

Newsletter

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Get out your calendars

We have a very busy end to the term with a range of events and activities that students and parents can be involved in. We have outlined some of these in the newsletter. These events include: Learning journey, school cross country competition, two assemblies, disco, lightning winter carnival, NAIDOC week activities and a School Board meeting. So, get your calendars out and make a note of the different events happening and get involved where you can.



Boylo Ball

I understand that students have been coming home and talking about Boylo Ball which has led to parents asking me what the game is all about. Briefly, I umpire the game at lunchtime with the students in years 4, 5 and 6. I have combined a range of skills from other games into the rules. Students can throw the ball, pick it up and kick it or use their soccer skills to move the ball forward. The objective of the game is to get the ball over the score line, anyway you can, below head height. The game involves tackling with the exception of no head high contact. The games motto is that "the person is more important than the ball" so students are expected to stop and assist if someone gets hurt etc. The game has many benefits including kids getting used to being tackled without getting angry and understanding that you can get knocked around without getting aggressive. It's all part of the game. It also gives cohorts of students the opportunity to work together and develop year level team spirit and hopefully have a lot of fun!



STRIVE TO LEARN

MARMION PRIMARY SCHOOL

Character Strengths

Dr Craig Malkin is a clinical psychologist and author who is a leading expert in narcissism. He has outlined that narcissism levels have been increasing among Western youth and contribute to societal problems such as aggression and violence. One critical factor that leads to narcistic children is parental overvaluation. Children seem to acquire narcissism, in part, by internalizing parents' inflated views of them (e.g., "I am superior to others" and "I am entitled to privileges"). The use of over praise and elevated language is a major influencing factor. It is not necessary to offer our children the sensation of success by labelling each and everything they do or achieve, with one or more superlatives. Fantastic, brilliant, sensational, amazing, excellent, super, fabulous etc. These superlatives are used to praise everything from simply making a sandwich to packing away toys. Our language just isn't expanding as quickly as we are exhausting it. Sensing the diminished value of superlatives, it's tempting to resort to desperate combinations. "What a fantastically brilliant, sensationally amazing, really super job you've done." Achievements, efforts, results and outcomes that require superlatives to describe them are rare. The research says that it's alright to give proportionate praise. "Good effort, you've worked hard at that," and "It's good, things are improving," "You must be pleased with what you've done," "Look at how much you've learnt, no wonder you're smiling," are the kinds of things we can say, saving our superlatives and their value for the times when they best describe what's been done.

Covid update

Please continue to be vigilant around testing for Covid if Children show any symptoms and keeping children from school until they are asymptomatic. We have free RAT tests available at the school for families to access. They are also available in a range of locations within the community. Simply google "WA Free RAT". Please be aware however, that RATs do not always pick up the new variants, so if you suspect covid but have a negative RAT, you can consider a PCR. If you or your child has symptoms (fever, fatigue, sore throat, cough, headache, sore stomach, vomiting, diarrhoea, conjunctivitis) you can get a PCR at the local covid clinic in Duncraig: Western Diagnostics Respiratory Clinic, Unit 11, 209 Warwick Road. They don't take bookings, just turn up. Note they close at 1pm on weekdays and 12pm on weekends. If you have a positive RAT or PCR please inform the school so we can take extra steps to keep other families healthy.

Principal

Bill Boylan



Dogs on the School Site

Please respect the following request:

- · No dogs to be on the school site from 8.00am to 4.00pm
- · At all other times dogs must be kept on a lead
- · Under no circumstances should dog excrement be placed in school bins outside classrooms.

Your support of this request is important. Please ensure that grand-parents and other family members who pick up or drop of children are aware of this request as we do not want to offend when we ask you to take the dog offsite.

Service Road off Radbourne Street

Reminder - Please do not <u>drive</u> down the access road off Radbourne Street for school pick up and drop offs.

