



Principal's Page

Newsletter WK 8 Term 1 2026



Ride to School Morning

Thank you to Mel Davies and Kate Buchan for organising another wonderful Ride to School morning. It was fantastic to see so many students getting involved and enjoying the event.

Students had a great time participating in activities such as creating a paper chain and showing off their dance moves. Events like this are a great way to promote healthy, active lifestyles while building a strong sense of community within our school.

We appreciate the time and effort that went into making the morning such a success.



NAPLAN Completion

Over the past two weeks, our Year 3 and Year 5 students have completed their NAPLAN assessments. We are incredibly proud of the calm, focused, and positive approach our students demonstrated throughout the testing period.

NAPLAN provides a snapshot of student learning in the areas of reading, writing, language conventions, and numeracy. While it is just one measure of achievement, it offers valuable information that supports our ongoing teaching and learning programs.

We commend our students for their effort and resilience, and we thank our staff for their organisation and support in ensuring the smooth running of the assessments. We also appreciate the encouragement provided by families at home.

We look forward to sharing results with families later in the year.

Leadership Assembly

Yesterday's assembly provided a wonderful opportunity for our school leaders to introduce themselves to the wider school community and each student spoke confidently about their role. We look forward to seeing our leaders grow in their roles and make a positive contribution to our school throughout the year.



Year 5 Swimming Lessons

This week, our Year 5 students commenced their swimming lessons at the beach. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to further develop their swimming technique while also building essential water safety skills in an ocean environment.



Learning in the surf provides valuable, real-life experiences that help students understand conditions such as waves, currents, and beach safety. We look forward to seeing their confidence and skills grow over the course of the program.

Access Road

We kindly remind parents and carers not to drive down the school access road that comes off Radbourne Street. For the safety of all students, this area must not be used for drop-off or pick-up at any time.

Thank you for your cooperation and support in keeping our students safe.

Louise Mason

PRINCIPAL

YEAR 5 CLARINET



Our talented Year 5 clarinet players delighted the Year 1 students with a special Easter performance! Innika Tanner, Coby Pearce, Poppy Miles, Bowie McGinnity and Ivy Jessup proudly showcased their musical skills, playing *Hot Cross Buns* and *Tutu Was a Racehorse*. To add to the festive spirit, the performers wore bunny ears — which brought plenty of smiles and excitement to their appreciative audience. It was wonderful to see our older students sharing their talents and spreading some Easter cheer through music!



Practice, Perseverance and Performance - Our Budding Violinists Shine

I was lucky enough to receive a very special surprise this week when Chloe and Isabelle visited my office to share what they have been learning through our school's string program. I was treated to a wonderful private concert, where they confidently performed three pieces for me. It was such a joy to see their pride, focus and enthusiasm as they played — my office has never sounded so musical!

Learning an instrument like the violin involves so many important character strengths. Chloe and Isabelle demonstrated **perseverance** as they worked through challenging sections, **courage** by performing in front of an audience, and **self-discipline** through the practice required to improve. They also showed **confidence** and **pride in their learning**, which was lovely to see. It takes patience and determination to produce those beautiful sounds, and both students should be incredibly proud of their progress.

Our string program provides students with opportunities not only to develop musical skills, but also to build resilience, focus and a love of learning. Experiences like these help students understand that growth comes through practice — and that effort really does pay off.

Thank you, Chloe and Isabelle, for brightening my day and sharing your talents. I'm already looking forward to the next concert!





The Importance of Play in Pre-Primary

Play is at the heart of learning in Pre-Primary. Through purposeful, play-based experiences, children develop the social, emotional, physical and cognitive skills that form the foundation for future academic success. When children engage in play, they are not “just playing” — they are learning to problem-solve, negotiate, communicate, imagine and regulate their emotions. These are essential life skills that support confident, capable learners.

Our approach aligns strongly with the National Quality Standard (NQS), which recognises play as a powerful vehicle for learning and development. We believe children learn best when they feel safe, supported and inspired within rich learning environments. Our Pre-Primary program reflects our commitment to:

- fostering strong, respectful relationships
- providing inclusive and responsive learning experiences
- encouraging curiosity, creativity and independence
- supporting the whole child — socially, emotionally and academically

Play-based learning also allows educators to intentionally scaffold literacy and numeracy skills in meaningful contexts. Whether building with blocks, exploring nature, engaging in imaginative role-play or collaborating on creative projects, children are developing the skills needed for lifelong learning.

