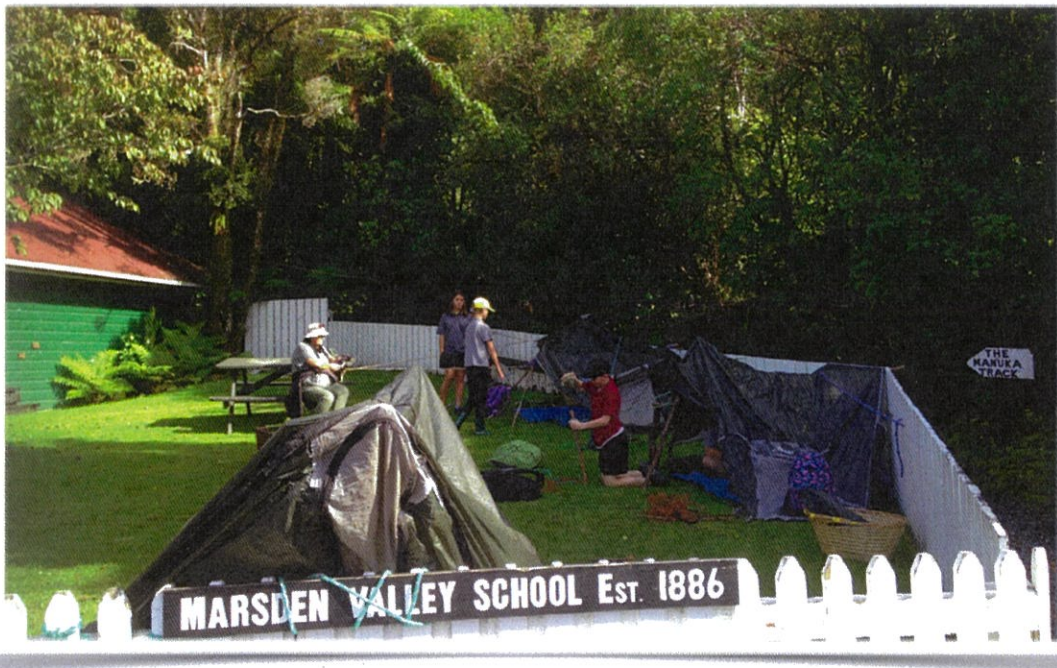




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School Values



Respect-Manaaki

Aspire-Wawata

Self Manage-Tu
 Tāngata

Aimee Thomson
 BOT Chairperson
Wayne Wright
 Principal
Sue Bass
 Deputy Principal

RAS Enviroschool
 Silver Award

We work together
 with the school
 community to look
 after all the things
 and people in our
 environment.

Principal's Comments

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Next week is the last week of Term 1. The holiday break starts after junior assembly on Friday April 16.

School photos can still be ordered. We will be sending through the final orders at the end of next week. They will need to be in at the office by Thursday lunchtime.

The school will be running the "Mates and Dates" programme next term. There is an opportunity for parents and caregivers to get an overview of the

programme on Tuesday April 13. This will be at 4:00 pm in the staffroom. The programme will be delivered to our Year 9 students in the first instance.

The West Coast Athletics Meeting is on Monday April 12. Any weather postponement will lead to the sports being held in Term 4.

Tuesday
 April 13
 Mates and Dates
 Parent Meeting
 Staffroom 4pm

Thursday April 15
 Duffy Role Model
 Assembly
 Michael Aspe
 2:00pm Hall

Friday April 16
 Last Day of Term 1
 3:00 pm after junior
 assembly.

RAS ENVIROSCHOOL – SILVER AWARD

Over the next few weeks we will be consolidating our plans for enviro schools. Sarah Harvey will be in school to work alongside students and staff with ideas for the native nursery and planting areas in the school and wider Reefton Community. We have a commitment to working with Sacred Heart and the Reefton Early Learning Centre to support local Reefton initiatives.



Keeping Ourselves Safe Programme

Parents Meeting May 3 at 4:00 pm

In Term 2, classes up to Year 8 will begin teaching the NZ Police education programme called Keeping Ourselves Safe. This programme has 8 teaching modules and 2 of the modules will be taught by a School Community Police Officer.

Our School Community Police Officer, Paul Gurney, will be at school on May 3 (1st day back at school) at 4 pm to talk to parents/ caregivers about the programme and answer any questions you may have.

Meanwhile, you can check out the programme [here](#). If you have any questions please contact your child's teacher.

A.N.Z.A.C. Day

Our school community have been invited to take part in the RSA Citizens' Parade on A.N.Z.A.C. Day. This is through the holidays on Sunday April 25. Students are to meet at 9.45 am outside the Reefton Workingmen's Club. Students are asked to wear school uniform. We have always been impressed by students giving up a bit of their holiday to take part.

School Lunches Update

We are still in discussion with the Ministry of Education regarding the food in schools programme. It is hoped that we can make a start with this in Term Two sometime. We will give you more information as the details are confirmed.

Sport and Recreation Course

We have a senior P.E. course running in school from Monday to Wednesday next week. It is very important that students meet the expected timeframes for the course. It is a costly course to run.

Term 2

Term 2 starts on Monday May 3. There are a number of school activities happening in the first week that you need to be aware of.

- Monday May 3 Keeping Ourselves Safe Parent Meeting 4.pm Staffroom.
- BOT meeting 7:30 p.m. Tuesday May 4 Staffroom
- Senior Girls Rugby vs Buller High Wednesday May 5 Westport
- Love Me Not Programme Year 12/13 Students Buller High Thursday May 6
- Josh Komen, Ruth Croft Year 5-8 Students 11:30 p.m. School hall

W. Wright - Principal

REEFTON AREA BOARD OF TRUSTEES

We are really pleased to relate that we have three new Board of Trustees members. Mel Caddie, Cathy Gilsenan and Aimee Thomson have joined the team.

The new Board of Trustees Chairperson is Aimee Thomson. Everyone is looking forward to providing good governance for the school.

