



OUR POSITIVE BEHAVIOURS
I CARE ABOUT LEARNING.
I CARE ABOUT MYSELF AND OTHERS.
I CARE ABOUT MY SAFETY.

Wednesday 18 March 2015

MAREEBA STATE SCHOOL

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

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**“Every day in every classroom,
every child is ready to learn and achieve”**

PURPLE DAY FOR EPILEPSY
MSS raised \$436.30 on Fri 13th Mar



EVERY DAY COUNTS FOR YOUR CHILD!

Every day you are at school is one more day of learning!

OUR P&C MEETS THIRD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:00PM

CONTACT US: Phone - 4092 8100 Fax - 4092 4396 Email - the.principal@mareebass.eq.edu.au
Student absence line - 4092 8166



ADMIN NEWS

Principalship: It was with great pleasure and a sense of honour that I received the news that I have been successful in my application for the permanent Principal position at our great school. Many thanks to those who have sent messages of support. I sincerely look forward to continuing to work with our great team of staff and the broader school community.

Parent Teacher Interviews: As the end of the term approaches, it has been great to see the growth of students across these important first weeks with regard to their learning. Student work is often brought up to the office so that the leadership team can witness first hand the great job that students are doing in the classroom. Congratulations students and teachers on the wonderful work that is being consistently produced.

Parent-teacher interviews are scheduled for 30 and 31st March. Please make an appointment to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their individual progress.

Positive Behaviour for Learning: Fantastic work cannot be produced in classrooms unless they are calm, focussed learning environments. Our school maintains a strong focus on ensuring that we promote a culture that supports effective teaching and learning.

Last Thursday members of the school's Positive Behaviour for Learning Team attended a Regional training session in Cairns. The session was designed to assist school teams continue to develop a positive school climate that is conducive to learning. The school team will be conducting surveys in the upcoming weeks to determine the strategies that can be enhanced or introduced into our school to ensure that our school

maintains an environment that supports quality learning.

P & C : Our wonderful P & C is a vital part of our school and significantly contributes to the smooth running and improvement of Mareeba State School. The **next P & C meeting** occurs **Tuesday 21st April**. We welcome new members to attend these important meetings as well as any existing or past members. Even the smallest of contributions add up to a big difference to our school. Please consider coming along, to hear about what is happening in your child's school.

Mrs Mandy Whybird (Principal Prep)
Mrs Nyree Burton (Deputy Principal: Years 1-3)

Mrs Hannah Simpson (Deputy Principal: Years 4-6)

What do you know about
Scoliosis & Back Pack Safety?
Is your child at risk?



Back to School Spinal Check

Our Qualified Chiropractors will be available for a complimentary check of your Child's spine & backpack as a public service on Saturday mornings the 25th of April, 2nd of May & the 9th of May 2015

Care Chiropractic Queensland
Brisbane city centre
Mareeba: 4092 3556 Cairns: 4051 2998
Malden: 4096 6335 Innisfail: 4061 2440

SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC

PHONE 4092 1575

The Dental Clinic offers a free service available to all students. If you would like your child to visit the clinic, please don't hesitate to phone for a suitable appointment time.



Looking forward to

YEAR TWO

Term one saw our year 2 students investigating forces of motion and how things move using pushes or pulls. To conclude their investigations, students had to create a toy that moved using a push or pull force,



make predictions about things that could effect the movement of their toy and finally test the movement of their toys to observe and explain the outcomes. Students found this unit very interesting and especially enjoyed creating a toy with recyclable materials. The best part was definitely testing the various factors that could effect

the movement of our toys such as different surfaces or applying different forces.



Australian Hearing will be held in the library at the school on **Thu 26th March 2015**

Australian Hearing are the people who help when kids don't hear well.

We look in ears to see how healthy they are & do hearing tests. If kids aren't hearing well we can help with hearing aids and advice.

Kids don't hear well when their ears are blocked up or runny. These 5 things help to keep ears healthy:

1. Ask for ears to be checked every visit to clinic
2. Eat fruit every day to help fight off germs
3. Wash hands and face with soap every day to wash away germs that make ears sick.
4. Smoking near kids is not good for ears
5. Nose blowing helps keep ears healthy



You are cordially invited to
Tablelands-Johnstone District
**Primary Schools Instrumental
Music Camp**
Finale Concert
1st April, 2015
Tinaroo Recreation Hall
Commences 12:30pm





Prep Storytime

Every Wednesday Morning before school.

Stories, songs, rhymes and puppets.

Great News!

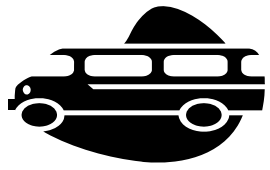
On Wednesday, 25th March, Mrs Mandy Whybird our School Principal will be reading. Come and listen.



Hoping to see you there,
Julie Gillman

LIFE EDUCATION VAN

- The Life Education Van is still here until 19th Mar.
- **It is not too late to pay.**
- Please pay the \$6.00 fee at the school office .