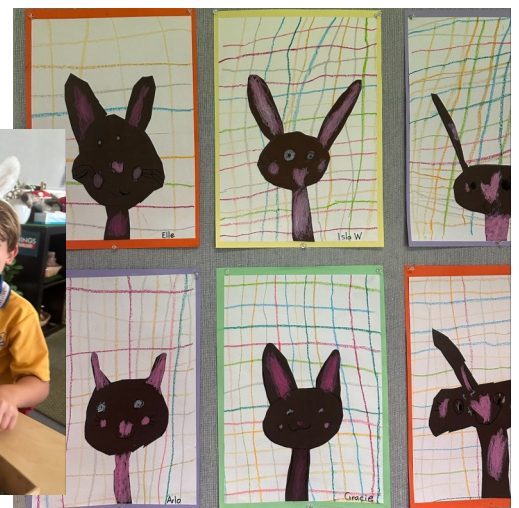
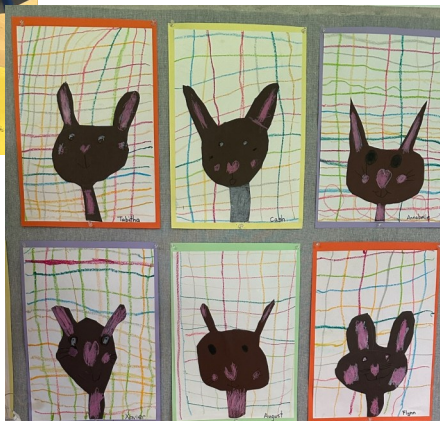
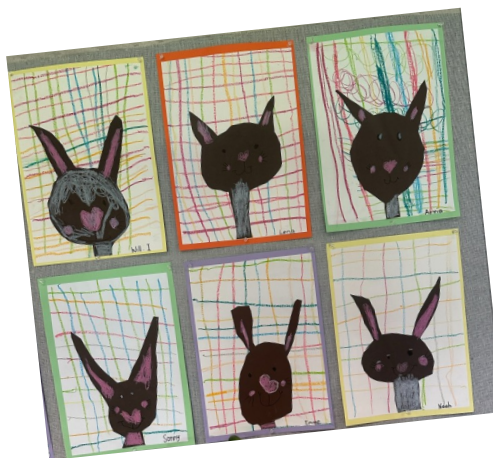
We are proud that our commitment to high-quality early childhood practice was recognised during our external audit in 2025, where we received glowing feedback on our play-based pedagogy, nurturing environments and strong alignment with the NQS. This affirmation highlights the dedication of our staff to creating engaging, supportive and developmentally appropriate learning experiences for every child.



Pre-Primary's Hoppy Week of Learning

Our Pre-Primary students have been busy getting creative with some delightful Easter bunnies this week! Using oil pastels, we explored drawing vertical and horizontal lines before carefully following step-by-step directions to create our very own bunnies on brown card. After cutting them out and gluing them down, we ended up with beautiful layered pieces of art that we are very proud of.

We have also been busy exploring the letter E, discovering that it can make two different sounds — the short and long vowel sounds. The children enjoyed listening, practising and spotting words that use each sound. It's been a fun and colourful week full of creativity and learning!





MARMION PRIMARY SCHOOL

Our Community, Our Stories, Our Remembrance

This year we will honour members of our school community who have served in the armed forces. If your family has a relative (past or present) you would like acknowledged, please email the following details:

- Full name
- Relationship to the student
- Conflict or service period (if known)
- Branch of service (Army, Navy, Air Force)



Community Poppy Display

Each class will decorate poppies and families are invited to contribute to our Community Poppy Field. Please return coloured and cut poppies to the Front Office by the end of Term 1.

ANZAC Day Video Montage

We are also inviting short video reflections (max 10 seconds) answering: "What does ANZAC Day mean to you and your family?" Please record in landscape.

