MAREEBA STATE SCHOOL

“Every day, in every classroom, every child is learning and achieving”

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Wednesday 24 June 2015

PIRATE DAY

On Friday 12th June, students dressed up as pirates for Pirate Day and raised $508 for Childhood Brain Cancer!
What a great way to finish the term with a fete and then the annual sports days!

**Fete**
Many thanks to all the members of our wonderful community for helping to make this year’s fete another hugely successful one. Special thanks to all our generous sponsors, to the P & C and especially our P & C president, Mrs Marita Roberts, and to her hard-working band of volunteers. The fete would not happen without the enormous support from school staff who put extra effort into the event at a time when they are also extremely busy with finalising assessment and reporting. Grounds staff and teacher aides complete the energetic team and greatly assist in the setting up of the event. A fantastic effort everyone and well done on a most enjoyable and successful night!

**Sports Days**
Our annual athletics days will be held this Thursday and Friday. These are important days on the school calendar and students are expected to attend school on these days. The program for the two days has been distributed to parents on the email list and will also be available at the school.

**Reports**
Reports will be sent home today, Wednesday 24 June. Parents and carers are encouraged to discuss the reports with their children and make an appointment to see their child’s teacher should there be any queries.

**Holidays**
Friday 26th June is the final day for Term 2. School resumes on **Monday 13th July**. Have a wonderful break and we look forward to seeing you in Term 3!

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**SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS**
Monday to Thursday 8.00am - 4.00pm
Friday 8.00am - 3.30pm

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**SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC**
As the end of Term 2 approaches we wish to thank everyone for their bright happy smiles and support. Forms have been given out to Prep, Year 2 and Year 3 this term for routine check ups and any follow-up treatment that may be necessary. We encourage you to return these forms to the school so we can contact you for appointments. Please also be aware that we will be open throughout the school holidays for appointments.

**WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR DENTAL TREATMENT?**
All QLD school aged children from 4 years to completion of Year 10.

**NEW ELIGIBILITY:**
2-4 year olds and 16-17 year olds with either:
- Current Health Care/Pension card
- Child Dental Benefits Schedule (Medicare)
If you have any queries regarding your children’s teeth, please contact us.

**SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC - 4092 1575**
**RESOURCE SCHEME**

Parents and carers are welcome to call in at the office and pay the annual resource fee of $50. EFTPOS is available. If you are unable to pay the total amount, we accept part payments. All monies go directly towards purchasing resources for classrooms. Thank you to the families who have recently paid:

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**POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING**

Another term has gone by and our students are looking forward to the holidays. It was great to see the reactions from the students in the classes who won the Subway parties this term. Congratulations to 1B, 3WK and 4A for being our Term 2 Subway Party winners. “I respect all property and people” has been our rule for this fortnight. Some questions we have been asking students at school are “What does the word respect mean?” and “Why is it important to respect all people?” This is a great way to gain an insight into how our students are thinking, both in the playground and in the classroom. Our Super Star sports Friday afternoon reward system has been going very well with plenty of excited participants this term. Mr O’Neill is looking forward to working with our teachers and organising sports next term. Thank you for another great term and we wish everyone a safe and happy holiday. See you all in Term 3.

- The PBL Team

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**NATIONAL PIRATE DAY**

On Friday 12th June the Mareeba SS Student Council held their first fundraiser in aid of Childhood Brain Cancer (CBC), actively participating in National Pirate Day. We asked our school students and staff to dress like a pirate, donating a gold coin towards CBC. The Student Council was very successful, raising $508 towards this worthy cause. All staff and students thoroughly enjoyed the day. The Student Council will host other great events like this next term. We know these events wouldn’t be possible without the support from our school families. On behalf of the Mareeba State School Student Council, thank you for your support!

**Prep Storytime in the Prep Hut**

Every Wednesday morning before school.

Stories, songs, rhymes and puppets.

