

# MARAMBA COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

*The latest news and updates from Harvest Home Primary Year 6 Community.*



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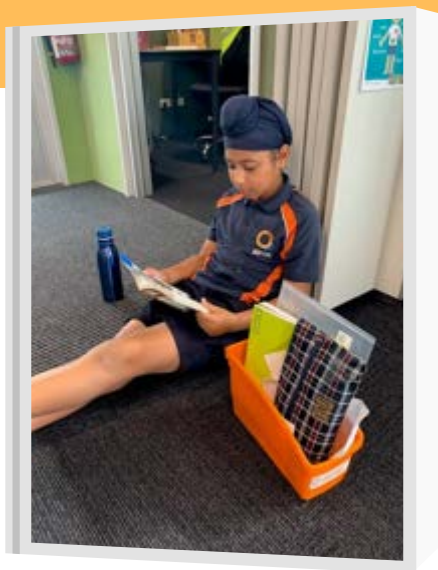
**EVENTS & REMINDERS**

Welcome to Term 1 in the Maramba Community. This year the Maramba teaching team includes Kyle Hattie and Taylah Hancock (6A), Elana Rose (6B), Alex Kennedy (6C) and Danielle Briffa (6D). We are all very eager and excited to work with the wonderful Year 6 students in our community.

To help set up the Community and learn how to work collaboratively, the students have been investigating the expected school behaviours of Being Respectful, Being Safe and Being Your Best. In our community, students have been earning 'Hero points' and badges for showing these behaviours. We have also been revisiting our school values and principles and what they look like in Year 6.



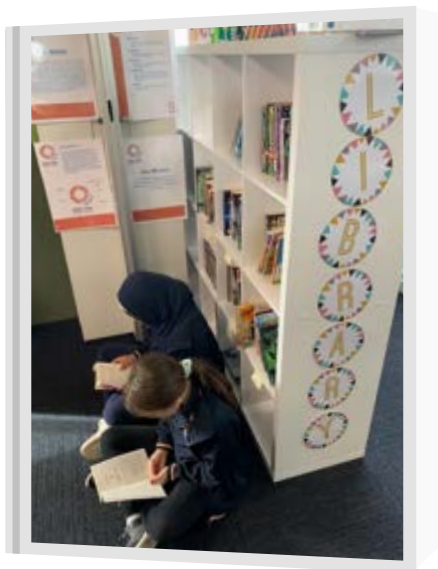
# READING



It has been wonderful getting to know the range of reading interests among our students through our Reading Start Up program. Students and teachers have worked together to establish shared expectations for reading in Year 6 to set us up for a successful year.

The Maramba community will be focusing on the following topics this term:

- Building stamina during independent reading
- Building our comprehension skills going deeper about and beyond the text
- Setting purposeful, individual reading goals to develop our skills to comprehend a variety of texts



Reading is our thing!

-Dr. Seuss



## Reading Challenge



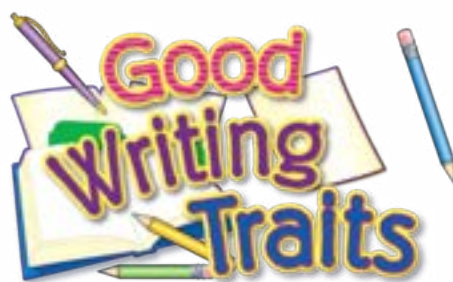
Commencing this term, the Maramba community will be tracking our home reading nights. A reading nights wall has been set up in the community to share the celebration of students showing kaizen by reading each night at home. It is expected that students are reading at home for 30 minutes every night. Home reading is critical to each student's reading progress and is a great way to share individual interests at home.

# WRITING



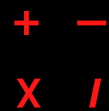
Throughout Term 1 our focus will be based around the skills of Narrative. We will be unpacking what it takes to write a great narrative and set our learners up for success. We will be using the '**6+ 1 Traits**' to support our development of these skills. We look forward to sharing some of our fantastic stories that the learner creates.

A way you can support at home with this is encouraging your child to read different Narrative's and write their own version of the stories. Writing mileage is a massive support and will build their stamina which is important for writing in Year 6.





# NUMERACY



The learners are in the full swing of things with Numeracy and have settled into their groups. So far in Numeracy we have been focusing on Place Value. Specifically looking at expanding and renaming numbers up to hundreds of thousands.

On a Monday, students will be presented with a challenging question. This will allow students to be exposed to the concept that they will be working towards each week. Students have enjoyed challenging questions about Place Value and shape so far.

We also encourage the students to be using the online subscriptions, Mathletics and My Numeracy on Essential Assessment, to get a head start on some of these topics. The key for preparing for upcoming topics is about exposure to the type of questions and identifying the vocabulary of the topic. This will support your child with feeling confident in Numeracy.

## *Term 1 topics*

### **Number & Algebra - Place Value**

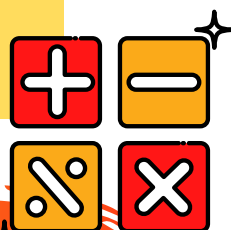
Identify and describe prime, multiples, factors, composite, square and triangular numbers. Investigate everyday situations that use integers. Locate and represent these numbers on a number line.

