



Maroona Primary School Newsletter

Friday 7th June 2024

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Principal's Report

Today marks three weeks left of Term 2, and there's still plenty left to do before the holidays. After a busy few weeks of Winter Sports, tree planting and a visit to Tucker's Sanctuary, we still have more sport (Footy Regional Championships), music, and a cluster day at Buangor. Please come and support our Biggest Morning Tea event next Friday, 14th June, and bring a friend. All welcome to enjoy a delicious morning tea, see how our school operates, and help us in the fight against cancer.

Camps - 2024



Gr 4-6 - Phillip Island - 22nd - 25th Oct - approx \$500

Gr 2/3 - Cave Hill Creek 14th - 16th Oct - \$390

Gr 1 Sleepover - Halls Gap - 18th Oct

Dates to remember

June 10 - King's Birthday **public holiday**

June 11 - MARC Van (Tuesday)

June 12 - School Council

June 14 - **Biggest Morning Tea**

June 21 - Cluster Day - Buangor

June 25 - MARC Van (Tuesday)

June 26 - Regional Football Championships

June 27 - Monster Walk/tree planting - Tatyoon

June 28 - Term 2 ends

July 15 - First day of Term 3

Aug 14 - School Council

Student Recognition Award

Our award winners for this assembly are Rowly (Gr. 5) Sophia (Gr. 3) and Tess (Gr.3)



Come And Join Us At The
**MAROONA
PRIMARY SCHOOL**



Australia's
**Biggest
Morning
Tea**

14th
June
2024

10:30 -
11:30am

7431 Mortlake-Ararat Road, Maroona

Come and join our Biggest Morning
Tea and help us raise funds to
FIGHT CANCER

Find us on Facebook or at
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Happy Birthday

Fletcher Barr (9) 9th June
Vivian McDougall (7) 11th June
Eddie Astbury (12) 27th June
Briana Close 30th June



Landcare Cluster Day

It was a Friday night in the desert. My bandicoot had woken up, so I went to see her, and she was happy to see me. My bandicoot had butterflies in her tummy. Then she suddenly stopped, and froze. People were cutting down trees with a chainsaw. The bandicoot felt worried, scared, and concerned. She heard the tree cracking. She ran as fast as she could, but the tree landed on her burrow. So she went to see the people who were cutting down trees. She told them that the tree had landed on her burrow. So the people came and cut the tree in half, so they could lift the tree up. She lived happily ever after. **Sophie Grade 2**

The day was sunny at the pool. Then I said, "I see a bettong swimming." I called her Daisy.

A fox was swimming. Daisy was scared that the fox would eat her.

She got in the mud. The fox was scared and ran away. He his in his burrow.

Sophie Grade 1



It was a Monday night. The night was cold and dark on the farm. Bobby the quoll was digging for bugs. Suddenly he stopped and looked up. He was scared. So he went outside and into the paddock. He saw a header coming towards him. He ran and ran towards the end of the paddock. He was safe for now. But then he forgot that he was on the other side of the paddock. He ran back to his own side of the paddock to his home. Now he was safe. **Vincent Grade 3**

The day was falling cold and dark in the desert. Australia the quoll was digging a burrow to sleep in. Suddenly she stopped and froze. Australia was feeling soo scared and nervous, and she was shaking. Australia was getting food when she heard something. She quickly ran back to her burrow. She saw a bulldozer coming to make a new road. The road was right next to her home. She was really worried about her self and her home.

The next day she went to he Grandma's home to eat lunch. She said, "I'm going to go and get some food. Bye," she said. She went through the tunnel and on the way back she said, "I'm going back to Grandma's home. Grandma can I use your tunnel to get food?" "Ok Australia."

She went up the tunnel to get some food. She saw another burrow so she went inside that burrow. This is a nice burrow but it is not connected to my Grandma's. Australia looked in the cupboard. There was a hole in the cupboard so she dug a bit more. She went into it and she saw Grandma. It's connected!! "That's so lucky. Did you ever see that hole Grandma?" **Tess Grade 3**

To be continued...

The day was windy. Hoppy lived in her burrow in the forest, and she felt cold. Hoppy was scared and she froze. Hoppy had white and brown fur. Then a fox came. Hoppy was frightened. She ran away and the fox didn't get her.

Vivian Grade 1

The night was dark on the farm in the green grass. The cat's name was Worried. She was looking up at the sky. Suddenly she stopped very still.

Worried is very round and fluffy. Her legs are very tiny. Her ears are very tiny too. **Rose Grade 1**



The night was cold and windy in the forest. Spot the quoll was scratching his back on a tree. Suddenly he stopped and listened. Spot felt that he might get eaten, because he heard an animal coming. He heard sticks snapping and he got so scared that he ran off to find somewhere safe.

