MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL
Our school has grown somewhat in the last few days, with three new students joining us. Welcome to Chiara in Year 3, Jake in Year 2 and Imogen in Year 5. It is great to have you with us and we hope you’re enjoying your new school!
We’ve also had some exciting events occurring since our last newsletter. Photos and details of the Small Schools Sports Day, the Fun Run and the Mini-Olympics follow. Thank you to all parents and community members who have supported these events.
In the last newsletter I urged all community members to vote for Maroondan to help us to win $5000 in the CUA competition (see below). Unfortunately the voting site crashed just after we had sent home details of how to vote. It is now back up and running. Please, please, please - if you have not voted yet, do so. When you do vote you can share the link to Facebook to encourage your friends to vote as well. From eleven schools we’re currently in second place, so we have a great chance if everyone votes.
Regards,
Robert Lawton.
Principal

HELP MAROONDAN STATE SCHOOL TO WIN
$5000
Log on to www.cuacommunitycare.com.au, click on the ‘vote now’ button, select Maroondan State School from the drop down list.

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P&C NEWS
Our next meeting is on Thursday, September 4th at 3.15pm. Parents and community members are encouraged to attend.
The P&C will be holding a Super Hero Disco on Friday, September 9th, 6-8pm.
On Sunday, October 30th the P&C will be holding a fundraising sausage sizzle at Bunnings in Bundaberg. Volunteers are required - please let Mr Lawton know if you are able to help out.

SCHOOL REWARDS AND AWARDS
Well done to the students pictured below who are the first to receive the Marvellous Maximiser Awards for Term 3 (20 Max Bands).
**SCHOOL PHOTOS - FRIDAY, AUGUST 26th**

Don’t forget to return your orders and payment either on the day or in advance.

Please see Mr Lawton or Mrs Ellis in the school office if you have any questions about photographs and payment.

**SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT - FOCUS ON READING**

During the last week our younger students have been focusing on the ‘Stretchy Snake’ strategy whilst our older and more able readers have been ‘Self-Monitoring’. Details of each of these strategies are attached. Ask Mr Lawton or Ms Hanak if you require further information. Please encourage your children to employ these strategies in home reading activities.

**BOWLING IN MS HANAK’S CLASS**

On Monday of Week 4 the Year 3–6 students were treated to an afternoon of lawn bowls. Members of Gin Gin Bowls Club attended the school to coach the students and all who took part had a great time.

**SPONSORED FUN RUN & MINI OLYMPICS**

Last Friday was a really special day at Maroondan. In the middle session we held our sponsored fun run and it was great to see all of our students completing at least one lap. Well done! Some showed fantastic stamina and kept going for the whole hour. Jeremy completed a whopping 9km! Josh was not far behind at 8.5km and Kent completed 8km.

**SMALL SCHOOLS SPORTS**

The Small Schools Sports Competition was held at Gin Gin State School on the Friday of Week 3. All Maroondan students deserve congratulations for their team-spirit and good behaviour on the day! Lots of our students received ribbons for top three performances including Vanessa (2nd 200m and 2nd 60m), William (1st 60m and 2nd Javelin), Natalia (1st 60m), Bobbi (2nd Javelin), Mathew (1st 80m), Jeremy (1st Javelin, 2nd Long Jump and 3rd 200m), Chelsea (3rd 100m). Special congratulations to Jeremy for receiving runner-up age champion in the junior boys category.

**SCHOOL REWARDS AND AWARDS ctd.**

In Week 3 our Student of the Week Awards were won by Brock and Kit. Brock received his award for great teamwork whilst Kit received his for super Maths work.

Week 4 winners were Thomas for working well within his group and Aaron for a great start at Maroondan.
SONSORED FUN RUN AND MINI-OLYMPICS - FRIDAY, AUGUST 5th, 2016
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Self-monitoring

Self-monitoring is being aware of your own thinking when you read.

A really important part of self-monitoring is knowing when you have stopped understanding what you have read. It may be that you are not sure of what a word, sentence or even a paragraph means.

If you can recognise when this happens, you can use a strategy such as rereading to fix it.

That bit doesn’t make sense. I think I will stop and go back and reread it slowly out loud and see if that helps.

Stretchy Snake

Slowly stretch each letter sound to make the word.

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