Macarthur Primary School

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Principal - Lynn Lyles
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Office Hours 2010
Monday – Friday
8:30am – 9:00am
Mon, Tues, Wed
11:00am – 3:30pm
Thurs
11:00am – 2:30pm
Fri
11:00am–1:00pm

Term Dates
Term 4: 4 October to 17 December

2011
Term 1: 1 February to 8 April (1st-3rd Feb - Staff only) 4th Feb - Students commence
Term 2*: 27 April to 1 July * (25 April is Easter Monday - a public holiday as well as ANZAC Day.
26 April is a public holiday in lieu of ANZAC Day)
Term 3: 18 July to 23 September
Term 4: 10 October to 22 December

From the Principal’s Desk

Staffing 2011
I am currently finalizing staffing, grades and timetables for 2011. My priority has been to finalize grade teachers and the provision of a Reading Recovery role. This has now been confirmed. We will have the following grades and teachers for 2011:
Prep / One: Sharna Cunningham
Grade 2 / 3: Darren Hilliard
Grade 4 / 5 / 6: Jacinta Mulder
Reading Recovery: Coral Shepherd.
I will have a teacher aide supporting our Prep / One grade during literacy and numeracy sessions and Reading Recovery will run to further support grade 1 reading.
I am still finalizing specialist roles and this will depend upon the enrolment I predict being confirmed at the start of the year. An art program will run each second Thursday alternating with the MARC Van for 1 ½ hour sessions. This may be staffed internally depending on our enrolments for 2011.

Timetables. 2011.
I intend to make a small timetable change for next year. Daily sessions will be:
9.00 - 10.30am: Session 1
10.30am - 11.00am: Recess
11.00am - 1.00pm: Session 2
1.00pm - 2.00pm: Lunch
2.00pm - 3.30pm: Session 3

This is to support the running of our Spelling Mastery and PMP Program in the mornings but also allow one hour daily for reading, writing and maths. This will be a small change meaning lunch will be slightly later but it will enable the school to run programs more efficiently during the morning.

Afternoon sessions
Specialist programs will run 2 afternoons a week with 2 sessions of 45 minutes each instead of one hour. Two programs running each afternoon. I am looking at the following structure:
Monday afternoon: 1) Phys Ed (Skills)
2) Music
Tuesday afternoon: 1) Phys Ed (Team games: Social skill development)
2) Environmental Ed / LOTE

Kinder Transition
Today we held another transition day for our 2011 prep children. Children in prep and one 2011 combined for a numeracy session followed by lunch at school.
Current grade 1 children spent the session with our grade 2 and 3 students in their 2011 classroom. The final transition day for all students will be on December 7th which is state-wide Orientation Day. All children will spend the day in their new school and classroom for 2011.
Grade 6 students will also spend the day at their 2011 secondary college. Students at Macarthur PS will spend Orientation Day with their teacher for 2011.

Grade 3 / 4 Camp
Thanks again to parents who helped with the grade 3 / 4 camp last week. I would like to thank Trudy Sharrock who stepped in at the last minute to replace Mark Todd as a parent helper.
We appreciate the help of all parents with these events and I know all children enjoy the involvement of parents. I am still hearing tales of the appearance of a certain celebrity guest, DJ Mop-head.

Special Birthday wishes to
Will Petersen (17th)
Thanks Jonathon, the children will always remember the moment.

Kanga 8s
Grade 5 and 6 students will be attending a Kanga 8s Day on Friday. A bus has been booked to transport students and Mr Hilliard will accompany the students for the day. We will once again combine with students from St Josephs PS in Penshurst to form teams.

Ride to School Bikes
We have once again been fortunate to receive two bikes from the Ride to School Campaign. These will be awarded to two grade 6 students who have shown leadership during 2010. I will be holding a special assembly at 3.20pm tomorrow to award the bikes to the deserving students. Parents are welcome to attend. Thanks again to Geoff Sharrock for assembling the bikes for the school.

Port Fairy Garden Excursion
I have organized an excursion to Port Fairy on Thursday December 2nd for all students in grades prep to 4. The grade 5 and 6 students will be on camp at this time. We will travel by bus and visit Port Fairy Primary School to spend time working in their kitchen garden and cooking lunch. This is an opportunity for us to experience a vegetable garden and kitchen program which is established at another school and gain some ideas for how we can progress with the concept at Macarthur. Members of the garden committee and interested parents are welcome to attend. I will confirm times and arrangements next week so look out for an information sheet coming home as I clarify details.

Tip Run
I am looking for a volunteer to take some bins of rubbish to the tip. We have a large amount of cardboard and two large green bins which need emptying. If anyone is able to assist please contact the school.

