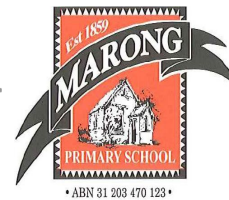


Marong Primary School Newsletter



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Diary Dates 2017

August

25th: Book Week

September

8th: Athletics Sports Day

From the Principal

Dear Parents,

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents at each school. It is designed to assist our school in gaining an understanding of parents' perception of school climate, student engagement and relationships with our parent community. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

The survey will be conducted **online by ORIMA Research Pty Ltd** and only takes **15 minutes** to complete. The survey can be accessed via a desktop computer, laptop, tablet or mobile at any convenient time within the fieldwork period from **Monday 7th August to Sunday 27th August**. Parents are randomly selected using our CASES administration program. Due to the growth of our school we are able to distribute the survey to in excess of 60 parents which will be the largest distribution of this survey ever. All responses to the survey are anonymous. I encourage all selected parents to consider making the time to complete this survey. To complete the survey you will require a unique survey link. Parents selected are asked to not share this link or publish the link. It is very important that only the person to whom this letter is addressed uses the link provided. If you have been selected as part of this process a letter will be provided to you today. Should you have any questions please contact the school.

Woolworths Earn and Learn program Wednesday 26th July to Tuesday 19th September,

We are currently participating in the Earn and Learn program. If you shop at a participating Woolworths stores please collect your stickers at the checkout and deposit them in our collection box in the foyer. If you happen to have family members or friends who also shop at Woolies and they are not currently collecting for any other school please ask if they would pass their stickers onto Marong PS. In previous years we have collected a large number of stickers which enabled us to access some much needed sports equipment in exchange for the stickers.

Parent Teacher Interviews

A reminder to all parents that interviews with your child's teacher are now available. Please contact the appropriate teacher to arrange a suitable time.

Leave

I will be on leave next week. Mr Matt Riordan will be Acting Principal during this time. I will return to work on Monday, August 28th.

POB

Congratulations and a big Pat on the Back is extended to Mrs Lindsey White who organised Mondays Cyber Safety sessions for parents and students. It was a very important program and we hope to run it annually. Well Done Lindsey!

Russell Jeffrey



Book Week

Book Week will be celebrated at Marong on **Friday 25th August**. There will be a parade at 9am. Students can come dressed as a character from a favourite book. We will then rotate around activities related to some of the short-listed and notable books.

Looking forward to the celebrations!

Sue Gentry



The **Adelaide Zoo** is the first panda exhibit in the Southern Hemisphere and is one of eight exhibits in the world. It houses two pandas: Wang Wang and Fu Ni.



Wang Wang
(net net)

- **Gender:** Male
- **DOB:** 31 August 2005
- **Hometown:** China
- **Residence:** Adelaide Zoo
- **Weight:** 130-160kg
- **Characters:** An independent, laid-back boy
- **Enjoyed activities:** He enjoys scent-based enrichment and love getting a big cardboard box filled with fresh sawdust and rolling around in it.



Fu ni
(Lucky girl)



- **Gender:** Female
- **DOB:** 23 August 2006
- **Hometown:** China
- **Residence:** Adelaide Zoo
- **Weight:** 120-150kg
- **Characters:** Intelligent, playful
- **Enjoyed activities:** She loves any form of enrichment that involves a food reward.
- **Award:** She won a silver medal for the most popular Panda Outside of China in a popular online competition

Apart from China, the countries that use Chinese characters include Singapore, Japan, Korea, Thailand and Malaysia.



Today's character is "山" on the left (mountains or hills), which looks like a real mountain or hill. It is one of the characters that are created from real things.



The 'You Can Do It' Program

This program has 5 Foundations for Success: **Persistence, Resilience, Organisation, Confidence and Getting Along**. Each week we acknowledge individuals who have demonstrated one or more of these qualities. Nominees will receive a Student of the Week Award at Monday's assembly.

Students of the Week

Grade Prep B - Logan B

For showing great 'Organisation' during our maths sessions. His work in numeracy has improved by becoming neater and more 'Organised'. Great work!

Grade Prep T - Paige N

For being 'Organised' and 'Getting Along' well with others. It's great having such a positive person in our room.

Grade One/Two H - Taye R

For showing 'Persistence' skills in getting to school on time, but also in his school work. Taye has produced some of his neatest work this term. Keep it up!

Grade One/Two R- Alex H

For demonstrating 'Confidence' and 'Persistence' in his writing activities this week. Alex has shown great improvement in his writing and is now writing more legibly and positioning his words correctly on the line. Well done Alex!

Grade Three/Four S- Jayden R

For showing fantastic getting along skills this week. Jayden has been very supportive and encouraging towards his classmates, both in and outside the classroom.

Grade Three/Four G - Hayden T

For demonstrating all 'Five Foundations of Success' in daily activities and writing a thorough procedural text. Hayden has been demonstrating leadership in the classroom, ensuring all his work is completed to a high standard and helping others when needed. Great work Hayden! Keep it up!

Grade Five/Six W - Seth B

For demonstrating 'Confidence' and 'Persistence' whilst settling into Marong Primary School. Seth has been at our school for a few weeks now, but I have really appreciated how he is trying to adopt the expectations and values at Marong Primary School. Keep up the good work Seth – I am really appreciating it.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Marong Neighbourhood House

Yoga Classes

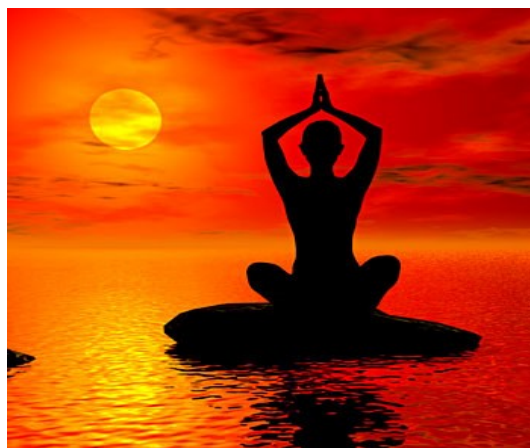
Thursday Nights. Bring mat and small blanket.

Cost \$10

Time 7:00—8:00

Suitable for beginners.

Meditation included.



MARONG CRICKET CLUB INC.

JUNIOR REGISTRATION

Tuesday 22nd August 2017

4:30pm

Malone Park

For more information or if you can't make the registration day

please contact Janine 0427352217



KAT BROWN *fitness*

Get fit and meet local Marong mum's at the same time!

HIIT- 7:30pm Monday

TABATA- 7.30pm Wednesday

BOXING- 7.30pm Thursday

\$10 a class

Please contact Kat on 0437151433 to book in, as places are limited.