



Macarthur Primary School

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Office Hours 2009

Monday - Friday
8:00am - 8:45am

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1:00pm - 4:00pm

Term Dates 2009

Term 4

5 October to 18 December

2010 Term Dates

Term 1 1 February (students start) to 26 March - teachers begin Term 1 on 27 January

Term 2 12 April to 25 June (26 April - ANZAC Day Public Holiday and 11 June will be a student free day)

Term 3 12 July to 17 September

Term 4 4 October to 17 December

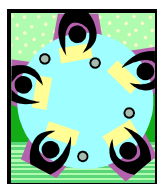
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From the Principal's Desk

Fire Drills

As part of preparation for the coming bushfire season all schools are being asked to update their fire-readiness plans. This week we will be practicing our fire drills to include procedures for fire within the building and also bushfires. Staff are currently looking at our existing plans and updating these. I will be in contact with the CFA to ensure our plans meet requirements and will send final copies home to the community next week for community input.



Principal Meetings

I will be out of the school for a few days over the next couple of weeks due to a heavy schedule of principal meetings.

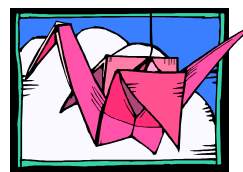
Jacinta Mulder is in charge of the school in my absence and Coral Shepherd will take responsibility next Thursday when both Jacinta and I are absent. I apologise to parents for

my lack of availability over the next few weeks but these meetings are unavoidable.



Drums Workshop

The drums workshop to be held last Monday was cancelled unexpectedly and has been rescheduled to Monday November 9th. Apologies to anyone who arrived in the afternoon for the performance.



Clubs

The final afternoon of the Clubs Program will be held this Friday afternoon.

Thank you to all parents involved in this very popular program. The children are all thoroughly enjoying the range of activities.

School Council:

Change of meeting date.

The School Council meeting for next week will be held on Tuesday October 20th at 7.30pm. This is changed from our normal Wednesday meeting time due to staff commitment to First Aid and Anaphylaxis training being held on Wednesday evening. I hope this is not too inconvenient to School Councilors.

Headlice Checks

We have had a number of students with reported cases of headlice over the last week.

A headlice check of all students was completed on Monday. A follow up check will be completed this Thursday where a need has arisen.

Our three support staff will be trained in headlice inspection procedures this week so we will have access to more trained staff to conduct the checks more readily in future. Thank you to parents for their support and cooperation with our headlice control processes.

Lynn Lyles

Please note —

there is no
Little Athletics in
Hamilton tonight

**Royal Children Hospital
Garage Sale
Saturday 14th Nov
Outside Macarthur
Newsagency
8:00am start**

There will be 50-60
potted plants \$1-\$1.50
There will also be a raffle
with 6 prizes. It will be
drawn after the Big Bike
ride (Great Prizes)
If you have anything at
all (must be saleable)
could you please ring
Suzy 55761 210 or
Sandra 55761303
or just drop it around to
18 Eversley St Macarthur
All money goes towards
our Good Friday Appeal,
so please start cleaning
out those sheds &
cupboards now.

Thanks very much
Suzy—Co-ordinator

CANTEEN

The canteen is now closed until
further notice.

It is hoped to sell icypoles and cold
drinks during Term 4, when
organised.



Corangamite Library

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

Broadwater Tennis Club

Port Fairy/Hamilton Road

Broadwater Vic 3286

17th October '09

1pm start - at the Broadwater Tennis courts

- \$2 per head to play.
- Soft drinks for sale.
- Juniors and Seniors welcome.
- So come along and enjoy a social day with no
sheep stations at risk!!
- If everyone could bring a plate for afternoon tea
that would be great.

EVERYBODY WELCOME

Junior Tennis Coaching Clinics were a
huge success and we are proposing to
hold another clinic the last week in
January 2010 school holidays. This will
depend on grants and funding. Will let you know any
developments. Thankyou to everyone who supported
the September Clinic.



More Information contact:

Leonie Dyson – 5576 4251

Jodi Fry – 5576 4213

VicSwim

Vicswim is the oldest aquatic edu-
cation course in VICTORIA and is
available to every student in this
state. VICSWIM SUMMER KIDZ
is a 3 week program at pools and
beaches around the State com-
mencing of the 4th of January
2010. Enrolments are now open;

visit www.vicswim.com.au.
Please note online enrolments close
on December 9th 2009.



Grade 3-4 Camp at Cooriemungle

A couple of glitches in the information sent re the camp.
I put the date 30th Oct as the date due for money thinking it was the
week before; in actual fact I would prefer the money by **Mon 26th
Oct**. Payment can, of course, be made in instalments.
Secondly, I didn't realise the statement about the need for parent
helpers was still at the bottom (I re-worded an old form). As you
can see, we have ample parents for the 17 students.
Apologies for any confusion.

Coral Shepherd

UNIFORMS FOR 2010

Try-on day on
Thursday 22nd October 2009
at 1.30pm at the school.

Order forms will be available.

See you there
Uniform Co-ordinators
Phone : Carolyn Malseed 55784203
Leonie Dyson 55764251

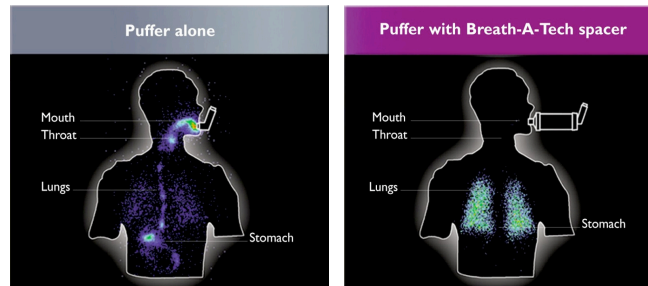


Spacers- Why use them?

