

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

Parents are very welcome at our school, in fact, we - meaning the children, School Council and staff wish all parents to take an active part in the school because you are a vital part of it. It is your school too. Your input will help to make the school even better.

We are proud of the assistance we have gained from parents and the general community over the years. Parents assist the school in many ways such as - educational programs, serving on committees, working bees, provision of materials, as well as through the Parents and Friends and School Council.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

The Council of the Maffra Primary School comprises representatives of parents, Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD) employees and co-opted members as follows:- Parents 6

DEECD employees (including Principal) 5 Community Members 3

A major responsibility of the School Council is that of deciding the educational policy of this school. School councillors, the wider parent community and teachers share a common responsibility for the education of the children. School Council responsibilities include school review, school finances, the maintenance of school grounds and buildings as well as policy decisions.

School Council elections are held at the start of each school year. Councillors serve a two year term of office with half retiring each year. Lists of School Council members will be published in the Newsletter after the election. School Council meet on a monthly basis, usually at 7.00pm on a Monday.

PARENTS' AND FRIENDS

The Maffra Primary School Parents and Friends is a body of voluntary workers providing the school with valuable assistance. They support the school and make the environment a better place for the children. Meetings provide you with an opportunity to meet other parents. Your attendance would be most welcome and appreciated. Elections for office bearers are held early each year. Parents and Friends generally meet on the second Monday of each month at 7.30pm, in the conference room.

Parents and Friends raise funds to support school programs such as the Life Education Program, and provide new equipment and facilities.