All submissions are due **Tuesday 17 March** and can be emailed to stacey.tebbenhoff@education.wa.edu.au.

Thank you for helping us honour the stories, service and sacrifice within our community.



Marmion P&C invites all students to the



Mothers Day Stall



\$5 & \$10 gifts
CASH ONLY please



Kindy Wonil Tuesday 5th May
All other classes Friday 8th May

Dont forget your shopping bag!

All proceeds go to the P&C to help 'our little school in the bush'



MARMION PRIMARY SCHOOL

RIDE2SCHOOL DAY 2026

A total of 88% of our students rode, scooted or skated to school on National Ride2School Day on Friday 20th March. It was fantastic to see the bike racks overflowing!

The “We Belong” paper chain spanned the length of the quadrangle by the end of the event. Students reflected on their journey to school on each chain link. The smell of freshly cut grass and lavender, the sight of bushland and waves, the sound of birds and feeling hot were just some of the experiences shared.

Students also wrote beautiful messages of kindness and affirmations for Harmony Day, including—See the Love, Be Happy and Think about others.

The Move-it Mob was an energetic sea of orange adding to the fun of the morning.

The event was proudly supported by the Marmion P&C, with the support of the Department of Transport's Your Move program.



We are looking to grow our school's active transport team. Please contact marmion.ps@education.wa.edu.au to get involved. If you have activity ideas or can help with preparation for events, we would love to hear from you.





P & C News

Lunch Orders

Lunch orders are available every **Wednesday and Thursday** for **Pre-Primary to Year 6** students. Orders are prepared and delivered from the **Duncraig High School canteen**.

- Orders must be placed via **Flexischools** before **8:00am** on the day of delivery.
- Please **double-check** your child's **Flexischools** profile to ensure they are allocated to the correct class for the **2026 school year**, as this helps ensure lunches are delivered correctly

Friday Ice Cream Day

Every Friday, the **Marmion P&C** raises funds by selling ice creams and baked treats.

- Open to **Year 1 to Year 6** students
- Students can visit the canteen at lunchtime
- All items are **\$3 or less** — coins are preferred

Parent Volunteers Needed

To keep these services running smoothly, we rely on parent volunteers. This year, the process has been streamlined.

Each class is asked to help during **their allocated week** by assisting with:

- Canteen lunch order sorting (Wednesday & Thursday) 10:20 - 10:55am
- Friday Ice Cream Day 10:20 - 11:30am

Term 1 Roster

- **Week 9 (1–2 Apr): LA9**

Term 2 Roster

- **Week 1—LA12**
- **Week 2—LA11**
- **Week 3—LA 6**
- **Week 4—LA 14**

Sign up here to help keep these services running:

<https://signup.com/go/GPKunya>

If you notice a vacant spot coming up soon and you're able to help, please feel free to sign up — even if it's not your class's scheduled week.

A big thank you to everyone who has already signed up to volunteer!

If you have any questions please email marmionpandc@gmail.com



P & C News

CANTEEN & ICE CREAM ROSTER

2026

EACH CLASS IS ALLOCATED ONE WEEK PER TERM TO FILL THE VOLUNTEER POSITIONS FOR THE CANTEEN LUNCH ORDER DAYS AND FRIDAY ICE CREAM DAY

REQUIRED IS 1 VOLUNTEER ON WEDNESDAY AND 1 ON THURSDAY FOR DISTRIBUTING THE CANTEEN ORDERS FOR 35 MINUTES FROM 10:20AM, AND

2-3 VOLUNTEERS FOR THE FRIDAY ICE CREAM DAY SALES FROM 10:20AM TO 11:30AM

PLEASE SIGN UP VIA THE LINK BELOW

<https://signup.com/go/GPKunya>

FOR FRIDAY ICE CREAM DAY, WE'D LOVE HOME MADE TREATS TO SELL ON THE DAY

IF YOU DON'T HAVE TIME TO BAKE, DONATE A BOX OF ICE CREAMS INSTEAD. THE CANTEEN IS UNLOCKED AT DROP OFF, JUST POP THE GOODIES INSIDE WITH YOUR NAME AND YOU'RE GOOD TO GO!

