**Dates to Remember**
06/09/2013 Prep-4 visit to Jondaryan
06/09/2013 5-7 High School fun day
07/09/2013 Cake Stall on Election Day
20/09/2013 Last day of term
08/10/2013 Term 4 commences

**Notes from the Principal**

Dear Parents,

WOW! Only 3 weeks left of this term. The year is certainly flying by.

**I Pad**

We have recently purchased an I Pad for use throughout the school. It will be utilized by students for reading and maths activities.

**Prep Open Day**

Our Prep open day will be held on Thursday 31st October. If you have a child starting school at Maryvale next year, or know of families wishing to enrol, please let the office know.

**Contact details**

A reminder to all parents – Please ensure your contact details are up to date as well as emergency contacts. In the event of an emergency or your child is ill we need your current phone number.

**Little Athletics**

A representative from Little Athletics, Shaun Letham will be visiting our school this afternoon. The program he will be presenting will allow our students to experience different track and field events that they normally do not participate in at primary school. Students will be participating in Triple Jump, Hurdles and Javelin.

**Excursion**

Payment for the excursion to Jondaryan Woolshed needs to be paid by Tuesday 3rd September, this is so we can modify our numbers attending the event with the Woolshed if needs be.

**Congratulations**

Congratulations to Matthew York who will be representing the Southern Downs at the Regional Sports meet next Thursday in 100 and 200m running events.

**Thank you**

A Mighty Maryvale thank you to the P&C! Thankyou Sharon, Kristy and Violet for giving your time to make special gifts for Dad for Fathers’ Day.

**Students of the Week**

**Weeks 6-7 Term 3**

Matthew and Jorja were the Students of the Week for Mrs Hubble’s class.

The Prep—Year 2 Students of the Week winners were Llewy, Peter, Abby and Riley. These four students also achieved their new levels in their sight words. Well done to these students, as their hard work learning the words has paid off.

Llewy and Kris both received bronze certificates for Mathletics. Well done boys.

**Parents**

If there has been a change to your telephone numbers / address or your child/rens medical condition has changed, please contact the school with the new information.
Dental Visit

On Wednesday the 21st of August the dental staff from the Granite Belt Dental Clinic paid the school a visit. They talked about brushing your teeth and taking care of your teeth and mouth. Some students took part in an activity where they had had a solution placed on their tongue. This showed the dental staff if the students/staff had been cleaned.

Sue Fleming from the Granite Belt Dental Clinic talking with the Tooth fairy.

All students received a new toothbrush and a small tube of toothpaste from the dental clinic. It was pleasing to note that all students and staff passed the test for having clean teeth.

SAFETY ON THE ROAD.

Students please note that when walking or riding on the road, you need to stay on the left hand side of the road, NOT all over the road.

Charity Ride for Cancer

The teaching staff at Maryvale State School took part in a cancer charity ride for A Cruise for a Cure on Sunday 25th of August. Mrs Hubble and Ms Gregory both were pillion passengers on the back of Harley Davidson motorbikes. This event is held once a year in Toowoomba, with members of the Harley Owners' Group giving their time to take passengers for a 3-4 hour ride around the surrounding towns. Both Mrs Hubble and Ms Gregory had a wonderful day.

Mrs Hubble on the back of her trusty Harley steed.

Ms Gregory trying to ride the Harley she was a passenger on.

Reading Strategy

In helping our students with their reading: we are providing another strategy in assisting them with unknown words. This week's strategy is “Skippy Frog”. When a student finds an unknown word ‘Skip it Skip it’ and read until the end of the sentence, Then ‘Hop back’ and read it, read it.