ALLERGY ALERT

In the interest of the health and safety of all our students please ensure that your child does not bring anything to school for recess or lunch which contains nut and/or egg products. This will include peanut butter or Nutella spread on sandwiches, peanut butter dippers, snack packs with nuts and nut muesli bars.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES

School assemblies will be held fortnightly in the school hall.
Kindergarten - Year 2 - Friday 10.00am to 10.50am
Years 3-6 - Monday 2.00pm -2.50pm

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 3:
Week 6:
21st August  Winter PSSA Grand Final

Week 7:
26th August  Author visit K-2
27th August  Stage 1 Museum excursion

Week 8:
31st August  Stage 3 Science Conference
1st September  Muru Mittigar Excursion
Fathers Day Stall Preschool
2nd September  Zone Athletics Carnival
3rd September  Kindergarten Zoo Excursion
4th September  Fathers Day Stall and raffle
Draw

Week 9:
9th September  Sydney West Athletics
10th September  K-2 cake day fundraiser
11th September  Support Unit Dental visits

Week 10:
15th September  SRC Disco
18th September  Last day of term

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

BLACKTOWN MUSIC FESTIVAL

Our Senior Choir, under the direction of Mr Lowndes, will be performing at the Blacktown Music Festival on Monday evening 24th August. They have worked incredibly hard over the course of the year to learn all their songs in order to perform at their best. We wish them every success for their performance.

SHARING WEEK

Last week Marayong Public School hosted a number of students from other Blacktown schools who were participating in courses operated by Ms. Botrous, Mrs Lewis, Mrs Limbrick and Mrs Feneley. We also had 42 of our own students participating in a variety of courses at other schools.

Each year, the Blacktown Learning Community (BLC), of which Marayong is a proud member, organises Sharing Week. During this week, participating schools operate whole day courses covering a broad range of themes and topics such as science, dance, cooking, technology, creative writing. Students nominated by their school, from across the 28 BLC schools, participate in these enrichment courses throughout the week. It is a fantastic experience for the students, the teachers and the schools, and this year was a great success. Well done to all our participating students and to our terrific teachers who hosted the courses.

FATHER'S DAY STALL AND RAFFLE

Don't forget our Father's Day Raffle - lots of great prizes to be won and also our Fathers' Day stall which will be held in Week 8.

Gold Emu recipient: Courtney Hall
KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS 2016

Kindergarten enrolments for 2016 are currently being taken by our office. Please note that our Kinder Orientation Day is scheduled for 16th October. In order for your child to receive an invitation, you will need to have presented your completed Application to Enrol paperwork to the office. For all enquiries concerning Kindergarten enrolment please contact the school office.

ONLINE PAYMENTS

The school’s online payment system is up and operating. Any note coming home requiring a payment will have a POP code number which will be required in order to pay online. In the short term, an information sheet giving details of how to use this facility will be attached to notes coming home. Cash payments will still be accepted at the office.

P-2 SPORTS DAY

What a fabulous day. All involved enjoyed a great day of fun games and exciting racing. Well done to Ms Phillips for organising such a great day and to the staff who pitched in to help throughout the day. The students definitely had a wonderful day.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

- Be Safe
- Be Responsible
- Be a Learner

This week the PBL focus is learning how to be a safe, responsible, learner in the canteen area. The expectation this fortnight is ‘I know how to show positive behaviour in the canteen area’. Students are taught positive behaviours which assist them to accept responsibility for personal and community health and wellbeing.

Kind Regards,
The Marayong Public School PBL Committee

CHANGES TO BELL TIMES IN TERM 4

As part of the Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) process, our school has been in ongoing discussions with the Department of Education’s PBL consultants in order to provide the best learning environment possible for our students.

As part of this process we will be changing our internal bell times at the commencement of Term 4, 2015 and will trial an ‘eating time’ at the end of each break, rather than at the beginning. Research indicates that students who eat recess or lunch at the start of a scheduled break, then burn off that energy boost during play. They then often return to class depleted of energy and struggle to concentrate on learning. Research supports students playing first, and then eating before classes start again. By doing this they actually eat more as the enticement of play has passed and they are hungry. An additional benefit is that both eating times will be supervised in the classroom setting. A number of schools throughout the state have already made this change very successfully and have seen the benefits to student engagement and learning.

Please note the canteen will be open for both recess and lunch times for purchases, with canteen lunch orders to be sent to classes at the end of lunch.

Crunch and Sip remains a focus for our school and will continue in all classrooms.

Our school start and finish times will remain the same.

| 8.50-10.50am | Class times/lessons |
| 10.50-11.10am | Recess |
| 11.10-11.20am | Eating time (in class) |
| 11.20-1.10pm | Class times/lessons |
| 1.10-1.40pm | Lunch |
| 1.40-1.50pm | Eating time (in class) |
| 1.50-2.50pm | Class time/ lessons |
PRESCHOOL ENROLMENTS 2016

In 2016 the Preschool will offer a 5 day per fortnight program. Group A is Monday, Tuesday and every alternate Wednesday 8.50am to 2.50pm and Group B is the alternate Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8.50am to 2.50pm.

If you know anyone who lives in the Marayong area and has a child who will be attending Kindergarten at our school in 2017, please ask them to collect a Preschool waiting list application form for the 2016 Preschool year.