It is recommended that **anyone, of any age** using an asthma puffer should use it in conjunction with a spacer, particularly, children of all ages and during an acute asthma attack. Spacers deliver more medication to the lungs and minimise the side effects of asthma medications.

Using a spacer with your asthma puffer-

- * Is significantly more effective than a puffer on its own
- * Acts as a chamber, holding the medication so it can be breathed into the lungs, rather than being fired into the back of the throat from the aerosol canister
- * Less medication is deposited in the mouth and throat
- * Requires less coordination - you don't have to worry about pressing the puffer and breathing in at exactly the same time
- * Is approximately **3 times more** effective at delivering medication into the small airways of the lungs, where the medication is required, than using a puffer alone
- * Reduces irritation and side effects (such as thrush and hoarseness of voice) associated with preventer medications



If you would like more information or would like to speak to an Asthma Advisor, please call 1800 645 130 or visit www.asthma.org.au or www.asthmafriendlyschools.org.au

Junior Red Cross are holding a Hot Food Day on Monday the 19th of October.

We will be having DimSims and Sausages. There will be order forms on the back of the newsletter and they have to be back by Friday 16th of October. Dimsims will cost 80¢ and Sausages will cost \$1.00.

Thankyou Carly Watson

Junior Red Cross are holding a Hot food day on Monday 19th October. We would appreciate parent helpers with the barbeque and steaming dim sims from 11:30 on.

Your eldest child should have an order form sent home yesterday. Please see Mrs Shepherd if you did not get one.

JRC have decided to send most or all of our funds to the disaster appeals. Lynn Schweiker from Red Cross spoke to the group yesterday and described the work of the Red Cross in the recent disasters. She seemed pleased with the participation and organisation of our group.

Well done, JRC

Coral Shepherd



WIMMERA HEARING SOCIETY INC.

A voluntary hearing-support organisation established in August 1981

The Wimmera Hearing Society will be conducting free hearing screening tests on Monday the 26th of October from 9.30-4.00 at the Macarthur Community Health Centre.

While you may believe that your child has normal hearing, a mild hearing loss can easily go undetected. This can have consequences for their educational opportunities, both in the classroom and in future employment.

Early detection of any hearing loss will enable schools and other professional educational services to put in place programs and strategies that will support these students.

If you have concerns about your child's hearing or would just like them assessed you are able to access the hearing screening test on the above date.

Parents wishing to take students for this service may pick students up from school during the day to take them to the Macarthur Community Health Centre.

Breakaway Creek / Knebsworth Social Committee presents

Maori Hangi Dinner and Trivia Night Sunday 25th October 2009

6:30pm at the Breakaway Creek / Knebsworth Hall

Cameron's Lane, Breakaway Creek

\$10 per plate or \$25 per family

that also includes entry into

The Trivia Quiz and supper afterwards

BYO drinks

Pre-booked tickets essential, to be booked by 20th October

Ticket booking enquiries to

Rachael Dettling 55784293 or

Brenda Dunn 55784255



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Hawkesdale Macarthur Football Netball Club Inc.
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Friday 6th November 2009
at 7.30pm
Macarthur Recreation Reserve
Club Members and Community Welcome

Macarthur Tennis Club
Social Tennis

Friday Evenings beginning
*6th November * 13th * 20th * 27th*
Juniors at 4:30pm

Annual General Meeting

29th October at Clubrooms
At 7:30pm
Any interested persons very welcome.

Calendar 2009

PD Professional Development
Conf Conference
JRC - Junior Red Cross
JSC—Junior School Council

LL Lynn Lyles
JM Jacinta Mulder
SC Sharma Cunningham
CS-Coral Shepherd
SM Suzy Millard
JT Jullie Timms
SL Sylvia Luke

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
11 Online Literacy Interviews Oct 11—Nov 6 P-2	12 -PE/ Music -Planet Rhythm	13 -LOTE/ Sci -3:40 Asthma PD	14 -LL-PD-W'bool -LL/SC -PD 1st Aid W'bool	15 MARC -LL-Prin Meet W'bool	16 Clubs	17
18 Online Literacy Interviews Oct 11—Nov 6 P-2	19 -PE/ Music -Red Cross Hot lunches	20 -LOTE/ Sci -SC Meeting	21 -LL-PrinMeet W'bool	22 Art -PD-RestPract W'bool -LL -Prin Conf Melb	23 -LL -Prin Conf Melb	24
25 Online Literacy Interviews Oct 11—Nov 6 P-2	26 -PE/ Music	27 -LOTE/ Sci	28	29 MARC -Re@ct Film Festival	30 -GRaSS Showcase	31
November 1 Online Literacy Interviews Oct 11—Nov 6 P-2	2 -PE/ Music -Gr5/6 Camp -Gr3/4 Camp	3 -LOTE/ Sci -Gr5/6 Camp -Gr3/4 Camp	4 -Gr5/6 Camp -Gr3/4 Camp	5 Art	6	7 -Byaduk Spring Show
8	9 -PE/ Music -Planet Rhythm	10 -LOTE/ Sci	11 -11:00am Remembrance Day Service	12 MARC	13 -JSC Casual Crazy Hair Day	14

