

# Marong Primary School Newsletter



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Diary Dates 2018

## APRIL

24th: Parents Club meeting 7:30pm at school.  
25th: Anzac Day Public Holiday

## May

7th Cross Country/Junior Fun Day

## RESPECT

## RESPONSIBILITY

## HONESTY

### Take Care Walking to School

It has been brought to my attention that the footpath running along the edge of the Bullock Creek opposite to the school is showing signs of subsidence and that there is a concern that people walking too close to the edge could be at risk. Hence, we are suggesting users take care whilst on this section of pathway. We are alerting the Council of our concerns.

### School Website

Parents are advised that we are currently updating our Website and in the very near future a number of our policies will be placed on the site. Until this occurs I wish to advise that if parents are wanting to look at any of our policies they can be accessed via the office. Policies that are available include our Anaphylaxis policy, First Aid policy, Duty of Care policy, Code of Conduct policy, Student Engagement and Welfare policy.

Please take the time to have a look at our website.

### Parent Teacher Interviews

Our classroom teachers are offering opportunities for parents to meet with the teacher for 10 -15 minutes for the purpose of undertaking parent teacher interviews. Participation in these interviews is highly recommended as it is a key part of our Home School partnership. To participate in a Parent Teacher Interview we request that you contact the teacher concerned and arrange a suitable time for both you and the teacher. If needed you can send a note to the teacher with some suggested times.

The Parent Teacher Interviews will commence from Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April for parents of students in grades Prep/1/2. Parents of students in grades 3-6 are advised that the staff will be unavailable on Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday April 25<sup>th</sup> (Anzac Day). It is hoped that the interview process will be completed by Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>.

If parents would like to email an interview request to the school this can be done by sending an email to [marong.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:marong.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) Please mark the email subject line with your child's teachers name and the words 'Interview Request'.

Eg: Riordan Interview Request

Include the days and dates that you have a preference for your interviews and include times. For further information contact your child's teacher.

### LCSSA Cross Country (Gr 3-6) Junior Fun Day Prep-2.

These events will be held at Malone Park between 10am and 1pm on Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. We are currently seeking names of parents who would be willing to assist on the day. We need parents with students in grades P-2 to help escort the groups around the rotation of activities. In addition, we need parents of students in grades 3-6 who would be willing to help with our cross country running event, as point duty supervisors. For more information please contact Mr. Riordan or Mr. Jeffrey.

**Russell Jeffrey**



## **Hello from Mr Saddler**

I would like to take the opportunity to introduce myself to the school community.

I grew up on dairy, sheep and beef farms in and around the small town of Stanhope, where I went to Primary School before going to Rushworth P-12 (Secondary College in my time).

I have been teaching now for eighteen years and have spent most of that time teaching in

Bendigo schools such as Flora Hill, Camp Hill, Big Hill and Epsom (which doesn't have any hills). I also spent two years teaching Physical Education at Kilmore Primary School after I returned from a four-year teaching stint overseas in London and Auckland.

I have held leadership positions for several years now in varying school settings. I have most recently had success as the Acting Assistant Principal at Epsom PS, working with staff to build the capacity of teachers to improve student outcomes. During this time, I also played a key role in a new school building project.

Away from school I enjoy spending time with my family, my wife Stacey and my eighteen month old, son Mack. We are expecting our second baby in July just to add to the MPS baby boom. I enjoy following all sports, especially football. I have been a long-suffering Tigers supporter for as long as I can remember. I am still on a high from last September.

Thank you all for making me feel very welcome. I am very much looking forward to working with the Marong staff, the children and the wider school community.

Jake Saddler Leading Teacher



## **Active April**

A reminder that Active April has started.

If you would like to sign up for you or your child,

registration forms can be found at the office or online. Just by signing up you receive 10 free

sessions to the YMCA in Eaglehawk plus loads of other offers. This is a program designed to

encourage everyone to do at least 30 minutes of exercise per day. It's fun and it's part of the Victorian Governments commitment to get more people fit and healthy. Our password for Marong Primary School is marong-ps. Please contact Mr Riordan if you are having any issues with the website. Remember we are half way through the month already!