NO NUTS PLEASE

IF WE DON'T FILL THE VOLUNTEERS FOR A TASK 48 HOURS PRIOR, IT WILL BE CANCELLED

Term 1 Dates	LA Class	Term 2 Dates	LA Class	Term 3 Dates	LA Class	Term 4 Dates	LA Class
4/5/6 Feb	17	22/23/24 Apr	12	22/23/24 Jul	5	14/15/16 Oct	10
11/12/13 Feb	12	29/30 Apr & 1/5	11	29/30/31 Jul	6	21/22/23 Oct	15 & 16
18/19/20 Feb	16	6/7/8 May	6	5/6/7 Aug	10	28/29/30 Oct	5
25/26/27 Feb	15	13/14/15 May	14	12/13/14 Aug	12	4/5/6 Nov	14
4/5/6 Mar	5	20/21/22 May	15	19/20/21 Aug	14	11/12/13 Nov	12
11/12/13 Mar	6	27/28/29 May	16	26/27/28 Aug	11	18/19/20 Nov	17
18/19/20 Mar	7	3/4/5 Jun	5	2/3/4 Sep	16	25/26/27 Nov	9
25/26/27 Mar	10	10/11/12 Jun	17	9/10/11 Sep	15	2/3/4 Dec	7
1/2 Apr	9	17/18/19 Jun	7	16/17/18 Sep	7	9/10/11 Dec	11
		24/25/26 Jun	9	23/24/25 Sep	9	16/17 Dec	6
		1/2/3 Jul	10	ALL PROFITS GO TO MARMION P&C			





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ICE CREAM FRIDAYS

A big thank you to everyone who has generously donated ice creams and treats for the kids to enjoy over the years. Your support has helped make these days fun and special for the students 🌈

As we continue to review our offerings, we're aiming to focus on options that are free from artificial colours and preservatives. Some children can be sensitive to certain food additives, and choosing products with simpler ingredient lists can help support positive behaviour and overall wellbeing 😊

If you don't have time to bake or make and you'd like to donate ice creams, we'd love options like the examples below, that are free from artificial colours and preservatives, nut free, and include some with less refined sugar

A huge thank you to everyone who has volunteered their time serving, baking or donating. We can't do it without you! ❤️

Term 1 - Class volunteer weeks

Week 4 - LA15

Week 6 - LA6

Week 8 - LA10

Week 5 - LA5

Week 7 - LA7



Volunteer via the link below

<https://signup.com/go/GPKunya>



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Our annual Easter Raffle is now on, and we'd love your support! Raffle tickets are available on the QKR app: \$2 each or 6 tickets for \$10, giving families a chance to win some wonderful Easter prizes.

There will be one prize awarded for each class, as well as three major prizes for the whole school.

Please check that your children are set up in the correct 2026 classes and purchase tickets under each child's profile in QKR! This ensures every student is entered in both the class draw and the main school draw.

Thank you for helping make this a fantastic community fundraiser for our school!



