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'Developing lifelong learning skills in a supportive environment, enabling all to reach their future potential'

Term 1 Week 6
 Tuesday
 5 March, 2013

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New Directions

DATE CLAIMER	
MARCH	
Friday 1	Principals' Conference
Friday 8	Badge Ceremony Parade
Tuesday 12	March book club due
Wednesday 13	PV Math 9:30am
Tuesday 19	P&C meeting
Friday 29	Good Friday
APRIL	
Monday 15	Term 2 begins

Achievement Awards: Congratulations to Kalan S, Emma J, Faith R, Toby P, Katie L, Trent C, Michelle T, Daniel D, Jorja J, Thomas W, Amelie S, Madeline H, Hannah M, Elise O, Corey B, Ben A, Brandon M, Claudia T, Jacob S, Luke B, Robert L, Kristian M, Aisha W, Quinn M, Tahlia F

Fantastickets: Congratulations to Matisse B (1G)
 Tia H (1G)

Block Champions: PY, P/1B, G & E block

FROM THE ADMIN TEAM

Wet Weather

Thank you teachers, students and parents for your patience with the wet weather. Please continue to be safe around the school grounds and on the roads.

2013 Principals' Conference

Every Principal across the state joined together as a very large leadership group in Brisbane on 28/02 and 01/03, participating in many interesting and informative sessions related to Education in

Queensland. Our state has many areas of commendation to celebrate and also some areas for improvement. The 2 days were very enlightening with an emphasis on the development of a 'School Pedagogical Framework' and the launch of the 'Parent and Community Engagement Framework'. The 'Pedagogical Framework' will be developed by and for Marian State School by the end of 2013. It is an aligned and consistent approach to HOW we teach at Marian State School. With the Australian Curriculum outlining WHAT we need to teach, our focus is now shifting to an aligned approach to HOW we teach at Marian State School.

The conference also highlighted some international guest speakers, Professor Ben Levin, PhD, Professor and Canada Research Chair in Education Leadership and Policy, Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, University of Toronto. Professor Levin spoke to us in great detail about the importance of Leadership in schools relating this specifically to education in Queensland State Schools. The conference also showcased for Principals, Dr George Otero, Co-director, Centre for Relational Learning, Santa FE, New Mexico. Dr Otero highlighted the importance of family, school and community partnerships and offered an array of specific researched based strategies for building relationships within the school community that support children and young people's learning.

The Director-General, DETE, Annette Whitehead, Deputy Director-General, DETE, Lyn McKenzie, Minister for Education, Training and Employment, the Honourable John-Paul Langbroek MP and many others high achieving Principals from across the state addressed us offering words of wisdom and sharing their experiences and achievements. The conference was a valuable and successful 2 days and was enjoyed by all.

Every School Day Counts

Did you know? Research shows that in Queensland, higher student attendance at school is associated, on average, with higher student achievement.

Regular school attendance will mean that your child has a better chance in life. Your child will achieve better when they go to school all day, every school day.

- they learn better
- they make friends
- they are happier
- they have a brighter future.

Under Queensland law, you must make sure your child of school age is enrolled and attends school all day, every school day unless they have an acceptable reason. Illness, doing work experience or competing in a school sporting event are acceptable reasons for being absent from school.

Please avoid keeping your child away from school for:

- birthdays, shopping, visiting family and friends, if they sleep in, looking after other children, minor check ups or care such as hair cuts.

Routine medical or other health appointments should be made either before or after school or during the school holidays.

You are encouraged not to schedule holidays during school time. If your family holiday is during school time, let school know in advance and talk about what arrangements can be made for your child. Depending on the circumstances school may be able to provide tasks for your child to complete while they are absent or assist you to organise an exemption from schooling.

Send your child to school every school day including their birthday and the last day of term!

Every day counts – Is your child at school today?

www.education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts

School Leader Badge Ceremony

All students in leadership positions across the school will receive their badges at a special presentation on Friday 8 March at 9.00am in the hall. We encourage parents and other family members/friends to attend this special presentation. A small morning tea will be held afterwards for parents and guests to attend.

P&C—Thank you

Thank you to those who attended the P&C AGM and General meeting last week, it was great to see some new parents and also returning parents.

There are still a number of executive positions to be filled (P&C Treasurer and Tuckshop subcommittee positions). If the positions within the P&C are not filled, the school has no access to additional funds to support your children at Marian State School.

Without the support of our school P&C, projects outlined below wouldn't be possible for your children to have access to in 2013.

- Big Fans for the Hall
- New Photocopiers
- Computer Lab
- Upgraded computers in classrooms
- Literacy and Numeracy Resources
- Science and History Resources

And the list goes on. Please support your children at Marian State School and take up a position on the P&C or come along and enjoy a great night each 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm.

