



Maroona Primary School Newsletter

Friday 1st September 2023

Principal's Report

The last 2 weeks have been very busy, with a wide range of activities enjoyed by the children.

We had a fantastic dress-up day for Book Week recently, with everybody coming as their favourite book character. On Monday we all went to Pomonal for our Cluster Day. It was great to see children from the different schools playing together, and getting along so well.

On Wednesday Grades 5 & 6 went to Ararat to watch the dress rehearsal of Ararat College's musical, 'You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown.' As well as being a chance to see a live performance, the musical tells a story of resilience and the ability to bounce back; great qualities to have at any age.

The Grade 3 – 6 children were at Stawell for the Black Ranges Athletics yesterday, and according to all reports they had a great day. Thanks to all of the parents who went along to support our students and help with transport.

School Camps



Grades 4-6 - Canberra Camp

9th - 13th October

Projected cost - \$725 per child

P/1 - Sleepover - 10th November

(Please note change of date)

Projected cost - \$100 per child

Grades 2/3 – Roses Gap

8th - 10th November

Projected cost - \$320 per child

Grades 4-6 - Energy Breakthrough

22nd - 25th November

If any parents have concerns about camp payments, please contact Richard or Leanne.

Dates to remember

Sept 6 – MARC Van

Sept 14 – Footy Colours Day and footy clinic

Sept 15 – Monster Bike Ride
– Final day of Term 3

Oct 2 – First day of Term 4

Oct 6 – Working Bee

Oct 9 – Canberra Camp (Gr. 4 - 6)

Oct 17 – School Photos

Oct 18 – MARC Van

Oct 18 – School Council

Oct 20 – Responsible Pet
Ownership incursion

Oct 27 – Curriculum Day

Cluster Schools' Meeting

(Please note change of date)

Birthdays

Rowly Tucker (10) 9th September
Archie Fraser (12) 5th October



Black Ranges Athletics

At the Black Ranges athletics, I did 200 metres at North Park in Stawell. I came fourth in the 200, and I came third with Tom, Rowly and Billy. We got a 3rd place ribbon and that was the only ribbon of the day. It was the 31st of August 2023 and I went with Liam and John. **William J – Grade 4**

At Black Ranges, Max and I went with Kathy because our Mum and Dad were at Geelong. When I was at my first event, I thought I would get nowhere but I ended up going really well coming first place! I got a third in High Jump but I was really happy that I even got a ribbon. Overall, it was a great day. **Rowly – Grade 4**

On Thursday, I went to Black Ranges Athletics in Stawell. I competed in Discus and Shot Put. Shot put was my first event. I was the smallest boy there and I placed sixth. Then I had to sprint over to Discus because it was right after the Shot Put. The man running discus said that I wasn't allowed to do the spin technique so I had to just throw it like normal which I am not very good at. I ended up placing fifth in Discus but I could have done a lot better if I was allowed to do the spin. Yet Overall, I think it was a great day. **By Archie – Grade 6**

On Thursday, we had the Black Ranges Athletics. The school went pretty good. I raced in the 200m and the relay. I felt like I went really well and I had a great day. **Max – Grade 4**



Thursday the 31st August, we were at Stawell for the Black Ranges Athletics. We were only allowed to do two events and a relay. I did 1500m and 800m events. First event I competed in was the 1500m and I came 1st. My next event was an hour and a half later which was the 800m. There were five other girls and I came 1st. Behind me was Eva Brady, she came 2nd. Overall, I had a great day. **Charley – Grade 4**

On Thursday, the 30th, the Grade 3,4,5,6s went to North Park Stawell for the Black Ranges athletics. I ran a long distance of 200m and 800m. I came 4th in the 200m and 3rd in the 800m. Sadly I didn't make it to regionals but I gave it a go! Overall it was a very successful day! **Grace – Grade 6**

Black Ranges Athletics

Thursday the 31st of August 2023, most of the Grade 3-6 students headed down to Stawell to compete in Black Rangers Athletics sports. I competed in Shot put and Discus. I came 1st in discus and 3rd in Shot Put. Overall it was a great day and I can't wait to go onto the next stage in Ballarat. Also thank-you to Liam for organising all the events **Olivia - Grade 6**

On Thursday 31st August we went to Stawell for Black Ranges Athletics. I went in the long jump and discus. In the long jump I came 9th which was last sadly and in the discus I came 7th out of 12 people. Overall, I had a great day. **Emily - Grade 5**

On Thursday, we went to Black Ranges Athletics. I entered in Shot Putt and Discus and I came first in both. Overall, I think Maroona had a great day. **Eddie – Grade 5**



Student Recognition Awards



Every fortnight at our school assembly the Maroona Primary School teachers each nominate one student each who they feel have been exemplifying our school values of Respect, Honesty, Excellence and Kindness.

Our latest recipients are John Powne, Rowly Tucker, George Tucker, and Sophie King.

You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown

On Wednesday 30/8 the 5/6's went to the town hall to watch the AC performance. We were very lucky because we got there first so we could choose what seats we wanted. I personally really enjoyed the musical, You're a Good Man Charlie Brown! **Emily – Grade 5**

On Wednesday, the Grade 5-6 students went to the Ararat Town Hall to watch a musical called "You're a good man Charlie Brown," performed by Ararat College. The performance was a hilarious story based on the life of Charlie Brown and all his friends, [not forgetting Snoopy of course!] Overall, I thought that the play was amazing, full of thrills, spills, and lots of laughs! **Archie – Grade 6**

On Wednesday, the 30th of August, the Grade 5-6s went to the town hall for the Ararat College's musical, You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown! We drove in a car with Liam and Blake, and we walked into the entry. We were the first school there and got to choose out of hundreds of seats. Overall, the schools there were: Ararat 800, Ararat West, Moyston and us, Maroona. In my opinion it was a very successful day and fun. **Grace – Grade 6**

On Wednesday the 30th of September 2023 the Grade 5-6s went to the Ararat town hall to watch a performance that the Ararat College Students performed to us. The play was called "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown!" My favourite part of the play was the dog called Snoopy. Thank-you to all the people that performed the play. Overall, I really enjoyed it. **Olivia – Grade 6**

Pomonal Cluster Day

On Tuesday the 29 August, Maroona went to Pomonal for a Cluster Day. The first thing we did was the Nudal cart which was creating whatever you wanted with some blocks. I was with Olivia, Charley, and Emma. Firstly, we made some mythical creatures then we made some kind of fortress, and then it was time to switch.

Afterwards, we then did a footy clinic. Firstly, we did some handballing and some games inside, then we went outside to play a game since it had a cricket pitch on it. We only used a quarter of the pitch and lots of people got mad because we couldn't tackle.

After we finished, it was lunch time. After lunchtime, we watched how we can recycle food scraps and every school got to take a recycled plant home that we could replant at the school. In the end, we went back to school. It was a great day overall.

Lucy - Grade 4



On Tuesday the 29th of August, we went to Pomonal for a cluster day. At the cluster day we did a Football Clinic, Nudal Cart and Food Scraps. In the Football Clinic we practiced our skills like kicking, marking, handballing and goal kicking. With the Nudal Cart we got to use our creativity to build whatever we wanted! For the Food Scraps presentation, we planted seeds in pots, and we learnt about reusing food scraps.

Whole class – Prep - Grade 3