Maroota Matters

Term 4 Week 9

Welcome to the end of week 9 and the final newsletter for the year!

I want to take this opportunity to thank each and every member of this amazing Maroota Public School community for their ongoing support, advocacy, assistance and care. It's been a challenging, rewarding, enjoyable and satisfying year. It's been a year that we (and, in fact, I) couldn't have gotten through without you and your children.

Someone wise once said to me, 'Children fill our bucket. When you're feeling that your bucket is empty, get yourself into a classroom and immerse yourself in the 'kid-ness'.' That 'kid-ness' has been a life-force this year. The hilarity, the love, the kindness, the sense of fun, the genuineness, the humour. Bucket refilled. Every. Single. Time.

My sincere thanks also go to my beautiful staff. They really do make me look good. They show such initiative and commitment. They truly do love our children and do everything in their power to make a difference in the lives of our students. They are so able to be relied upon. I was able to get through the most difficult part of my year because I just knew that they had things under control... regardless of who was 'in the chair'. I will be eternally thankful to them for that.

I just want to wish you all, my wonderful MPS community, the most amazing Christmas and holiday break. May you enjoy family and friends, good food and drink. May 2024 be the bring you the happiness and good fortune that you all deserve.

The last day of the 2023 school year is Friday, 15th December. At 2.45ish the year 6 students will ring the school bell and then make their way to the tunnel, at the front gate. From here they will exit the school gate, as Maroota PS students for the final time. We wish our year 6 students all the very best as they head off to high school and beyond. We look forward to seeing where their journey takes them!

2024 School Year

The 2024 school will begin for students, 1-6 on Thursday, 1st February.
Kindergarten students will complete their Best Start Assessments on Thursday, 1st February and their first day at Big School will be Monday, 5th February. They will start at the normal school starting time of 8.55am but can be dropped off to the playground after 8.30am.
Just a heads up, our MPS swimming carnival will be held at Galston Public Pool on Friday, 2nd February. Information and notes will be uploaded to SchoolBytes and reminders will be posted on Facebook. Nothing like starting the school year off with a bang!

Have a great break, everyone. Eat, drink, rest and be merry!
Ann Smith
Principal
Maroota Public School

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Wishing these Maroota legends the happiest of happy birthdays!!!

January

8th Christophe

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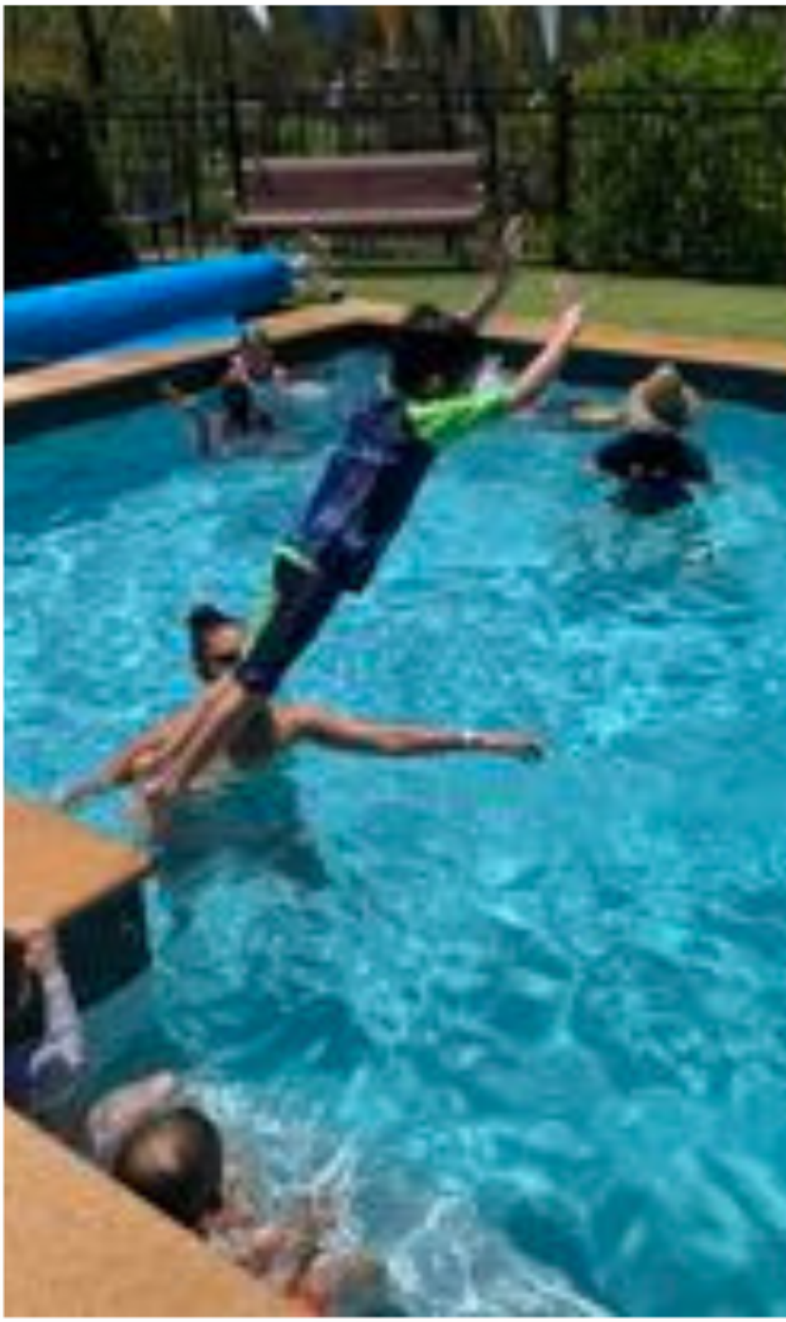
Kindergarten Orientation

