

# MARION PS NEWS



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Term 1 Week 6

Courage Harmony Integrity

Thursday March 9 2023



DATES TO REMEMBER	
<b>March</b>	
Monday 13	Adelaide Cup – public holiday (school closed)
Tuesday 14	Pupil Free Day – school closed, OSHC care available.
Wednesday 15	NAPLAN commences – years 3 and 5
Friday 17	Assembly – Room 7
Friday 24	NAPLAN ends
Friday 31	Assembly – Room 6
<b>April</b>	
Monday 3	Parent / teacher interviews commence
Friday 7	Good Friday – public holiday (school closed)
Monday 10	Easter Monday – public holiday (school closed)
Friday 14	Sports Day Last day term 1 (early dismissal)

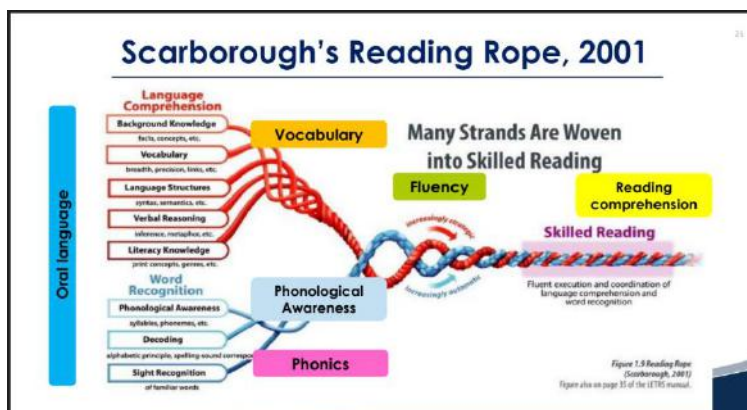
## From the Principal

Welcome to Issue 3 of our school newsletter for 2023. Newsletters are published fortnightly in even numbered weeks throughout the year and emailed to parents / carers using the Dept for Education EdSmart email communication tool. A limited number of printed copies are also available from the school office. Past issues of the newsletter are available for download from our school website <https://marionps.sa.edu.au/>

### Reminder - Public holiday Monday and Pupil Free Day Tuesday

Don't forget that school will be closed for the Adelaide Cup public Holiday on Monday and for the Pupil Free day on Tuesday. OSHC is available for bookings on Tuesday only.

At the pupil free day teachers will be completing professional learning on a new suite of reading assessments that are being implemented across schools – DIBELS. DIBELS is an acronym which stands for Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills. DIBELS consists of 6 assessments designed to indicate whether students are 'on track' with the development of early reading skills or not. Where students are identified as not being 'on track' then the specific area of difficulty is identified so that we can provide support to assist with developing that aspect of learning. The DIBELS assessments are aligned with the elements of the Big 6 of Reading.



For more info on the Big 6 of Reading please see:

<https://vimeo.com/312643548>



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### **Governing Council – subcommittees seeking members**

Our Governing Council consists of 5 elected members and 5 subcommittees. Our subcommittees need members and there are always roles that need filling to support their effective functioning. Subcommittee chairs meet with school representatives twice each term to discuss and plan how to support the school. Subcommittees may then meet at other times at the discretion of the subcommittee chair to plan and implement supports.

Our subcommittees are:

- OSHC
- Grounds
- Sport
- Fundraising
- Finance

We are currently seeking volunteers to support subcommittees of OSHC; grounds and sport in particular. Please contact the school office and we will connect you with the sub-committee chairperson.

### **Counselling Service – available at Marion Primary school each Tuesday**

Relationships Australia provides an outreach counselling service for children and families each Tuesday here at school. Please see their flyer in the 'In our Community' section of this newsletter.

### **NAPLAN – Commencing next week**

NAPLAN tests will commence from Wednesday March 15 (next week) and will run initially across Wednesday, Thursday, Friday. Catchup sessions are scheduled for the following week for any students who are absent. If you have a child or children in years 3 or 5, please make sure they get plenty of sleep and eat healthily so that they are in their best shape at testing time. Tests are online with the exception of the year 3 Writing test which remains a paper based test.

### **Cyber safety presentation**

A free cyber safety presentation is being held at Ascot Park Primary School library on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 6.00pm. This free presentation is being provided by Thinkuknow – which is a program led by the Australian Federal Police.

