Marrar Public School Newsletter

Dear Parents

On Monday I had the pleasure in escorting Gabrielle and Nellie to Sydney to attend the Young Leaders Day. The girls must be congratulated for their maturity and behaviour, and it was a pleasure to spend the ‘interesting’ day with them.

In the coming weeks we have a number of events on, so please keep an eye on the newsletter and for notes which will be sent home. The Easter Hat Parade will be held on Thursday 24th March, so the children will need to start preparing a hat.

Early Term 2, Naplan tests will be held for students in Years 3 and 5. Dates for the tests are 9th, 10th and 11th May 2016.

Term 1 will conclude on Friday 8th April, with the Small Schools Carnival being held at Ganmain on Thursday 7th April.

From the Front Office

Attached to the newsletter this fortnight is

1. Bookclub issue 2
2. Healthy Lunchboxes Fact sheet
**Young Leaders Day**

Nellie, Mr Adamson and I met at the airport at about 5.40am. Soon we went through security and boarded the plane. We waited for 20 minutes then we started taking off. After that we had breakfast, looked at the views and then landed. We then started looking for the train, found it, paid and caught it. We caught a few more trains and soon we were at our destination. We walked over there, and waited for a while.

A bit later we were let in and listened to the speakers and had recess. Then we listened to more speakers. They were really inspiring to listen to. Then we had lunch. After that we listened to a panel of speakers and then we left. We caught our trains to the airport. We had a snack, we bought sweets and chocolates. We then went through security, waited and then it was time to catch our plane. We had a snack on the way home. Soon we were at Wagga.

Our parents picked Nellie and I up and we went home. I'm sure we all had a great time, and for any future captains of Marrar Public School out there, I'm sure you’ll have a great time too.

Gabrielle Eberbach

**K-2C Update**

Hello and welcome back!

The K-2 class has transformed their classroom into......

Last newsletter we had some fantastic writing samples from the K-2 students from our L3 writing sessions- There’s a sea in my bedroom. We decided during one of our writing session that it would be a fabulous idea to write our very own story but this time it will be ‘There is a sea in my classroom.’ The students have been busy decorating fish and other underwater goodies for our display wall in the classroom and we have published our illustrations and writing samples. Take a look...

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**If there was a sea in my classroom I would play with all the toys underwater.**

Toby-Yr1

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**If there was a sea in my classroom I would ride on a shark to my desk and meet Louis there. I would see Chance on the way and wave to him.**

Zachary- Yr2

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**If there was a sea in my classroom I would ride a whale to my desk and surf to the mat every day.**

Louis- Yr2

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**If there was a sea in my classroom I would ride dolphins under water and I would sit on top of my desk and go fishing for octopus. I would also make sandcastles on Miss Campbell’s seat.**

Chance- Yr2

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If there was a sea in my classroom I would be watching out for water scorpions with Chance on table 2. I would swim all the way to the door and quickly shut it. But I would also have to watch out for all the Jellyfish.

Aleasha-Yr1

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See you next time!
Christie Campbell K – 2 Teacher
Library Report

It’s fantastic to see so many children making great use of the School Library by consistently borrowing and reading books each week.

This past fortnight the 3 – 6 class has been reading “The 52 Storey Tree-house”, written by Any Griffiths and illustrated by Terry Denton. This is the 4th book in the Tree-house series, in which Andy and Terry live, and have many adventures, in a very large house.

Stuart – “The 52 Storey Tree-house is a blast with 13 more storeys added on! The Tree-house has everything you need. If you want a super spy story, then read this book because it has got everything in it. It’s Andy’s birthday and Terry has forgotten it, but when they find out that Mr. Big Nose is missing they have to look for him. So they go to the Vegetable Kingdom and find Mr Big Nose there. In this book, there is much more, so do yourself a favour and read the 52 Storey Tree-house! I give it a 5 Star Rating.*****

This week the K – 2 Class read Koala Lou by Mem Fox. This beautiful story is about a koala, who thought that she had to win a tree-climbing race for her mother to love her again.

Zachary – “I liked the part the best when Koala Lou went in the tree-climbing competition. She didn’t win but her mother still loved her.”

Quiz

Can you name 6 other books by Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton that we have in the school Library?

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Quiz

Can you name these books by Mem Fox

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Please hand your answers to Mrs O’Neill by Wednesday 9th March.

Keep Reading
Mrs O’Neill

Coolamon Library

International Women’s Day will be celebrated on Tuesday, 8th March @ 10.30am. The event celebrates women’s achievements of past, present and future. Our guest speaker from Women’s Housing in Wagga will talk around this year’s theme “Pledge for Parity”. Morning tea will be provided and everyone is most welcomed to attend.

The next storytime for the month of March will be held Friday 11th @ 10.30am theme “Head to Toe”. We welcome any new families to join us.

The Coolamon Library has plenty of services and facilities to offer to the community. It provides Public Internet Access & Wifi, photocopier, fax and laminating services. Also a community noticeboard, children and youth services, council school holiday programs and Local History services. We are continuously receiving new books, DVD’s, CD’s and magazines, call in for a browse – membership is FREE. The Coolamon Library is on Facebook! News, pictures, events and opportunities are regularly uploaded – join us now!