Gingerbread Men In German

This term in German, the Year 4s learnt the story "The Gingerbread Man". After learning the story, we did a short test. Frau Valli and Miss Herath thought it would be nice to bake some gingerbread men with the Year 4s to finish off the topic. All of the Year 4s were really excited. Frau Valli and Miss Herath planned a day and made some dough. First, we split into two groups. We rolled the dough, shaped it and made cut-outs of gingerbread men. When we had enough cookies, we put them on trays, put them in the oven and set the timers for five minutes. We finally took them out and ate them! Everyone got one gingerbread man to eat. They were delicious! We all had fun baking gingerbread men. Thank you Frau Valli and Miss Herath for baking with us. Annabella Aguilera (Year 4)





Marmion's Link to Culture



NAIDOC Week

Joondalup region is part of **Mooro country** and is an important place for Indigenous people. Marmion Primary School was established in 1956 in the middle of thick scrub and trees. Today it is surrounded by native indigenous bushland. To celebrate NAIDOC week this year the students are going to go for a 'Mooro Walk', through the bushland surrounding the school. Throughout week 10 the students will be guided in small groups, identifying the flora and gaining a better understanding of the 'traditional landowners' use of vegetation.

For example, the school is surrounded by eucalyptus trees. The tree and the wood are usually referred to by the Aboriginal name Jarrah. The Nyungars used its bark to build mia mias(shelters), the gum was used for tanning of kangaroo skins, the wood was used for kitjs (spears) and wannas (digging sticks). The leaves produced eucalyptus oil which was used for medicinal purposes.

After the students have completed their walk, they will gather in the yarning circle to hear the story of the artwork on the surrounding wall.

Teachers may request parent helpers, in the coming weeks to guide students on the walk.





Keep an eye on the calendar as it is updated regularly.

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9	19 BOARD MEETING 7pm	Bunnings Incursion LA7 Learning Journey 6-7pm	MPS Cross Country	22 Assembly LA17	23	SCHOOL DISCO
10	NAIDOC WEEK - ACTIVITIES	27 Bunnings Incursion LA8&9 LIGHTENING CARNIVAL Winter Interschool Sport Y5/6 Reports Sent Home	28	Assembly LA5&6	Bunnings Incursion LA2&3	1/2July
	3	4	5	6	7	8/9
	10	11	12	13	14	15/16





Term 3 events so far!

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday/Sunday			
1	PD Day	18	19	20	21	22/23			
2	24	25	26	27	28	White Christmas in July			
3	31 Board Meeting 7pm	1August	2	3 Assembly LA7	4	S/6			
4	7	8 Interschool Cross Country Davallia/North Beach Date to be confirmed	9 School Photos	School Photos	11	12/13			
5	14	15	16	17 Assembly PP	18	19/20			
6	21	Jumps & Throws BOOK FAIR —	MPS Sports Carnival	24	Book Week Parade	26/27			
7	28	29	30	31	1September	2/3			
8	4	5	6	7 Assembly LA8&9	8	9/10			
9	11	12	13	14	15	16/17			
10	18	19	20	21 Assembly LA10&11	22	23/24			
	25 King's Birthday	26	27	28	29	30/1 October			
	2	3	4	5	6	7/8			



P&C Treasurer Position

Our wonderful treasurer Ulrich needs to step down from the position this year. We would like to take the opportunity to thank Ulrich for all his hard work over the last 4 years, he has been a really valuable member of the P&C community!

This means we will be looking for a new treasurer to start in September. If you have some basic accounting skills and would like to use them to support our kids, then please get in touch with Ulrich or the P&C for more information about the role.

A Front Garden Transformation

The P&C have secured funds from the City of Joondalup to create a beautiful new native garden at the entry to our school. The lawn and roses will be removed and a new garden will be planted with water wise native species which reflect the importance our school places on our bushland resource and ensuring habitat for our local fauna species. The project is also being financially supported by the school and P&C.

Much of the hard yakka will be undertaken by local contractors, but we need your help to finish the garden. A planting day will be held early in term 3 for our community to get together so you can plant a tree with your family in the new garden. Keep an eye on the newsletter and Facebook page for this date.

Thank you City of Joondalup for your support.

Mar-mites canteen - Convenor & volunteers needed!

We are fortunate to have a wonderful P&C run canteen at Marmion. It is open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday serving a variety of delicious lunch and afternoon recess options. In order for us to keep this service running, we are looking for volunteers and a new canteen convener.

Volunteering is easy, doesn't take long, and kids love to see their parents helping out! You'll receive all the training you need, and will offer some much needed help to the staff in some basic food prep in the morning and sales at lunch.

You can get more info and sign up to volunteer here: https://signup.com/go/VbtcBnr

The canteen contener role is part of the P+C executive committee and reports on the canteen activities to the P+C. The convener is also responsible for other activities such as grant applications and employing canteen staff, as well as supporting the canteen operations. This role is a great way of providing a meaningful contribution to the school and canteen. No previous canteen experience is required as the committee members will support you in this role.

