

## Principal's Page

Newsletter WK 4 Term 4 2023

### School Development Day-Monday Nov 6.

Staff will be using this pupil free day for a range of operational planning including:

- Revision of NAPLAN and school data.
- Focus on key elements of the new Business Plan.
- Discussing the School Review which will take place in term 2 next year.
- Finalising School Development Plans particularly in the areas of Mathematics, English and Social/emotional learning.
- Finalising policy documents in the areas such as behaviour and communication.
- Establishing learning area budgets and reviewing current resources.
- Being involved in professional learning around our identified priorities.

As outlined above the PD Day enables all staff to work collaboratively to ensure processes and policies are in place and ready to go in 2024.

### School Board

I want to thank the school Board for all their efforts this year. We have had a very busy 12 months reviewing a range of school policies, developing the new Business Plan and gaining a perspective on the changes in curriculum direction. At the last meeting we reviewed the NAPLAN data. Although NAPLAN is only one source of evidence to monitor student progress it did reinforce the current direction the school needs to take to improve results.

I want to acknowledge those members who will be moving on including Natasha Bowman, Amy Dawson, Jack Whitcombe, Melissa Engelke and Joshua Nipps.

A special mention to Natasha Bowman who has completed her term as Board Chairperson. Natasha has done an outstanding job in this role over many years. I personally have appreciated her knowledge of protocols and processes and her strong organisational skills. Natasha is a passionate advocate for the school and always ensured the perspective of parents and carers was considered and respected.

We now need to call for nominations to replace the Board members that are departing. We will be sending out a separate connect notice on Monday with all the details so please give some thought to nominating.



# MARMION PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Jack The Wagtail/Swim Challenge



We are all looking forward to this whole school community event. We will be having an assembly on Thursday November 9 to officially launch the event. We have invited Mr Glen Buck, the originator of the Challenge, to speak with the students at the assembly. We will then give out the sponsorship forms and event details.

The Jack the Wagtail Challenge will then take place at the school on November 16 commencing at 9:00am. Students from years 3-6 will then depart the school at approximately 10:40am to travel to Cragie Leisure Centre for the swim challenge. A big thank you to all the parents that have already registered as volunteers both at the Jack the Wagtail and the swim challenge.

## Junior Choir

Students have been really enjoying the junior choir. Below are the dates for the remainder of the term

### REHEARSALS:

Week 5 - Friday 10th Nov  
Week 7 - Friday 24th Nov



### PERFORMANCE:

Week 8 - Thursday 30th Nov (music assembly)

Rehearsals are 8:10am - 8:40am in the music room and newcomers are welcome!

## Well done

Congratulations to **Summer Vidler** and **Archie Collins** who competed in the SSWA Track and Field event. Summer came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 1500. Archie dominated the running winning the 200m, 400m and 80m races. Great effort from both Marmion students.



# MARMION PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Character Strengths

One of our character strengths that we focus on at Marmion is **Honesty**. We talk to students about the importance of telling the truth and taking responsibility for their actions and feelings. It is important to talk about honesty with children.

The best time to discuss the importance of honesty and truthfulness is when you and your child are calm and relaxed, not in the heat of the moment after you have just caught your child lying. If you talk about honesty and discuss why it is important at times when the child is able to hear you and process what you are saying, then when you come to those moments when you are disciplining your child about lying, you can refer to these principles without getting into long explanations or heated discussions.

Acknowledging honesty when you see it is an important and powerful way to foster truthfulness. We often notice children being dishonest and we (rightfully) draw their attention to it. However, we also need to frequently draw attention to their honesty. Saying that honesty is important, but then not giving it any recognition or value in practice, sends a weak message about how truly important you think honesty is. When you see the behavior, label it (e.g., "I see you are being truthful about the mistakes you made"). You can give positive appreciation (e.g., "Thank you for being honest about where you were this afternoon "I am glad you told the truth about making a mess"). But be careful not to overdo the praise. Avoid insincere or excessive praise (e.g., "Wow, you told the truth! It is just so amazing how honest you are being"), as children can easily detect false, exaggerated praise. That's especially true when you are trying to emphasize honesty, sincerity, and trustworthiness! You should also try to avoid comparative praise (e.g., "You are much more honest now"), which can backfire by communicating to the child that they are perceived as being dishonest; that may obscure any positive message about what they did right.

