FROM THE ADMIN TEAM

Welcome
Welcome to the 2013 school year, what a wonderful start we’ve all enjoyed. We would like to extend a very special warm welcome to all new and returning students, families and staff. To our new preps, a new and exciting learning journey commences for you all and we all look forward to supporting you through this special adventure. To our Year 7 students, we all wish you every success for a fabulous, yet rewarding final year of primary education.

Marian is one of Central Queensland’s leading schools. We expect all students to perform at and above their ability in all areas of school life and fulfil our school motto – “Success Crowns Effort”.

This year a record 559 students are enrolled, an additional 42 students compared to this time last year. We had 81 excited Preps who eagerly commenced their first Prep lessons last week on Tuesday 29 January. Currently we have 23 classes and should maintain this number. However, additional enrolments over the next 2 days would ensure we maintain our current 23 classes.

Our brand new double classroom (H Block) located at the front of the school is up and running, with our Year 7 students enjoying their new learning space.

Change of details – Please update your child’s personal details with our admin staff if your address, phone number or any other circumstances have changed over the holiday period. It is very important that we are able to contact families should there be an emergency.

New Staff
Welcome to the following staff who join us in 2013. Mrs Julieann Richers (PG), Mrs Toni Durnsford (1D), Mrs Janet Surman (2S), Ms Kelsey King (4/5K), Mr Kris Van Beek (4V), Ms Laura O’Hare (7L), Ms Karen Byrnes (SEP Teacher), Mrs Cornell (Learning Support), Ms Katie Patch (Instrumental Music) and also welcome Mrs Annette Wilson to the Acting Deputy Principal position.

Main School Rules
All students need to comply with these.
1. Hands off” is our main school rule. Do not touch anyone in any way; this includes fighting, punching, pushing, grabbing, tripping, scratching, kicking or biting.
2. Remember, “I will not be a bully and I will not be bullied.”
3. I must respect myself, others and all property.
4. I must give my best effort at all times.
5. I must show good sportsmanship at all times.
6. I must follow all instructions and directions given to me by school staff.
7. I must show self control and not lose my temper.
8. Swearing and inappropriate language are not allowed.
9. Fashion trends that change appearance are not permitted.
10. Rude or immoral conduct will not be tolerated.
A reminder, please also adhere to the following rules, policies and regulations:

- Please ensure all communications with staff are positive, constructive & conducted at a mutually agreed time. Losing ones’ temper, self-control or displaying inappropriate behaviour in the school grounds only results in parents being banned from the school grounds, reports to Police & Family Services and legal action. Calm, factual negotiations with school staff are always welcome and we have over 90% resolution rate.
- It is illegal to approach or discipline a student, other than your own, at school. Please report issues to staff.
- Students are not permitted to be in school grounds before 8:00am of a morning and need to be collected no later than 3:25pm of an afternoon.
- Marian State School does not accept behaviour problems. All students need to comply with directions given by teachers and follow all school and classroom rules. One reason our school achieves highly is that students who disrupt learning, display oppositional behaviour and/or physical behaviour are suspended and if improvement is not made, exclusion will follow.

National Curriculum - 2013
This year, schools continue to implement the National Curriculum in the subject areas of English, Mathematics and Science. This year, will also see the introduction of History within the National Curriculum and will be implemented at Marian State School across P – 7. Yet another exciting year for curriculum within schools.

Active After-School Communities Sport Term 1 2013
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The seven week program is for Marian SS students from Prep to Year 5 wanting to be involved in sporting/active activities after school. We would like to firstly encourage children who are not involved in organised sports/clubs to participate.

Activities for term 1 include:
Prep – Year 2: Cricket (Lauren McQueen – Qld cricket)
Day: Tuesdays starting 12 February
Time: 3:15pm - 4:15pm

Year 3 – Year 5: (Kathleen Marriage – AFL coach)
Day: Wednesdays starting 13 February
Time: 3:15pm - 4:15pm
Sports commence next week.

A healthy afternoon tea of fruit or sandwiches will be provided. There is no cost to participate and activities will be held on the school oval. (or in the hall depending on weather conditions.)

Parents must collect students from the Oval by 4:20pm.
Numbers are limited, so students will be entered into the program on a first in, first selected basis. Students who are initially unsuccessful will be placed on a waiting list. Please submit your completed permission & medical form to our school office as soon as possible. You will then receive confirmation that your child has been accepted into the program this term or on a waiting list for next term. Students exhibiting inappropriate behaviour will be excluded / removed from the program.

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EXPANDED KINDERGARTEN SERVICE FOR MARIAN STATE SCHOOL
Families in the Marian community will be pleased to know that the kindergarten service will be expanded in 2014. The Queensland Government has announced that the service will offer a kindergarten program for another 22 children, to meet community needs. Children born between 1 July 2009 and 30 June 2010 will be of kindy age in 2014. Parents who wish to enrol their children at the service should contact C&K Marian Community Kindergarten directly on 4954 3089.

While it is planned for the expanded service to be open for the start of the 2014 school term, this is subject to construction and fit-out timelines. Parents should also consider alternative arrangements for their kindy-aged children in case there is any unexpected delay in opening.

