



MARYVALE NEWS

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Term 2 Week 4

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**Late arrivals and early
departures must be signed in
and out at the
classroom.**

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Prep Vision Screening
Friday 30th May

Warm Food Wednesday's

2025 IMPROVEMENT AGENDA

This year our focus will be

1. Version 9 of the Curriculum -
with a strong focus on Reading,
Writing and Numeracy.

2. Student Wellbeing and
Engagement - building strong
transitions before and beyond
Prep-6 with supportive, inclusive
practices.

Acknowledgement of Country

*We respect and honour Aboriginal
and Torres Strait Islander Elders
past, present and future.*

*We acknowledge the stories,
traditions and living cultures of
Aboriginal and Torres Strait
Islander peoples on this land and
commit to building a brighter
future together.*

PARENT COMMUNICATION GUIDELINES

We value open and respectful parent/carer communication, to support your child's learning and engagement. Today, the department has released the [Communicating with your child's school](https://education.qld.gov.au/parents-and-carers/positive-school-culture), guidelines are now available to help parents/carers understand the types of information they can expect to receive from state schools and appropriate contact channels. Find out more about these guidelines in Queensland state schools: <https://education.qld.gov.au/parents-and-carers/positive-school-culture>

PREP VISION SCREENING

Good vision is important for a child's educational, physical and social development. A Registered Queensland Health Nurse will be visiting our school Friday 30th May to commence free vision screening for Prep children. If you wish to have your child participate in this vision screening program, please complete the online consent form distributed via email. You will be advised in writing of the outcome of your child's screening.

CELEBRATING OUR MARYVALE MUMS

Maryvale State School community recognises the important role families play in the development of our students. Special occasions like Mother's Day are always cause for great celebration as we take the opportunity to thank our mums for all they do and the special place they have in our hearts. On Friday afternoon, some of our mums and local communities attended our Mother's Day afternoon tea.

NEW PROCESS FOR SHARING INFORMATION WITH EXTERNAL SPECIALISTS

At Maryvale we understand the value external providers can bring in supporting student learning and wellbeing. To ensure a consistent and secure process when sharing school information with specialists, we have introduced a new External Specialist Request Form. If you would like the school to provide information to your child's therapist, medical professional, or other external specialist, please complete the attached form and return it to the office or email it to the Principal at admin@maryvale.eq.edu.au. This form helps us ensure that all requests are managed respectfully, in line with departmental privacy requirements. Once submitted, you will be contacted to complete a third-party consent form before any information is shared. We appreciate your support in allowing us to work in partnership to support your child.

Every day counts

MOST STUDENTS ATTEND SCHOOL EVERY DAY

It's important that children are at school all day, every day 🗣️🗣️🗣️🗣️


OK reasons to stay home from school
 sick  natural disasters

It's **NOT OK** to skip school to shop, sleep in, finish an assignment, go on holidays


EVERY DAY AT SCHOOL COUNTS

Missing even 1 day can make a difference

1 day off school each fortnight = Missing more than a year of learning over 12 years

 Each day's learning builds on what has been learnt before

Good attendance begins in Prep

 It's where good habits begin

ATTEND ALL DAY, EVERY DAY

Each 1% increase in student attendance may relate to 2-3 NAPLAN scale score points *
*Based on historical data

What parents can do

Promote the importance of school
 Get to know the teacher
 Go to school events
 Read the school newsletter
 Be organised at home
 Supervise homework
 Ask about your child's day
 Volunteer to help at school

Get involved in your child's school

For more information

Go to the **Every day counts** website: <https://education.qld.gov.au/initiatives-and-strategies/initiatives/every-day-counts>

Supporting your child's wellbeing and learning

When children have a strong sense of wellbeing, they experience greater success in learning.

Our school is strongly committed to enhancing the wellbeing of our students which is why we have a range of activities and supports across our school that help students feel and function the best they can.

This is part of a Queensland-wide recognition of the importance of wellbeing and is supported by a series of webisodes delivered by respected psychologist Dr Michael Carr-Gregg. The short video presentations are available at: <http://deta.qld.gov.au/initiatives/learningandwellbeing/resources.html>

Our School's Student Learning and Well Being Framework will be uploaded to our school website in the coming days.