If you want your children to be honest, you have to show them how to be honest. Matching our deeds to our words is more powerful than words alone. It undermines the message when we tell kids that honesty is important, but then they see us be dishonest, even in small ways. The message children derive from mismatched behaviour is that we give lip service to the virtue of honesty, but when it suits us we can "fudge" it and lie. How does that happen? Parents may not realize the small fib that they told (e.g., saying their 13 year old is under 12 to pay the child fare) is sending a powerful message. When we send and receive messages that say "it's OK" to do that—but just a little—then we all become "fudgers." If parents think honesty is important and should be maintained, then they need to exemplify that in their behaviour. This is also true for keeping promises. As a parent, you should only make promises you know you can keep—and commit to them. Breaking a promise compromises our trustworthiness. If promises are heedlessly made and easily broken, children learn they don't need to keep to their commitments or be honest about what they will or won't do. For parents, being honest means we have to sometimes take a step back, think before we speak, and only make promises we know we can deliver. The benefit of being thoughtfully honest is that your child will see you as dependable, a trustworthy source of information, and emotionally reliable.

Bill Boylan  
Principal



# MARMION PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Thankyou!!!

A very big thank you to the Mann family for the generous donation of a couch for our library, it has been very much appreciated by everyone.



## Reading Dogs

This week was our last Reading Dog session for the year. It has been a huge success and we look forward to running the program again in 2024. Thankyou to all the wonderful families and more importantly their dogs who supported this initiative. And made it such a success.





# MARMION PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Warlang Biddi Room

The Marmion Well Being Room has officially been named the 'Warlang Biddi' Room, meaning *healthy path*.



## BOOKCLUB

Thankyou to everyone who has supported bookclub throughout the year. Below are some of the new books we have ordered through the proceeds of bookclub and are available for students to borrow.





# MARMION PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Term 4 Calendar

5	6 PD Day	7	8 EDUDANCE	9	10 EDUDANCE	11/12
6	13	14	15 EDUDANCE	16 Jack the Wagtail Swim Challenge Craigie Leisure Centre 11am-2pm	17 EDUDANCE	18/19
7	20	21	22 EDUDANCE	23 Thankyou Morning Tea 10:30 	24 EDUDANCE	25/26
8	27	28	29 EDUDANCE	30 Music / Instrumental Assembly	1 December EDUDANCE	2/3
9	4 SWIMMING PP – Yr4	5 SWIMMING PP – Yr4	6 SWIMMING PP – Yr4 EDUDANCE Concert	7 SWIMMING PP – Yr4	8 SWIMMING PP – Yr4 EDUDANCE Concert	9/10
10	11 SWIMMING PP – Yr4	12 SWIMMING PP – Yr4 Leavers Ceremony	13 SWIMMING PP – Yr4	14 SWIMMING PP – Yr4	15 	16/17
	18	19	20	21	22	23/24

Keep an eye on the calendar for new dates being added!



# P & C News

## Canteen going forward

We are thrilled to announce that Duncraig Senior High School P&C will be servicing our school canteen each Tuesday and Thursday.

Our wonderful Marmion P&C will also be running meal deals every second Friday and each Friday at lunchtime, the kids can line up at the canteen and purchase an ice cream or afternoon treat.

Last Friday we sold 300 ice creams at lunchtime, it was a huge hit!!

We need your help to serve the kids faster, its only 40 minutes of your time and then it's done.

If you have a little longer to spare, we'd love your help packing lunch orders every Friday fortnight too.

Click on the link below to sign up.

<https://signup.com/go/VMOPtWA>

Orders from Duncraig SHS have commenced this week and are delivered to the school in time for lunch and distributed by volunteer.

Download the Flexischools app and register now to order.

Orders close 8am on the day of delivery.

## HOW TO REGISTER



## WITH *flexischools*

- 1 Download the Flexischools app and select "Register".
- 2 Type in your email and submit to create an account.
- 3 Go to your inbox and click the link to verify your email (remember to check your junk).
- 4 Follow the registration process, creating a password and adding your personal details.
- 5 Add your student under "Profile" and start ordering online!



