



# Maroota Matters

## Diary Dates

### Week 10

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April

- Scripture Easter Play
- Cross Country

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April

- Sport
- Tuckshop
- Responsible Pet Program K/1/2

### Week 11

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April

- 3/4/5/6 Parent / Teacher Interviews

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April

- K/1/2 Parent/Teacher Interviews

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April

- Scripture
- ANZAC Day Service
- Dance lessons

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April

- Sport
- Tuckshop
- NSW PSSA Swimming Carnival
- Last day of term 1

### Term 2 Week 1

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April

- Student return



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## From the Principal's Desk

As we head into the holidays, I would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone for their continued support and working with staff to ensure that our students have the best educational experience during their primary school years.

Please enjoy the holiday break and travel safely on our roads, whether you are heading near or far. I would like to wish you all a Happy Easter and I look forward to hearing about the holiday adventures of our students and their families when they return for the start of Term 2 on Tuesday April 30.

### Scripture Easter Play

Please join us this Thursday to celebrate the story of Easter as told by our students and scripture teachers at the annual Easter play. This is a huge event on our school calendar, which we all look forward to. I would like to thank our hard-working scripture teachers who continue to deliver religious education to our students in a fun and engaging manner.

Thank you Carmen, Rebecca, Dianne, Jennifer and Melissa for your dedication and commitment to the students of Maroota Public School. We appreciate all that you do for our students and school.

At the conclusion of the Easter Service, I would like to invite all our families to stay for morning tea. Please bring a plate to share. The students will then participate in an Easter egg hunt provided by the P&C.

### Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews are an excellent way for you to have a professional conversation with your child's teacher about the social and educational progress of your child. Please come along and discuss your child's progress with their classroom teacher.

Parent teacher interviews are being held next Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April for 3/4/5/6 and Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April for K/1/2. You can make a booking with your child's teacher through the Skoolbag app. until 3:00pm on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April. If you are unable to access the Skoolbag app. please contact the front office to make a booking.

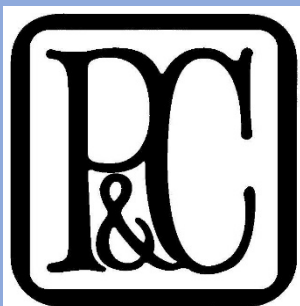


Alina	06/04	8
Emily	06/04	9
Jacob	30/04	10



K/1/2 – Monday

3/4/5/6 - Monday



**Meeting Date:**

**May 8 @ 2pm**

**MOOSH building**

**All Welcome**

### **ANZAC Day service**

ANZAC Day falls in the second week of the school holidays on Thursday April 25<sup>th</sup>. We will commemorate ANZAC Day at school on Thursday April 11. The service will begin at 9:15am. We invite all our families to join us for this service.

Maroota Public School students are invited to take part in the community ANZAC Day service and march, which will be held in Wisemans Ferry on ANZAC Day – April 25<sup>th</sup>. Students intending to march are asked to assemble in the car park at Wisemans Ferry Public School at 9:30am. The march will start at 10am. Students attending this march are required to wear full school uniform.

### **Winter Uniform**

When we return to school after the holiday break, we change over to our winter school uniform. The winter school uniform is:

<b>GIRLS WINTER</b>	<b>BOYS WINTER</b>
Royal blue collared shirt or Blue polo shirt with school emblem Tartan tunic or navy skirt & tights OR Tartan or navy trousers Black shoes Navy blue school emblem jumper or jacket	Blue polo shirt with school emblem Grey shorts or trousers Grey socks Black shoes Navy blue school emblem jumper or jacket

### **NAPLAN**

Every year students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 participate in NAPLAN (The National Assessment Program-Literacy and Numeracy). These assessments occur over a two-week period (Tuesday 15 May-Friday 25 May) during Weeks 3 and 4 of Term 2.

This year our school is moving from the paper version of NAPLAN to the online version. Today our students participated in an online readiness practice test. This test provided them with the opportunity to become familiar with the online test platform, process and structures. They sat a 45 minute omnibus test which included questions for Reading, Conventions of Language and Numeracy.

Students participate in four assessments (Writing, Reading, Language Conventions and Numeracy). Further information regarding NAPLAN can be found at the end of this newsletter however, should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Alternatively, should you wish to get an idea of what the questions and online format looks like, please visit the public demonstration site:

<http://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site>

### **Scholastic Book Club**

Throughout the term, students receive book club order forms from Scholastic. Families wishing to order items through book club will need to make the payment for their items through the online payment method. The school office does not accept cash orders. Scholastic will send books directly to the school for distribution. For any families who have internet issues and need to make an online payment we will make a computer available.

### Woolworths Earn and Learn

We are excited to be taking part in the 2019 Woolworths Earn & Learn program. During the previous campaign, we were able to purchase some great resources with the points we earned, thanks to you.

From May 1<sup>st</sup> until June 25<sup>th</sup> 2019, you can collect stickers at Woolworths that go towards Earn & Learn points. For every \$10 you spend at Woolworths (excluding the purchase of tobacco, liquor and gift cards), you will receive a sticker. These stickers can be sent to school and placed in our collection box.

The more points we earn, the more we can redeem from a choice of over 10,000 educational resources including mathematics and English resources, art & crafts materials and much, much more!

We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program. If you have any questions, please ask at School.

