



# Macarthur Primary School

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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 2010

**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

Kyle Todd  
(2nd May)



## Newsletter Date May 5th

## Issue 12 2010

### From the Principal's Desk

#### Busy Weeks Ahead.

On Monday I sent out a short update on school events as there seems to be a lot happening over the next couple of weeks at our school so it may be a good idea to add these events to your calendar.

#### May Race Day

Tomorrow, Thursday May 6<sup>th</sup> is a public holiday for May Races. No staff or students will attend school tomorrow.

#### Healthy Break fast

This Friday May 7<sup>th</sup> is a busy day starting off with a "Healthy Breakfast" at school beginning at 8am. We will be serving a range of healthy breakfast foods in the amphitheatre and all children and families are invited to join us for a healthy start to the day. This is a very popular event which is sponsored by Moyne Shire. Anyone who can help with serving food and cooking pancakes please let us know or just arrive on Friday with willing hands.

This event coincides with "Walk to School Day" where we encourage those that can to walk to school with their children. Both of these events are aimed at encouraging healthy lifestyle choices for the future.

#### Working Bee

Friday afternoon is also a busy time with Auskick and NetSetGo for the children under the guidance of Colin Petersen, Leonie Dyson and their many volunteer assistants. At this time we are also planning to hold a working bee to clean up our school grounds. The working bee will be held between 3.30pm and 5.30pm followed by a sausage sizzle BBQ. Sausages,

bread, sauce and cordial will be provided by the school. All other drinks will need to be supplied by families.

The main working bee jobs are garden trimming and cleaning including areas in front of the school building, the memorial rose garden, veggie gardens and the area near the tanks and shadehouse.

Please bring along any tools you have that could help in the clean up. It would be great to have the school looking pristine for Education Week in two weeks time.

#### Education Week

Education Week begins on Monday May 17<sup>th</sup>. The school has planned a number of events to help celebrate this week.

On Monday May 17<sup>th</sup> there will be a puppet show performance for children in the afternoon.

On Tuesday May 18<sup>th</sup> the school will be having a special open day with a change of school starting and finish time. It is planned to start lessons at 1pm and conclude the school day at 7pm. Buses will run at 12.00pm to transport students to school but parents will need to make arrangements to pick up children at night. Parents are invited to view classes in operation during these hours.

The day is planned as follows.

- 1.00-3.00pm: Literacy Session
- 3.00-3.30pm: Afternoon Recess
- 3.30pm - 5.30pm: Maths and Unit Studies
- 5.30-6.00pm: Tea.
- 6.00-6.45pm: Unit Studies
- 6.45-7:00: Assembly. Students dismissed.

We hope this gives many cont'd page 2

parents the opportunity to visit the school and see children at work in their classrooms.

### Kinder Tour/Visit

I have invited parents of all kinder students and their children to visit the school during our open day. There will be an opportunity for a school tour at 2.00pm for families and children followed by afternoon tea at 3.00pm. Children can join our students for a play in our playground between 3.00 and 3.30pm while parents enjoy afternoon tea. At 2.30pm Jullie Timms, our librarian, will be running a Story Time session in the library for the pre-school children while parents continue a tour of the school.

### Parent Club

Last Week I held a meeting of parents with the intention of starting a Parents Club at the school.

An Interim Committee has been formed to develop a constitution comprising Nikki Belleville, Ange Jones, Fiona Musson and myself. Once the draft constitution is agreed I will circulate to the community for comment then send to the Minister for approval. Once approval is granted I will call a general meeting of our new Parents Club and office bearers will be elected.

Thanks to all involved for their help with this process.

### New Gate and Fence

Over the weekend a new gate was installed by our big water tank and the fence replaced in the car park.

I would like to thank Simon Watson, Lex Cassidy and Mal Sharrock for their work in completing this job. It has certainly made a big

difference to our car park and the gate will be very handy when we come to use our vegetable garden/nursery area again.