Parent-Teacher Interviews

Just a reminder that Parent-Teacher interviews will be held during Week 9 this term. Your invitation letter will be sent home next week.

Religion

Religion commences on Tuesday, 12 March for Year 1–Year 6 classes except P/1B, 4M, 4V and 3/4K. The Year 4 classes and 3/4K will start at the commencement of Term 2.

Active After-School Sport

There will be no P-2 Cricket active after-school on Tuesday, 12 March as the coach, Lauren McQueen, is away with Queensland cricket commitments. P-2 sessions resume on 19th March

Crazy Hair Day

We welcome staff and students to colour and decorate their hair using scrunchies, gels, spikes, waves and curls for our contribution to World's Greatest Shave. The money raised will help the Leukaemia Foundation to look after people with blood cancers. (These are diseases like leukaemia, lymphoma and myeloma).

When? – Friday, 15 March

What to bring? – Gold coin donation

Stay tuned for more information next newsletter!

Casey Harej
A/Principal

Annette Wilson
A/Deputy Principal

P & C News

Hello parents. Last Tuesday night we held our AGM and it looks like you are stuck with me for another year. Thank you to everyone who attended the meeting and especially to those who put their hands up to take on official roles and also those who are organizing events etc. Unfortunately we have a few positions unfilled which we hope to fill at the next meeting. **Remember, without P&C we would have no uniform shop and no Tuckshop!** At our meeting, we decided to give the school \$5000 for our future computer lab, \$2000 for Science and \$2000 for History Curriculum resources – as you can see, P&C does make a difference to your school!

The 2013 P&C Executive team is as follows:

President: Nikki Glossop

Vice President: **Vacant**

Secretary: Caroline Russell

Treasurer: **Vacant**

Uniform Convenor: Toni Wales

Tuckshop Chair: Anne-Maree Lambert

Tuckshop Secretary: **Vacant**

Tuckshop Treasurer: **Vacant**

School Management Committee: Nikki Glossop, Sue Jensen, Liz Akins, Kristy Counsell

Grounds Committee: **both positions vacant**

THE P&C NEED YOUR HELP! We have some very important roles which remain vacant! If you are interested in nominating don't let the unknown scare you off – most of our Executive this year are new to these roles and we are committed to all working together and helping each other learn and enjoy them.

If you would like to self nominate or have any questions, please email me danandnik@bigpond.com.

This year we decided not to have a separate Fundraising Committee – we will be delegating jobs / functions to people willing to help – our aim is to share the load of jobs around.

2013 is promising to be another great year of fundraising and involvement with the school and we are all excited. We look forward to bringing you more information over the following weeks and months on what is coming up and just remember, the P&C is a fantastic organization and does great things for your children's school, so please, whenever you can, get involved, make friends and help make a difference!

Nikki Glossop,
P&C President

**SAVE THE DATE: FIRST SCHOOL DISCO
OF THE YEAR, Friday 22nd March 2013.
More details to come!**

TUCKSHOP ROSTER - 9am start

Wednesday 6/03/2012	B. Rewald, J. Cleland, T. Bradshaw
Thursday 7/03/2013	B. Rewald, S. Armbruster, K. Swift, S. Ruocco, AM Lambert
Friday 8/03/2013	B. Rewald, D. Haidle, K. Webster, S. Armbruster, B. Leeds
Tuesday 12/03/2012	B. Rewald, K. Chambers, C. Graham

Wednesday 6/03/2013

Large Homemade Lasagne drink & fruit salad - \$8 Small—\$7
Large Homemade Lasagne & fruit salad - \$6 Small—\$5
Large Homemade Lasagne & drink - \$6 Small \$5
Homemade Lasagne—Large - \$4 Small \$3

Thursday 7/03/2013

Large Chicken Stir-fry drink & fruit salad - \$8 Small—\$7
Large Chicken Stir-fry & fruit salad - \$6 Small- \$5
Large Chicken Stir-fry & drink - \$6 Small—\$5
Chicken Stir-fry – Large -\$4 Small—\$3

Tuesday 12/03/2013

Large Cottage Pie drink & fruit salad - \$8 Small—\$7
Large Cottage Pie & fruit salad - \$6 Small- \$5
Large Cottage Pie & drink - \$6 Small—\$5
Cottage Pie – Large -\$4 Small—\$3

PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL TUCKSHOP ORDERS HAVE STUDENTS NAMES AND CLASS GROUPS ON THEM—THANK-YOU.

COMMUNITY NEWS



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the young lives they transform

Churches of Christ Care Pathways
support their carers with training,
advice and access to local resources
to enable them to provide the best
home environment for the children
and young people in their care.

