

Marong Primary School Newsletter



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Diary Dates 2016

<u>Aug</u>		<u>Sept</u>	
26th	LCDSSA Athletics Sports	2nd	Book Week Parade and Activities
29th	Curriculum Day (No School)	8th	Parents Club Meeting 9:00am
		16th	Last Day of Term Three 2:30pm dismissal

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 (tomorrow)**. 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. The official address is 40 Retreat Rd, Flora Hill. From Marong drive to the Don Street traffic lights off Eaglehawk Road. Turn right into Don Street and continue until you come to Houston Street. Turn left into Houston St pass straight through the round about and then drive to the T Intersection of Houston St and Somerville Street. Turn right into Somerville St./Retreat Road and proceed for 1km, the complex is on your left. Students must be there by 8:45am.

Curriculum Day

Parents are advised that the school will be closed on Monday, August 29th as staff will be attending a professional development program in Bendigo.

Whole Day OSHC Care program Monday 29th August

Bookings for our Whole Day program close today at 4.30pm.

Parent Opinion Surveys

If you received a survey and haven't as yet returned it please do so next **Tuesday August 30th**.

Principal On Leave

I wish to advise parents that I will be on leave commencing Tuesday, August 30th. I am having a knee arthroscopy to clean up some torn cartilage. I anticipate being away until Monday, September 12th. The Acting Regional Director Simon Milligan has given approval for Ms Alice Thorn to be acting principal in my absence.

Master Plan Project Update

On Tuesday this week we had a visit from Tony Di Mase our principal architect and Maree Edwards, State member for Bendigo West. A large contingent of media sources attended including a representatives from the Bendigo Advertiser, Channel 9 News and ABC radio.

This visit was an opportunity for Tony to outline his schedule and also an opportunity for Maree Edwards to confirm that this is stage one of a process that once the Master Plan is completed, consideration will be given for funding by the Government to undertake the building works.

Book Week

This week many schools in Bendigo and across Australia will be celebrating Book Week. Due to the Athletics Sports this Friday we will celebrate Book Week with a traditional parade on **Friday September 2nd**. Students are invited to dress up as their favourite book character and join us for the parade on commencing at 9.15am. Many parents and students go to a great deal of effort for this event which is fantastic. However, costumes don't need to be elaborate a simple hat or some other item representative of a favourite character can suffice. After the parade the students undertake a series of activities in groups to celebrate book week.

Grade 4/5/6 Camp

All Grade 4/5/6 students are invited to attend the end of year camp to Baanya Biemi this year. Baanya Biemi is an adventure camp located near Beremboke, in the Brisbane Ranges. The dates for the camp will be Tuesday October 18th to Friday October 21st. The cost will be approximately \$250.

For those that may be interested in paying off the price of the camp into smaller weekly amounts, please contact Loretta at the office or see Mr Jeffrey.

Any questions regarding this camp please contact myself or see Mr J. Miss Gallagher

Golden Dragon Museum Excursion 2016

Hello, dear parents and students,

On the 9th September years 5 and 6 will be going to **Golden Dragon Museum** in Bendigo. The excursion will give the students a chance not only to experience the Chinese heritage and culture, but also to know more about the history of the first Chinese immigrants since 1850s'. This link may help you get a better idea about the museum:

<http://www.goldendragonmuseum.org/>.

The children will be travelling to Golden Dragon Museum by bus departing at 1.00 pm from school and arriving at the museum at approximately 1.30 pm. We will participate in the general guided tour to see the ancient artefacts brought from China and learn about the history of Chinese in Bendigo. The excursion will take 1 hour and we are expected to head back to school at 2.30 pm. Teachers accompanying the children are Chen Zhao and Bridget Gallagher.

The cost for the excursion is **\$5** per child and please be paid prior to the excursion. Thank you! Chen Zhao (LOTE Chinese Teacher)



Victorian Opera

On Monday, 5th September, representatives from the Victorian Opera will be attending our school from 2:30-3:30 to have conversations with the whole school about opera, in particular the stage show of Cinderella.

On Wednesday 2nd November, will then be able to use our gained knowledge when we travel to the Capital Theatre to watch the Cinderella performance.

More information will follow in later newsletters.

Miss Gallagher

Grade 6-7 Transition

We are just starting to starting to get in the swing of the transition process for the students attending Secondary College next year. I attended Eaglehawk College with some very excited boys last week and I am travelling to Bendigo South East today with a group of five eager students.

