



Maroona Primary School Newsletter

Friday 1st November 2024

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Principal's/Staff Report

Another fortnight has passed and so much has happened. From all of our fantastic artwork, garden items and handiwork entered into the Ararat Show (thank you for all of your hard work in organising that May), to EBT practice, a camp and a sleepover, it has been a busy couple of weeks.

Special thanks must go to Penny for coming with us to Halls Gap, helping to take care of the Grade 1s around the zoo and our walk to Venus Baths in a very refreshing rain storm. Thanks very much also to Jess for staying with the children and I overnight, and for cooking us breakfast in the morning.

Last week, our Grade 4/5/6 students set off on a four-day adventure to Phillip Island for a memorable camp! I was lucky enough to be the teacher responsible for our Maroona students, joining senior students from our cluster schools in Moyston, Pomonal, Willaura, and Buangor. These camps are special because they allow our students to connect with peers their own age, forming friendships that will carry on through their school years.

Without giving too much away (the students' recounts will fill you in!), I'll share a few highlights. The Penguin Parade was unforgettable, with many penguin souvenirs making their way back with us! Learning to surf was another fan-favourite—I might have even felt like a kid again as I joined the students in riding the waves! Maze N Things was a hit too, providing fun for students and staff alike.

It was four days of non-stop excitement, full of activities and laughter, with plenty of stories and happy memories to take home. We couldn't have asked for a better camp experience! Liam

The senior students have been travelling into the velodrome to practise on the bikes for E.B.T their dedication is admirable, especially on these warm days.

Maroona students were acknowledged for their amazing talent in the Ararat Show this year. It was a little last minute but there was an abundance of completed art to select from. Some much amazing art work has been created and hopefully next year we will put in the preparation a little earlier.

We all thoroughly enjoyed the students providing a cooked lunch, Chicken schnitzel burgers from scratch. We used our eggs to crumb the chicken fillets that were devoured quickly by us all. YUM!!

Dates to remember.

Fri 1st Nov – Grade 6 Photos.

Tues 5th Nov - **Public holiday (no school)**

Mon 11th Nov - Buangor Landcare day

Wed 13th Nov - MARC Van

Tues-Fri 19th/22nd Nov - E.B.T

Thurs 21st Nov - Grade 1/3 E.B.T Day trip

Mon-Fri 9th/13th Dec - Swimming

AWARDS



Emma: Leadership and assisting the juniors.
Fletcher: Terrific maturity and leadership

Happy Birthday



Sophie K 17th Nov

Rose 28th Nov

Annabelle 30th Nov

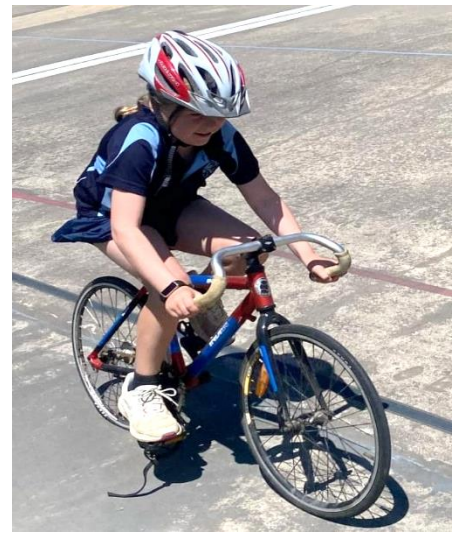
GR 1 SCHOOL SLEEPOVER



On Friday we went to the Grade One sleepover. We got Wet because it was raining. We went to Halls Gap and we were soaking. We Walked up the hill and it was cold and wet. At the Zoo we saw a monkey open a present, and we fed the Deer. When we got back we Played games and went to sleep. from the grade 1s



E.B.T training & Preparation



Ararat show entries.



Clockwise, from left:
Sophia, fine liner bee. 2nd

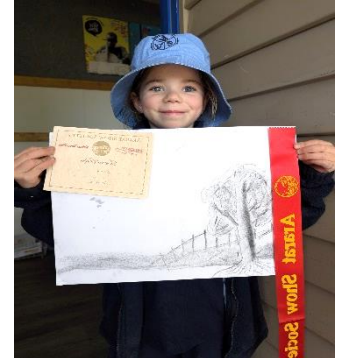
Rose, charcoal sunflower. 1st

Vivian, charcoal landscape 2nd

Billy & Thomas, log photograph.

Gr 1/3 biscuit making.

Finished biscuits.



4/5/6 Phillip Island camp

Wednesday 23rd of October
On Wednesday we did the seal cruise it took a few minutes to head out and when we finally made it. There were heaps of seals we stayed out for at least an hour before heading back in for lunch. We then got on the bus and headed to Yew beach, it was very rocky and cold but it was fun. Then it was the end of our activities we headed back and had warm showers then it was movie night we watched Rio but some of us walked down to a nearby beach to put back some crabs that they had taken in the day.

My Phillip Island Camp
Tuesday: On Tuesday we left Ararat at 7am the bus trip was 4.5h, on the way there I sat next to Annabelle. as we made loom bands bracelets. When we got there we went to the farm and we milked cows watch someone shear a sheep. That night we went and watch the penguin parade.



I really liked surfing and was lots of fun that was my favourite part. I also liked clip n clime and a maze n things I liked mini golf and rock climbing. I also liked ten pin bowling and pool. At the end of camp I was ready for home and enjoyed the camp.

