FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Term 4 – Week 4

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.

Dance Fever
Permission forms and information regarding the cluster organised RREAP activity Dance Fever have come home today.

Student Council – Veronica Lloyd Jones
This term we decided for our fundraiser that we would hold a trivia night, we thought since we have already have had two discos this year that we should do something different and exciting. More information on the date and other details to come.

Classroom update - specialist lessons

Music
This term we are making a music video about Marlborough. We are writing our own song which we will then learn and sing. This week we began writing the verses and have our chorus written. Students may be bringing home the video camera to film some footage for the video, so be prepared!

Design Technology
The design focus this term is on making a diorama. The grade 3-7 students got to pick their own design (forest, cave, army etc.). The P-2 students are doing an ocean themed diorama. They are making items that hang from the top and pop out from the back of their box.

Physical Education
Students this term have been engaging in aquatic safety, stroke development and basic water familiarisation activities. They loved the survival swimming lesson and learning about all the different ways to safely rescue someone.

Early Years Curriculum
This term students have been doing some gross motor skills activities including play dough, obstacle courses, bouncing balls and skipping. They have also been working on their fine motor skills by doing puzzles in groups and cotton tip painting. This week they are learning about their 5 senses.

History
In History this term we are studying past civilisations. Five different groups of students from Prep to Year 7 are working together to study a different past civilisation. Each group has chosen their own form of presentation in order to share their learning with the class. We will all learn a little more about Egypt, Rome, Greece, China and Australia.
Measles health alert
Queensland Health is concerned about the number of measles outbreaks in Queensland this year. Measles is a highly infectious disease that begins with symptoms such as fever, tiredness, cough, runny nose and/or red inflamed eyes. Measles can lead to complications such as middle ear infections, pneumonia (lung infection) and encephalitis (inflammation of the brain).
Measles can spread very easily. Vaccination is the only way to prevent measles. Queensland Health encourages anyone who has not had two measles-containing vaccinations, or who is not sure about their vaccination status, to get vaccinated as soon as possible. The measles vaccine is free from your local doctor for anyone born from 1966 onwards.
If parents think their child might have measles, they are advised to keep them away from school and make an appointment with a doctor or phone 13 HEALTH (13 43 25 84) to organise medical assessment.

Final reminder notices:
School Banking
School banking will continue this term. If you have more than ten tokens, these need to be used before the end of the year. The balance will be transferred over to next year. There will be no tokens next year. All deposits will be monitored by Commonwealth Bank.

Regards

Meg Saunderson

PRE-PREP DAY
2013

**November**

Wednesday 6 – *Prep Orientation 9am until 11am*

Monday to Thursday, 11-14 November - *Dance Fever visiting*

Friday, 15 November - *Dance presentation (parents invited)*

Wednesday 23 – *Prep Orientation 9am until 11am*

Monday, 25 November - *2014 School captain nomination speeches*

Friday, 29 November - *School swimming carnival - Marlborough*

**December**

Friday, 6 December - *District swimming carnival - Clarke Creek*

Wednesday, 11 December - *Presentation night*

Friday, 12 December - *Celebration day*

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**WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!**

The Marlborough Public Hall Committee is seeking donations for our fundraising raffle.

- Grocery items
- Drinks
- Toys
- Games

Anything at all!!
A wheelbarrow has been donated already........

Now we need to fill it up.
Any item will be greatly appreciated.

All items can be left at Marlborough Convenience Store.

THANK YOU
What’s Happening……..

Pub Raffles

Term 4

1st Nov Gray
8th Nov Olive
15th Nov Noakes
22nd Nov Truelson
29th Nov Chapman
6th Dec Gray
13th Dec Olive

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

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. Volunteers, we appreciate your help, but please be aware the Pub has the raffle as a favour to our school community. If you are unable to meet your rostered date please change with someone or let Sharyn or myself know so we can arrange someone to fill in.

Working Bee: A working bee will be held on Sunday the 17th of November at school to help tidy up around the place before the holidays. A note will be sent home to advise what tools will be needed for the day. If helpers could be there by 8 am.

Jobs that need to be done are:
- Remove green waste and take to tip – palm fronds etc
- Spray round up on some weeds in garden beds
- Lay the path pavers behind the main building
- Move soil into garden beds
- Collect some woodchips/mulch from the pub to be put onto garden beds

Meeting Agenda:
- WH&S (work place health and safety)
- Grants for funding of Blinds
- Presentation Night/Celebration Day

From little things big things grow….

Sue Gray
Secretary

Next Meeting
Wed. 27th November 2013
Marlborough State School
3:15pm

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