FENCING
I’m sure it not news, but our new black fence is finished and looks fantastic. Starting next week, all gates will be locked during the school day, except for 2 at the front of the school. We are pricing an intercom and automatic gate for the Kim street carpark which would also allow access. Until that happens the sliding gate will also be left open during school hours. Gates will be reopened at approx. 1.45pm, although it will take some time for staff to get around to all of them.

3 WAY CONFERENCES
These were well attended and ran quite smoothly thanks to families arriving on time and following the set procedures. Some of you filled out forms for a further appointment to discuss your child with their teacher again and teachers will be in touch soon to arrange a suitable time. If you missed out please contact your child’s teacher for a separate appointment.

WAITING OUTSIDE CLASSROOMS IN THE AFTERNOON
Classes are working until 2.30pm, please wait quietly outside classes to reduce distractions and also remind the High School siblings to do the same if they are collecting students.

PREP SL/KF, 4ST and 1/2 AJ
They have all moved classrooms! Have a look at the new Prep building, it looks fantastic.
Junior School Update

It was so fantastic to return to school for Term 3 and find that our pathways in the Prep to Year 1 Play Area have been decorated with games and activities for our students to use at playtime. The students have enjoyed learning new games and ways to use these educational resources. The new blackboards have been erected and make the Prep area look more inviting and attractive. A big thankyou to our Grounds Officer, Mr Billiau and Mr Tevan for cleaning our paths and putting up the blackboards securely.

Thankyou! We all really appreciate your efforts making our playground look fabulous.

A very busy term ahead, once again including our Wheelie Fun Day on the 29th July so lets hope we get a day of sunshine. Also coming up is our Visual Arts Day on 12th August, Fathers Day Stall on between 1st - 4th September. Our Keith Henderson Multi-Cultural Evening is on the 3rd September and our Junior Sports Day is on Wednesday, 9th September. Please keep an eye out for more information.

Our next parade is scheduled for Week 3 on Wednesday 29th July at 1.30pm in the Dean Hall. Our parade will be hosted by PRM and PHG. Please come along and support these classes and enjoy their performance.
Welcome back to all our Marsden families and students. We have a very exciting term ahead of us with many different activities to look forward to. Over the past week, we have been celebrating our NAIDOC Week. The students have been thoroughly enjoying taking part in all of the activities on offer so be sure to view the photos on our facebook page.

Our Year 4 students are getting ready to head off to camp Wednesday fortnight. All permission forms and outstanding money was due to the Office last week. Having a payment deadline helps us to be efficiently organised for this trip as there is a lot of work that goes into the organisation of a school camp. If you haven’t already liked our school facebook page, please do so as we will be posting daily updates and photos directly from camp.

Please remember that the Show Holiday is on Monday 10th August and that we are hosting our annual Visual Arts Day the same week on Wednesday 12th. Please also pencil in Thursday 3rd September for our annual Keith Henderson Multicultural Evening. Last year’s event was a huge success and lots of positive feedback was received by many. Once again each child will be performing with their year level, as well as our extra curricular groups such as Maori Club, The Goodstart Program, SEP, Glee Club etc. This promises to be an affordable and fabulous night. More information will be issued to you throughout the term.

Thank you to those parents who participated in Three-Way Conferences on Tuesday night. It was at the conference parents received their child’s report card. For those that were unable to attend, please make a time to see your child’s classroom teacher to receive a copy of the report card, and discuss their progress. These conversations are extremely powerful and important in your child’s learning journey at Marsden State School. It is when we learn to work as a team, success is achieved!

Enjoy Term 3 everyone, I look forward to creating more memories with you all!
Senior School Update

Welcome back everyone to Term 3! We have another busy term planned with lots of exciting events. We have already kicked off the term with Three-Way conferences on Tuesday evening and NAIDOC Week activities and celebrations throughout last week. Wheelie Fun Day is scheduled for Wednesday - 29th July—weather permitting!

Our students enjoyed sharing their Semester One work at the Three Way Conferences. This was a great night and wonderful to see so many families at our school. If you were unable to attend the night and have not had an opportunity to speak to your child’s teacher and view samples of their work, please contact your child’s teacher as soon as possible so arrangements can be made.

Throughout this week students have participated in a number of activities to celebrate NAIDOC, commencing with a flag raising ceremony which included performances from: Indigenous Club, choreographed by Jeanette Fabila; Solo Performance by Jeanette Fabila and Didgeridoo Player.

Our **Year 5 students** got a special visit from **Chad Briggs**. He played some different didgeridoos and also let the students have a go at trying to create a sound. The students and teachers loved it!

Thank you Mr Briggs.

The **Year 6 students** did Trivia with **Aunty Faith Green & Aunty Dana**.

Some of our year 6 students were also invited to the Loganlea High School to join in some of their NAIDOC week celebrations. Those that attended with Janet Mitchell and Chappy Helen, included: Hollie and Ezekiel 6GB; Tayla, Jaydon, Jada and Matthew 6DK; Shay and Shkye 6NB, Trinity, Tyralle and Jaxon (6LA). Some of the high school students taught them a traditional dance which they thoroughly enjoyed. They also participated in painting Australian animals on wood. A sausage sizzle was also on offer!

