



Marra Creek Public School

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Term 1, Week 6

17th March 2020

COMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	WHO	MORE INFO
6 th - 9 th April	Let's Colour the School	School	Artist Mark Horton is helping us brighten up the school with 2 murals!
7 th April	Free Exercise Physiology & Nutritional Workshop	Community	More info to come via email
8 th April	Let's Colour the School Community day	Community	More info to come
9 th April	Term 1 ends	School	Easter Holidays



Congratulations to Sam & Heidi Fitzgerald for welcoming a healthy little baby boy, Patrick David into the world on Sunday 15th March

Marra School welcomes Mrs Cleaver & Miss Amy

This term we welcome 2 staff members to the MCPS team.

Mrs Lyngan Cleaver will relieve Mrs Hibbins and will be on class 2 days per week. The students are extremely happy to have Mrs Cleaver's cheerfulness and fantastic art ideas!

We also welcome Amy Green who is stepping into the SLSO (Teacher Aide) role. As a local, we are lucky to have Amy as a second adult in the school and on class helping students with their learning. As well as bring her Yoga skills to MCPS!



Dubbo Excursion

Last week we joined Girilambone and Hermitdale schools on an excursion to Dubbo to see the live theatre performance adaption of the very popular book series The 91 Storey Treehouse. We also visited Western Plains Cultural Centre for an art class making block prints and stepped back in time into a 1950's classroom.

The next day we visited Wambangalang EEC where (some!) students got up close and personal with a friendly carpet snake and Blue tongue lizard. We also made a model showing how vegetation prevents erosion and learned about Aboriginal tools from Kevin who entertained and informed us with some great stories.



Dubbo Excursion Recount

On Tuesday all the Small Schools got together at Victoria park and played on the playground, then we went to Dubbo Regional Theatre and watched a play called the 91 Storey Treehouse. My favourite part of the play was when they were in the ocean finding Mr Big Nose's lost grandchildren. We sat in the front row but it was a little bit too close to see everything.

After the play finished we all walked up to the Art Gallery. At the Art Gallery they showed us what it was like to go to school in the 1950's. We learnt how to use an ink pen which was fun to do.

Then we went to the Dubbo adventure park. We played on the flying fox, monkey bars, slides, a spinner and other fun equipment.

After that we went to the Discovery Caravan Park and had we had a selection of chicken schnitzel, roasted potato, sweet potato, gravy and spaghetti bolognese for dinner.

I shared a room with Trudy, Kataylah, Indy, Jade, Ruby, Ida and Ella.

The next morning, we went to Wambangalang Education Centre and there were 3 different rooms. The 1st room was an animal room where you could touch a snake and a blue tongue lizard and look through microscopes to view bugs close up.

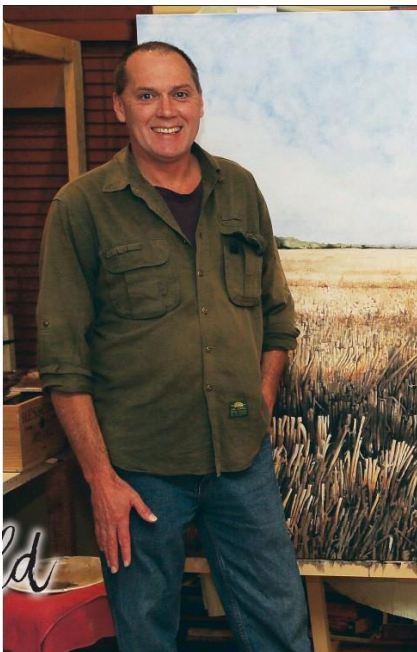
In the 2nd room we learnt about Aboriginal hunting tools with Kevin. We got to make our own phone made out of wood, this was used to let aboriginal people know that people were coming onto their territory.

The 3rd activity was to do nature, we made our own forest in of plastic tubs, and this was to show how vegetation can slow down erosion.

We looked at the animals around the centre, had some lunch and then drove home.

By Adelaide Turnbull

Let's Colour the School with artist Mark Horton



Mark Horton is a versatile Dubbo-based artist, who works across a range of styles and mediums and, along with his painting practice, has also been a cartoonist and a children's book illustrator. Mark was a finalist in the 2016 Archibald Prize, and also in the 2018 Moran Art Prize. He was the inaugural winner of the Mortimore Art Prize. He is a commission artist, and has completed a number of high profile works including portraits of leaders and public figures, public art projects for government, community organisations and individual clients. As part of his "day job" Mark works in community development western NSW. He is also deeply involved in developing and managing humanitarian and social enterprise projects across rural and remote Australia and emerging economies internationally.

We will need to see if this will go ahead following notification re COVID-19 announcement.

We would like to invite the community members to participate in the creation of the mural during week 10 (Tuesday 7th – Wednesday 9th April) we will keep you posted via email and the school FB page.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Pippa Turnbull

What year are you in? Year 2

What do you like to be called? Pippa

When is your Birthday? 27th June

Favourite food? Ice cream with chocolate topping

Favourite place you have ever been? New Zealand

How many pets do you have? 5 chooks, 7 ducks, 7 dogs and 3 puppies

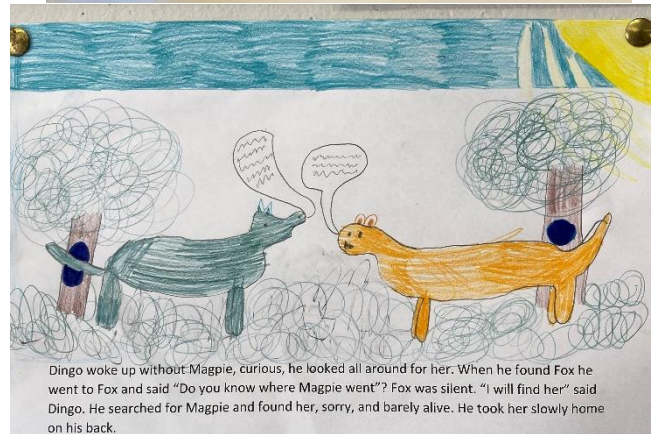
What do you like to do for fun? Watch TV

What is the most challenging thing at school for you?

Writing

What has been your biggest achievement in the classroom? Spelling

What type of books do you like to read? Billie B. Brown



Dingo woke up without Maggie, curious, he looked all around for her. When he found Fox he went to Fox and said "Do you know where Maggie went?" Fox was silent. "I will find her" said Dingo. He searched for Maggie and found her, sorry, and barely alive. He took her slowly home on his back.