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A/Principal
A/Deputy Principal

Teachers 2013
Prep Green—Julieann Riches
Prep Red—Lucy Jorgenson
Prep Yellow—Vicki Seirup
Prep/1B—Tanya Sherwood
1D—Toni Durnsford
Welcome to an exciting year of Instrumental Music here at Marian State School. My name is Katie Patch and I will be filling in for Melissa Henshaw this year while she is on maternity leave. The instrumental days have stayed the same but the timetable has been moved around, so make sure all students check their timetables so they know when their lessons are. We will commence lessons in Week 2 for pre-existing instrumental students and next week for our beginning students who will be involved in the quickstart program. The quickstart program gives our new students a 3 lesson start on their instrument, instead of the 1 lesson a week they will continue after next week. Senior Band will begin rehearsals in week 4 from 3:15-4:15pm on Mondays. I look forward to a terrific year and if you need to contact me, you can email me on kpatc6@eq.edu.au or alternatively you can ring the school on Monday (from lunchtime) or anytime on Thursday.

Miss Katie Patch
Instrumental Music Teacher

P&C NEWS
On behalf of the Parents’ and Citizens’ Association I would like to extend a warm welcome to all new families. I would also like to wish our existing families a happy and safe start to the new school year. Some of the many and varied roles and responsibilities within our P&C include:

- Raising funds to obtain new resources
- Raising funds to improve facilities both within classrooms and the playground
- Providing a nutritious and healthy tuckshop
- Making decisions relating to behaviour management policy, school rules, safety, uniforms, grounds improvements and maintenance and
- Creating and maintaining close school and community relations.

By attending our monthly P&C meetings, you will have the opportunity to voice your opinion and help make decisions relating to our great school. Should you be unable to attend any of our meetings, but have an issue you would like raised, please drop a note in the red box in the office.

The P&C meets on the third Tuesday of each month, from 7pm in the library. New members are always welcome; your attendance and input will be valued. Tea, coffee and biscuits are provided and it is a great way to get to know other parents.

Please consider your availability for volunteering in the tuckshop; your efforts will help contribute to the success of our P&C.

Our AGM will be held on Tuesday 26 February from 7pm in the library. This meeting will be followed by our monthly P&C meeting. All positions will be open for nomination: P&C President, P&C Vice-President, P&C Secretary, P&C Treasurer, Tuckshop Chair, Tuckshop Secretary, Tuckshop Treasurer, Fundraising Co-ordinator/s, Uniform Shop Co-ordinator, as well as positions on the School Management Committee and Grounds Committee. If you are interested in nominating for any of these positions but will be unable to attend on February 21, please drop a note of self-nomination in the red box prior to the AGM.

Regards
Nikki Glossop
P&C President

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS
Uniform shop is open:
Monday— 8:30am to 9:00am
Tuesday — 8:30am to 9:00am
CLOSED WEDNESDAY
Thursday—8:30am to 9:00am
Friday— 8:30am to 9:00am

Stocks are depleted, but we are expecting an order this month.

LOTE- News and Homework Week 2 10mins あ か
Year 6: One back to back page of the students Hiragana booklet. 10 hiragana in total. Finish off any sentences not completed in class (Name).
Year 7: One back to back page of the students Hiragana booklet. 10 hiragana in total. Finish off English section of Day 1(week day) already started in class.
NEW DIRECTIONS

Wests "TIGERS" Junior Rugby League - 2013 Sign On
For U/6’s to U/16’s, February 8th- 5.00pm to 7.00pm
Sausage Sizzle and Sign On at the Western Suburbs
Leagues Training Grounds, Branscombe Road, Walkerst. New players please bring 2 copies of your Birth Certificate. Sign on fee’s-U/6-$85 and U/7-U/16 -$125 per player (may be paid off by arrangement). A new “Game Day” polo shirt supplied for each player. We would also like to invite all children U/6-U/10 to a “Come Try Rugby League Day” on 16th February from 8-10am on 16th Feb at West’s Leagues Grounds.

Pioneer Power Junior AFL Football Club
"SIGN ON DAYS"
Sunday the 10th February @ MECC Sports Expo Sign On Day - Mackay MECC 10 - 2pm
And Thursday the 14th of February at the Marian State School Oval. 4 - 5 pm
Under 7’s, Under 9’s and Under 11’s and (under 13’s numbers permitting) Boys and Girls from 5+ are welcome to sign up!! Under 7’s and 9’s - (NO TACKLE), Training to start March 2013.
Further info contact - Megan 0488911272

Found. A terrified terrier cross (?) dog at 66 Vella’s Road. Pale brown in colour. Looks like a loved family pet. Arrived at my home early this morning, but won’t come in. Please contact Yvonne Lee Year 7 teacher at Marian State School, or phone 49543213. Must find owner ASAP as there are dingoes in the area.
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If you are able to assist please add your name to any days you would be available and return to the "red box" in the office. If you have any queries, please contact Bernadette Rewald on 49 591 228.
TUCKSHOP NEWS
Volunteers needed for tuckshop, please fill in form on back of newsletter and return to the red box, your help would be appreciated. Menu included in newsletter today.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER - 9am start

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Zucchini Slice—Large - $4 Small $3

Thursday 7/02/2013
Large Homemade Lasagne drink & fruit salad - $8 Small- $7
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Homemade Lasagne—Large -$4 Small—$3

Tuesday 12/02/2013
Large Fried Rice drink & fruit salad - $8 Small—$7
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Fried Rice – Large -$4 Small—$3

Prep Red 2013
Prep Yellow 2013
Prep/1Blue 2013
Prep Green 2013