



Maroota Matters

Wednesday, 3 March 2021

Maroota Public School students are safe, respectful, responsible learners.

Term 1 Important Dates

Friday 5th March and 26th March- Assembly

Wednesday 3rd March- Hawkesbury PSSA Swimming Carnival

Tuesday 9th March School Photos

Wednesday 10th, 17th and Thursday 25th March- Barefoot Bowls

Wednesday 24th March- 91 Storey Treehouse performance

Friday 19th March- Harmony day/ students wear orange mufti

Wednesday 31st March- Maroota Readers lunch with the Principal

Thursday 1st April- Easter Hat Parade and Egg Hunt

2021 School Dates

Term 1

27 Jan to 1 Apr 2021

Term 2

19 Apr to 25 June 2021

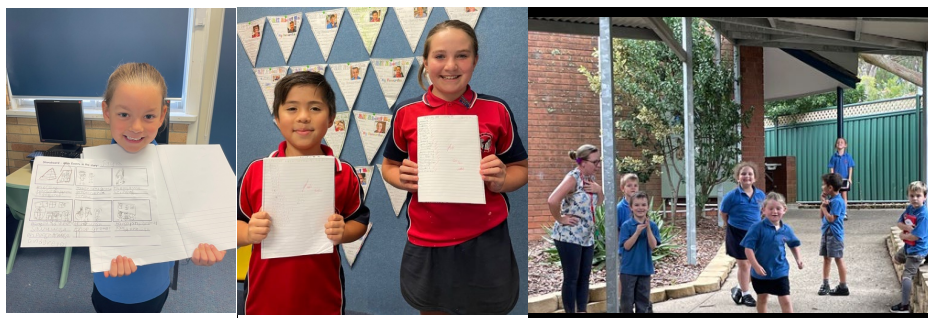
Term 3

12 July to 17 Sept 2021

Term 4

5 Oct to 17 Dec 2021

Great Work with Mrs Pattison



Welcome to Week 6 of Term 1. The Term is speeding away from us. I am so proud of all the fantastic learning that is happening at Maroota Public School. Our classes are calm and productive learning environments and all students are engaged.

Over the past two weeks I have had the opportunity to visit both classes on numerous occasions and see the wonderful work they are completing. Jayla showed me her wonderful writing and Justin and Matilda both achieved full marks in their spelling test. K-2 were excitedly researching built and natural shelters and taking photos for their class work. Keep up the great work everyone!

Staffing Update

As parents, we know the pressures and demands that having a young family brings. Whilst Mrs Tosh will continue to teach 3-6 Monday to Wednesday, she has made the tough decision to cut back Thursday and Friday to ensure she has a workable home and work life balance. Unfortunately Rozinda Clare is now unable to work Thursday and Friday. However, we have been fortunate enough to secure Mr Simon Gray for the remainder of the term. Mr Gray has done a casual day on the 3-6 class and did a wonderful job. Mrs Tosh and Mr Gray have had a handover and the same high level programs will continue on Thursday and Friday. The panel for our new Principal is in the process of organising candidates and arranging interviews. I will let you know as soon as possible who the successful candidate is and I will ensure staffing for Term 2 is finalised before the end of Term 1.

Wisemans Ferry Barefoot Bowls

We will be heading down to Wisemans Ferry Bowling Club on Wednesday the 10th, 17th and Thursday 25th for some barefoot bowling lessons. Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered to transport students to Wiseman's Ferry. We will contact you with student numbers. Please remember to send a booster seat if your child requires one.

Swimming

Maroota Public School is very proud of our relay team- Emily, Knox, Matilda and Gemma who will be entering in the Zone carnival. Knox will also compete in the backstroke event. Good luck everyone!



**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**



Maria- March 4
Justin- March 9
Lucy- March 15

P&C

Our next P&C meeting will be held next Wednesday, March 10 at 3 pm. It will be great to see you all there.

Covid-19 updates

The department has issued all public schools with a unique QRCode. All parents/carers and visitors to the school must sign-in via this code in addition to signing in at the front office. Covid-19 restrictions have remained largely unchanged since Term 4 2020, with a few exceptions. We continue to encourage students to bring their own labelled drink bottle to school and practice safe hygiene through regular washing of hands and social distancing where possible. If your child is unwell please keep them home and inform the school. All cases of covid-19 or close contacts to cases should be reported to the school immediately. We are truly grateful for the amazing support our school community has shown in assisting us to adhere to the ever-changing covid-19 climate and we will keep you informed of any updates as they occur.

Parent / Teacher Interviews Sessions

In Week 5 of this term (Term 1), teachers held phone interviews for parents who wished to meet their child's 2021 teacher. If you missed your phone interview and would like to discuss your child's progress and learning goals please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher or the office to arrange a time that suits.

School Photos

Our school photos have been booked for next Tuesday, March 9. Please ensure your child is in full school uniform and brings along their best smile.



Don't Forget Library Day is every Tuesday for all grades.

Home Reading Program

Please continue to encourage regular Home Reading and remember to fill out your child's Reading Logs. I hope to have all students attending our special lunch for 30 nights of reading in week 10.

Tell Them From Me Student Surveys 2021

The Tell Them From Me Student Survey provides school principals and school leaders with insight into student engagement and wellbeing, and the impact of teaching practices at their school, from the perspective of our students. Data collected from the survey responses are compiled into reports which provide information that can help schools in their annual planning and reporting activities, by helping to identify emerging issues and plan for improvement.

Once again, students in Years 4, 5 and 6 at our school will have the opportunity to complete the Tell Them from Me Survey at school. The first survey will open on March 9th and close on April 12th. A second survey for students, teachers and parents will be offered later in the year in Term 3. All surveys are completely anonymous. Additional information about all the surveys can be found at <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/>

An opt-out note has been sent home with all Year 4, 5 & 6 students this week. It need only be returned if you do not want your child to complete the survey.

School Captains Report

Tarnoo: On Wednesday Knox, Gemma, Matilda and Emily went to the Hawkesbury Zone PSSA Swimming Carnival. We wish them lots of luck. Go Maroota!

Have a great week,
Nicole Pattison
Acting Principal



Sports Day is Friday for all grades.