**Download Flexischools app**



# P & C News

## New Canteen Menu

Fuelling bodies, minds & hearts at Marmion PS

### SANDWICHES / ROLLS / WRAPS

**Choose your filling** From \$3.50

Ham, Chicken, Cheese, Egg, Salad, Tuna,  
Vegemite, Falafel, cucumber, Tomato,  
Lettuce

### TOASTED SANDWICHES

**Choose your filling** From 4.50

Ham, Chicken, Cheese, Tuna, Egg, Vegemite,  
Falafel, Cucumber, Tomato, Lettuce

### SUSHI

**Made in house (5 per serve)** \$5.50

Teriyaki Chicken, Teriyaki Chicken &  
Cucumber, Tuna and Mayonnaise, Tuna,  
Cucumber and Mayonnaise, Vegetarian  
(Carrot and Cucumber \$5.00)

### HOT FOOD

<b>Round Pizza Rolls</b>	\$3.50
<b>Veggie Burger</b>	\$5.50
<b>Cheeseburger</b>	\$5
<b>Chicken Burger</b>	\$5
<b>Crumbed Chicken Tender</b>	\$2
<b>Sweet Chilli Chicken Tender</b>	\$2
<b>Ham Quiche</b>	\$5
<b>Chicken Nuggets</b>	\$4.50
<b>Pasta Napolitana</b>	\$5
<b>Spaghetti and Meatballs</b>	\$5
<b>Macaroni &amp; Cheese</b>	\$5
<b>Fried Rice</b>	\$5
<b>Mrs Macs Pies</b>	\$3-\$4.50

### YOU DO MAKE FRIENDS WITH SALAD

FROM \$4.50 - \$5.20

#### Salad Box

Lettuce, Carrot, Tomato,  
Cucumber, capsicum and a  
boiled egg

#### Abundance Bowl

Roasted Pumpkin, Spinach,  
Cucumber, Avocado,  
Hummus topped with  
Pumpkin Seeds and a  
Balsamic Olive Oil Topping

#### Chicken Noodle Salad

Rice Noodles tossed through  
Shredded Chicken, spring  
onions, cucumber, snow peas,  
cabbage and fresh mint with  
an Asian Dressing

### GLUTEN FREE

<b>Banana Bread</b>	\$3
<b>Chicken Nuggets</b>	\$4
<b>Chicken Tenders</b>	\$2.20
<b>Toasted Sandwiches</b>	From \$4.50
<b>Chicken Tender Sub Roll</b>	\$5.50
<b>Macaroni &amp; Cheese</b>	\$5.50

### FRUIT

<b>Two Fruits Tub</b>	\$2
<b>Piece of Fruit Apple</b>	\$1.50
<b>Piece of Fruit Orange</b>	\$1.50
<b>Piece of Fruit Pear</b>	\$1.50

### SNACKS

<b>Mini Blueberry Muffin</b>	50c
<b>Mini Raspberry Muffin</b>	50c
<b>Brownes Strawberry Yoghurt</b>	\$2
<b>Brownes Lactose Free Mango</b>	\$2
<b>Banana Bread Slice</b>	\$3
<b>Popcorn Sea Salt</b>	\$2.50
<b>Dip with Rice Crackers</b>	\$2.50
<b>Dip with Vegetable Sticks</b>	\$2.80
<b>Brownes Chocolate Yogo Tub</b>	\$2.50

### DRINKS

Variety of cold drinks available \$1.80 - \$2.80  
(milk, juice & water)

Menu available from Tuesday 31st October

Every Tuesday & Thursday you can order lunch and recess items; both will be delivered at lunchtime. Orders close at 8am the day of delivery.





# P & C News

## Way forward for the **Canteen**

canteenmarmionaccts@gmail.com

On the 17th October, the P&C made the decision to continue servicing the school canteen in the following ways; however we need your help!

### Outsourcing the canteen

The canteen services will be outsourced to Duncraig Senior High School's canteen which is run by their P&C.

Every Tuesday and Thursday you can order lunch and recess items; both will be delivered together at lunchtime.

The first ordering day will be Tuesday 31st Oct.

Orders close 8am on the day of delivery.

Orders are through the Flexischools app. Download it, set up your child's profile and either pay via a credit card or top up your account. More details on setting up your account and the menu to come!

