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Thank you to all the above for giving up their valuable time to serve on our School Council.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday March 3rd starting at 7.00pm in the school library. The AGM will take place next month.

Thank you to those parents who have been reading with our students in the morning. We could still do with some more volunteers.

Swimming Program
Our swimming program was completed last Friday. It was clear that our students had really improved their swimming skills and water confidence during the two weeks. A special thanks to our instructors Brendan and Lisa and to our lifeguard Sam Shepherd for helping out.

Swimming Carnival
Yesterday’s Swimming Carnival was a great success. The weather was perfect and everyone had a terrific afternoon. A big thank you to all the helpers but special mention to Brendan Gay for being our lifeguard and starter and to Peter Drendel for being our sausage chef and chief child minder in the water at the end!! Thanks to everyone for their support and help during the afternoon. It was good to see so many parents and grandparents there to see the children swim and the children not only enjoyed the day but showed the swimming skills they are developing. There was some outstanding performances by our talented swimmers and some gritty efforts by some to complete their swims. There were lots of smiling faces throughout the day. Of course the best was left until last with the parents taking on the students. Congratulations to the parents on their narrow win and well done to our older students for their efforts.

District Swimming
Eleven of our swimmers will be attending the small schools district swimming carnival on Friday 27th February. The event is being held at Hamilton's indoor pool and begins at 1.00pm. We will be leaving school at 12.00 and should return by 3.30pm. Swimmers representing the school are Jayden Dark, Claudia Tischler, Temika Gay, Bailey Bellville, Laura Nield, Sarah Cassidy, Harry Musson, Leah Drendel, Jim Lambrevski, James Cassidy and Kate Addinsall. Good luck to all our swimmers.

Reading
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Don Beaton

Royal Childrens Hospital Garage Sale February 21st
I would like to thank all who donated goods for our Garage Sale. We made $380 of which $150 will be donated to the Bushfire Appeal. Our raffle for the RCH will still be going until Good Friday.
1st prize - a beautiful painting
2nd prize - a patchwork quilt
3rd prize - $30 lingerie voucher
4th prize - 1 hour massage
I would also like to thank again Sandra, Kate, Jo Lucy & Olivia Moore, for your continued help.
We will be door knocking March/April.
Thankyou once again for your support – Co-ordinator – Suzy Millard

Parent / Student / Emergency Details
Details of the current parental/student/emergency details, which are being held at school, are enclosed in the attached envelope.
Please check the details carefully and return the slip to school.
In particular please check:
- Personal and mobile phone numbers
- Doctor information
- Medical Conditions including asthma & medications
- Family medicare number
- Ambulance subscriber yes/no
Could you please date & initial and return the slip, even if there are NO changes.

Reminder:
ART SMOCK
Each student should bring an art smock to Art lessons.
One of Dad’s old shirts work really well.

Wanted
Science starts next week.
Margarine containers (500g preferably) with lids are needed.
One per child, please
Multiple donations accepted
Thanks
Coral Shepherd

2009 Parent Contributions
The School Council approved a motion at its November 28, 2008 meeting that the Parent Contributions of $110 per student be used for Cultural & Arts Performances ($40); Technology/Internet ($10); Student Requisites ($40); and Swimming ($20).
The swimming program has been subsidized by a further $20 per student from CAP funding.
Parents are asked to pay the voluntary parent contributions of $110 per student as soon as possible.
If you would prefer to pay these contributions by regular instalments please see me in the Office.
Sylvia – Business Manager.
Monday Night Netball

Monday Night Netball has started again with a kids game commencing at 5:30pm.
Cost is $2.00
BBQ & drinks supplied for a small cost.
Any queries please contact Narelle 55761279
Tammy 55761258

Macarthur Social Tennis - March 16th

Junior at 5:00pm   Seniors at 6:00 pm
Entry Gold Coin
Come along and have a social game of tennis and sausage sizzle.
Contact numbers  Jill Millard  55761224
Andrea Mooney  55761151

World Day of Prayer

Friday 6th March
Commencing 9:30am
Macarthur Uniting Church
Guest speaker: Jenny Stephens

EMA- Education Maintenance Allowance
Reminder -
: application forms for EMA are available from the Office
: the school needs to sight your Centrelink card for administration purposes
: the closing date for EMA applications is 4:00pm Friday 27th February.
NO late applications will be received.

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JM Jacinta Mulder
SC Shama Cunningham
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SM Suzy Millard
JT Julie Timms
SL Sylvia Luke

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