

Tarwin Valley MARC

Term 1, 2021

Fish Creek—Meeniyam—Tarwin Lower—Toora—Welshpool

MARC Library News

WELCOME BACK TO 2021!

Our school year started on a positive and visibly happy note. As always, we, as MARC Library teachers, were swept up in this lovely feeling and we anticipate a year of planned teaching and learning opportunities wrapped up and delivered using the many wonderful books we have on the shelves of the MARC Library.

Learning sessions began with 'getting to know each other' either again or, as in the case of 'new' students, saying hello for the first time. Our first sessions also included discussions of expected behaviours during MARC Library lessons. After noting many 'things we must not do' students concluded that sensible behaviour, respect and active learning by all are what we will adhere to during MARC learning sessions.

In weeks 3, 4 and 5 junior grades will focus on books that are songs, such as 'There was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly'. Middle year students will study the author, David Walliams' authorial techniques as he combines humour and imagination to engage his readers. We will read several of his titles including "The World's Worst Children". Senior students will be exposed to the amazingly illustrated and thought provoking books written by the author, Shaun Tan. These books should cause us all to wonder, question and either like or dislike an author's way of viewing through the focus of a planned storyline, seemingly ordinary events and objects.

In week 6, in celebration of his birthday, we will, for many students, revisit the quirkiness and accompanying wisdom of Dr Seuss as we explore some of his stories across all grades. Weeks 7 and 9 will provide time to enjoy and delve into new books. Week 8 will encompass a focussed teaching session on parts of a book and revisiting and consolidating an understanding of the Dewey decimal system with the older students. Finally, we will finish off the term in Week 10 with a story and task about Easter.

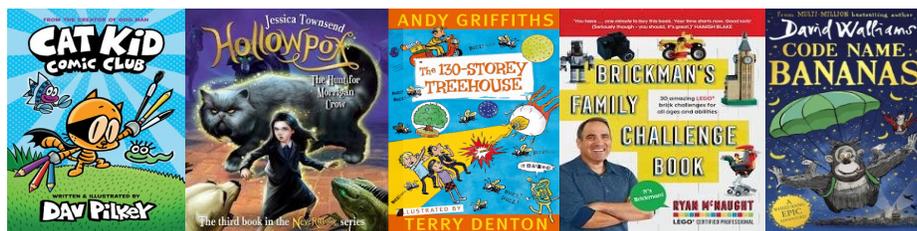
Yours in reading and learning,

Jeanette Johnson and Sophie Callcott.

New books in the van available to borrow now

We have lots of beautiful new picture books, fiction and non-fiction titles beginning to arrive in the MARC library in 2021. This year we are also planning to continue expanding our collection of graphic novels which are very popular among students.

Students are able to borrow up to two books at a time and can keep books for two weeks, with the option to renew after that. To help students and families locate books to return to school, please note that our books all have the name 'Tarwin Valley MARC' on the front cover, as well as a large green fluoro dot on the spine. We encourage all students to borrow from the van each week.



DID YOU KNOW?

In 2021 the MARC van will be at:
Meeniyam PS on Monday
Welshpool PS on Tuesday
Tarwin Lower PS on Wednesday
Toora PS on Thursday
Fish Creek PS on Friday

Remember to return your books on these days so you can borrow!



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