

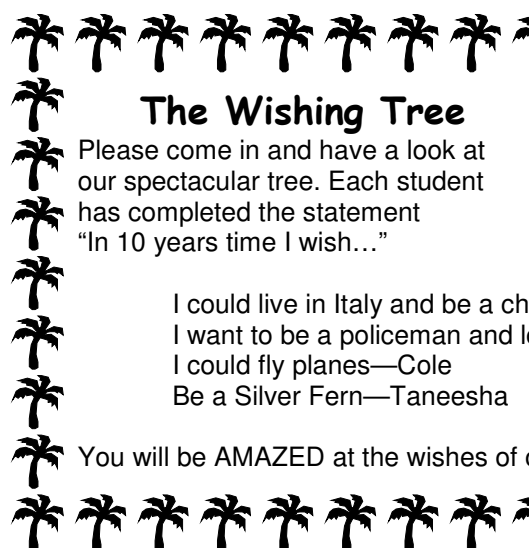
Dear Friends and Families

It has been a great start to 2011, overall. Our students are enthusiastic to be back at school, ready to learn and have settled into their new classes quickly. Our school expectations are well known and being regularly displayed: our experienced students are helping the new ones settle in and get to know these.

We appreciated seeing a small but keen group of parents turn out to our shared lunch on Friday. I saw lots of students enthusiastically showing their parents "Our Wish Tree". We hope you enjoyed spending time with your child and his / her teacher.

During the year we will provide many opportunities for you to be involved with your child at school.

We welcome Muskan, Damien, Maui, Charlize and Tia to our school.



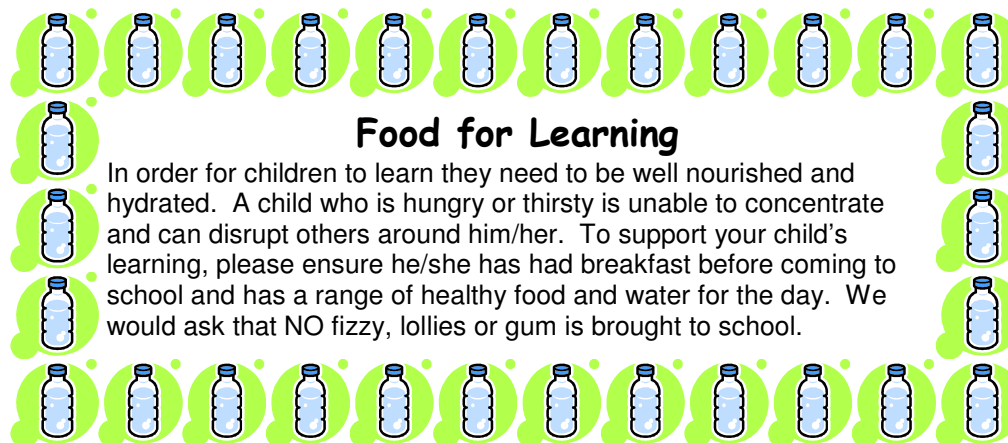
The Wishing Tree

Please come in and have a look at our spectacular tree. Each student has completed the statement "In 10 years time I wish..."

- I could live in Italy and be a chef—Talei
- I want to be a policeman and look after people—Nick
- I could fly planes—Cole
- Be a Silver Fern—Taneesha

You will be AMAZED at the wishes of our children!!

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Food for Learning

In order for children to learn they need to be well nourished and hydrated. A child who is hungry or thirsty is unable to concentrate and can disrupt others around him/her. To support your child's learning, please ensure he/she has had breakfast before coming to school and has a range of healthy food and water for the day. We would ask that NO fizzy, lollies or gum is brought to school.

School Shoes

Our school uniform is looking great. Thanks for your support in making sure your child is a proud member of Marton School.

This year we asked that students wear black school sandals or shoes. There are a range available from The Warehouse, Kmart and Number 1 Shoes and are reasonably priced.