Click here to volunteer <https://signup.com/go/VMOptWA>



### Friday Meal Deals

Every second Friday, the P&C will be running a lunch meal deal with lunch treat cash sales. So remind the kids to bring their chore money to school!

Below are the dates and the year in charge of supplying volunteers for that day:

3/11/23 - Year 3  
17/11/23 - Pre-primary  
1/12/23 - Year 1  
15/12/23 - Year 4

On the day we'll require 2 volunteers to assist in preparing and packing from 8:30-11:45am

If you are unable to volunteer, we'd love for you to donate some baked treats or a box of icy treats at the canteen on Friday morning school drop off.

\*No nuts please\*



### Friday Lunch Treats

When the Friday Meal Deals aren't on, the Canteen will sell donated baked and icy treats.

Below are the dates and the year in charge of supplying volunteers for that day:

27/10/23 - Year 2  
10/11/23 - Year 5  
24/11/23 - Year 6  
8/12/23 - Kindy and P&C

On the day we'll require 2 volunteers from 10:40-11:40am to sell the treats.

If you are unable to volunteer, we'd love for you to donate some baked treats or a box of icy treats at the canteen on Friday morning school drop off.

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All money raised goes entirely to the Marmion P&C to continue to support our school



# P & C News

The Eco Commandos do great work behind the scenes to help our school be more sustainable.

Please support them by purchasing an Eco Commandos branded Keep Cup. Money from the cups go towards sustainability projects at our school.

Meanwhile you will be keeping single use coffee cups out of landfill. A win for everyone!

Purchase on Qkr! Cups will be delivered to your child's class.

**COME BUY...  
THE ECO COMMANDO KEEP CUP,  
SAVING 1 BILLION SINGLE USE CUPS  
FROM LANDFILL A YEAR BY PAYING  
\$17 ON QKR**





# P & C News

**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.

1. 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...
2. 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.

[MARMIONPANDC@GMAIL.COM](mailto:MARMIONPANDC@GMAIL.COM)



# MARMION PRIMARY SCHOOL

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programs



[Click here to register](#)

In Term 4 2023,

Sports X will be running the following after school sports program at Marmion Primary School:

**Rugby X** – Every Friday | 3.00 - 4.00pm | 8 weeks | \$135 (starting Week 2, October 20th)

The programs are available to students from Prep - Year 6.

On arrival children will be split into groups according to age.

All sessions will be run by qualified coaches who hold working with children cards.

The sessions will be fully inclusive & fun-based, catering for all abilities.



# MARMION PRIMARY SCHOOL



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get the latest information  
at Marmion Primary  
School.

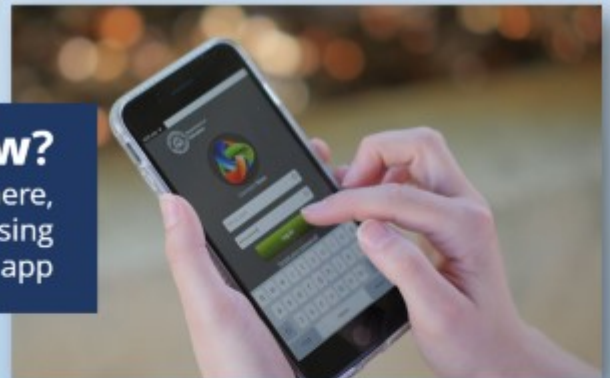


### What is my child doing?

Receive notifications to keep up to date  
with what's happening at school

### How to ConnectNow?

Access Connect anywhere,  
anytime on your phone using  
the **ConnectNow** app



Wherever you are... **ConnectNow**

If you would like to know more  
about **Connect** or **ConnectNow**  
please contact:

[marmionps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:marmionps@education.wa.edu.au)





# MARMION PRIMARY SCHOOL

## REGULAR EVENTS

**Canteen 0491 127 076**

Wednesday-Friday takeaways only.

**Uniform Shop**

Wednesday 8:30-9:15am

## USEFUL CONTACTS

**New School Phone number:**  
**9492 2300**

### Absentees

[Marmion.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Marmion.ps@education.wa.edu.au)

### Holiday Absent

## Professional Development Days 2023

Term 2 — 24 April

Term 3 — 17 July

Term 4 — 6 November

## School Times

**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](mailto:Marmion.ps@education.wa.edu.au)

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