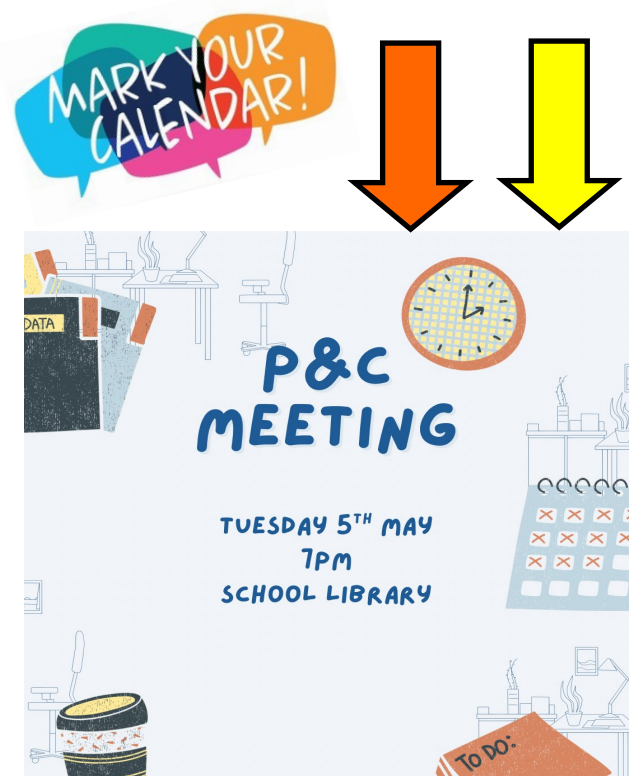
P&C Meeting Tuesday 5 May

We'd love to see you at the next P&C Meeting on Tuesday 5 May at 7:00pm in the school library.

Your help and support make a huge difference to our school community. Funds raised through P&C events help support ongoing projects such as improving the undercover area, upgrading play spaces, and enhancing classroom technology to support student learning.

Whether you can volunteer your time, share ideas, or help at events, we'd love to have you involved. Together we can make 2026 our best year yet.

If you are interested in joining the P&C or the Fete Committee, or would like more information, please email marmionpandc@gmail.com.





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MARMION PRIMARY SCHOOL
1956 - 2026

**BE A PART OF THE
MPS 70TH BIRTHDAY
FETE!**

How You Can Help

Are you a business owner or do you have **local business connections?**

We are looking for donations of money and/or goods for the Marmion School Fete held **on 21st November 2026**.

Your donation will go towards providing entertainment, main stage, food, stalls, games, silent auctions and raffles.

All proceeds from the fete will go to **Marmion P&C** who are raising money to repair and expand playgrounds.

Advertise your business and help our kids:

- The last MPS fete had **5000+** attendees!!
- Donate any amount of money
- Donate goods for raffle/silent auction
- Donate items eg. food
- Sponsor a stall

Scan the QR code to visit our registry or email us for more info! marmionpsfete@outlook.com

On behalf of Marmion P&C, we thank you for your generosity



MARMION PRIMARY SCHOOL



REDHAGE
BASKETBALL

**SCHOOL
PROGRAM**

**GIRLS AND BOYS OF ALL
SKILL LEVEL ARE
WELCOME**

LOCATION:

Marmion Primary School

DURATION:

8 Weeks

February 11th - April 1st

DATE & TIME:

Years 1-6 (Split Into Age Groups)

Wednesdays 7:45am - 8:35am

COST

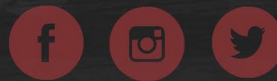
\$135

REGISTRATION

www.redhagebasketball.com



All participants receive a FREE Basketball



WE'RE BACK MARMION

Former Perth Wildcat and Olympian Shawn Redhage is bringing his basketball skills program to your school



YOUR CHANCE TO LEARN FROM THE PROS

SPOTS ARE VERY LIMITED
For more information email
shawn@redhagebasketball.com

Register at www.redhagebasketball.com



A Little About Us

Wonderland has provided Before School, After School and School Holiday care to the Perth community since 2008. We are a locally run registered Not-For-Profit, committed to our mission of providing children the best care possible.

Our team of 40 fun-loving Educators are led by the Service Director, Adam; two Program Coordinators, Tash and Meg and six supervisors, Cathy, Dayna, Keri, Dani, Sophie and Kelly. Together we have accumulated several lifetimes of experience, and each bring unique skills and interest to create a truly wonderful program for our kids.

Our Services

Wonderland brings kids together from schools in the local area, providing vibrant care services from the outstanding facilities of Duncraig Community Centre. We are proud to offer our services to students of Marmion Primary School

Before School Care:	6:30am to start of class
After School Care:	End of class to 6pm
School Holidays:	6:30am to 6pm

We cater for all ages from our 3-year-olds, ready to start their exciting first year of school, through to year 6s transitioning to High School.

Wonderland also offers a full day program for our Kindy kids on the days they don't have school. This program is tailored just for our Kindy kids as an alternative to 'Baby Daycare'



Our Fees

We believe Child Care Services should be completely open and transparent with their fees. Wonderland's current fees are listed just below. Fees are reviewed in line with changes to wages, insurance and other costs and any changes are communicated well in advance.

