Dear Parents

For the last three weeks of this term, I will be on Long Service Leave. Miss Campbell will be relieving Principal in Week 8 and Mrs O’Neill for Weeks 9 and 10.

There are a couple of events occurring over the conclusion of the term Harmony Day is on Wednesday 25th March and the term culminates on Thursday 2nd April with our Easter Hat Parade. I look forward to hearing reports of these events plus the Young Leaders Day.

In Term 2, we will start our Pies and Sausage roll purchases for lunch. Costing will be provided early next term.

I would also just like to mention that all correspondence, whether it is a phone call or notes need to be directed via the front office. Please also let us know when your child is going somewhere other than directly home after school.

I would like to wish you all a Happy Easter and safe holiday.

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K-2C Update

Hello from the K-2 room!

This term the K-2 students have been learning about the ‘Text Type - Recount.’ During our L3 modelled reading sessions we have been using the text to write a recount using the three components of a recount - orientation, sequence of events and conclusion. The students had to use a planning sheet and checklist to plan their recounts and then write a recount about one of our books - Arthur.

Take a look at some of our well written recounts…..

Arthur

Arthur is a dog. He lives in a pet store. No one bought Arthur so he acted like a rabbit and a snake. One day two people came and bought Arthur. Arthur felt happy. He chewed on all the slippers. Arthur was happy with his new home.

Louis - Year 1

Miss Christie Campbell
K-2 Teacher

Sports Report

Hello and welcome back!

AFL and Netball PSSA Trials: Wednesday 11th March

Last Wednesday, 8 students from Marrar PS attended the PSSA AFL and Netball trials in Coolamon. The students were put through their paces with drills and then a series of trial games.

Congratulations to Sonny and Jack Christopher who were selected for the PSSA AFL team and Clayton Pattison for an emergency player. The boys will now play at the Eastern Riverina Trials in Coolamon this Friday, to be selected for the Riverina team. We wish the boys the best of luck!!!

Cross Country Carnival - Training

With our Cross Country carnivals fast approaching we have started to train each morning with the students running around the fence line of the school and also running our cross country track, outside the school for sport on Friday mornings. Thank you to the parents that are volunteering their time on Friday mornings to assist with checkpoints for the students. Our Marrar Public School team will be well prepared for our Small Schools Cross Country Carnival in Beckom for Week 1 next term.

Sporting Events for Term 1:
- Primary Eastern AFL trials- Coolamon- 20.3.15

Term 2:
- Small Schools Cross Country- Beckom Thursday 23.4.15
- District Cross Country- Beckom Friday 1.5.15
- Small Schools Athletics- Marrar hosting at the Coolamon Athletics Track Friday 8.5.15

Thank you,
Christie Campbell
Sports Co-ordinator
Harmony Day: Wednesday 25th March

This Saturday, March 21st is ‘Harmony Day,’ where we celebrate Australia’s cultural diversity. It’s about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

On Wednesday 25th we would like to invite parents, family and community members to come along to Marrar Public School for a Harmony Day Picnic. Bring along some lunch, picnic rug and drinks to join together for a whole school picnic. The students will be participating in group activities throughout the day and after lunch we will be having a whole school game of continuous cricket for families to participate in.

The details are as follows:
Date: Wednesday 25.3.15
Time: 1pm-3pm
Note: Please bring along: picnic lunch, rug, chairs and drinks.
Dress: Mufti-Out of uniform

Hope to see everyone there!

Regards,
Christie Campbell

Easter Hat Parade

The Easter Hat Parade will be held at 2.00pm on Thursday 2nd April. This year the children will be able to make their hats at school. There will be a range of materials provided; however it would be greatly appreciated if you could also supply some materials for your child’s hat. (It could be as simple as a hat to decorate, cotton wool or some artificial flowers. Students will be planning their hats over the next week.

NB: If your child wishes to make his/her hat at home, that is fine. The important thing is to have a hat on the day and to have fun!

If you have any questions please contact Mrs O’Neill.