Spot tied and tried but he could not find anywhere safe, so he tried again and found a burrow. But then came a fox came and chased him, so he ran as fast as he could and he faked that he was about to crash into a tree. Spot dodged the tree, but the fox didn't. The fox went back home feeling very sad, so he found a rabbit to eat. **Daniel Grade 1**

Landcare Cluster Day



The night was cold and dark. The fox lives in the snow. I called it Rider. He went ice skating. Finally he stopped skating and scratched a tree. Rider was so happy, that's why he scratched the tree.

Rider The fox saw a tractor. He knew that it was going to run him over. So Rider ran away. The tractor was chasing Rider the fox.

So Rider dug a hole. He felt very, very scared. The hole was deep enough for his whole family. Now they are safe.

George Grade 1

The night was cold at the beach. My cat was called Spot. Spot was surfing. Suddenly she stopped and moon bathed. She was happy and excited, she was purring.

Spot saw a wolf and it bit her. The wolf chased Spot and she ran and ran until she got away, and she was very scared. Very, very scared because she got bitten. Spot rolled around in the mud and she got up and scared away the wolf.

Maggie Grade 1



The stories on these pages were written by the children in the Grade 1 – Grade 3 classroom, inspired by their visit to the Shepherds Hut Sanctuary at Maroona. The children chose to write about the animals which are protected within the sanctuary fences, or about those animals absolutely not welcome within the sanctuary confines.

Young Fundraisers

Possibly inspired by the results of our Easter Raffle, which raised \$900 for the Royal Children's Hospital, and the CFA, two of our students decided to do some fundraising of their own.

Tess and Isabella made a selection of handcrafts, as well as bringing some delicious cakes and slices for sale to their schoolmates and teachers.

The stall ran for approximately one week, and raised \$45 for the Royal Children's Hospital. This initiative was entirely Tess and Isabella's idea, and it is a real credit to the girls. Well done Tess and Isabella.



Tree Planting @ Denicull Creek



On Friday the 31st of May, Maroona students went tree planting on Christine's farm. Some of the jobs we had to do were, dig the holes, plant the trees, cover the trees with soil and place a guard to protect the trees. We split into groups to do the different tasks. We planted around 150 trees.

Afterwards we went for a walk to see some of Christine's animals including two alpacas and some sheep. Next, we all walked up a big hill with a deck chair on top. Richard was very worried that one of us might fall down the big hill. Finally, we had some lunch and Christine kindly offered everyone a doughnut. Thank you, Christine for letting us come and plant trees at your property. **Gr 1-3 Classroom**



Winter Sports

On the 23rd of May the Winter Sports Netball was held in Stawell. I was on a team with Charley King, Emma Barr, Lilly from Moyston, Grace and Alan from Pomonal, and the coach was Ms Hogan.

The first team we versed was Stawell, then another team which I can't quite remember, and then Ararat West, who we lost to the first time, but versed them again and won. Over all it was a really good day.

Lucy Grade 5



On the 23rd of May we did Black Ranges footy. We played with Bolac, Buangor, Willaura and us. It made a brilliant team that was strong in the backline, forward line and also in the midfield.

The first game we played was Stawell St Pats, and it was a pretty close game. We were up by six goals at half time, and in the end won by three points.

The next game saw us playing against Ararat 800. We won by around ten goals and we ran away with a good victory.

Then we versed Stawell 502; it was a bit close at the start but we came away with a five goal win. Next game we played against St Arnaud. They were ok, we were up by half time so we gave our older players a rest and that's when the younger kids stepped up.

Last was Ararat West. We beat them by a lot. Overall it was a great day and we came home with the chocolates (and the trophy). We went back to back, we all can't wait for the next stage.

Eddie Grade 6



On Thursday the 23rd of May, the Winter Sports event happened. There were three available sports: netball, footy and soccer. Joe and Sam represented Maroona in soccer. There were also a lot of Moyston and Buangor students. The day started great for Ararat Rural Cluster schools. We kicked off our first game with a shaky start. It was 0-0 for a long time. That was until our team drew a penalty for a hand ball. Archie McKinnon smashed it into the net. From there it was downhill. 5-1 to us. The next game, we lost 5-1 to Ararat west which was gutting. The next game was 7-3 to St Mary's. We then had our final game, Ararat West again! This time we drew but we won on penalties! Because of that match, we came out with second place for our pool. Overall, it was a great day! **Sam Grade 6**