

Marong Primary School Newsletter



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Diary Dates 2016

Aug		Sept	
26th	LCDSSA Athletics Sports	16th	Last Day of Term 3.
29th	Curriculum Day		

From the Principal

Athletics Sports Important Notice

The annual LCDSSA Athletics carnival will be held at the La Trobe University Track in Flora Hill on **Friday August 26th**. All students from Marong Primary School will participate in this whole day activity. All parents are advised that for this particular event, we request that parents transport their child/ren to and from the venue. Teaching staff will arrive early to set up events. Students need to bring their lunch, snacks and a drink bottle. A canteen is available on the day for spectators. Arrival time 8:45am and departure 3:30pm.

Students should wear shorts, school shirt and runners. Track pants and jumper or jacket are also suitable, particularly if the weather is on the cooler side.

In the event of inclement weather a notice will be broadcast on 3BO FM advising parents that the event has been postponed. This will be broadcast between 8am and 8:30am. In this event students are expected to attend school as normal.

Aths Sports Helpers Required

We need helpers to escort the various groups around the complex. Each age group requires three helpers. If any parents are able to assist on the day please contact Mr Jeffrey or Mr Riordan.

Parent Teacher Meetings

Parents are advised that the Parent Teacher Interviews scheduled to commence on August 9th will be postponed until the week commencing August 15th.

Curriculum Day

The school will be closed on Monday, August 29th as staff will be attending a professional development program in Bendigo.

Staff News

We extend a hearty congratulations to Andrew and Jacqui Whatley following the birth of their new grandson.

Get Well Soon

Miss Haddow unfortunately fractured a bone in her foot last weekend and is currently on crutches. We wish her a speedy recovery. Loretta Williams has succumbed to the winter ills and chills and will be away this week on doctors orders. Again, hope you get better soon Loretta.

Mrs Brown is on carer's leave this week, looking after husband Ian who had a significant knee operation last week.

Mr Kevin Jardine has been working with Keira Haddow's grade this week. Welcome to Marong Primary School Kevin and thank you for your work in the classroom this week.

Deakin University Study

Representatives from Deakin University will be conducting some Physical Education tests on students in Grade 4 and Grade 6 on Thursday August 11th as part of an ongoing study they are working on. In order for the students to participate in these Physical Education assessments a permission note must be obtained. Miss Gallagher will send a note home this week to the students in Grades 4 and 6.

Music is Fun

The annual Music is Fun program concluded with a fantastic performance at the Marong Hall last Friday. We had 180 students attend session one and there was approximately 260 students at the afternoon session. I wish to thank Mrs Whatley and the staff for preparing the students via regular singing practice for this event. Band master Andre Oosterbaan has confirmed they will be back next year.



Parent Opinion Survey

Each year the school conducts an opinion survey of 15 per cent of the school community. Parents are randomly selected to participate and we use the information to inform and direct our future school planning and improvement. The survey is designed to take **no more than 20 minutes to complete** and your feedback and opinions play an important role in making our school the best it can possibly be. Please be assured that if you are selected your responses are completely confidential. The survey is conducted anonymously and it is important to us that you complete the survey as honestly as possible. Your comments in the final, open-ended question will be scanned and provided back to the school. Parents who have been randomly selected via a program on our Office computer will receive the survey next week.

School Council

At a meeting of school council held on Monday night the council ratified two policies as part of our school's response to VRQA regulations. The policies are as follows: **Standard 2: Statement of commitment to child safety** and **Standard 3: Child safe code of conduct**.

From the Classroom

Grade 5/6 have been studying Poetry in the recent weeks. This week they delved further into the Haiku (Japanese Origin) style of writing which is based on 17 syllables per poem, with five syllables in the first line, seven syllables in the second and five syllables again in the third line. Below are two examples written around the topic of "Our Special School". Well done to all students who exercised their creativity.

Marong Primary,
Where Education is first
For a good future.

