



MAROONA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Our school promotes an atmosphere of learning and friendship and provides a safe, inclusive and engaging environment where all are respected and valued.

HONESTY

KINDNESS

RESPECT

EXCELLENCE

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear families and community members,

We are now almost at the halfway point of Term One and beginning to settle into a more 'normal' school routine.



Our welcome games and mission statement launch was an eventful day in more ways than one, but ultimately, a success. Thank you to all families who attended and made it a special day for the students. Congratulations to all students on creating fantastic mission statements and, in particular, the senior students on planning and delivering some awesome games for students. Photos of the day, plus the mission statements can be found in the newsletter.

The day's festivities were interrupted by the news that Victoria was going back into lock-down. This meant that students spent the next three days learning from home. I would like to acknowledge the work of our staff team in working over the weekend to prepare the remote learning program. Thank you also to our responsive and supportive parent community, who again stepped up to the plate to ensure that the vast majority of students maintained learning continuity and returned to school on Thursday ready to hit the ground running.



Yesterday, our Grade 1-6 students represented the school in the cluster swimming sports. I was very proud of all students who participated

on the day. The comradery and sportsmanship that was on display was fantastic and it was great to see our students give it their best effort. Thanks to the Buangor Primary School Staff for leading the organisation of the day and for all families who assisted with transport and cheerleading responsibilities. Congratulations to Jack, Charlotte, Julianne, Olivia, Grace and Eddie who qualified for the Black Ranges Carnival, which will be held next week.



Last night, our school council met for the first time this year. The next meeting on March 17 also includes the AGM. I encourage all parents to consider becoming a part of our school council team, who play an important role in maintaining our school's culture and developing the broad direction of the school. For specific information on the role of a councillor, please talk to myself, our school council president Dominique or a current school councillor.

Finally, our 3-way conferences will be held on Thursday the 11th of March from 1:00—5:00. Appointments can be made through schoolinterviews.com using our event code—**jtkc3**.

Kind regards,

Darren

WANTING TO BUY

Second hand 1 to 1.5 tonne grain feed trailer

Contact Andrew Eastick 0418 528 283

Upcoming Events

February

	24 Swimming sports		25 MARC (rescheduled due to swimming sports)	26
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March

1	2	3 Black Ranges swimming	4	5 Clean up Australia Day Monster Walk
8 Labour Day (school closed)	9	10 MARC	11 3 way conferences	12
16	16	17 School council AGM	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Other Dates to note</u></p> <p>March 25th—LBDSSA Athletics Sports April 1st—Last Day of Term (2:10 finish)</p>	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Jasmine Conboy (11)—16th February

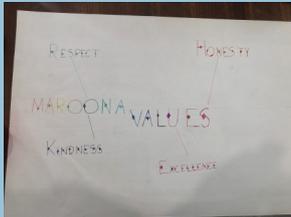


(Belated) Pancake Tuesday



Senior School Shoutout

Remote learning 3.0



Maroona Senior Students 2021 Mission Statement

We, here at Maroona Primary School, promise to aspire to excellence by learning things to the best of our ability, using a growth mindset and persistently working towards our goals.

Everyone will consistently demonstrate reliability and responsibility so that as leaders we are setting a good example.



*Congratulations **Kate, Charlotte, Danielle and Olivia** on achieving the first reading milestones for the year in the senior school.*

Keep up the great reading

Foundation, 1 & 2- Blurb No. 2- 2021

Another fortnight has quickly gone by and we are almost half way through Term 1. The F-2's last 2 weeks have been very disruptive for our learning but we have still managed to settle into a work routine.

The F-2 students put together a great mission statement for 2021 (see below) and enjoyed the Welcome Games and bubbles.

Just after we had sent all our students home that day we received confirmation from the Education Department that we were to go into Lockdown 3.0. We had no chance to get the students to take home books and materials so instead we came up with a fun learning matrix which involved some most enjoyable activities. Many thanks to all the wonderful families who completed these activities and either sent pictures of the great work their children had done or sent back the completed work with the children last Thursday. It was fantastic to see the terrific effort that many had gone to. Our aim with this matrix was to make the learning for the students a continuum of our curriculum without making it onerous for the parents. I loved some of the great 'Superheroes Lego constructions' that were produced- well done to a great effort.

Superhero of the Fortnight

Our 'superhero of the fortnight' is **Rowly Tucker**. **Rowly** showed an amazing positive growth mindset at the swimming sports yesterday and with a little encouragement he participated in his events. I was really proud of **Rowly** for having a go at something he wasn't keen on doing. Well done Rowly on using your 2021 Superhero growth mindset goal of: 'I can do anything'!



Reading F-2- nights of reading/ resilience

Many students have really got into their reading over the last fortnight and are now well on the way to their first reading certificate of 25 nights of reading. It is important that the books are written in the diaries and signed each night that the students read so Tammy can count them as 'nights of reading'. There has also been some great work done on the resilience activities as well as the exercise- keep up the great work in these fantastic diaries!

Art News

During Lockdown 3.0 there was an art activity set in the students' matrix which involved taking a picture of something at home then sketching it for art. I received some great artwork- I have pasted the photo onto the artwork and laminated and displayed these in the corridor. Thanks to those students who completed this activity. I'm sure you'll all agree that they did an amazing job with their pictures.

In 2021, the F-2 students at Maroona P.S. promise to use **KINDNESS, RESPECT, HONESTY** and **EXCELLENCE** in all that we do.

F-2 Learning

Week 5: 22nd- 26th February

Foundation sounds: *Bb, Cc, Gg, Hh*

Gr. 1-2 Soundwaves: *bb B*

Mathematics: Measurement & Geometry:

F- curved & straight lines, position

Gr. 1- Analogue time, shapes, 3D objects

Gr. 2- Parallel lines, time, position, capacity.

Week 6: 1st- 5th March

Foundation sounds: *Dd Ff Vv Ee*

Gr. 1-2 Soundwaves: *a*

Mathematics: Number & Algebra:

F- Nos 7 & 8, 1 to 1 correspondence

Gr.1- Addition, 10 facts, one half

Gr. 2- Multiplication- groups & rows, sharing.