For more information go to their website at: <https://www.thinkuknow.org.au/index.php/about/our-program>

*David O'Connell*  
Principal

### **ICT News!**

Over the past few newsletters you may have accessed the links to help with supporting your child to navigate their digital life. This last link has more videos for you, as a parent, to access and go into more depth for your child's age group. In Digital Technologies lessons we discuss and reflect on their media habits and how to build good digital citizenship skills. Together we can work to provide your child with the best knowledge to help them make informed decisions and support them to navigate the use of technology and social media

<https://www.common sense.org/education/toolkit/family-engagement-resources>

Ros Mazurek  
Digital Technology teacher

## **Numeracy Spot**

### **Helping your child to develop Numeracy skills in the Junior Primary**

Numeracy involves being able to understand how numbers work in everyday situations. We see and use numbers daily. When reading there are numbers on the page, our house has a number and when we buy something we add and subtract numbers. Help your child to develop a positive attitude towards numeracy. If you speak English as an Additional Language or Dialect, it's important to build numeracy skills in your home language as well.

An early skill that children develop is counting. Counting includes:

- saying and recalling numbers in the correct order
- matching number words to objects
- knowing that the last number counted represents the total number of objects.

Words to use:



- count forward, count backwards
- number before, number after
- more than, less than
- is the same as

In addition to counting, the ability to recognise a number of items without counting them is developed from an early age. An example of this is learning to recognise a pattern of dots such as on dominoes, dice and cards as numbers. This is called subitising.

Subitising is a term that was derived from the Latin adjective *subitus* (meaning "sudden") and captures a feeling of immediately knowing how many items lie within the visual scene, when the number of items present falls within the subitizing range.

Studies have found that most adults can subitise groups of items up to five. This is known as perceptual subitising. Beyond five, other mental strategies come into play for identifying the number of items in a group without counting them individually. These require some understanding of grouping and basic mathematics. For instance, when we see six dots on a die, we actually break this down into two groups of three which, when combined, gives us six. This is known as conceptual subitising and is an essential element for developing mathematical skills.



Subitising is an essential part of developing number sense in children by helping them to relate numbers to actual items or groups of items.

For more information on Subitising please see:  
<https://nrich.maths.org/14004>

### Assembly awards

Each fortnight, class teachers select two students who are presented with a school Values Award at our school assembly. Values Award recipients from our last assembly are listed below. Congratulations and well done to all students.

### Week 5 Awards

ROOM	AWARD TYPE	STUDENT FIRST NAME
1	Courage	Amos
1	Harmony	Brooke
3	Harmony	Teal
3	Courage	Abby
4	Courage	Ella Mi
4	Harmony	Jasmin
6	Integrity	Grace
6	Courage	Charlie
7	Integrity	Isabelle
7	Courage	Abheek
10	Integrity	Maddison
10	Harmony	Sophie K
11	Harmony	Emily WK
11	Harmony	Emily WL

# OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Hours of Operation	
Before School Care: 7:00-8:30am	After School Care: 3:15-6:15pm
Fees	
Before School Care: \$15	After School Care: Casual \$25
Pupil Free Day: \$53	Vacation Care: \$53 per day
Contact Details	
Phone: 8277 4486	Mobile: 0428 257 789
Email: <a href="mailto:Robyn.Shanahan17@schools.sa.edu.au">Robyn.Shanahan17@schools.sa.edu.au</a> (Please note: this is direct contact with Director Robyn Shanahan)	
Bookings / cancellations	
Cancellation and Emergency bookings can only be made through contacting OSHC directly on 0428 257 789	
Enquiries can be made directly to OSHC or through the school Front Office on 82772293	

Hi Everyone,

In the last school holidays, children went on a Hummer limo ride. There was so much excitement – and not just from the kids!

Please feel free to offer suggestions for activities for the program including art, craft, cooking, games, excursions and centre based activities.

Robyn Shanahan  
Director



# In the Community



## Children and Family Counselling at Marion Primary

Children and Family Counselling supports and strengthens family relationships, mental health and wellbeing.

Counselling can help with:

- Feeling less stressed or worried about your children or family
- Understanding what your child is feeling
- Supporting your children with their emotions and life's challenges
- Being a calmer and more connected parent
- Supporting children through change

This service is suitable for families with infants and children aged 0-12. Other family members can be involved if needed. Receive up to six ongoing sessions.

**When:** Tuesday mornings, during school terms | 9.00am or 10.00am  
**Where:** Marion Primary School | Malcolm Ave, Marion  
**Cost:** First six sessions free. Fees may apply after 6 sessions.