Deirdre Dorbis  
(Rel) Principal

### Hills Council Environment Incursion



### 3/4/5/6 Term 1 Review

The end of the term and what a great start to the year! All the settling in is done and we are achieving goals and reaching targets. In Literacy, we have read Storm Boy and are now reading levelled books. The students have written imaginary texts and are now writing persuasive pieces. Take great care – they are getting so good they may convince you to do anything! The class have made steady progress in maths, especially with fractions and decimals. Having recently completed a project on an Asian country, I am now looking forward to seeing what is presented for our Natural Disasters topic. The recorder work this term has been fantastic, the dances brilliant and we are currently in the process of creating some great works of art for the Hawkesbury Show. Have a wonderful holiday with your gorgeous children and I'll see you all for term 2.

Mrs Coleman



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## MOOSH Mobile

0490 850 738

7AM—8.40AM

3PM-6PM

Breakfast and  
afternoon tea  
provided

# Spotlight on MMWaC Connecting to Culture Day



We love the opportunity to come together and engage in activities with our fellow MMWaC Community of Schools. This term to coincide with Harmony Day, Maroota hosted the annual MMWaC Connecting to Culture day to celebrate our country's cultural diversity and the message is 'everyone belongs'.

The students were divided into four groups – trains, ferries, buses and planes and were sent off to discover the continents of Africa, Europe, South America and Asia.

When visiting Africa the students learnt about the culture and customs of Kenya. They found out about the exotic animals that call Kenya their home and why fences are needed to separate the animals and people. One interesting fact discovered is that if you were a male wanting to win a female partner then you needed to be the highest jumper. Whilst in Europe, the students visited the Italian Province of Pisa and learnt some interesting facts about the city and about its famous landmark. They undertook a STEM challenge and were asked to recreate the leaning tower of Pisa using spaghetti and marshmallows. They certainly created some interesting structures. They then soared off to South America and landed in Brazil where they found out all about Carnival and made their own carnival mask. When visiting the continent of Asia, they visited China and learnt about the customs of Chinese Lion Dancing. The students then donned their lion suits and were able to practice the lion dancing skills that they were taught which was very cool.





## HOUSE POINTS

**JAMAL**

**1175**

**BURU**

**1285**

**MARIONG**

**2100**

### Positive Behaviour for Learning:

#### **Focus Behaviour**

This week we will be reminding students that at Maroota we:

**Cooperate with teachers  
and students.**



## Sports Report

### **Cross Country**

Our school cross-country carnival will be held this Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup>, following the Easter Play, at 11:30am. All students K-6 will participate in the carnival. Parents, friends and community members are more than welcome to attend this event. W

The top six students at our carnival, from aged 8 and up, will be invited to participate at the Small Schools Cross Country Carnival on Friday May 10 at Woodbury Park, Glossodia.

The P&C are holding a sausage sizzle at the conclusion of the cross-country. Sausages sandwiches need to be pre-ordered. Please return your note and money as soon as possible. If you have misplaced your note, contact the school office for a replacement.

### **Peter Dobson Relay Team**

We wish the Peter Dobson Relay team, consisting of Jett, Madeline, Lucy and Cristian, the best of luck as they compete at the NSW State Swimming Championships next week.

### **Sport in Term 2**

Students will participate in sports lessons on both Thursday and Friday's during term 2. On Thursday, our students will participate in athletics lessons in readiness for the carnival at the end of the term. Our students undertake the Littles Athletics Program for Schools and will develop basic running, jumping and throwing skills by participating in highly active sessions with a qualified coach. We would like to thank the P&C who continue support the funding of the athletics program. On Friday, our teachers will lead our sports lessons and the students will be learning the skills of the games touch football. Mrs Coleman has also organised for a specialist football coach to visit our school and deliver some training in this area.

### **Free Football Tickets**

Attached to this newsletter is an offer to attend an A-League game between the Western Sydney Warriors and Sydney FC on Saturday 13 April 2019, 7:50pm at ANZ Stadium.



**Celebrating St. Patrick's Day.**



## FREE FOOTBALL TICKETS

### Hyundai A-League 2018/19 Western Sydney Wanderers v Sydney FC Saturday 13 April 2019 7.50pm ANZ Stadium

Thanks to the Western Sydney Wanderers, the NSW Premier's Sporting Challenge and ANZ Stadium, students and staff at your school have the opportunity to witness these two Sydney giants go head to head!

As your school is participating in this year's NSW Premier's School Sport Challenge, up to **four (4) FREE tickets** are available for *each* student and staff member to redeem for the match.

Tickets are limited so be sure to secure them quickly for what will be a great evening of rugby league. To take up this fantastic offer, students and their parents should follow the below easy steps:

1. Simply go to the website: <http://www.anzstadium.com.au/premiers-sporting-challenge/>
2. Register details.
3. Print out the voucher and bring it with them on the day to enter ANZ Stadium via the gate listed on their vouchers to sit in general admission seating.

For additional information, please visit the ANZ Stadium website by [clicking here](#).

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**Please note:**

- Students must have parental permission to participate in this offer.
- Each student is entitled to up to four (4) free tickets (limited to one registration per student).
- Match ticket voucher must be printed and presented at Stadium entry gates for entry to this match.
- There is a limit of 8,000 vouchers/tickets (redemption available to 2,000 individuals).
- Entry may be refused if match ticket vouchers are damaged or defaced in any way or redeemed in an unauthorised manner.
- If a match ticket voucher is resold or redeemed in an unauthorised manner it may be cancelled and the bearer of the ticket refused entry.
- Accessible seating is available within the allocated general admission seating area.