Our next parade is scheduled for Week 3 on Monday 27th July at 1.45 pm in the Dean Hall. Hope to see you there.
School Resource Scheme (SRS) fees can now be paid at the office. This year’s basic SRS is $111.00, parents of students in laptop classes can contact the office to confirm the amount payable. If paying in instalments, it is now asked that they be paid in thirds, at the start of the first, second and third terms. When paying with cash, the window is open on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8:00am until 9:30am. Internet banking is also an option. BSB: 064-168 A/C: 00090140

NAPLAN

2015 NAPLAN Information for families - NAPLAN individual student reports will be posted to schools from the end of Week 3, Term 3. Schools will receive one printed report for each student for distribution to parents/carers. This report will be handed to your child's classroom teacher and sent home as soon as they are received.

Venue: Marsden State School - Dean Hall
Date: 14th August 2015
Time: Prep - Year 11.50am
Junior version (Yrs P-3);
Year 3/4 - 9.30am
General version (Yrs P-4 or Mixed)

Year 5/6 - 1.20pm Senior version (Yrs 5-6)

The cost of the excursion will be $6.00 per student

Please return the permission slip and money to the school payment window by Thursday 13 August 2015. The payment window is open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 8.00 am to 9.30 am. No payment will be accepted after this date.

In the reference please place as much information as possible.
Book Week Parade

Wednesday 26 August 2015
8.30am – 9am Dean Hall

Come dressed as your favourite book character.

Don't forget to bring the book that your character stars in.

Book prizes for ALL participants.
Let's try again!!

Wheelie Fun Rewards Day rescheduled for Wednesday 29 July 2015!

Our Green Zone Students will now celebrate Wheelie Fun Day on Wednesday of week 3, Term 3.

Reminders for the day:
- Bring your bike, scooter or skates;
- Bring a bike lock;
- Don’t forget your helmet and if you have other safety gear, like knee and elbow pads, bring those too!
- Walk your bike or scooter into the school grounds;
- Grades 4-6 can lock their bikes/scooters in the bike racks and along the fence line in the bike rack enclosure.
- Prep-3 can store in or near their classrooms.

Marsden State School has been celebrating NAIDOC last week with lots of traditional activities. This has been a very positive learning experience for our students. Special thanks go to Aunty Faith Green; Aunty Dana; Jeanette Fabila; Chad Briggs; John Briggs; Janet Mitchell and all those that performed at our Opening Flag Ceremony.

Portfolio Sharing with Administration

Two students from each year level shared their portfolios and some morning tea with administration Friday of week 2. It was wonderful to see their eager faces and all the wonderful work they had done throughout the Semester.

Although it is important to set new goals and identify areas for improvement, it is timely to remember the importance of taking the time to celebrate achievements and praise effort.

Our PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning) focus for week 3 has been on ‘Being Safe’.

Positive Behaviour for Learning
Welcome back to school for another term. It’s hard to believe I’ve been here one term already. In that time I’ve had the opportunity to meet so many children and to work alongside a number of them one on one. Thank you for making me feel so very welcome and I look forward to another busy term not only with the students but also meeting parents and working alongside staff as well. Attached you will find a flyer letting you know of the upcoming Pancake Breakfast being held on Friday week 3. With these cold winter mornings around I’m sure your son or daughter would appreciate some hot pancakes for breakfast. You as the parent/caregiver are also welcome to join us.

Later in the term I also plan on having another Cuppa with the Chappie in the Howard Centre if you would like to attend. Keep your eyes open for that date still to come. Hope your start to the term has gone well and I look forward to saying hello to you at some stage around the school.

Chappy Helen
CHAPPY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

WHEN: Friday 31st July 2015 (Week 3)  
WHERE: Outside Dean Hall  
TIME: 8.00 to 8.20 am  
COST: $1 per pancake with maple syrup  
BRING YOUR MONEY ON THE DAY AND HAVE AS MUCH AS YOU LIKE

(Breakfast Club will still be operating this day)

**Breakfast Club**
Breakfast Club is on outside the Dean Hall every morning from 8:00am. Children will not be served before this time.

**Uniforms**
Uniforms both new and second-hand will be sold after Breakfast Club from 8:45am each morning outside of the Howard Centre.

Second-hand shorts are in desperate need! If you have any pairs that do not fit your children please donate them to the school!
Cool Cricket!

Prepare for the Ashes!!

Date: Thursday 13 August then 5 consecutive Thursdays
Time: 3.00pm to 4.00pm

Learn all the skills and techniques to become a cool cricketer! Helping Hands is pleased to be able to offer this unique opportunity for all children.

Over a 5 week program, you will be guided by an amazing cricket coach to become a better cricket player!

Children will have the opportunity to learn the key skills needed to play cricket and then have the chance to use those skills in some fun and exciting games. Each session is different to ensure that kids are having the maximum amount of fun while learning the basics of the game. The children will learn to bat, bowl, catch, throw and field whilst having a great time with their friends.

For more information or to book onto this exciting 5 week program please contact;
Helping Hands Marsden on 0458 010 731
or email marsden@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au

Booking forms are also available from the school office and Helping Hands Marsden service.

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