



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

Special Birthday wishes to

Mrs Lyles
(19th)

Amelia Baulch
(22nd)



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From the Principal's Desk

School Council Meeting
Last night School Council met and had a very long meeting where we worked on a number of important issues for our school:-

1) Strategic Plan
We began work on developing our school Strategic Plan for 2010 - 2013. This is based upon the recommendation of our recent school review and includes a 4 year plan of action setting out clear goals in areas of Student Learning, Student Engagement and Wellbeing and Student Pathways and Transition. The first draft is almost complete and I will communicate this to the community once it is finalized. I thank School Council for their time and input into this process.

2) Bushfire Readiness
The school fire procedures were discussed and recommendations to improve and clarify these were made. Staff has completed fire drills over the last week and a copy of fire procedures will be distributed to the school community next week for comment. It is important that we are all fully aware of the fire procedures in preparation for the

coming bushfire season.

3) Netbooks
During 2009 our grade 5 students have been involved in a trial program involving the use of personal netbooks in their everyday learning. School Council discussed a proposal to continue this program to include students in grades 4 and 5 in 2010. This program has been subsidized this year by the government but this funding will not be provided in the future. We are looking at possible ways of continuing this program and I will be sending home a survey to parents of students in grades 4 and 5 to find out if parents would be supportive of this proposal.

Options include parents being offered the opportunity to purchase netbooks for their children, lease options or school funding of netbooks.

Uniform Orders

Thank you to Leonie Dyson and Carolyn Malseed for organizing our uniform orders for 2010. A "try on" session will be held at the school on Thursday

afternoon at 1.30pm. Order forms are attached to the newsletter.

Headlice

Our recent problem with headlice appears to be under control. The school will continue follow up checks on students to ensure we get on top of the problem Thank you to Sylvia, Suzy and Jullie for offering to train in this procedure so that our school has ready access to headlice checks.

Restorative Practices

Tomorrow staff will be attending Professional Development in Restorative Practices. This is an approach to student welfare and behavior management which we are implementing at the school and is one of the recommendations of our school review. Coral Shepherd will be in charge of the school tomorrow and Rita Sproal and Sonia Barnett will replace Sharna Cunningham and Jacinta Mulder. I will be attending meetings from Wednesday till

Friday of this week. I will return to school on Monday.

RE@CT Film Festival

Next Thursday evening will be the Re@ct Film Festival Presentation Evening in Warrnambool. We have 27 people from our school wishing to attend. This is fantastic support for our children and the project. I was allocated 25 tickets but have managed to find another couple from other schools so everyone who wanted a ticket will be able to attend. I will distribute tickets to families on Monday.

Lynn Lyles

CASUAL DAY & CRAZY HAIR DAY

On the 13th November Junior School Council have organised a Crazy Hair and Casual Day. Prices will be 50¢ each. All earned money will go towards a treat at the end of the end of year concert.

CANTEEN

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

Drinks

Choc & Straw Milk \$1.50
Juices - Apple, Tropical
Orange .80¢



Corangamite Library

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

VicSwim

Vicswim is the oldest aquatic education 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 commencing on the 4th of January 2010. Enrolments are now open; visit www.vicswim.com.au.

Please note online enrolments close on December 9th 2009.



Hamilton Junior Netball Association

The HJNA has recently met and to maintain a viable competition for young netballers in Hamilton decided on a new format for the 2010 season. The 2010 season will run from the 6th of February over six weeks ending with finals at the end of March. Games will be played at Pedrina Park on Saturday mornings. VNA prices to be advised by Netball Victoria

The following age groups are available;
Net Set Go (prep to grade 3 planned)
Under 10 girls and boys welcome
Under 12 girls and boys welcome
Under 14
Under 16

Open (any age, with mums and friends welcome)

**If complete teams cannot be organised please enter the players and the HJNA will coordinate the combining of teams.

PLEASE REGISTER TEAMS INTERESTED BY 13TH November

* PLEASE NOTE - We would like a netball contact from each of the schools that is willing to help promote this competition and assist us in running a viable junior netball competition in Hamilton.

**** Parents from Macarthur PS - there is a form here at school. Parental input will be required.**

Remember the



Is coming to MACARTHUR!