By Josh and Declan

Learning, Laughing, Fun,
Math, Literacy, Art, Chinese,
Playing in the sun.

By Louise and Jake

Russell Jeffrey

The YCDI 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.

Student of the Week

Grade Prep B- Lachlan B.– Lachlan is our student of the week due to being highly Organised and for showing Persistence even when tasks got tricky. He is a super hard worker. Well done Lachlan.

Grade One/Two H- Teale H. Teal has been chosen for showing Persistence in his school work. Teale continues to try his best at all tasks. In addition, Teale demonstrates excellent Getting Along skills, he is polite and caring towards his classmates.

Grade One/Two R- Chelsea Brown – For demonstrating 'Confidence' and 'Persistence' throughout all classroom activities this week. Chelsea works well on all tasks throughout the school day and always produces fantastic work. Well done on a great week!

Grade Three/Four S- Matthew S. – After a week away from school due to illness Matthew returned this week determined to get back on track with his school work. To do this he has been very well Organised and Persistent in his work efforts. Well done Matthew!

Grade Five/Six G- Finn Burkhalter – For demonstrating great 'Persistence' and 'Organisation' when attempting all work in the classroom. Finn is very meticulous when it comes to completing work tasks, where his work is extremely neat and well presented. Finn consistently demonstrates persistence in all learning areas, particularly during Math. Well done on a fantastic effort towards all of your schooling. Keep it up Finny!!

CONGRATULATIONS!

WANTED

Recycling items (with labels still attached). Plastic bottles, containers, cereal boxes, muesli bar boxes.

Thank you
Brooke Ball

Jeans for Genes Day –

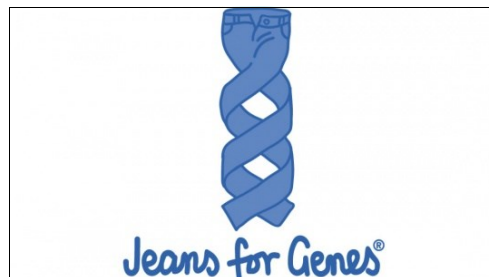
Tomorrow Marong Primary School will be helping raise funds for Children's Medical Research by wearing our jeans to school. Every dollar raised on the day helps scientists at Children's Medical Research Institute discover treatments and cures, to give every child the opportunity to live a long and healthy life.

To support this worthy cause, parents club will be holding a lunch meal deal consisting of a sausage in bread, a cup cake and cordial. The cost will be \$5, with all proceeds going towards medical research.

If you would like to help support this cause, but are not interested in a lunch order, please dress in your favourite jeans and bring a gold coin donation.

We would love to see the WHOLE school dressed in their favourite jeans, or even those who want to try double or even triple denim. Miss Gallagher will be rewarding the best dressed on the day with a special prize. The only conditions are; You must be wearing denim to support Jeans for Genes day and remember you will still be required to participate in Huff 'n' Puff and Whole School Sport.

If you would like any extra information, please visit www.jeansforgenes.org.au



COMMUNITY NOTICES



Bendigo Four Wheel Drive Club

General meetings are held at The Foundry Hotel, Golden Square on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm For further information call Russell Thorsen on 0407 352545.



Fitness Classes now in Marong

Are you looking at getting fit? Sick of driving in and out of town to attend fitness classes? HIIT classes and TABATA classes are now in Marong!

Sessions are running every Monday, Wednesday and Friday night @ 7.30 PM – places are limited! Sessions are \$10 but get your first session for **FREE**

Contact Kat Brown on 0437151433 to book in or find me on Facebook at Kat Brown Fitness Sessions are held at Kat Brown Fitness, 729 Edwards Rd Marong

Star Gazing

Dark sky nights at Raywood are coming up (weather permitting!) this weekend, and the one after, Fri 29/07, Sat 30/07, Fri 05/08, and Sat 06/08. Start time is 7:30pm.

All members and guests are welcome. If you don't know the way there, give me a call on 5448 4616, or email to <mailto:education@bdas.net>



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