With the information I have at the moment, Eaglehawk will be holding their Big Day Out on Thursday 8th September between 11-12, whilst Crusoe will be holding their Big Day Out on Friday 9th September. A staff member will stay with the students during this time.

I am still waiting to hear back from other schools regarding their transition program.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

Miss Gallagher

Parents Club News

A reminder that parents club are holding a Father's Day stall on Friday 2nd September. Gifts are \$5 each which can be paid to the office or on the day. Our next parents club meeting will be held on Thursday 8th September at 9am in the staff room.

Everyone is welcome and morning tea is provided

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- Chloe and Ellie T.- For 'Getting Along' skills. These two students are always welcoming to others and show us all how we should treat others. I am proud to have them in my grade. Well done girls!

Grade One/Two H- Logan L.- For demonstrating 'Persistence' and 'Resilience' skills whilst working in the classroom and playing in the school yard. Keep it up Logan!

Grade One/Two R- Lucy C.- For demonstrating all 'Five Foundations of Success'. Lucy is a wonderful and hardworking student in our classroom who always tries her best in everything she does. Well done on another fantastic week Lucy.

Grade Three/Four S- James M.-For showing 'Getting Along' skills and "Confidence" towards his school work. His enthusiasm and drive to achieve at the highest level within group work or as an independent is consistently impressive week in and week out. Well done James.

Grade Five/Six G- Ryan C.-For demonstrating increased 'Resilience' over the last week. Ryan has been an absolute superstar to teach and I am loving his positive outlook on school. Keep up the great work Ryan!

CONGRATULATIONS!



The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is still taking place and will conclude on **9th September, 2016**. Please continue to fill in and return checklists before this date. Keep in mind that majority of the books children read are to be from the Challenge List. There is an exception; Prep/1/2's are allowed to list 10 books that are not on the Challenge list and Grades 3-6 can list 5 books. Please remember to include the book Title and the Author's name when filling out the Challenge checklist.

There are blank Challenge checklists and a list of the Challenge books at the front office, please see Loretta if you require one or would like to check what books are on the list.

Please follow the link below to find the Challenge Book Lists online:

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/events/prc/Pages/>

[booklist.aspx](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/events/prc/Pages/booklist.aspx)



Book Week 2016

Due to both the athletics and curriculum days planned, Marong will be celebrating Book Week on **Friday 2nd September**.

Students are able to come dressed as a favourite book character, and parents are welcome to stay for the parade which will be held at 9:15am. Students will be in multi-age groups for the rest of the day, and will rotate through book related activities.

(Please provide spare clothes for lunch and recess if your student's costume is not ideal for play!).

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Marong Cricket Club - Juniors Registration Day

We are taking registrations for season 2016-2017.

Grades UI2, UI4, UI6

Friday 26th August, 4-5pm

At the Crickets Nets, Malone Park

New and Old Members Welcome.

Any queries, contact Janine on 0427 352217 or j9Incornish@gmail.com



Bendigo Night Skies

BDAS Dark Sky Nights at Raywood will be on the following dates:

Friday 26/08/16 Saturday 27/08/16 Friday 02/09/16 Saturday 03/09/16

Start time will be 7.30pm. We look forward to seeing as many members and guests come along as are able to attend. The weather is always a factor in the success of these evenings, so if it's really cloudy obviously we won't be doing much viewing. That said, in cases of patchy cloud we can usually get some good work done, and it's well worth the trip. Bring telescopes if you have them; if not, there will be others there with instruments, glad to share their views of what is up in the sky. No white lights in the observing area please, as these affect our (and your) night-vision and reduce one's ability to see faint details and objects: only faint red torches are allowed. Please park cars near the club-house, where there are full facilities for members to enjoy when it gets too cold outside.

If you would like to come along but don't know the way there, let me know, and I'll send you detailed directions of how to get there. Regards, Paul Foley, 5448 4616.

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



Casual Housekeeper Vacancy

We are looking for a housekeeper to join our team and growing business. Must be fit, fast & fussy. Experience preferred, although not essential. 10—12 hours per week (more hours during busier months) Must be available to work weekdays, weekends, school holidays and public holidays. Please hand deliver your resume to BIG4 Bendigo Marong Holiday Park, 1449 Calder Hwy Marong, between the hours of 9am and 7pm Mon - Sun.

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