Merit Awards:

Week 6:
Lower Division:  Toby Foster   Great improvement in his Reading
               Molly Pattison   A well written recount of ‘Arthur’
               Kamryn Wood     A well written recount of ‘Arthur’

Upper Division:  Kenneth Stanyer Improved effort to complete Homework
                 Alex Eberbach   Effort in Writing activities

Angel of the Week:  Louis Connolly   Being a sensible student at all times

Week 7:
Lower Division:  Aleasha Canino   Always trying her best in class
                Louis Connolly   Using the computer to publish his Writing

Upper Division:  Declan Daley   Working well in class in all areas
                 Stuart Daley   Efforts with Spelling

Angel of the Week:  Kenneth Stanyer

Marrar Public School Team Support Parent Shirts

The Marrar Public School P & C have moved a motion at the February meeting to have shirts available for parent/carers assisting with school events. The polo shirts are the same design as the student and staff sports shirt just a different colour (Navy and Red). There is a selection of sizes of the polo shirts at the school office and we encourage parents to drop in and select a size to be ordered. Could you please do this before the end of term, as the order needs to be placed in time to have the shirts available for the athletics carnival that Marrar Public School is hosting at Coolamon in Term 2, Week 3. The shirts will be at a reduced price of $10.00 each and payment can be made at the office.
P & C Report

This Friday night, we are hosting a meet and greet BBQ at Centenary Park (near the tennis courts) at 6.30. All families and community members are invited to attend. The P&C will provide the meat. Please bring a salad to share and BYO drinks and chair.

On Saturday 28\textsuperscript{th} March is the State election. We will be holding a cake stall at the school, and we ask that you help by bringing in cakes, slice or something else yummy to sell. If you are able to help out on the stall, please fill in the form below and times that you are available and return the form to school by Tuesday 24\textsuperscript{th} March.

We are raffling an Easter Hamper, tickets are $2.00 each, and it will be drawn at the school's Easter Hat Parade on Thursday 2\textsuperscript{nd} April. Please return your tickets (sold and unsold) to school by Monday 30\textsuperscript{th} March.

The next P&C meeting is on Wednesday 1\textsuperscript{st} April at 7.30 pm in the school staff room. All are welcome.

Felicity Pattison
Secretary

Coolamon Library

The next storytime for will be held this Friday 20\textsuperscript{th} March @ 10.30am theme on counting - “1,2,3,4,5”. Then our Easter storytime will be held Friday 27\textsuperscript{th} March @ 10.30am. Everyone is most welcomed to attend.

“Sharing our stories with History Pin” will be held at the Coolamon Library this Thursday, 19th March @ 10.30am, as part of Senior’s Week. Celebrate and share the local ANZAC spirit on History Pin, an online map that allows us to share our stories from the past. Bring along any photos or artefacts of WW1 or WW2 you may have and learn how History Pin works.

The library is hosting a glamorous story of Australian fashion photography called “Flashback – 160 years of Australian Fashion Photos”. The travelling panels will be in the library from Tuesday 31st March – Thursday 9th April.

Helen McLoughlin
Coolamon Library – 0269 272 492.

Ideas to help kids and teens drink more water –

- Pack a water bottle whenever you go out
- In summer, pack a frozen water bottle in your child’s lunch box
- Don’t keep sweetened drinks at home, make cold water available instead
- Water down sweetened drinks – such as cordial or fruit juice
- When playing sport, encourage kids to drink water instead of sport drinks
- Serve plain water in decorative jugs. Add slices of lemon, orange or mint for flavour
- Serve sweetened drinks in smaller glasses and only have them occasionally

COMMUNITY NEWS

Coolamon Comets Netball Club Registration Day – Sat 28\textsuperscript{th} March 10.00 – 11.30am Coolamon Main St, next to Newsagency. Coaches and Umpires wanted. More info – Karly 0412 476 279 (Juniors) or Kasey 0429 911 288 (Ladies)

School Holiday Netball Camp – 14\textsuperscript{th} – 17\textsuperscript{th} April – 9.00am – 3.30pm at the Equex centre Wagga Wagga. Players between the ages of 7 &10 can attend on Tue 14\textsuperscript{th} and Wed 15\textsuperscript{th} April while players aged between 11 & 14 can attend on Thurs 16\textsuperscript{th} and Fri 17\textsuperscript{th} April. The camp will be hosted by Jackie Murphy and cost is $120.00 (includes Junior Netball Camp Gift Pack). For further information phone 69 318 111 or email cbreese@ssansw.org.au

David Adamson
Principal

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