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

MARC VAN
The next visit of the MARC Library Van (Thursday 25th November) will be the last for 2010. All MARC books need to be back for stocktaking.
Could you please make sure your child has their books on that day or they can bring them earlier to save them from forgetting. There is a green crate in the library for them. Each class has a list of the books borrowed by the children in case they forget what they have. If a book is lost we ask for a donation towards its replacement (at least $5, more if the book is an expensive one or very new)

There will be NO canteen this Friday.
On Friday 26th - Volunteer required.

| November       | Monday | 1       | Sylvia Luke   |
|               | Wednesday | 3       | Sylvia Luke   |
|               | Friday | 5       | Leonie Dyson   |
|               | Monday | 8       | Jenny Nield   |
|               | Wednesday | 10      | Cherie Macdonald   |
|               | Friday | 12      | Andrea Drendel   |
|               | Monday | 15      | Fiona Musson   |
|               | Wednesday | 17      | Tamara Hardy   |
|               | Friday | 19      | NO CANTEEN   |
|               | Monday | 22      | Nikki Belleville   |
|               | Wednesday | 24      | Tamara Hardy   |
|               | Friday | 26      | Volunteer Required   |
| December      | Monday | 29      | Jenny Nield   |
|               | Wednesday | 1       | Andrea Drendel   |
|               | Friday | 3       | Leonie Dyson   |
|               | Monday | 6       | Cherie Macdonald   |
|               | Wednesday | 8       | Carolyn Malseed   |
|               | Friday | 10      | Leonie Margrie   |
|               | 13      | Canteen Closed . . . . . . . .   |
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Canteen Orders should be written on a large lunch bag with name, Grade Food Order & Amount enclosed. Please state if you need sauce. The money should be wrapped and placed inside the bag.
Macarthur Swimming Pool Inc.

Notice of Annual General Meeting
to be held on
Thursday 18th November at 7:30pm
in the
Red Room - Victoria Hotel
Macarthur.

Please note elections are for a committee
which currently acts in an advisory capacity
to the Moyne Shire and the YMCA, who are
contracted by the Moyne Shire to manage
the pool for the summer season.

All interested persons are welcome to attend
the AGM, which will be followed by a short
general meeting to raise and discuss any
issues.

Note: Pool Season commences Sat 4th Dec. 2010
and closes on Labour Day 14th March 2011.

There will be ‘Working Bee’s’ at the pool Tue 16th
Wed 17th & Thur 18th Nov. commencing 6pm to clean-
up the area and paint slide tower. Your support would
be appreciated.

Macarthur Primary School
Fundraiser

State Election Day

EGG & BACON BREAKFAST

Bacon & Egg Sandwich $3.00
Tea, Coffee and Orange Juice $1.00

Saturday 27th November

When: 8.00am onwards

Where: Macarthur Primary School

Broadwater Community Centre
Port Fairy/Hamilton Road, Broadwater

Christmas Tree and Santa

Saturday 11th December 2010
6pm - BBQ (BBQ supplied) BYO Meat and drinks
9pm - Santa

50c per head
Families being a plate for supper, please

More Info: Danny Hill 5576 1161
Laemie Dyson 5576 4651
Everyone Welcome

Junior Red Cross

All members of the Junior Red Cross will be
walking to the RSL Hall on tomorrow,
Thursday 18th November for the annual Red
Cross Luncheon at 12:30pm. This is a thank
you from the senior Macarthur group to our
group for the work they have done. Bailey, as
President, will give a report on behalf of
JRC. There will no need for a packed lunch
the JRC members for this day.

Coral Shepherd.

Macarthur Primary School
Fundraiser
Egg & Bacon Breakfast
Saturday 27th November

 Helpers Roster

8:00—10:00 am
Fiona & Jake Musson Malseed Family
Jenny Nield Peter Drendel

10:00 am - 12 noon
Jake Musson Belleville Family
Leonie Dyson

12:00pm—1:30pm
Jake Musson

As you can see we are short on helpers for this day.

This is an opportunity to help raise funds with the help
of the wider community to benefit the children of the
school.

Thankyou to Tamara Hardy & Tamara Dunn for donating
eggs.

If you can give some time please contact Andrea Drendel
5576 4264
2nd Hamilton Scout Group invites you to a screening of 'Harry Potter and The Deathly Hallows - Part 1'
On ~ 25th November, 2010. Doors open 6.45pm, Movie starts 7.30pm
At~ Hamilton Cinema, Brown Street. Tickets are $20 each and include supper before the movie.
~Come dressed as your favourite character and be in the draw to win some fantastic prizes (Both adults and children)
~ Phone Keith or Belinda on 55719495 for you ticket.

Corangamite Library
Monday 3:30 - 4:30pm
Wednesday 1:30 - 4:30pm
Jullie has an extensive range of books, talking books, DVD’s etc
AND if it’s not in the library, she can order it for you.
Come in and see her.

Student Banking
Banking will be on Wednesdays.
The Commonwealth Bank have revamped the student banking program.
Students are able to collect tokens and redeem them for Dollarmite items.
Drop bank books into the Dollarmite container at the Office each Wednesday morning.
Sylvia Luke - Co-ordinator

Calendar 2010

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Seniors points
Wangoom 31
Hawkesdale Gold 27
Broadwater Orange 21
Minharrise 20.5
Hawkesdale Blue 10
Woolthorpe 18
Illowa/Mailors Flat 17.5
Broadwater Green 16.5
Wiltabuck 6.5

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