

# Maroona Primary School Newsletter Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2023

### Principal's Report

What a wonderful beginning we have had to the school year. Our five new Preps have settled in very well, and are finding their feet in the classroom and in the playground. We are happy to welcome all of our Preps, as well as Rose and Sophie's families to our school community.

Our more experienced students all seem happy to be back, and in the main are playing and learning together in harmony. They are doing a great job of helping our new Preps to feel comfortable at school.

We have already had a fantastic day at the cluster swimming sports, and are spending more time in the pool this week. The Black Ranges swimming sports will round out our swimming program for the beginning of this year.

We also have 2 new staff members, Jay Reynolds and Blake Luehman. Jay and Blake will mostly be working in the Prep – Gr.3 room, as well as teaching Prep – Gr.6 in the afternoons. Thanks to all the parents who contributed to our delicious morning tea last Friday.

#### **School Council**

Term 1 is school council election time. Our school council has 2 vacant positions which are open to parents. If you wish to nominate for school council, we have forms available at the school office. Nominations close on Wednesday, 1st March. Once nominations close we will know if a school council election is to be held.

#### Dates to remember

Feb 28 - Smile Squad dental van

Mar 2 – Black Ranges Swimming

Mar 6 - Curriculum Day

Maths PD

Mar 8 - MARC Van

Mar 9 – Black Ranges Tennis

Mar 13 – Labour Day Holiday

Mar 15 - School council AGM

Mar 17 - Working Bee

## **Birthdays**

George King (12) 8<sup>th</sup> Jan Danielle Armstrong (12) 19<sup>th</sup> Jan Will Bibby (11) 9<sup>th</sup> Feb Jasmine Conboy (13) 16<sup>th</sup> Feb Thomas Gellie (10) 7<sup>th</sup> Mar

#### **Swimming**

We have had a mixed bag of swimming experiences this week, swapping between the indoor and outdoor pools. All of the children seem to be really enjoying our swimming program, and everyone looks to be engaged and learning about water safety.







#### Grade 4 – 6 Room Reports

This term, I have enjoyed learning about Maths because we learned about place value. I also enjoyed seeing all my friends and playing with them at lunchtimes. The swimming sports was a great day and I had a lot of fun. -William Barr

My Reflection at Maroona Primary School. I have enjoyed the swimming sports because I am good in my age group. At first I was scared but mum got me to go in finally, and I won the first race. It was actually really fun. And now I want to do it again. — Rowly Tucker

Last week, Maroona had swimming sports at the outdoor pool. I received one 3rd and three 1st place ribbons. At the end, everyone left with a smile on their faces. Everyone had a good time, even the Preps. I am very excited for the rest of the year! - Emma Barr

This term at Maroona Primary School, I have really enjoyed coming back to school and seeing all my friends, teachers, and all the staff. I have really enjoyed the school routine this year so I know what to expect when I walk into the classroom every morning. Liam has been a great big room teacher so far and I have learnt so much. - Archie Fraser

This term, I have thoroughly enjoyed the Swimming spots but sadly I can't go to Black Ranges because I am going away on holidays. Liam is one of the best teachers but there is one thing wrong... he plays for Rovers! Boo Rovers! – Charley King