Helen McLoughlin
Coolamon Library – 0269 272 492
**Sports Update**

Hello and welcome back!

**PSSA District Swimming Carnival- Wednesday 17.2.16**

Congratulations to Declan and Megan on their fantastic efforts at the district PSSA swimming carnival in Barellan. At district level the competition is at an extremely high level and both students swam their best and have made some new personal bests and also a big thank you to Mrs Wallace for assisting with transport for the day. Well done guys!

**Cross Country Training: Fridays 9am-10am**

We completed our first run on the cross country track last Friday 26.2.16. All the students should be very proud of their efforts and completed the run with enthusiasm. This track ranges from the school down to the gymkhana track and back and the track differs in distance for each age group. Thank you to Deb, Felicity and Julie, G for volunteering their time to help out on checkpoints. Thank you!

**PSSA AFL/Netball Trials: Tuesday 1.3.16**

On Tuesday Clayton, Ethan and Megan travelled to Ganmain to trial out for the Coolamon/Ardlethan PSSA AFL and Netball teams. The students were put through their paces with drills and a series of trial games. Well done to all the students who participated in the trials for all your hard work and effort.

Congratulations to Clayton Pattison who was selected for the PSSA AFL team. Clayton was first reserve last year for the team and was super excited to be selected this year for the team. He will now play at the Eastern Riverina trials in Coolamon on the 18th March. Well done Clayton!

**Term 1 Sporting Events**

- Small Schools Athletics Carnival- Thursday 7.4.16 Ganmain
- Eastern Riverina AFL trials- 18.3.16 Coolamon
- Small Schools Athletics Carnival- Thursday 7.4.16 Ganmain

**Term 2 Sporting Events**

- Small Schools Cross Country- Friday 29.4.16 Matong
- District PSSA Cross Country Carnival- Friday 6.5.16 Matong

Thank you,
Christie Campbell
Sports Coordinator

**Quick Bites (Live Life Well)**

Six steps to a healthy lunchbox!

Step 1: Pick a fruit
Step 2: Pick a vegetable
Step 3: Pick a dip
Step 4: Pick a main meal
Step 5: Pick a snack
Step 6: Pack water …..and mix and match these every day!

See the attached sheet for some great ideas.
Fruit and Vegetables for Sale at Marrar Public School

Our Marrar Public School veggie patch is overflowing with delicious and healthy fruit and vegetables… We have sent some bags of our delicious cherry tomatoes home with the students over the past weeks but we currently have eggplants, cherry tomatoes, spring onions, parsley, zucchinis/marrows that are ready for purchase. (The pumpkins and celery are still growing in our veggie patch.) If you would like to purchase some of the produce you can make a donation of your choosing to the front office. These donations will go towards purchasing seedlings for our next harvest.

This is such a wonderful experience for the students to witness first-hand just how fruits and vegetables get to our plates. Later in the term we will be using some of the produce to cook a delicious and healthy lunch. Thank you to Tania Springfield from the Marrar Café for her purchase and our Marrar PS families for their purchase. Remember if you can’t get into the school to grab some goodies just send a couple of dollars with your child/children.

We are currently looking at date that we can arrange to cook zucchini slice for lunch in the next few weeks and a note will come out shortly to advise families.

Happy and healthy eating!

P & C Report

We have our second meeting for the year tonight at 7.30pm in the school staffroom. We would like to see more families involved to help support our school and children.

On Friday 11th March, we will be having our 2016 Meet and Greet BBQ at the Marrar Community Park. All school families and community members are invited. BYO chair and drinks. The P&C ware providing a BBQ dinner with salad. We hope to see you there.

As we have an abundance of fresh, home grown vegies at school (which are available for purchase), the students will be doing some cooking with them. If anyone has any fresh eggs they would be willing to donate, or to swap for produce please contact Miss Campbell at school.

On Easter Saturday, 26th March, the P&C will be having a raffle at the Coolamon newsagency. I am asking for helpers to sell the raffle. Coolamon Rotary are holding markets on the day, so we have a fantastic opportunity to raise as much money as we can. Please fill out the following timeslot and return to school by Tuesday 22nd March or contact me on 0428 274 433. It isn’t a lot of time; all monies raised go towards our children.

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Regards
Felicity Pattison

COMMUNITY NEWS

Kids Camp Out is on again on March 19th & 20th at the Narrandera Racecourse for kids in years 3-6. For more information and registration details please contact Delwyn Craig on 02 6927 3649 or stedel1991@gmail.com

Junee Soccer Club – Junior Registrations are being taken at Burns Parks on Wednesday afternoons – 2nd March, 9th March, 16th March and 23rd March from 4.30pm till 5.30pm. Competition will start on 2nd April. Training will begin on Tuesday 8th March. Further Information – Craig Duncan.

International Women’s Day – Tuesday 8th March. Join us at the Library for guest speakers and morning tea to celebrate at 10.30am. Call Jess Inch 0269 272 492 to RSVP.

David Adamson
Principal