Before School Care:	\$28
After School Care:	\$40
School Holiday Care:	\$91 + Excursion
Kindy Full Days:	\$103

The full Child Care Subsidy of up to 90% applies to all of Wonderland's fees. Contact Centrelink to find out more about the Child Care Subsidy.

There are no hidden fees and charges imposed by Wonderland. We do not charge extra for Casual Bookings, Last Minute Bookings, Transport, Late Collection, Breakfast and the list goes on.

Get In Touch

If you are needing any care for your children or would just like some more information, feel free to reach out.



MARMION PRIMARY SCHOOL



WOMEN IN SURF

Celebrating the Women Who Shaped Our Movement

Sunday 22nd February
Sorrento Surf Lifesaving Club
3pm - Late

Wear your club gear / uniform / patrol uniform

- Hear from the women who helped shape the Surf Life Saving movement
- ✓ Enjoy great company across clubs
- ✉ Be part of a special group photo
- 🎵 Live music ❤️
- 🍷 Bar open & BYO nibbles



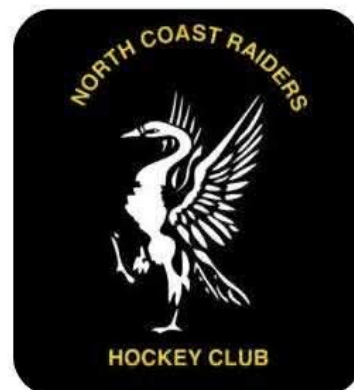
Open to females and males
Members from all clubs welcome



MARMION PRIMARY SCHOOL

COME AND TRY DAY

28/03/26



HOOK IN
2 HOCKEY



**NORTH COAST
RAIDERS
HOCKEY CLUB**

CHARLES RILEY RESERVE,
WENDLING ROAD, NORTH
BEACH, WA 6020

**2:00 PM
—
4:00 PM**



REGISTER ON THE WEBSITE BELOW



WWW.NORTHCOASTRAIDERS.CLUB



TERM 1 SCHOOL CALENDAR



9	30 SWIMMING LESSONS YRS	31	1 April Staff Meeting 1hr	2	3 GOOD FRIDAY	4/5 EASTER
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Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday / Sunday
1	20 Year 6 Camp EDU Dance	21 Year 6 Camp	22 Year 6 Camp	23	24 PD DAY	25/26 ANZAC DAY 25th
2	27 ANZAC DAY IN LIEU	28	29 ANZAC Assembly	30 JTW Challenge	1May	2/3
3	4 EDU Dance	5	6 Staff Meeting 1hrs	7 LA 7 & LA9 Assembly	8	9/10
4	11 EDU Dance Board Meeting 7pm -	12	13	14	15	16/17
5	18 EDU Dance	19	20	21 LA12 Assembly	22	23/24
6	25 EDU Dance	26 National Sorry Day	27 Reconciliation Week	28	29 Network schools PD DAY	30/31
7	1 June WA Day	2	3 Staff Meeting 1hr	4 LA2 & 3 Assembly	5 EDU Dance	6/7



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

TERM 2
DATES





MARMION PRIMARY SCHOOL



2026 PD DAYS
Friday 24th April
Friday 29th May
Monday 16th November

School Times

Start of Day: 8:50am
Lunch: 10:50am - 11:30am
Recess: 1:20pm - 1:40pm
Well being time: 1:40 – 2:05pm
End of Day: 3.00pm

Term Dates 2026

Term 1: 2nd February—Thursday 2nd April
Term 2: 20th April — 3rd July
Term 3: 20th July—25th September
Term 4: 12th October—Thursday 17th

USEFUL CONTACTS

New School Phone number: **9492 2300**

Absentees

Marmion.ps@education.wa.edu.au

Holiday Absent Requests

louise.mason@education.wa.edu.au

Marmion Dental: 9447 1275

School Security: **9264 4771**

Please remember to advise the school when your child is absent either by phoning the school on **9492 2300** or sending an email and advising the reason for the absence so we can code it correctly in lesson attendance.

For all general absentees such as illness, specialist appointments:
Marmion.ps@education.wa.edu.au