***Consent Form:** If your child receives a yellow page, it is a permission slip.

This page will need to be signed by the parent or caregiver and returned to the school. If it is not returned your child may miss out on participating in either an event or a learning activity.

School Newsletter (on even weeks)

This is where we will place all our important updates and share learning and school priorities. We will also include important dates and key events in our newsletter. The newsletter is also posted on our website every fortnight and emailed to each family using the email address



Please see the flyer above for information regarding the Under 8's Day to be held at Wheatvale.

Parents can choose to take their child along to the Under 8's day if they wish to do so.

Our school will run a normal school day

TERM DATES:

First Day Term 2:
Tuesday 22nd April

Thursday 15th May School Review

Prep Vision Screening
Friday 30th May

Friday 30th May SLP Visit

Last Day of Term 2:
Friday 27th June

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Requests for Information and Assessments from External Providers

External providers can offer a valuable service in supporting individual students. At Maryvale State School, we recognise that effective collaboration with these providers can enhance the support a student receives. As part of the external provider's process of assessing need and supporting students, schools may be requested to provide information regarding a student's current presentation, progress, functioning and support needs.

To ensure this information is handled appropriately, Maryvale State School follows best practice procedures, sharing information professionally and in accordance with departmental guidelines and privacy requirements when responding to requests from external providers.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Requests for student information for external providers are to be made in writing through the Principal. Complete the below form and return to the administration office or alternatively, email: principal@maryvaless.eq.edu.au
<input type="checkbox"/>	Parent/caregiver consent must be documented prior to the school responding to the request. Following your request for information a third-party consent form will be provided to you. The Department of Education needs consent in writing before it uses, records or discloses personal information, or materials, with third party individuals and organisations. You can withdraw your consent at any time in writing by emailing the principal. Further information is included in the explanatory letter.
<input type="checkbox"/>	A three-week timeframe commencing on the receipt of requests is required, out of respect for our teacher's valuable time.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Any tests or questionnaires must be provided in paper form or emailed PDF. Online assessments cannot be completed as they breach Department of Education policy around storing information offshore.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Information requested will be emailed and posted directly to the external provider. A summary of results or a copy of any ensuing reports should be provided to the school.

To the Principal,
RE: Request for student information for

(student name) (class)

I am writing to request information be provided for my child's upcoming specialist/external provider appointment and understand that the school will contact me to complete a consent form in regards to the information requested.

The date of my child's next appointment is _____

Maryvale State School is requested to provide the following:

Signed: _____

Name: _____ Date: _____



School to complete
Principal Approval: Yes / No
Date: _____
Third Party Consent Form
completed: _____
Yes/No
Date: _____
Information sent to External
Provider
Date: _____

Primary School Nurse
Health Readiness Program

Vision screening

Information for parents and carers



The Primary School Nurse Health Readiness Program (PSNHRP) is a free Queensland Government initiative offering vision screening for children in prep.

The PSNHRP has a team of highly trained registered nurses based across Queensland who will attend your child's school during their prep year to conduct vision screening.

The vision screening checks for common eye conditions that may impact your child's ability to see and have an impact on their learning and development.

What do we do?

- This program screens your child's vision using two non-invasive screening tools.
- Screening takes less than five minutes on date/s agreed by your school, with minimal disruption to your child's learning.
- Before screening, the registered nurse will talk to your child's class about the vision screening process and will ask your child their full name, date of birth and their parent or legal guardian's name to identify them.
- Parents do not need to be present for screening but if you would like to be, please contact the school to arrange this.
- If your child's vision is screened, you will be sent the results in writing. If a vision concern is found you will receive a phone call from the nurse to discuss referral to an eye health professional for further assessment.

What do you need to know?

- Your child's school will distribute a vision screening consent pack during their prep year. Please complete it and return it to the school as soon as possible.
- The program does not screen for colour blindness and is not funded to screen your child's hearing.
- If a vision concern is identified and your child requires glasses, eligible health care card holders may be assisted with free basic glasses through the Spectacle Supply Scheme (SSS) www.health.qld.gov.au/mass/prescribe/spectacles
- If you have concerns about your child's eyes at any time, please take your child to see an eye health professional (optometrist/ophthalmologist).
- This program utilises free interpreters/translators to assist you, if required.

Contact us

Primary School Nurse Health Readiness Program

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e Admin.PSNHRP@health.qld.gov.au

w www.childrens.health.qld.gov.au

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