FROM THE ADMINISTRATION

Swimming lessons are progressing very well so congratulations to all who got notes and money in on time and who are remembering to bring swimming gear each day. Please check the lost property box at the office if you have lost anything as we already have lost swimming equipment. It is really important to put a name on everything. It has also come to my attention that cars to pick up students after school are coming early and parking in the bus stop. This is very dangerous for our students as the last swimming bus arrives back at school just before 3pm and needs to park in the bus zone to let children off. PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE BUS STOP AT ANY TIME.

Thank you also to the people who are not parking in the turn-around inside the school grounds at the back of the school. This area is a drop-off and pick-up zone and it is not permitted to park or leave your car. This is a 2 minute area. I am aware that there is not enough parking around the school but to do the wrong thing puts our students at risk and causes a lot of angst among parents and staff. The administration parking area is not a drop-off or pick-up zone and this is another area where children are at risk if the area is used inappropriately.

Year 5 and Year 6 are looking forward to their Action Challenge Leadership Camp this Friday November 1. They will be leaving the school at 6am and returning at 6pm so it will be a very long day. Unfortunately we are not able to wait for latecomers please be there on time to leave on the excursion and parents please pick up on time so that staff can go home for a well-earned rest.

Our P&C ladies have organised a disco for our students on November 8. We will have two sessions; 5.30-7pm Prep to Year 3

7.30-9pm Year 4 to Year 7

Students may only attend the session for their grade and may not stay for a different session with other family members. No high schoolers and no littlies please. You may drop off your children and they will stay in the hall until you pick them up at the conclusion of the session. There will be P&C members and staff in attendance and students are not permitted to leave the hall during the session (except if picked up by parents of course). The cost to attend is $5 and for that students get their entry as well as a packet of chips and a drink. If students would like to dress up they may. I am sure that it will be very enjoyable for all.

We are now into the storm and bushfire season and it is vital we prepare to ensure a safe and secure environment for all students, staff and volunteers. We are reviewing emergency plans and it is essential that we ensure emergency contact information for students is accurate and that the school has the capacity to contact parents in a prompt and efficient manner. If you have not updated your contact information lately please make sure that it is updated as soon as possible.
ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS


FANTASTICKETS: 18/10: Donovan R (2H), Ella K (2H) 25/10: Charlotte A (2C) Campbell B (PY)

BLOCK CHAMPIONS: 18/10: H block 25/10 E Block
Thank-you,
Melody Hughes A/Principal
Mel Benjami A/Deputy Principal

COME ALONG AND MEET OUR NEW PRINCIPAL – PETER MANDRYK
I am very much looking forward to joining you all as Principal on Monday November 18. I would like to offer you an opportunity to come along and meet me at either a 9am, 2pm or 7:30pm forum on Wednesday the 20th of November to be held in our school hall.

I am keen to share with you my leadership plans for our school including a proposal to have Marian become a School-wide Positive Behaviour school.

Parents will be given an opportunity to raise matters and ask questions of me during this forum.

I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the leadership of Melody Hughes and Mel Benjamin during the time I have been engaged in auditing duties. Our school has been in good hands.

I hope you will accept my invitation to attend one of these forums and ask that you extend this invitation to others who may be considering enrolling their children at Marian SS in 2014.
Best wishes, Peter M

GRADUATION MEETING
There is a Year 7 Parent Graduation Meeting in Ms O’Hare’s room next Thursday Nov 7th at 3:15pm. We will discuss decorations, cake, food, assistance with collection of money and numbers for catering, setting up hall etc for the evening. All Year 7 parents welcome. Mrs Lee and Ms O’Hare

ACTION CHALLENGE – This Friday!
We are all looking forward to heading off to Action Challenge on Friday as part of our 2014 Leadership preparation program. The children have already been looking at their leadership qualities and learning how to write a job application. Friday will see them take on individual and team challenges and problem solving tasks to further develop these skills.

