



# Marra Creek Public School

## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Term 4, Week 2

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### COMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	WHO	MORE INFO
5 <sup>th</sup> November	Melbourne Cup @ Pillicawarrina	Community	1.30pm start Cost \$25 pp (RSVP – 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov)
12-13 <sup>th</sup> November	Warrumbungle Excursion	Everyone	Itinerary sent out to parents Note due in 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct.
29 <sup>th</sup> November	Family Fabric Square	School	Please have your fabric square returned by 29 <sup>th</sup> November.
6 <sup>th</sup> December	Central Coast Car Club BBQ at the Hall	Community event	More details to follow
11 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Concert & Assembly	Everyone	7pm at Marra Creek Public School
14 <sup>th</sup> December	Marra Christmas Tree	Community event	6.30pm at the Marra Hall.

Term 4 is off to a flying start with lots of excited things happening. We are combining with Quambone and Carinda on an excursion to the Warrumbungle's, intensive swimming and the kids are getting creative to showcase their work and the years' work at the annual Christmas Concert and School Presentation.

In the classroom we are learning marimba songs, writing their play 'Escape to the Cosmos', Term writing focus – procedure, History focus – Celebrations.

The PBL focus for the upcoming fortnight is gratitude and how we can show we are thankful for the many great things in our lives.

(I wish I was talking about rain – I know we would be all thankful for some of that.)

There is a super–duper surprise happening on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> October. Stay tuned....  
Mrs Hibbins.

### Technology with Mrs Fitzgerald

Last term the students attended a Film Making Workshop run by FilmBy at Nyngan and created a short film. To follow on from this, this term they will be practicing their abilities in making Stop Motions. A Stop Motion is when a series of photos are taken and then played one after another to create a short video clip. Like in Wallace and Gromit. Hopefully technology will work in our favour and you will get to see some amazing stop motion projects throughout the term!!

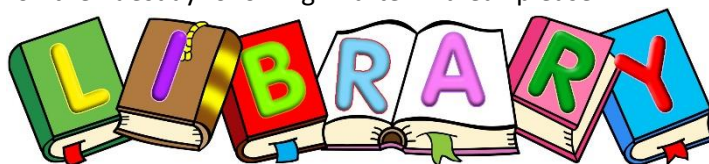


### Christmas Countdown!

As we all know Christmas is just around the corner and one of the activities we will be doing this term is making our own snow globe. Each student will need to bring in an item to put into their snow globe. It does not need to be a Christmas item, anything is fine as long as it fits in the snow globe. They are welcome to bring in items to try before they decide on their final item. The item they choose will be glued so it needs to be something they are willing to only look at from now on. These will need to be at school on the Tuesday following mid-term break please.

### Our New Refurbished Library

During the holidays Mrs Hibbins relocated her office to the Wendy room, giving us more space in the library for lessons, and a new installation of a massive interactive smart board so the kids can join in on video conferences and DART lessons.



We have some new & bright décor coming for the library that was kindly donated by Woolworths from the Earn and Learn promotion they had earlier in the year.

A reminder that library day is every Thursday and we ask that the students to return them so they can borrow new ones to read the next week. All students should be reading every day for a minimum of 30 minutes as this will not only improve their reading ability but will assist them in all their subjects.

### Swimming

In week 10 we plan on taking the kids into Nyngan for an overnight stay and a 2 day intensive swimming program. Swimming lessons are extremely beneficial for children over the age of five as it enhances their knowledge of safety around water as well furthering their skills and stroke development.

- Lessons provide your kids with confidence, which is great for self-esteem
- Your child will learn about water safety in and around water
- Swimming is a great way to exercise
- Earlier development of physical skills including hand-eye coordination and muscle tone
- Enhances social and personal skills

**The sad truth...** Between 1 July 2014 and 30 June 2015, 271 people drowned in Australian waters. Children under five are the age group that is most at risk of drowning and the majority occur in and around the home, most commonly in home swimming pools.

These statistics are a confronting reminder for parents to be vigilant by remembering a number of simple guidelines:

- Active adult supervision around water
- Making sure home pools are properly fenced
- Taking children to water familiarisation classes and swimming lessons



# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

## Kataylah Cooper

**What do you like to be called?** Kataylah

**When is your Birthday?** January

**Favourite food?** Salami

**Favourite place you have ever been?**

Shopping in Dubbo

**How many pets do you have?**

8 dogs, 1 cat, 1 bird & 7 chooks.

**What do you like to do for fun?**

Throw water balloons at my brother Joey.

**What is the most challenging thing at school for you?**

English, we do too much of it and I need a new (exercise) book!

**What has been your biggest achievement in the classroom?**

Maths, I am up to my 5 & 6's times tables.

**What type of books do you like to read?** Ella Diaries.