EATING AREAS

Prep – eat under 6B or with their class

Year 1, 2, 3 – outside classrooms.

Year 4, 5, 6 – under A and B blocks.

AFTER play bell – 11.05am when staff head off to playground duty, changes as follows for students still eating:

Prep, 1, 2 under 6B in the prep eating area (duty by P1 eating area staff)

Year 3 come over to join the 4, 5, 6 eating area (Area 3 staff cover this duty)

Year 4, 5, 6 remain under A and B blocks (Area 3 staff cover this duty)

PARKING

Please remember that the “Drop Off” Zone is exactly that. It is for dropping off and has a 2min time limit. It is not a parking spot.



Also, the parking zones outside the office are for staff only. Please use the drop off zone if you are picking up children early or bus stop if outside times.

Cantata Performances in North QLD

The Cantata “Holy Spirit, Breath of God” is currently being prepared for performances in Atherton, Mareeba and Kuranda at the end of the month.



This cantata draws on the texts of the Hebrew Scriptures and the New Testament to trace the movement of the Holy Spirit throughout time. This Spirit is described as “breath”. It is the in-breathing of God’s Spirit that has moved individuals and inspired action since time began and continues to inspire and create in the world today. Soloists, a narrator, an instrumental ensemble together with the fifty strong choir will perform in **Kuranda at the Cairns Hinterland Steiner School on Friday, March 27th at 7.30pm**, in the **Uniting Church in Atherton on Sunday afternoon, March 29th at 4pm** and in **St Thomas’ Catholic Church in Mareeba on that same Sunday at 7.45 pm.**

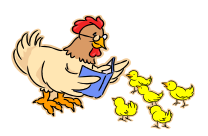
There is no charge for admission but a donation towards expenses would be appreciated. The performance lasts approximately one hour. For further Information contact Ruth on 4093 0303.

Student Reading & Homework Café

The Student Reading & Homework Café occurs every Tuesday and Thursday morning, in the library, from 8:30 – 8:55am.

All parents & carers who are able to volunteer time to hear students read would be gladly welcomed.

Further information please contact Valerie Dayes in the library



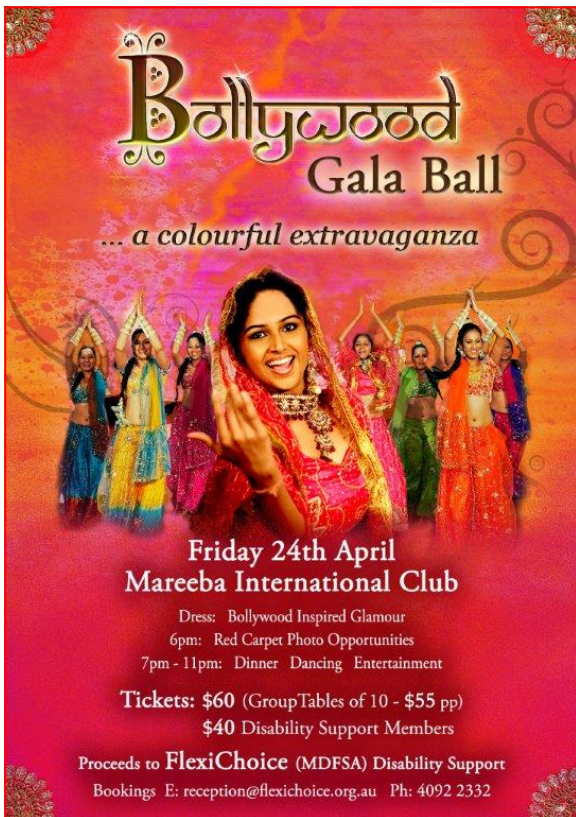
DATE CLAMER

Mar 19 & 20 School Photos
 Mar 30 & 31 Parent/Teacher Interviews
 Apr 2 Last Day of Term 1
 MSS Cross Country
 Apr 20 School Resumes

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 following families who have recently paid:

Sibthorpe (2M, 5C)	Hine (2J)
Seidenkranz (1Q, 4C, 6C)	Volkman (2F)
Lane (Prep A, 2W)	Gosper (1R)
Savaglio ((Prep C, 1R)	Squillari (3MC)



SUTHERLAND ST PARKING

A friendly reminder to please leave the parking bays outside Sutherland St Kindy free for Kindy mums to use.

YEAR 3 - WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING?

3WK In Science, we are learning about living things. This week we have been measuring and recording how a bean seed grows



3A This term we are learning to persuade the reader and write narratives. We can support our POV (point of view) by using reasons and

arguments. You should always use punctuation in persuasive texts and narratives!

3MT This term we have computer lab once a week. We play fun games on Spelling City with our weekly spelling words and read interesting books with Sunshine Online



3MC We have reading groups 3 times a week. We read and discuss books, explore text types and learn different strategies to help

with our comprehending. We love Reading!

3WB

We have been working hard in maths. Here is a fine example of maths bookwork.

