



Maroona Primary School Newsletter

Friday 13th June 2025

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Principal & Staff Report

As we approach the end of yet another term, reports are not far away. We have already started assessing the children's learning, and some of the report comments have been written. As with the last few rounds of reporting, the written forms will be shorter than in the past, so parents and children can have a longer, face to face conversation with our teachers about their learning.

We have been working very closely with the other schools in the Ararat Rural Cluster over the last couple of years, and are at the point now where we are doing a lot of collaborating, which has benefits for the children in terms of their learning and socially. Our recent cluster day at Buangor PS was a very good social opportunity for our students. It was also terrific to host Buangor and Willaura Primary Schools for yesterday's Biggest Morning Tea. These events are an important way for the children to develop social connections with students from the other schools, which will make the transition to secondary school so much easier.

The other schools also took part in our raffle, which helped to increase the funds raised considerably. Prize winners came from all three schools.

Here are our winners...

1st- Ted Fitzgerald- trailer of wood

Spot Tucker, Harry Price, Billy King, Armstrong family, Steve Costigan, Georgie Jackson, Leanne McCready, Charlie G, Tim Barr, Angela Reynolds, Deb Cooper, Deb Jackson, Thomas Gellie, and Jenny Fuhrmann.



Happy Birthday

Billy King 30th July.

Dates to remember

June

Tues 24th - Gymnastics & Bowling
(Ballarat)

Weds 25th - MARC Van.

Thurs 3rd - Learning Conversations

July

Fri 4th - Term 2 finishes

Mon 21st - First day of Term 3

Weds 23rd - MARC Van

ARARAT REGIONAL THEATRE SOCIETY
PROUDLY PRESENTS

MAMMA MIA!



ARARAT TOWN HALL 20TH JUNE - 5TH JULY 2025

Tickets available via ararattownhall.com.au

Or contact the Ararat and Grampians Visitor Information Centre on 1800 657 158.

MUSIC AND LYRICS BY

BENNY ANDERSSON

BJÖRN ULVAEUS

AND SOME SONGS WITH STIG ANDERSON

BOOK BY CATHERINE JOHNSON

ORIGINALLY CONCEIVED BY JUDY CRAYMER

LICENSED EXCLUSIVELY BY MUSIC THEATRE INTERNATIONAL (AUSTRALASIA)

BUANGOR CLUSTER DAY



BEN THE BANDIT

Ben Harkin is a motivational speaker who speaks of the challenges in his life after being born with no arms, and how he has learned to conquer them. Our children were mesmerised by his can-do attitude and captivated by his resilience and positivity.

Ben's Messages

- A. If you can survive the problem you have, it's not a BIG problem.
- B. Have the courage to try something new.
- C. Always have something to look forward to.
- D. Opportunity is literally in the palm of your hands.
- E. Anything can be achieved if you have a plan.
- F. You are beautiful.



Professor Peacock (Mrs Peacock from Buangor) took us to Hogwarts where we were sorted into houses. Gryffindor, Slytherin, Ravenclaw & Hufflepuff.

We brewed potions, wrote notes with invisible ink, made bubbling volcanoes and so much more



FOOTBALL CLINIC Skills & development



B	I	N	G	O
2 minute Jog in Place	10 push ups	5 Burpees	Step up on a chair 10 times	10 ski jumps
10 mountain climbers	1 minute run in place	Pick a fitness Card	10 toe touches	30 second plank
1- minute wall sit	1 min crab walk	Free!	10 crunches	2 minute walk around the room
15 push ups	10 sit ups	15 squat jumps	20 modified push ups	30 seconds high knees
20 torso twists	10 Star Jumps	20 jumping jacks	Pick a fitness Card	20 arm circles

Last Friday, Blake and I were lucky enough to run a footy clinic for students from our rural cluster, drawing on our strong football backgrounds. Although the weather made outdoor activities challenging, we were still able to give the students plenty of opportunities to develop their football skills.

When the conditions allowed, we got outside to practise kicking, handballing, marking, and played a variety of fun, football related games. As the rain settled in, we moved indoors and kept the energy high with a round of Fitness Bingo. This activity was a big hit with the students!

Tayla from Buangor also suggested some "Minute to Win It" challenges, which the kids absolutely loved. They rotated through a circuit of quick, engaging activities that tested their coordination and kept them moving.

Even though the weather limited our time on the oval, students were still highly engaged and participated in a wide range of fitness and coordination-based tasks that contributed to their overall skill development, and most importantly, they had a great time!



WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE

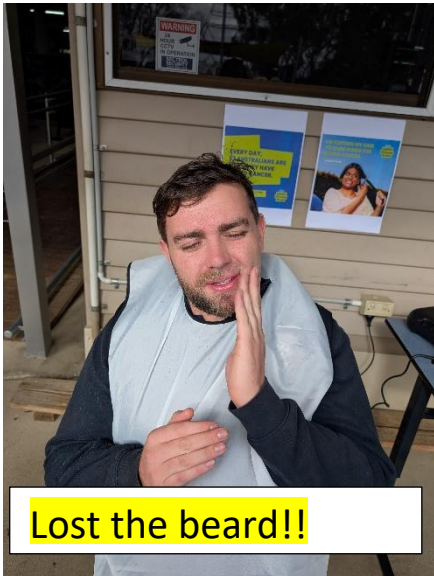


Where your fundraising goes

Big or small, every donation matters – and helps the Leukaemia Foundation support Australians living with blood cancer today, while investing in a better tomorrow

Maroona primary school raised \$ 550.00

to further life-saving research and support families facing blood cancer.



We were all so proud of these 3 amazing school leaders, and all the children who supported them by choosing to colour their hair. To step up is brave & admirable in support of such a worthwhile cause. WELL, DONE!!





BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Thanks to all of our staff for their dedication to both fundraisers. Thanks also to the parents and children that helped with set up raffles keeping the warm drinks and food up to everyone in attendance and keeping the conversations running.

Special mention to Leeanne Quin who fed us the most delicious morning tea. There were many of us. Three schools, teachers, families and visitors. The praise for you was ongoing throughout the morning.





MAROONA PRIMARY SCHOOL

THANK YOU

**for supporting Australia's
Biggest Morning Tea 2025.**

YOU RAISED AN INCREDIBLE

\$1,800

Your generous contribution will help fund life-saving research, prevention programs and help us to continue to support those impacted by cancer.

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