Contact us for a foster care information pack.

Churches of Christ Care Pathways
4953 5097
carepathwaysqld.com.au



Cartooning Program

We will be running our Second Cartooning Program in Mackay these holidays. The program will be held from: **Tuesday April 2 to Friday April 5, 2013**
Children can come & learn how to draw and gain skills in techniques, the art of cartooning & manga in a fun and unique way. No previous drawing skills are required. Our brochures can be downloaded from our site: www.illustrating-man.com.au
Brochures will also be sent to your school office.

Asthma inhaler recall

Asthma Australia have advised that GlaxoSmithKline (GSK) and Alphapharm are undertaking a

voluntary recall of several batches of Ventolin and Asmol inhalers due to a fault in the delivery mechanism of a small number of inhalers within each batch. This can lead to less than the full dose being delivered for each puff.

The only batches affected are as follows:

Ventolin Batch numbers KN7170, KN7173, KN7178, and KN7179
Asmol Batch Numbers KL6790, KL6795, KL6796, KL6797, KL6798, and KL6799

If you have an asthma inhaler (puffer) which matches any of the above batches, **take the inhaler to your pharmacy and exchange it for a new one.**

Asthma Friendly Pharmacy Program

Asthma Foundation Queensland, in partnership with Terry White Chemists, is pleased to announce the Asthma Friendly Pharmacy program. Over the past few months, Asthma Foundation Queensland has conducted intensive asthma training with 50 pharmacists and pharmacy assistants from Terry White Chemists' in south east Queensland.

This training enables Terry White Chemists accredited team members to assist people with their asthma medications; to link them with their doctor for medical review, and to their local Asthma Foundation for asthma self management information and support.

Visit your local Terry White Asthma Pharmacist today to book a FREE asthma consultation, or book online at www.terrywhitechemists.com.au/asthma

For more information about the Asthma Friendly Pharmacy Program, contact 1800 ASTHMA (1800 278 462)



Midgets Basketball Sign-On

Where: Walkerston State School (Undercover Basketball Court)

When: Thursday 7th March, 2013

Time: 3pm – 5pm

Season Commences 1st Week after Easter Break!!!

Age Groups – U/8 Mixed, U/10, U/12, U/15, U/18

Get your friends to join up and enjoy this fantastic indoor sport!!!!

Midgets.basketball.mackay@hotmail.com

Contacts: Allison 0437 832 044 (President)

Narissa 0409 636 534 (Treasurer)



The Welcome to Mackay Centre opened in November 2012 and is funded/sponsored by local businesses to offer a FREE service to anyone who is new to Mackay.

Location: Old Town Hall, Sydney Street, Mackay

Opening Hours: 10am – 5pm Monday to Friday

Ph: 07 4957 7757

Email: welcomecentre@rfdc.org.au

Website: www.welcometomackay.com.au

We work collaboratively with local employers, councils, individuals, community services, government departments and local organisations to provide a one-stop information and services facility that becomes the community hub for all new residents and works toward shared visions for a future that acknowledges and values diversity.

Some of the information provided: Education & Training, Housing, Employment, Local laws, Leisure, Making Friends, Sports, Local entertainment/events etc.

Country United Soccer Club

Register now at www.myfootballclub.com.au.

Junior Club Registrar: Tanya Farnham **04 4826 2891**
or cuscereg@gmail.com

Senior Club Registrar: Maree Paul **04 2759 1593** or
cuscereg@gmail.com

Club website: www.countryunited.org.au

Vacancies in all ages junior though to senior men's and ladies.

New Players Welcome. Bring copy of Birth Certificate.

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AVAILABLE 7 DAYS - NO JOB TOO SMALL!

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN REWARDS 2012
Thank-you for your support of Earn & Learn last year



2E and 2S CLASSROOM HAPPENINGS

We have been looking at how technology has changed our world. We have had fun using some old equipment – it is slow, sometimes not as safe as the new technology, and doesn't always work properly – there are too many wires and bits to break!



LOTE News and Homework Week 6 10mins はな

Year 6: One back to back page of the students Hiragana booklet. 10 hiragana in total. Finish off any sentences not completed in class (like and dislike).

Year 7: One back to back page of the students Hiragana booklet. 10 hiragana in total. Finish off Japanese “sentences” for Day 1 (weekday) already started in class.

SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB

February orders were sent to the classrooms last Thursday. Any problems please let us know at the library as soon as possible.

March bookclub catalogues were sent out last week also. Orders are due back by Tuesday 12 March.

Thank-you for your support!

Library Staff

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

The school uniform shirt have arrived and are available.

Chairbags & homework bags have arrived.

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