## **Parents Club News**

Parents club meeting next Tuesday evening at 7:30pm at Marong Primary School.

Parents Club will be holding a BBQ at the Marong Market 10am-2pm April 28th.

Helpers are needed! If you have availability to volunteer please contact Angela Lynch on 0452578562.

Our Easter Raffle was a huge success. We raised approximately \$770.00. Thank you all for your support.

Our market raffle also raised \$255.00.

THANK YOU

Angela President Parents Club



## 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/One B– Eli K**

For starting off term two with great 'Confidence'. Eli has started off the term in a more 'Organised' manner and is always ready to help his classmates. Fantastic work.

#### **Grade Prep/One T –Jack M**

Jack shows great 'Persistence' in everything he does. Well done Jack!

#### **Grade Prep/One J- Darcie C**

For showing lots of 'Confidence' and 'Persistence' in writing. Darcie is having a go at writing spoken sounds. Keep it up Darcie!

#### **Grade Two G– Ariel S**

For displaying fantastic 'Getting Along' skills. Ariel has come back from holidays setting a great example of how to get along with all her peers and I have been pleased watching her interact with polite manners and kindness. Keep up the great work Ariel!

#### **Grade Three/Four S– Brianna R**

Brianna has started off the term with a bang! She has demonstrated all 'Five Foundations of Success' in all areas of school and has done so with energy and enthusiasm. Constantly working hard and finishing work. Brianna has been willing to take on plenty of extra challenges in class. Great work Brianna!

#### **Grade Three/Four R– Tyson P**

For demonstrating all 'Five Foundations of Success'. Tyson shows great 'Confidence' and 'Organisation' during the school day. He always shows great focus during classroom activities. Great work Tyson!

#### **Grade Five/Six W– Patrick Dyson**

For demonstrating all 'Five Foundations of Success' – in particular, 'Confidence'. Patrick has begun term two with more self-drive and determination to do well. I love how he has decided to do this without any prompting from myself! Excellent work Patrick!

### CONGRATULATIONS!

#### **Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge**

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and Marong Primary School is excited to be participating. The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 10 August 2018. Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books. All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and can choose to have their name included on the online Honour Roll. If you would like your child's name to appear on the Honour Roll, please sign the attached form and return it to the school office.

To view the booklists and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, please visit: [www.education.vic.gov.au/prc](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/prc)  
Brooke Ball



# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## BRAVES VS HOBART

SATURDAY APRIL 21ST

6PM LADY BRAVES 8PM BRAVES

#BendigoIsBrave



BENDIGO STADIUM SPORTS BAR & BISTRO OPEN  
FROM 5:00 PM | DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 PM  
TICKETS AVAILABLE AT [BENDIGOBASKETBALL.COM.AU](http://BENDIGOBASKETBALL.COM.AU)



### Bendigo Athletics Club Cross Country

Bendigo Athletic Club Cross Country Season starts Sunday 29th April. Children's 1km race starts after the Senior race that commences @ 10.30am each Sunday. Focus is on Health, Fitness and Fun!



For more information visit [www.bendigoathleticclub.org.au](http://www.bendigoathleticclub.org.au) or contact the club on 0409 874 958

### Maiden Gully Tutor

Experienced with Primary and Secondary subjects. Maths, Reading, Spelling and English.

Jill McEwen 54496665

### Marong NAB AFL Auskick

Commencing 22nd April 2018

10 week program

Sunday mornings 10am

Malone Park/Marong Football Ground

Register via <http://www.aflauskick.com.au/>

First lesson is free..

### Grade 3/4 S News Old electronics needed!

If you have any electronics at home that you no longer need or are **not** working, our 3/4 class would gladly appreciate your donation. Things such as old remotes, keyboards, computer, game consoles, laptops, phones, radios and CD players would be a big help! Many thanks, Mr Stacey.

