they are finding an activity tricky. Well done Arch on a SUPER term, keep up the amazing work!

2/3 Fry

Charlee G- Charlee has had a great week. She loves to write and wrote a convincing persuasive piece about why we should have an Easter party. Charlee goes about her day quietly and is respectful of her peers. Keep up the great work Charlee!

2/3 Stacey

Harper B- Harper has really made the effort to catch up on lost time on the classroom since being on holidays. She has been working really hard on all her numeracy strategies, editing her work and above all been positive and enthusiastic towards everything, well done Harper!

2/3 Maher

Andy D- Congratulations Andy on a great first term. Andy approaches all learning tasks with a positive attitude and determination. He has been a great helper this week, worked hard on his addition skills and has displayed all our school values. Keep up the fantastic work Andy!

4/5/6 Johnstone

Myah S- Myah has had a fantastic week and she continues to display our school values of 'respect, responsibility and honesty'. This week she has done a great job writing her procedural texts including specific instruction and direction. Well done, Myah.

4/5/6 Riordan

Rhys L- For demonstrating 'Respect' and 'Responsibility' in his learning again this week. Rhys is new to our school as has started the year off wonderfully. He is a helpful student and always works well no matter what the task. Super work Rhys!

4/5/6 Gallagher & Wardell

Darcie C- For showing all the school values this week. Darcie has enjoyed a great end to term, being a great role model for her peers and completing her work to a high standard. Well done Darcie!

Parents Club wish to thank everyone who donated and purchased tickets in the Easter Raffle. So far we have raised over \$1300 which all goes back to the school!!!

Congratulations to everyone who won raffle prizes! Anyone who won, that wasn't there at the draw will be contacted about their prizes!

Have a Safe and Happy Easter break!



LUNCH ORDER PRICE INCREASES



► From next term we have been informed that there will be a slight price increase to the items that are available for lunch orders.

► We are just wanting parents to be aware that this is happening before it does.



This year Marong Primary will be doing the Recycle, Earn and Play with Wonder White to earn us some sports equipment.

This starts in Term 2 when we will have a special box available to drop off bread bags too.

But we are letting people know early so that everyone can start collecting those bread bags now and get a head start!!!

They can be any brand! They don't have to be Wonder White bread bags, they just have to be bread bags. If it contained bread of any kind, then please start collecting them for the school!!!

They don't need to be washed, just shake the crumbs out. Don't include the bread tags.

More information will be given at the beginning of Term 2!!!

MARONG FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

McLardyMcShane

INSURANCE BROKERS

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE MARONG COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP

EASTER FAIR

THURSDAY 6th APRIL
MALONE PARK 3-7PM

McLARDY McSHANE
EASTER EGG HUNTS

LIONS CLUB BBQ

LIVE MUSIC BY
MARONG JAZZ BAND

FACE PAINTING

JUMPING CASTLE

BUCKING BULL

LONGEST KICK

HAND CRAFTS

PETTING ZOO



EGG HUNT TICKETS \$10, SCAN QR CODE FOR TIMES & AGE GROUPS