Our key priority this year will be an unrelenting focus on improving reading, writing and numeracy in all students through a whole school pedagogical approach which includes explicit instruction. This means that all students will improve in reading, writing and numeracy because we will be focussing on the best possible ways to teach.

School Mobile Phone
The phone will be taken on all excursions from the school, including sporting events such as the swimming carnival. This will enable staff to contact parents if the need arises and will provide an emergency contact number for parents. Please add the mobile phone number to your contact list. Mobile phone number: 0477760013

Don’t forget Educators day
Different days are allocated throughout the year as a way of saying thank you to staff in schools. There is teacher aides day, world teachers day, secretaries day and world cleaners day. Instead of celebrating each of these separately we have decided to combine them into one day and call it Educators Day. This will be a day for students to say thank you to the special people that touch their lives each day when they are at school. I would encourage parents to help students send a personal note of thanks to the fabulous staff here at Marlborough mentioning something they are grateful to that staff member for. These are the notes and cards we surround ourselves with and open when we are having a bad day to remind us why we love our job.

Volunteers
We are looking for 1 more volunteers to be allocated jobs at the district athletics day. (Thanks Peter Gray and Tessa Beak for volunteering) Jobs include timekeepers, high jump, shot put and long jump assistants. Please notify Sharon in the office if you are able to help out so that she can slot you in to the program.

NAPLAN test week
Our students in Years 3-7 have all worked very hard this week. Years 3, 5 and 7 have had their official NAPLAN tests to do while our Year 4 and 6 students have practise tests to complete. They have shown great heart and perseverance and I am very proud of them. Two days down and one to go!

Report by Wallace: This week Naplan has been on for the years 3, 5 and 7 in Marlborough State School. The Naplan tests are: Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation, Writing, Reading and Maths. Good luck to all of those children doing Naplan this year.
Awards
This week’s students of the week are Tayla for working hard on her reading and Cooper for showing great improvement in spelling. (Photo by Henry)

Expressions of Interest
We are looking for a grounds beautification officer for 4 hours per week during semester 2. This involves upgrading the schools gardens, working on a vegetable garden with students, weeding and shrub trimming. We are expecting that the successful applicant would work with students for approximately an hour of this time. All general enquiries should be directed to the principal 07 4935 6166.

Applications close Friday May 31. All applications should be made in writing and addressed to:
The Principal
Marlborough State School
79 Magog Road
Marlborough 4705

Plastic shopping bags
Ms Wosomo is after plastic shopping bags for the school waste paper baskets. If you have any to spare please send them in.

Woolworths Earn and Learn
The stickers have started coming in. Thanks everyone. Last year we collected 2306 stickers and this year our target is 5000 and so far we have 900! We have until June 30 to reach our target so please keep those stickers (and your neighbours and family’s stickers) coming in and place them inside the green box located at the school office.

Here are the large cushions we received last year being put to good use. (They also came in handy at the Mother’s Day pampering session)

Regards
Meg Saunderson

DATE CONFIRMATION
Marlborough State School Interhouse Athletics
Monday, 20th May, 2013
DELTA V KELSO
Don’t forget to wear your team shirt.
 importantes dates!

2013

May
Thursday May 16 – NAPLAN – Numeracy
Monday May 20 – Delta V Kelso athletics day.

Thursday May 23 - **Golf workshop** – Mr Gardiner joins us for our last session
Friday May 24 - **Romp in the Park** – Under 8’s day in Rockhampton
Monday May 27 **Football skills** – with Sally Galloway the NRL education officer
Tuesday May 28 - **Marlborough District athletics** – C’mon Marlborough bring it home again!
Friday May 31 **Western hoedown disco** – Student council run disco 5-9pm

June
Monday June 3 **Football skills** – with Sally Galloway the NRL education officer
Friday June 7- **Rockhampton Show Day** – no school
Monday June 10 - **Queens Birthday** – no school
Monday June 17 **Football skills** – with Sally Galloway the NRL education officer
Friday June 21 **Educators day** – A day to say thank you to all the staff at Marlborough State School

Australia's biggest morning tea

HOSTED BY CRAFT CO-OP
@ MUSEUM COMPLEX
10AM
23rd MAY, 2013
What’s Happening……

**Pub Raffles**: Don’t forget to get your tickets in the meat trays at the Pub. Gotta be in it to win it!! Pub Raffles is our most consistent fundraisers for P&C, and drawn each Friday night.

**Phone Directory**: The phone directory is on sale and available from school, and Post Office @ $10 each. Please let friends and family know so we can get it out into our community.

**Inter-School Athletics**: Just a reminder to Parents for the Inter-School Athletics on the 28th May, it would be greatly appreciated if you could bring along a morning tea item.

**Inter-House Athletics**: Again at the Inter-House Athletics on the 20th May, please bring along a shared morning tea item.

**Meeting Agenda**:

- WH&S (work place health and safety)
- Show Profit
- Bush Dance

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Thank-you to all helpers who have volunteered their time to help out with the pub raffles.

**Athletics Training**

**Mondays 3.15pm**

for those wanting to brush up on their athletics before inter-school join the Parents and helpers on the school oval Monday afternoons.

**Next Meeting**

Wed. 4th June 2013
Marlborough State School
3:10pm

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From little things big things grow....

Sue Gray
Secretary

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Please come and share your thoughts and ideas at our next meeting....