K-6 Excursion

Cumberland State Forest

Swim School 2023



PROGRAMS

LOWER PRIMARY
(5-7 years)

UPPER PRIMARY
(8-11 years)

SECONDARY
(High school students)

Sessions include:

- Fun interactive activities that teach about animal care.
- Behind-the-scenes tour of our shelter.
- Help our Animal Carers with their daily responsibilities.
- Meeting a variety of shelter animals.
- Learn how to be an animal advocate in your community.
- Learn about animal career pathways

Sydney Adoption and Education Centre
201 Rookwood Road, Yagoona NSW 2199

SCAN ME

RSPCA NSW Education Team
02 9782 4[illegible]8education@rspcansw.org.au
https://events.humanitix.com/host/rspca-nsw

RSPCA New South Wales

HORNSBY SHIRE LIBRARIES
SUMMER READING CLUB

6 December 2023 – 23 January 2024

The Summer Reading Club is a free program run by Hornsby Shire Libraries designed to encourage children to read and explore the amazing world of books over the summer school holidays in December and January.

Participants can join us on **Wednesday 6 December for the Summer Reading Club Launch** with an exciting Drop In and Discover event at Hornsby Library.

There are great prizes to be won!

Hornsby, Pennant Hills, Berowra and Galston libraries will each have their own weekly prize draws and there will be an opportunity to win one of four major prizes of a $50 book voucher at the end of the program.

Participate in this year's program using the Beanstack app or logbook. **Registrations open Wednesday 6 December**. If you have not registered previously with Beanstack simply visit the Resources for Kids page on the Hornsby Shire Libraries website and click on the Beanstack link to fill out the registration form. Log books will be available for collection at all Hornsby Shire Libraries after the launch on Wednesday 6 December. Participants must register with a child's card to be eligible to win.

For more information on this event and more events in your library visit **hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library**

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SUMMER READING CLUB LAUNCH

THE BIG *Summer* READ

Come and join us for the launch of the Summer Reading Club with an exciting Drop In and Discover event at Hornsby Library.

Explore your creativity, construction skills and have fun with STEM in this interactive session. Activities include craft kits, colouring in with Quiver, Sphero Minis and more!

Bring your child's library card to register for the club and pick up your log book bag. All attendees who register on the night will go into the draw to win a $50 book voucher.

HORNSBY CENTRAL LIBRARY

Wednesday 6 December, 4.30pm-6pm

Cost: **Free to Summer Reading Club participants**

Ages: 0-12

Bookings: Bookings not required.

Children 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information on this event and more events in your library visit **hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library**

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WINDSOR STREET
RICHMOND NSW 2753

MON 18TH DEC TO FRI 22TH DEC

MON 8TH JAN TO FRI 12TH JAN

9am–3pm $40 per day or $180 for the week

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DECEMBER TENNIS CLINIC

JANUARY TENNIS CLINIC

Active Kids Voucher Accepted
All abilities welcome
Suitable for ages 5 to 14
Experience not necessary

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