### NAPLAN

The NAPLAN tests are due to take place next week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (May 11<sup>th</sup>–13<sup>th</sup>). Students in grades 3 and 5 are required to participate in these tests.

Lynn Lyles

### 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.



## 2010 Reading Challenge

The Premier of Victoria has challenged all students from Prep to Year 10 to a reading challenge.

Students who wish to participate will select books from a provided list on the website. They must read up to 30 books in Prep to Year 2 and 15 books for Year 3 to Year 6.

The challenge date ends 31st August.

If you wish to participate see Jullie in the Library on Monday lunchtime between 1:00 - 1:30pm.



## Broadwater Clearing Sale Catering

We thank Mavis & Keith Drendel for the opportunity to cater for their sale.

This fundraising event was a great success. It was a success due to the many families who offered their services by helping out on the day, or providing goods, or both. Your support was the key to success and is greatly appreciated.

We raised a total of **\$1029.60.**

*With thanks  
Carolyn and Andrea.*

## Student Banking

Join the Dollarmites in 2010!!!  
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*

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## Macarthur Golf Club

Macarthur Golf Club members played for the Young cup and the Ross Robertson Bowl on April 17th  
- Murray Jasper won The Young Cup  
- Jenny O'Brien won The Ross Robertson Bowl  
Members enjoyed a BBQ tea afterwards.

Friday April 30th held a "Pink Day" for Cancer.

This was a very successful day with 68 ladies playing in teams of 4. Ladies from Warrnambool, Port Fairy, Portland, Dartmoor, Casterton Parklands, Hamilton, Parklands, Grampians.

Winners with 106 Stableford points  
B Bourke, J Stephens, K Miller, J Millard

Runners Up 101 pts Parklands  
B Menzel, W Block, M McCallum, M Darling

It was a great sociable day while raising \$1000 for Cancer.  
Well done Macarthur Golf Club.



## Billy Picken

AFL Legend is coming to Heywood!

You are invited to come along and be inspired & informed by a fantastic line up of characters and motivational speakers... There is so much you will get out of this night so bring everyone!

"Investing in yourself and your future... How to make your health your greatest asset"

Date: Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2010

Time: 6.30pm - 9.00pm

Venue: Heywood Football Club's rooms (Non members welcome)

### Guest Speakers:

"Billy" Picken - A favourite AFL Collingwood footy legend! (& an old buddy of Mark McKeon's during their time together at Collingwood); "Billy" is coming across from Coleraine to share his experiences of leading an active & successful life.

John Kearney - "Your health and productivity timeline" (W.D.H.S.)

Mark McKeon - "Healthy Lifestyle tips and triumphs"

Mark is a highly successful motivational speaker.

He will have you on the edge of your seat!

Also in attendance, a variety of local health service organisations from our community.

Entry \$5.00 Light supper provided (Proceeds to the "Heywood Men's Shed")

Enquiries tel: 5527 0570 Bookings required for catering purposes.

## Calendar

PD Professional Development  
Conf Conference  
PM - Principal Meeting  
JRC - Junior Red Cross  
JSC - Junior School Council  
MT - Mentor Train

LL Lynn Lyles  
JM Jacinta Mulder  
DH - Darren Hilliard  
CS-Coral Shepherd  
SM Suzy Millard  
JT Jullie Timms  
SL Sylvia Luke



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	3	4	5 LL- Prin Network Mtng	6 May Race Day Holiday	7 -Healthy Breakfast & - Walk to School Day - Working Bee	8
9	10 JM - MT	11 -NAPLAN	12 -Gr6 Transit'n visit 11:30pm -NAPLAN	13 MARC -NAPLAN	14	
16 Education Week	17 - Suburbia Performance 2pm 2-6	18 - Open Day 1:00-7:00pm	19	20	21 JM- PD Melb	22
23	24	25 -SC Meeting	26	27 MARC	28	29
30	31	June 1	2	3	4	5