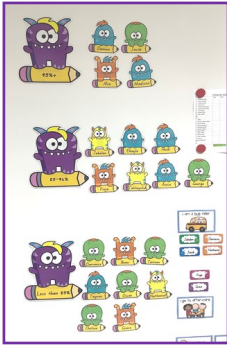


Mrs Simpson's Sizzling Spotlight

Attendance

This week's sizzling spotlight is all about **attendance**. Mareeba SS works tirelessly to celebrate outstanding student attendance and works closely with our families to support our students attending every day. Our school wide motto is '**Every Day Counts**' with every student acknowledging our school target of 95%.



In our classrooms, our teachers track student attendance daily with tracking charts, providing a level of responsibility to our students to visually monitor their attendance data.

Every term, we recognise and celebrate the wonderful effort of the students who attend school 95% or more for that term. **Attendance Parties** occur at the start of each term and include slip and slide wet days, discotheque dance parties, popcorn & movie sessions and many more!



Every day at school counts... Missing even one day can make a difference over time



What schools are doing to improve student attendance

- ✓ Listening to student views on non-attendance
- ✓ Connecting to families and communities
- ✓ Recognising and rewarding good attendance
- ✓ Using sanction based approaches

Our school is also a member of the Artie Academy. The Former Origin Greats (FOGS) ARTIE (Achieving Results Through Indigenous Education) Academy assists to 'Close the Gap' in educational outcomes between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and their non-Indigenous peers. It provides Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students the opportunity to participate in a program that encourages and rewards improvements in school attendance.



Our staff also value the importance of attendance and collaborate regularly to design engaging curriculum and activities that positively promote coming to school, supporting our school's vision - 'everyday, in every classroom, every student is learning and achieving'.