### **Measurement & Geometry - 3D Shape**

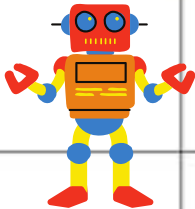



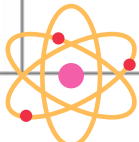
Construct prisms & pyramids. Connect 3D objects with their nets and other 2D representations.

### **Number & Algebra - Operations**

Mental and written strategies to solve problems involving all four operations with whole numbers.



# Specialist Timetable

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Session 3:</b> 6A Science 6B Spanish 6C PE 6D STEAM			<b>Session 1:</b> 6A PE 6B STEAM 6C Science 6D Spanish	
<b>Session 4:</b> 6A Spanish 6B PE 6C STEAM 6D Science			<b>Session 2:</b> 6A STEAM 6B Science 6C Spanish 6D PE	

# Home Learning Expectations

It is recommended that students in Year 6 participate in a minimum of 30 minutes of homework per day. Students are expected to read their take home book on a daily basis (or a Just Right Book agreed upon with their teacher) and return it every day. Please record the book read each night in their School diary. After reading, parents are encouraged to discuss the meaning of the text with their child to develop a deeper, richer understanding of what has been read.

Being a 21st century learning school we have school and home access to some exciting online programs to support the curriculum. In your child's orange home reader book you will find the login details to the following websites:

**Reading Eggs**- [www.readingeggs.com.au](http://www.readingeggs.com.au)

**Mathletics**- [www.mathletics.com.au](http://www.mathletics.com.au)

**Readiwriter**- [www.readiwriter.com.au](http://www.readiwriter.com.au)

**Sunshine Online** -[www.sunshineonline.com.au](http://www.sunshineonline.com.au)



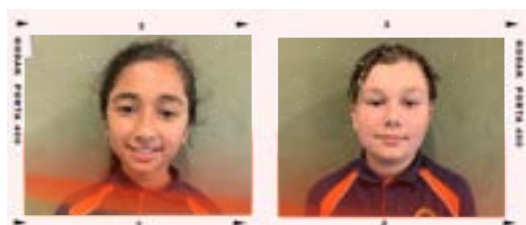
# Celebrations



congratulations to our amazing Kaizen award winners so far this term...

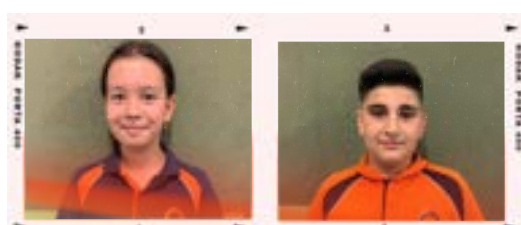


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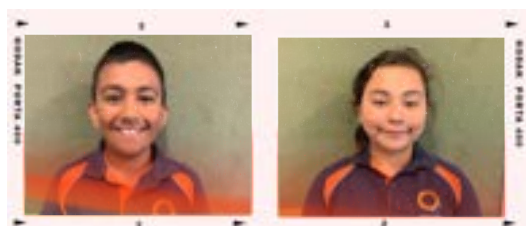
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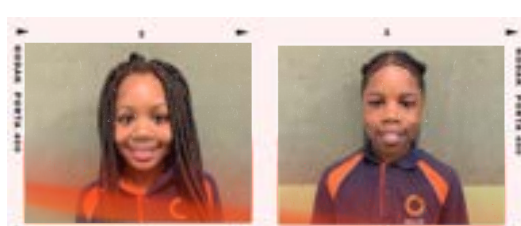
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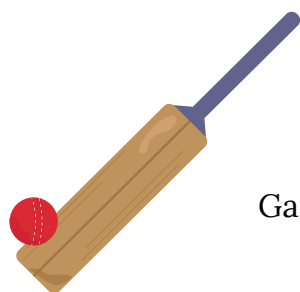


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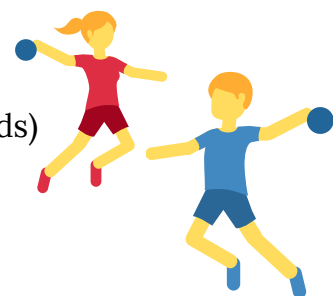
## Interschool Sport

Good Times



Interschool sport is played by all Year 6 students on Friday morning starting at 9am and concluding at approximately 10.45am. All students have been allocated to either Handball, Cricket or Soccer for term one. Games are played at home (Harvest Home Primary School grounds) or away at other schools.

Please ensure your child arrives on time to ensure we can begin our games promptly.



## Events



MONDAY  
*8th March*  
Labour Day  
Public Holiday

TUESDAY  
*9th March*  
School Photos



FRIDAY  
*19th March*  
Harmony Day



THURSDAY  
*1st April*  
Last day of Term 1



## Reminders

If for some reason your child is absent from school, you can explain the absence on Compass or make contact with the school on 8468 9000. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email one of us via Compass, or call the office to arrange a time to pop in for a chat.

We look forward to working closely with the Yiaga Community to provide our students with the best learning opportunities and environment during Term 4!

Kind Regards, Kyle, Taylah, Alex, Elana and Danielle  
(Year 6 Community Teachers)