CANTEEN NEWS

Lucky winners of Week 5 draw were: Taylor Wilden - 5/6L
Conner Curtis - 3/4L
Lachlan Myers - 1/2P

Lucky winners of Week 6 draw were: Madisson Lewis 5/6L
Cassie Haynes 2M
Lily Greentree 2M

MARAYONG MATHS DAY

In Week 9, all students will be participating in a fun 'Maths Day' to celebrate Numeracy Week. They will be doing some interesting Mathematics activities related to Children's Literacy, attending their math's groups and will be involved in 'Working Mathematically' workshops. They will explore maths outdoors or through Art, Science and other curriculum areas. In the afternoon, the children will have an opportunity to 'showcase' their work and the day will culminate with a special "Maths quiz." Prizes will be given out for those students who have participated well throughout the day. Teachers are busy preparing interesting lessons and it should be a fantastic day.

Mrs Willett
Instructional Leader

PEER SUPPORT UPDATE

In Week 3 and Week 4 students continued to enjoy group activities during peer support. The session in Week 3 focused on personal qualities such as kindness, patience, responsibility and being confident. In Week 4 students will discuss the role of skills in achievements and recognise that the skills we develop are transferable to different situations.

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS

Every year, day one of Terms 1, 2 and 3, and the last two days of Term 4 are designated as School Development Days. On these days, all government schools are required to provide staff with professional learning that develops and enhances classroom practice.

In lieu of the School Development Day scheduled for Friday 18th December, staff will undertake this training and development on Wednesday 5th August 3 - 6.30pm and Wednesday 2nd September 3 - 6.30pm. During these two sessions, staff will be developing their knowledge and understanding of the new Australian History Curriculum. With this knowledge, teachers will then use Term 4 2015 to plan and write units of work ready for the commencement of the 2016 school year.

The school will be open on both Thursday 17th and Friday 18th December however, please note that the last day of attendance for our students is Wednesday 16th December, 2016.

CHILD PROTECTION EDUCATION

Throughout Term 3 all students will be working through a series of child protection lessons with their class teacher.

The aim of these lessons is to teach students ways to protect themselves and keep themselves safe. Students will be encouraged to define their own network of trusted adults and to be aware that there are people and services to help them within their community. Teachers will help students to learn:

- about feeling safe and their right to be safe
- to recognise appropriate and inappropriate behaviours
- that appropriate touching is an important part of positive relationships
- they have the right to say NO to a person who touches them inappropriately or threatens their safety
- that it is important to tell trusted adults about such situations
- that they may have to keep on telling people until they are believed
- that help is available to them within their communities and
- if faced with a situation, they can react quickly and seek protection effectively.
Bulk Billing For GP Services

OPENING HOURS
MON-FRI 8AM-6PM
SAT & SUN 9AM-2PM
PUBLIC HOLIDAYS ADVISED

NO APPOINTMENTS NECESSARY
DOCTOR HOME VISITS AND
AFTER HOURS SERVICES AVAILABLE
PARKING ON SITE AVAILABLE
PATHOLOGY ON PREMISES

DOCTORS AND PHYSIOTHERAPIST
DR. APAKUTHA JESUTHASAN (FEMALE GP)
DR. CHARLES HAYES (MALE GP)
DR. VAN NGUYEN (MALE GP)
DILHAN JAYAMARIE (PHYSIOTHERAPIST)

- Children’s/Adult’s/Seniors’ Health
- Immunizations
- Health Assessment
- Heart and Lung Assessment
- Prevention of Chronic Illnesses
- Weight Loss Programme
- Skin Disease Management
- Including Skin Cancer
- Minor Surgical Procedures
- Work Cover
- Pre-employment Medicals

Dentist
Dr. Garima Malhotra
- Travel Medicine
- Root Canal Check-Ups
- Viennese All-in One Crowns
- TeethX-Rays
- Medicare Bulk Billing for Eligible Children Aged Between 0-17 Years Old
- Age Pension (Up to 1,000@PM)
- NPS 8 Account for Seniors and Pensioners
- Patients From All Areas Welcome.
- Health Fund Sanctuary On The Spot.

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Quakers Hill High School
YEAR 6 ORIENTATION ACTIVITIES 2015

“Shaping a Positive Future”

Quakers Hill High School Hall
70 Laker Road, Quakers Hill

ORIENTATION EVENING
Wednesday 30th November
Venue: School Hall 5:00 - 7:00 pm
Information session for parents & students at 7:00 pm.
Book packs available at approximately $35 / free can be paid.

ORIENTATION DAY
Thursday 26th November
Year 6 students need to be in by 8:30 am and can be picked up from 2:30 pm.
Year 6 uniform must be worn.
The canteen will be open.
A canteen lunch will be provided.
Exact change required to be in.

DAVIS ROAD MEDICAL CENTRE
Dr Sam Hok MD, FRACGP, DCH
Dr Carrie Nge Win MBBS, FRACGP, MPH, DCH
PATHOLOGY ON SITE

NEW OPEN
BULK BILLING

OPENING HOURS:
MONDAY TO FRIDAY
8:00 TO 5:00 PM
SATURDAY
9:00 TO 1:00 PM
EXTENDING HOURS TO BE ADVISED

WELCOME APPOINTMENT & WALK-IN PATIENTS
31 Davis Road, Marayong NSW 2148
Tel: 02 9676 0666 Fax: 02 9676 5161

KILDARE ROAD MEDICAL CENTRE

INTRODUCING 3 NEW DOCTORS...

Dr. Stacie King — interested in chronic conditions,
gastrointestinal and musculoskeletal medicine.

Dr. Carol Moon — interested in chronic conditions,
mental health and antenatal care. She speaks Korean.

Dr. Johnson Osei-Hwedeh Dr — interested in men’s
health, preventative medicine and tropical medicine.
He speaks French, Ga and Twi.

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