Assessments and Reports
Teachers are currently conducting end of year assessments on all students. The school has an extensive assessment schedule which we conduct throughout the year. This year we introduced VACC On Demand Testing for grades 3 to 6 in reading and number. This is a statewide testing program and assists teachers to make judgements regarding student progress for their school reports. End of year reports will go out during the last week of term.

Swimming
I am currently organising our swimming program for next year. The program will be run by Jason Lamb’s Splash Factory at the Macarthur pool beginning on Monday February 15th. As in previous years the program will run for 8 days over two weeks with Wednesday off. Jason Lamb has sent a form for parents to complete so that we can organise children into groups. Please complete the attached form and return to school ASAP.

Headlice
We have been conducting regular headlice checks this term to assist with headlice control. Please inform the school with any new reports of headlice. Thank you for your support with this sensitive issue.

Bike Ride Volunteers
Thank you to parents who have volunteered to assist with our Bike Ride fundraiser. I have attached the current list of volunteers. If you can assist with a session please add your name to the list and return to school. This is a big event for the town and the children have been actively making banners and posters today to display in the town and at the Recreation Reserve as our commitment to the event. Lots of fun has been had by all this afternoon and it is a wonderful opportunity for children to work as ‘Buddies’ across the school and to be involved in a community event.

Bikes Student Leadership Awards
This year we have once again been awarded two bikes as part of the Bikes Victoria, Ride to School Student Leadership Award Program. These will be awarded to two grade 6 students at this Friday’s assembly.

Transition
Our transition program is currently in full swing at all levels of the school. Today the kinder will visit the school during the numeracy session and stay for lunch. All grade 1 students will move into the 2,3 classroom for the maths session as part of in school transition. Grade 6 students are receiving a visit from Fiona Isles from Baimbridge College who is running a program for all grade 6 students on transition into secondary college.

Special Birthday wishes to
Will Petersen (17th)  
Emily Fiasco (24th)
The meeting will be at 12.00pm and a light lunch will be provided. I have sent out information to all parents of grade 4,5,6 students.

School Council Tonight
A reminder that there will be a School Council meeting tonight at 7.30pm in the library.

Lynn Lyles

HELP—MISSING
Taylah Sharrock has misplaced her Silver Fleece Woolen Jumper, Size 10. It is named and it has a darn on the cuffed area, left sleeve. Has been missing since the week before the senior camps. Could everyone please check clothing.

Alison Hatherell

CANTEEN
Drinks for sale
Monday - Wednesday - Friday from the Staffroom.

Drinks
Choc & Straw Milk $1.50
Juices - Apple, Tropical Orange $1.00

Macarthur Tennis Club
Social Tennis
On Friday 20th there will be free Tennis Coaching beginning at 4:30pm for Juniors and anyone else who wishes to take part. Social Tennis will follow.

The coaches will be here on the 27th also. This is a great opportunity. Please support this venture.

On Sunday 29th there will be social tennis to coincide with the Great Victorian Bike Ride.

Corangamite Library
operates Mondays 3:30—4:30pm & Wednesdays 1:30—4:30pm at the Macarthur Primary School—55761245

Junior Red Cross
JRC members will be going to the RSL hall at Thursday lunchtime for a luncheon. We will report on our activities for the year. Our last fundraiser will be on Wed Dec 2nd. It will be a stall of second hand books and toys. The JRC has done very well this year and thanks everyone who supported them.

Coral Shepherd

Year 3 and 4 Camp at Cooriemungle
What a fantastic camp, made all the more special with a group of great kids and parent helpers. Thank you to Peter, Seralyn and Sally for not only supporting the children but taking part in some of the interesting challenges. John, Karen and their helpers Gavan and Chris made the stay stimulating and welcoming. The children were challenged outside their comfort zone at times but we all rose (literally, with the giant swing) to the tasks. Some of their photos are on display in the corridor.

Coral Shepherd

MARC Van
The next visit of the MARC Library (26th November) will be the last for the year. All books will need to come back for stocktaking.

Alison Hatherell

Wanted to Rent
Looking for a 3-4 bedroom house between Macarthur & Hawkesdale.
Contact Leonie 35607249 References available.
**Calendar 2009**

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ATTENTION 4/5/6 PARENTS!

As you know your child has been learning how to lawn bowl for the past 3 weeks at the local Macarthur Bowls Club under Fred’s clear instructions. Next **MONDAY 23rd November** you are invited to come and play against or with your child as see how much they have learnt. The competition will kick off at **1:30pm** for an hour.

See you all there!
*Sharna Cunningham*