Swimming School

Thank you for your patience while we allocated places for swimming school according to student need. We have a limited number of places and we began by encouraging all of our Year 2-4 students to participate. We then offered places to some of our senior students who are not confident swimmers. There are approximately 15 primary students who will not be attending the school swimming program.

Over the last few years, while Marulan Public School numbers have been lower, we have had the luxury of taking our whole primary school to the school swimming program. Unfortunately that is no longer possible and we have chosen to give places to our less confident swimmers – those for whom the program is intended.

All students who are attending the school swimming program will need to bring swimmers, a towel and goggles if required, every day from next Monday 26 October. They should bring a plastic bag for wet things. If they choose to wear swimmers to school – do remember to pack spare underwear for the trip home.

Focus Groups

Attached to this newsletter is an invitation to attend some school community focus group meetings and school evaluation surveys. All of us at Marulan are committed to school improvement and the development of positive relationships across the whole parent community. I would like to encourage you to consider attending one of the focus group sessions so that I can hear first-hand, your point of view about school priorities and your family’s experiences with our school.

K-2 Writing and numeracy groups

Since September, Mrs Jenny Godfrey has been a regular member of our staff. On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Mrs Godfrey takes K-2 writing and numeracy groups, allowing for smaller classes and more intense explicit instruction. The results of this initiative are already evident in the work of our K-2 students, some of which is included in this newsletter.

2016 Staffing

Next year Mrs Davidson will be moving to Bowral PS as a nominated transfer. Also, Mr Manning has been appointed as a permanent teacher at Goulburn East PS. We thank them both for everything they have done at Marulan PS and wish them well for their new ventures. Even though we will miss them both next year, I know that they have great plans for student learning for the rest of this term. I will have more information regarding 2016 teaching staff at Marulan PS in November and I will keep you updated.

Marianne Powles
Principal
**Important Dates**

For your calendar or diary

**Term 4**

**October**

*Mon 26 Oct—Fri 6 Nov* ~ School Swim Scheme

**November**

*Thurs 5* ~ Kinder Orientation 9am—11am

*Fri 6* ~ ASSEMBLY (KT) 9.15am

*Thurs 12* ~ Kinder Orientation 9am—11am

*Thurs 19* ~ Kinder Orientation 9am—12pm

*Tues 24* ~ ASSEMBLY (PBL) 2.15pm

*Tues 24* ~ P&C Meeting 6pm Library (last for 2015)

*Thurs 26* ~ Kinder Orientation 9am—2.30pm

**December**

*Tues 1* ~ Kinder 2016 parent meeting 5pm

*Mon 7* ~ Presentation Assembly 5pm

*Tues 8* ~ Year 6 Farewell Dinner & disco

*Fri 11* ~ Mini Fete 11am

*Tues 15* ~ PBL Rewards Day

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**Breakfast Club Roster**

**Term 4**

**October**

*Mon 26* — Col & Leanne

*Tues 27* — Sue & Camille

*Wed 28* — Sue & Camille

*Thurs 29* — Maureen & Sherree

*Fri 30* — Neale & Jade

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**Marulan Branch CWA**

**Melbourne Cup Luncheon**

**Tuesday November 3rd**

- Tallong Memorial Hall
- $25 per head at 12 midday
- Prizes for best dressed male and female
- Trivia and lucky door prize
- Race shown on the big screen
- BYO alcohol and glass

RSVP Faye 4841 0727 by Friday 30th October.

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**Mrs Godfrey’s writing group**

I can see a blue bird.

The dog was sad. By Michael

The dog was cold.

The funny clown was juggling some popcorn boxes.

The big goldfish was swimming to a shark.

Harry had no friends to play with. Arthur the dog came along. Harry felt happy. They played together. Arthur played with Harry’s toys. By Anthia

Harry the dog was very happy. One day they went for a walk, then Harry stopped at a window with a couple of dogs. Then Harry wanted to snuggle up like them and he wanted to tackle like them.

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**P&C Christmas Hamper Raffle**

We are asking for donations of non-perishable food items to go into a hamper raffle, to be drawn at the school’s Presentation Assembly, Monday Dec 7.

Please leave your donated items at the school office. We thank you in advance for your support of this fundraiser.

Raffle tickets will be sent home with the newsletter in two weeks.

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**MARULAN KITE FESTIVAL**

**Saturday October 31, 2015**

Tony Onions Park

Free Entry

10am—3pm

Come along for a great family fun day.

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by Lily