IT IS VITAL that all students be at the school by 5.45am ready for a 6.00am departure. We cannot wait for late arrivals. The buses will return to school at 5.45 pm.
What to take: Sun safe clothing including a wide brimmed hat, long sleeved shirt, sunscreen, a plastic cup, healthy nibbles(optional), water bottle, closed in shoes. Please wear appropriate shorts for high rope activities.
Any outstanding permission forms need to be returned ASAP.
On arrival at school, students from 6D and 5/6F are to go straight to their classrooms/veranda area. Children from 5S and 5W are to meet at the undercover area outside C Block.
See you all bright and early Friday morning.
Grade 5 & 6 Teachers

LOTE NEWS
Last Friday, 25 October the Mackay Regional Language Network had their annual Speaking Competition. We welcomed the Chinese schools for the first time into our competition, and all agreed it was spectacular to have the 2 languages. I was lucky enough to have 9 representatives from my 2 schools. I am proud of the way my 6 Marian students have represented our school and myself. Their behaviour was exemplary. Thank you Jasmin Boyd, Pravaguan Bharadwaj, Tia Johnson, Adam Laidlaw, Kahel Hoban for you participation in the competition. CONGRATULATIONS to Kanticha Kinnane who WON 3rd place in the year 6 level!!

REMEMBER: Year 7 Graduation.
We need approximate numbers of people eating at the Year 7 Graduation by Fri Nov 1st for catering purposes. If you haven’t returned your form with numbers, please do so ASAP. We DO NOT require any money at this time.
Grade 7 teachers
RSPCA AND MACKAY ANIMAL RESCUE FUND RAISING DAY.
Don’t forget that Friday Nov 15th is a free dress day with gold coin donation to raise money for these two hard working, local organisations. Wear your favourite animal print clothing or dress up as your favourite animal.
Icy cups will be on sale for 50c. Student Council and Year 7 students would appreciate any donations of cupcakes or slices to sell at first break too.
Don’t forget to get photos of your pets in. Entry cost is 50c per photo. There will be a prize for the most popular photo in each category providing we have the entries. Photos must have a name and class on the back so they can be returned after the day. All photos MUST be handed to Mrs Lee by Friday Nov 8th.

P&C NEWS
2013 P&C SPORTS BURSARY- Have you represented Marian State School in sport? If your child has represented Marian State School in sport in 2013 then you are eligible to apply for the P&C Sporting bursary. Each year P&C allocate up to $500 towards the reimbursement of costs associated with representative sport. Parents wishing to apply need to complete a Bursary Application Form, which can be found on the website, or collected from the office. Receipts will need to be kept for uniforms, travel, accommodation etc and attached to the application for it to be considered. Please return all forms to the Red box in the office clearly marked “sporting bursary” no later than Friday the 15th of November. If you have any questions please contact Nikki Glossop, 0439 77 22 17

P & C CITIZENSHIP AWARD – The annual P&C Citizenship award is for year 7 and is not about being the fastest runner or the best trumpet blower. It is not about being captain, popular or having the best grades. In order to be eligible for this award, students must demonstrate a civil responsibility and are productive and caring members of their school. As individuals they display a positive attitude and actively participate in school and community activities.
This year, a Citizenship award nomination may be completed in three ways:
1. Self-nomination by the student OR
2. A student can be nominated by another student OR
3. A teacher may nominate a student.
Quiet achievers are encouraged to apply. Students who may think they haven’t contributed enough because they didn’t do sport, or participate in band should still apply - their worthiness for this citizenship award may be recognised in their attitude and participation in day to day activities.
The P&C encourage peers and Teachers to only nominate a student who they truly believe deserves the award.
Nomination forms may be found on the school website or collect one from the office. Please return the nominations to the Red box in the office clearly marked “Citizenship Award” no later than Friday the 15th of November.
Nikki Glossop
P&C President
COMMUNITY NEWS

MARIAN ANZAC HALL BINGO
Bingo Every Friday night
doors open at 6:30pm eyes down at 7:30
$1.50 books, raffles and cash prizes
Anzac Hall Maria

VALLEY THEATRICAL PLAYERS: PLEASE NOTE NUMBER
FOR BOOKING IS WRONG, NEW NUMBER IS: 49407800

ST JOHNS PARISH FAIR
ST Johns Parish Christmas Fair at 22 Dutton St
Walkerston will be held on Saturday 2nd November
2012, Starting at 6 pm
Lucky Dodger to give away on the night ---Children’s
Bike --- Must be present to win
BBQ, Bar,Hot Chips, Pastizzi, Do Nuts, Drinks,Tea &
Coffee
Ham & Meat Wheel, Cent Sale, Bottle Stall,
Sputnik & Raffle’s
Childrens activities -- SANTA, Jumping Castle, Merry Go
Round, Bungie Run, Animal Farm, Knockem’s & our New
children's Sputnik as well
Come along for an enjoyable night out to this country
FairFor any further information I can be contacted on
49 593 338 Mobil 0487 593 338 or email to
vassalloflowers@yahoo.com.au