Please contact the canteen at <u>marmioncanteen@outlook.com</u> if you are interested in these roles or would like more information.









Establishment of Friends of Marmion Primary School Bushland

Bushland 'Friends of' groups are formed by local community members that want to help protect our environment. We have had increasing interest from parents and school neighbours in caring for the bushland around our school. To help us work together, we have started a new group called the Friends of Marmion Primary School Bushland.

Please join us for our first busy bee on Saturday 1 July from 2.30 - 4.30 pm in the bushland area along Telford street. We will also elect our Committee Members for the Friends Group at this time.

We have a large area of high conservation value bushland surrounding the school, with many rare plants including native orchids. Our bushland also provides food and shelter for wildlife, including endangered black cockatoos, quenda, reptiles, birds and insects. It is a great outdoor learning resource for our school, with students already involved in planting and weeding activities.

Like us on facebook Friends of Marmion School Bushland | Facebook ,





Uniform Shop

Our onsite uniform shop, run and staffed by volunteers is open every **Wednesday from 8:30 - 9:15am**. Yellow polo shirts have now been restocked!

Online orders are available via Qkr! with the option of delivery to your child's class-room or collection during opening hours.

The second hand rack is also well stocked with clothes so be sure to pop past. We thank you for your second hand donations but please note we are not able to accept hats, or any clothes with more then 2 stains. As a general rule of thumb; "If you saw it on the rack, would you buy it?". If no, please don't donate it.





MARMION PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C

PROCESS FOR P&C FUNDING PROPOSALS

The P&C provides funding for numerous initiatives and projects around the school each year.

The P&C raises funds via our Fundraising Committee through a variety of events over the year, for example The Evening on the Oval, Mothers/Fathers Day stalls & Sports day. This is how we can provide funding to support the school.

If there is something you are passionate about that you think the school will benefit from or would like to coordinate an event for a purpose, whether it be new play infrastructure, IT equipment or recycling bins, you will need to submit a Funding Proposal to the P&C for discussion at a General Meeting.

We've set out a step by step process to assist in getting your Funding Proposal approved.

- Speak to the School, (first stop Mr Boylan our Principal) to put forward your idea, confirm the need and get their approval.
 When you have this, then...
- Research suppliers and try to get at least three quotes if it's an item you wish to have the P&C purchase for the School.
- 3. Liaise with the P&C to see if any grant opportunities would be available if applicable (e.g. could Lottery west provide some funding?).
- 4. Request the appropriate forms from the P&C for your funding Proposal to include the above information and confirm the content with Mr Boylan prior to submitting to the P&C.
- 5. Submit all relevant information to P&C 10 days prior to P&C meeting.
- 6. Be prepared to answer questions at the next general meeting to discuss your Funding Proposal.
- 7. Once approved you may proceed with your Proposal and ensure all receipts are provided to the P&C Treasurer for reimbursement of the approved amount.



Rest assured the process is not always complex and once the need and process is established, repeat approvals are often far quicker.



REGULAR EVENTS

Canteen 0491 127 076

Uniform Shop

Wednesday-Friday takeaways only.

Wednesday 8:30-9:15am

USEFUL CONTACTS

New School Phone number:

9492 2300

Absentees

Marmion.ps@education.wa.ed u.au

Holiday Absent

Professional Development Days 2023

Term 2 — 24 April

Term 3 — 17 July

Term 4 — 6 November

School Times

School lines

Start of Day: 8:50am **Lunch:** 10:50am - 11:30am

Recess: 1:20pm - 1:40pm

Well being time: 1:40 -

2:05pm

End of Day: 3.00pm

Term Dates 2023

Term 1: Feb 1 - 6 April

Term 2: 24 April - 30 June

Term 3: 17 July-22 September

Term 4: 9 October-14

December

Please remember to advise the school when your child is absent either by phoning the school on **9492 2300** or sending an email and advising the reason for the absence so we can code it correctly in lesson attendance.

For all general absentees such as illness, specialist appointments:

Marmion.ps@education.wa.edu.au

Marmion Primary School Containers for Change Scheme ID

C10296463



Use this code when returning containers so MPS can receive the 10 cents per container refund.