Sunday 29th November 2009
Macarthur Recreation Reserve

Community Meeting
Tuesday 27th October 7.30pm
@ Recreation Reserve

Queries Anna Wortley 55764243

UNIFORMS

Order forms are attached to this newsletter. Orders and payment are to be returned by November 11th.

Payment, via instalments, can be arranged by seeing Sylvia at the Office.

Summer Holidays and Travelling with Asthma

Travelling should not present problems for someone with asthma. Whether you are planning a beach escape or an overseas adventure these summer holidays, the Asthma Foundation of Victoria suggests the following steps you can take to ensure your asthma is under control.



Visit your doctor before you trip for-

- A written Asthma Action Plan and a letter outlining what treatment you require in case of an asthma emergency. In some cases you will need a signed letter from your doctor to explain the medication required to take it through international customs
- A review of your current medication
- Your doctor may prescribe extra medication for your trip

Be prepared-

- Have your asthma under control before you depart
- Ensure you have enough medication with you and the right equipment
- Puffers and spacers are compact, easy to use and pack easily into your luggage. There are now small spacers available (eg; Able spacer or Breath-a-Tech) which are a great size for travelling.
- Ensure that if you are travelling that you keep medication in your hand luggage as well as spares in your stowed luggage.

Know your triggers

- Be aware of the things which aggravate your asthma (some people may find that their asthma deteriorates while they are away, while others find that it improves)
- Triggers may include temperature changes, pollution, pollens and grasses and animals. These are just a few to be aware of.

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

Hawkesdale Macarthur Football Netball Club Inc Netball Meeting

There will be a general meeting on Wednesday 21st October, 2009 at the Macarthur Clubrooms at 7.30pm to have a wrap of this years matters, collection of dresses, by-laws from league, dates for advertising of coaches and to set a date for the Annual General Meeting etc. Everyone is most welcome and look forward to seeing you all.

2009 'Go for your Life' SOUTH WEST GAMES Come and Try Day - ATHLETICS HOSTED BY HAMILTON LITTLE ATHLETICS CLUB

DATE: SUNDAY 1st NOVEMBER, 2009
TIME: 10.00AM – 3.30pm
LUNCH: 12PM – 1PM BBQ & Drinks available.
VENUE: MITCHELL PARK OVAL, Mt Napier Rd HAMILTON
ENTRIES CLOSE: 23rd October, 2009
 No late entries will be accepted & all athletes must be registered to be able to compete on the day.
 It is not necessary to be a member of a Little Athletics Club.

EVENTS: U/6: 60Hurdles, 70m, 100m, Long Jump, Shot Put.
 U/7 – U/15: 80Hurdles, 70m, 100m, Long Jump, Shot Put, Discus.

ENTRY FEE: U/6 - \$5 U/7 – U/15 - \$6
ENQUIRIES: Jenny Evans ph 03 55 719969, 0419 008 028
 1 Rountree St., Hamilton. 3300

.....Detach here and forward to the above address:.....
Completed entry form and payment sent to:

FULL NAME:
DATE OF BIRTH:
AGE GROUP AS OF 1ST October, 2009: **M..... F.....**
ADDRESS:
PHONE NUMBER:
Ambulance Cover – Yes..... No
Membership No

I give permission for my child to participate in the South West Games Athletics day at their own risk, and be photographed or videoed and accept Hamilton Little Athletics Club are the organising body only and take no responsibility for any injuries.

Parent/Guardian Signature
Date

Broadwater Community Centre

Port Fairy/Hamilton Road, Broadwater

Christmas Tree and Santa

Saturday 12th December 2009

- 6pm - BBQ (BBQ supplied)
- BYO Meat and drinks
- 8pm - Santa
- 50c per head

Families bring a plate for supper, please

More Info: Danny Hill 5576 1161

Leonie Dyson 5576 4251

Everyone Welcome



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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.

**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

Calendar 2009

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

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

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
18 Online Literacy Interviews Oct 11—Nov 6 P-2	19 -PE/ Music	20 -LOTE/ Sci	21	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 -Bowls 456	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 -Planet Rhythm	10	11 - 11:00 Remembrance Day	12 MARC	13 -JSC Casual Day & Crazy Hair	14
15	16 - Bowls 456	17	18	19 Art - Red Cross Lunch	20 - Kanga 8's	21