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>DAY</th>
<th>VOLUNTEERS</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Wed 30/10</td>
<td>B. Rewald, M. Gordon, K. Swift</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thurs 31/10</td>
<td>B. Rewald, S. Armbruster, L. Oxenbridge, S. Ruocco</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fri 1/11</td>
<td>B. Rewald, D. Haidle, B. Leeds, S. Armbruster, K. Swift, L. Hoban</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mon 4/11</td>
<td>B. Rewald, M. Geddes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tues 5/11</td>
<td>B. Rewald, S. Munro</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wed 6/11</td>
<td>B. Rewald, K. Swift</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thurs 7/11</td>
<td>B. Rewald, S. Ruocco, S. Armbruster, L. Oxenbridge, M. Gordon</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fri 8/11</td>
<td>B. Rewald, S. Armbruster, D. Haidle, B. Leeds, S. Sant</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mon 11/11</td>
<td>B. Rewald, M. Geddes, R. Schneider</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tues 12/11</td>
<td>B. Rewald, K. Chambers, S. Munro</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>DAY</th>
<th>MEAL DEALS</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Wed 30/10</td>
<td>LASAGNE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thurs 31/10</td>
<td>POTATO WEDGES/SOUR CREAM/BACON</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tues 5/11</td>
<td>FRIED RICE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wed 6/11</td>
<td>LASAGNE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thurs 7/11</td>
<td>POTATO WEDGES/SOUR CREAM/BACON</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tues 12/11</td>
<td>FRIED RICE</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>DAY</th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

Indigenous Teacher Training Opportunities at Mackay

RTTTP, a community-based Indigenous teacher education program, is seeking
suitable applicants to study for the Diploma of Education, Certificates III in Education at Mackay in 2012 with Certificate IV in Education at Mackay in 2013.

This course is for Indigenous people interested in a career in education or further
department development in the field.
The Diploma course leads to a Bachelor of Education degree and the Certificate
programs provide qualifications at teaching assistant level. All courses, including the
degree course through James Cook University, can be undertaken at the Mackay
BTEP Centre, located at Birkdale State School.

For further information please contact Lorraine Idail on
8498 0099, 0409 549 568 or email lilaid@taf-eedu.qld.au
Sydney/Canberra 2014 Update

A meeting was held last Tuesday for parents of children in years 5/6 interested in fundraising for next year’s camp. We had some great input and have a list of upcoming events. If you are able to help at any of these it’s no too late, please fill out the form at the bottom or get in touch with the coordinator.

It has been decided that only those that participate in fundraising will benefit from proceeds, with the exception of events that involve the whole school.

Upcoming events

1) Battery Drive
   We are asking for any donations of batteries from individuals or businesses for our major fundraiser. We would love to hear from anyone in the school and greater community, so if you have or know of anyone who has any used batteries that we can use please either contact Ralana Burgess via txt or phone after 6pm (0439491387) Alternatively fill in the helpers form and we can arrange drop off/pick up.

2) Sausage sizzle/carwash Porters and Masters
   Saturday the 9th and Sunday the 10th November from 9am at Porters we will be having a sausage sizzle/carwash. Please spare an hour or 2 either day or both to help make this event a success.
   Your year 5/6 child is welcome to help at the carwash but must be supervised.
   There will be another sausage sizzle at masters on the 30th November from 8am. Helpers are needed for both events!

3) There will be a crazy hair day for the whole school on the 29th of November with a gold coin fine. More info closer to the date.

And finally don’t forget to join our facebook page @Marian State School 2014 Sydney Canberra trip!!! (This is a closed group for parents of children in years 5 and 6.)

Please fill out this form and drop into the red box asap 😊 The coordinators will be in touch prior to the event.

Name_____________________________________

Child’s name/class_________________________________

____________________________________________

Event/s you would like to help_______________________________________

____________________________________________

Preferred Time_____________________________________

Contact Details_____________________________________

____________________________________________