Appropriate sandals / shoes look like this:



Community Notices

Junior Golf Coaching Marton Golf Club

Every Sunday 6 Feb to 10 April (10 weeks)
9.30am—11.30am

Cost: \$5 per session or FREE to Junior Members (\$45 year)
Anyone interested contact:
Caroline Watson 027 353 4656
Club Secretary 06 327 6887
www.martongolfclub.co.nz

Pastoral Care at Marton School

From next week onwards we will be offering Pastoral Care to our students. This care will be run by Mrs Queenie Mitchell who has had previous experience in this area.

The role of the Pastoral Care Worker is:

- ⇒ To listen to our students
- ⇒ Build positive relationships
- ⇒ Offer advice in a professional manner
- ⇒ Provide a variety of solutions/strategies to deal with the students problems
- ⇒ Refer student for further help if necessary.

Students can be referred by Parents/caregivers, teachers, DP, self or Principal.

If your child does see Mrs Mitchell on more than one occasion you will be sent home a permission form to sign.

We want all of our students to be resilient, articulate, solver of problems and learn to express themselves in a positive manner within a supportive environment.

If you have any questions about this then please do not hesitate to contact either the Principal or DP.
Mrs Low

Attitude is:

- * **Ability** is what you're capable of doing
- * **Motivation** determines what you do
- * **ATTITUDE** determines how well you do it

Houses

Year 8 students have applied for positions of leadership in our school and will be announced at tomorrows assembly.

Stationery

Please make sure your child has their books by Friday 11 February.

Board Vacancy

Are you interested in being more involved with our school?

We currently have a vacancy on our Board due to the resignation of Glennie Burgess. If you are thinking about it but not sure, why not come in and talk to Brya or Tracy Hunter (our Chairperson) or attend our next meeting at 5.30pm on 15 February to see what it does involve.

Chippie Free Day

Wednesdays will continue to be Chippie Free Days in 2010. This day has been really well supported and children (with parents help) realised that there are other alternatives to try. Chippies include foods such as cheese balls, rashuns, burger rings, etc. Come alternative foods to try out in lunch boxes include: fruit, vege sticks, muesli bars, yoghurt, crackers, cheese, salami, popcorn, muffins.

Yr 7/8 Camp Fundraising

Just a couple of dates to put in your diary.
Disco Friday 4 March and
Hangi Friday 18 March

More details in next weeks newsletter

Bob Sullo

On Tuesday our Year 8's and staff had the opportunity to attend workshops with Bob Sullo, who is a Educational Psychologist working with the Glasser Foundation and presents workshops on the "Choice" Theory to teachers and students.

Brain Food

Once again this year we are encouraging healthy snack food. As part of this children will be able to have brain food at a time designated by their teacher, between starting school and morning tea. Brain food includes: popcorn, nuts, raisins, (some) muesli bars, vegetable sticks, tidy fruit (apple, banana), etc.

Art Shirts

We require old shirts for when we are doing art. If you have any spare, please bring them into arty Room 4. Thanks

Road Patrol Supervision

If you would like to help supervise with Road Patrol, please see Miss Warren

IMPORTANT TERM 1 DATES

- * **Friday 11 February: Tuck Shop Open**
- * **Friday 11 February: Assembly**
- * **Tuesday 15 February: Parents & Friends Meeting, 7.30pm at Ward Furniture**
- * **Tuesday 15 February: BOT Meeting**
- * **Wednesday 10 March: Cluster Swimming Sports**
- * **Tuesday 15 March: Marton School Athletics**
- * **Wednesday 23 March and Thursday 24 March: Parent / Teacher / Student Conferences**
- * **Thursday 31 March: Cluster Athletics Day**
- * **Monday 11—Friday 15 April: Year 7 & 8 Camp**
- * **Friday 15 April: End of Term 1**

Regards Brya Dixon
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