



Maroona Primary School Newsletter

Friday 30TH May 2025

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Principal's Report

Community Night has come and gone for another year, but oh what a night it was. From Liam's songs keeping us all entertained, to the games organised by May and her committee of student helpers, and the delicious foods which we were treated to, it really was a night to remember.

It was also a night for us to showcase our wonderful school community to people from outside of our school. On behalf of the staff I would like to thank all of the parents who helped with the planning of and preparation for the night, the dads helping on the barbecue and pizza oven, those assisting May with the running or the games, and everyone else who helped to make it such a special event. I'm already looking forward to Community Night 2026. Bring it on!

Teachers Learning Walk

On Tuesday, Blake and I were fortunate enough to visit Ararat West Primary School to observe a typical school day and explore their teaching curriculum. Blake spent the day in the senior classrooms, while I was placed in the junior area.

We were exposed to a range of teaching approaches and routines used in a larger school setting. One standout was the UFLI phonics program – a highly structured and engaging approach to literacy that supports students in systematically developing their phonemic awareness and decoding skills.

It was also interesting to experience how differently their school day is structured compared to ours at Maroona. The visit gave us plenty of ideas and insights to reflect on.

Overall, it was a valuable and inspiring experience, and both Blake and I came away with plenty to think about and potentially apply in our own classrooms. Liam

Dates to remember

Tues 3rd June - **School photos**

Fri 6th June - Cluster Day Buangor.

Mon 9th June - Kings Birthday Public Holiday

11th June - School Council

11th June - MARC Van

12th June - Biggest Morning Tea & Shave for a Cure - 10:30/11:30

AWARD WINNERS

William, Fletcher & Maggie. You have all personified our school values and been terrific role models for your classmates. WELL, DONE!!!!



Happy Birthday



Maggie – Fri 6th June

Fletcher – Mon 9th June

Vivian – Weds 11th June

COMMUNITY NIGHT







AFL 9's

BLACK RANGES

On Tuesday the 27th of May we played AFL 9's. We went to Stawell to central park football ground. The first game was against Stawell the second game we won by a lot. The next game was against Birchip and we didn't have a good first half but we played well in the second half but we lost by two goals sadly. Later we had a game against Ararat Eight Hundred and it was a friendly game and we won. The last game we had was against Ararat West it was hard but we got it done and won! Recount by..... R.T / W. J / W.B / T.G/ B.K



NETBALL



We travelled to North Park in Stawell to compete against other schools in netball. Once we got to the netball Elisa bought us hot chocolates we had a bye in our first game. We lost our first two games and won our last two. Emma B

We beat Ararat West and Stawell by 3 points. We had a lot of fun we got to have a shot at every position on the court. I was lucky to play as I was the only grade 4.

We thanked Zoe and Karen for helping us as coaches and the refs for other schools.

Tess G



Kakashi Cricket

Our scarecrow's name is Kakashi Cricket, which is scarecrow in Japanese, and Cricket because he has cricket gloves on. His legs are really fluffy, because they are really soft and squishy when you squeeze them. Kakashi has a red and black tie, with flowers on it to help him scare the crows away. His straw hat, and his red hair make him look more scary because he never washes his hair, and it looks all knotty. We feel very happy because Kakashi Cricket will scare all the crows away and keep our veggies safe.



On Monday the 26th of May I participated in Western Regionals Cross Country at Warrnambool. Unfortunately, the weather wasn't great, it was windy and chilly but that didn't interfere with the events. We arrived at Warrnambool at about quarter past ten so that I could get to know the area better, and get registered. Time flew and before I knew it I had to race at that point I was very nervous. There were 59 people in my race. Luckily I knew some people such as Eva Brady from Saint Mary's, and Loella Thomas who is also from Saint Mary's.

As we got ready to start our race a man talked to us about how the race was going to work and where the track would take us. When he had finished we got in our starting positions and we were off. At the start I was coming last, but since everyone did a bit of a sprint at the start I got to overtake most of them. The run didn't feel like 3k at all, it felt a lot shorter, and before I knew it I was at the end, so I sprinted my hardest. Sadly I came 36th but I am so proud that I was able to make it to Regionals. Thank you for all the support you gave it helped me to achieve what I never thought I could.

– Lucy Gr.5

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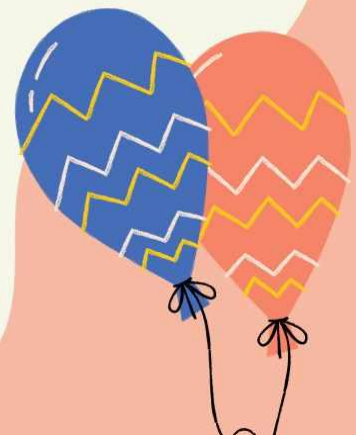
Save the date...
Thursday, 12th of June

Start from
10:30am



Our Principal Richard
will be shaving his head

There will be:
Raffles,
Kids games &
Door prize



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