On Wednesday, 27th May, we had the Mareeba Mayor, Tom Gilmore, reading. He read one of his favourite stories that he enjoyed reading to his children.
Expression of Interest: Teacher Aide Auslan Educational Interpreter

EOI is currently open to the general public who may be interested in learning about Auslan Teacher Aide: Educational Interpreter (Auslan) role as an employment option. Auslan is the (sign) language of the Australian Deaf community. The Qld Government Department of Education and Training (DET) employs staff as Teacher-Aide: Educational Interpreters (Auslan). The role involves working with deaf/hard-of-hearing students in the education context. A Teacher-Aide: Educational Interpreter:
- Contributes to the provision of a quality educational service by providing high level support for teaching and learning.
- Has the following characteristics for this TAO04 role: specialised knowledge, initiative, the application of judgement, perform the role with limited direction and make a substantial contribution to the school plan. The duties performed by a TAO04 may include those performed by TAO02 and TAO03 roles. If further information is required, please contact Susi Wahjuningrum – TA:EI Mareeba State School swahj1@eq.edu.au. Please email your details (name, address and contact number) and a brief resume to Karin O’Reilly – Regional Auslan Support Officer – korei7@eq.edu.au – Lyn Ellis (HOSES)

3WB 100%
Attendance Party
Congratulations on your outstanding attendance, 3WB!
Everyday counts!

Year 4 Update

During Term 2 the students in Year 4 have been very busy learning lots of new and exciting things about the world around us. In Science they have been working hard on their investigation skills and sorting information. The students learnt about the life cycles of both plants and animals. The most exciting part was planting their grass seeds and watching them grow into crazy grass heads. The students continued to develop their investigation skills in Technology when they had to explore the Cane Toad. They had to find out how it moved, what it was attracted to and most importantly, how to catch it! The students created their own design of a Cane Toad trap and reflected on their constructions. We got some interesting and ingenious ideas!
THANK YOU FROM THE P&C

What a great night the fete was! We are busy counting money and will shortly have a finalised list of what each stall made. This will be available in the first week of Term 3.

A big thank you to the following:

- All our wonderful parent helpers who assisted beforehand making cakes and treats and setting up the big marquee, and those who helped with the sticky job of making fairy floss!
- To the teachers, teacher aides, office staff, Mandy, Nyree and Hannah for all their help with stalls, signs and the great job they did helping to pack up.
- Mr Glen Tannock and Kristy Braes and the students for their wonderful band and choir performance, and Glen for his great job on MC for the night.
- Our awesome Groundskeeper Brad and Teacher Aide, Ronnie for transporting everything to the oval, setting up and the dreaded job of putting up the lights.
- Lisa and the wonderful ladies in the tuckshop who prepared all the food and also our cooks on the night.
- The two Dads who took the light towers back to Tolga on Saturday morning
  - Sandro Soncin for bringing the chip cookers, setting them up, cooking and helping with the lights.
  - To Jess, Sherri and Jane for all their help with co-ordinating stalls, raffles, money and also setting up.

A huge thank you to all! Have a great break and we will see you all in Term 3.

- Marita, Jess & Sherri

BOTTLE STALL THANKS

A big thanks to all parents, guardians, school staff, P&C, friends, IGA and Overflow managers who kindly donated to our bottle stall for the 2015 school fete. Whether it was filled or unfilled bottles, donations and gifts, all of your efforts are what help this stall to be so successful. All funds raised are collated by our wonderful P&C organisation and used for our school and your children’s education. As you know, each donation received a ticket into a cohort draw for a $10 tuckshop voucher. The winners of the tuckshop vouchers are:

Prep: Jayden Ward (Prep A), Year 1: Julia Bannink (1F), Year 2: Zion Schaaf (2T), Year 3: Allirah Wenborn (3MT), Year 4: Emily Melahrinos (4A), Year 5: Xavier Richardson (5G), Year 6: Katarina Hoare (6C). The vouchers will be passed onto students in their classes. Once again, thank you for your support. The stall was a big hit on the night with 520 bottles sold out in no time at all!

-Sheridan Collis, Nadine Apps and Mareeba SS P&C