For more information or to book contact Relationships Australia SA's Marion site.  
(08) 8377 5400 | [rasas@rasa.org.au](mailto:rasas@rasa.org.au)

[www.rasa.org.au](http://www.rasa.org.au) | 1800 182 325

*Relationships Australia*  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA



1<sup>st</sup> Darlington  
Scout Group



1<sup>st</sup> Somerton Park  
Scout Group

## OPEN DAY

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2023, 11am – 3pm

Darlington Scout Hall  
12 White Cres, Seacombe Gardens,  
with some activities on the Darlington Primary School Oval

Come along and join our Joeys, Cubs and Scouts for some  
FREE and FUN activities, games, and more!

There will also be a FREE BBQ as well.



Joey Scouts

5-7 Years Old



Cub Scouts

8-11 Years Old



Scouts

11-14 Years

For further info, contact Mike Sellwood (Darlington Scout Group Leader) 0401 691 228



## Seaview High School OPEN NIGHT

Wednesday 22 March 2023

5.00pm - 7.30pm

Principal's Address 5.45pm & 6.45pm

Enquiries and bookings to 8377 8000  
or [dl.0893.info@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.0893.info@schools.sa.edu.au)



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## IGNITE at Aberfoyle Park High School

IGNITE is a specialist program for students with high intellectual potential. Aberfoyle Park High School is the official Department for Education school for gifted students in the southern metropolitan area of Adelaide.

### HOW DO I KNOW IF MY CHILD IS GIFTED?

The characteristics of gifted children vary; however, many display some or all of the following traits:

- High levels of curiosity and deep levels of knowledge in one or more area
- Excellent creative thinking and ability to problem solve
- Strong empathy and social justice
- Highly developed sense of humour



Initial selection is based on performance in the Australian Council for Education (ACER) Gifted and Talented Assessment.

**Year 6 students in 2023 are eligible to sit the test for a place in the Year 7 IGNITE program in 2024.**

### IGNITE SELECTION TEST SATURDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2023 9AM - 1PM ABERFOYLE PARK HIGH SCHOOL

REGISTER YOUR CHILD TO SIT THE TEST AT: [www.aphs.sa.edu.au](http://www.aphs.sa.edu.au)

A registration fee of \$125 applies for non-school card holders.

Registrations close Monday 20 February 2023.

For further information contact [aphs.ignite447@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:aphs.ignite447@schools.sa.edu.au)



## Comfortable talking to your kids about technology and the internet?

A ThinkUKnow cyber safety and security presentation will take place on

**DATE:** Monday 27 March 2023, 6pm

**LOCATION:** Ascot Park Primary School library

#### The session will cover:

- What young people SEE, SAY and DO online
- The challenges they may face
- How to report and get help if things go wrong

Visit [www.thinkuknow.org.au](http://www.thinkuknow.org.au) for more information about online safety and security.



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NORFOLK RD, OAKLANDS PARK  
(NEXT TO BASKETBALL STADIUM)

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GROUP COACHING TERM 1					
MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SUN
RED BALL FOR AGES 4-6 3:45-4:30PM	GREEN BALL FOR AGES 7+ 4:30-5:30PM	JUNIOR CLUB TRAINING 5-6PM	CARDIO TENNIS ADULT GROUP COACHING AND EXERCISE TO MUSIC 8:30PM-7:30PM	SUPPLEMENT PRACTICE COACHING 4-5PM PARENT INTERACTIVE *SEE BELOW	RED BALL AGES 3-5 9-9:30AM AGES 6-7 9:30-10AM ORANGE BALL AGES 8-12 10-11AM

COACHING IS CONDUCTED BY A TENNIS AUSTRALIA CLUB PROFESSIONAL JUSTIN TREDWELL  
\*\*ADDITIONAL PRACTICE SESSION FOR A COACHING PROGRAM PARTICIPANT WHICH IS PARENT AND COACH INTERACTIVE-CONTACT JUSTIN FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

MEMBERSHIP OF CODE

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR ALL COACHING ENQUIRIES AND INFO ON OUR WEBSITE

[www.marionps.sa.edu.au](https://www.marionps.sa.edu.au)

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## KIDS TAEKWONDO

Resilience Confidence Discipline Fitness

- Children can start at the age of 5
- Self defence, anti bullying program
- Non - Contact Training
- Experienced WWCC Instructors
- Sports Voucher approved provider



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