



# Macarthur Primary School

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Principal: Lynn Lyles  
School Council President: Peter Musson

## Office Hours 2010

Liana

Tues, Wed

8:30am –4:00pm

For Term 3

Lynn

Phone: Mon, Tues,

Thurs, Friday

8.30am–10.00am

App./meeting:

Mon, Thurs, Friday

all day (except

between

10.00–11.00am)

## Term Dates 2010

**Term 3** 12 July to  
17 September

August 9th will be a  
student free day

**Term 4** 4 October  
to 17 December

Special  
Birthday  
wishes to

Marcus  
Tischler



12th

## Newsletter Date August 11

Issue 24 2010

### From the Principal's Desk

Newsletter August 11<sup>th</sup> 2010

#### Ultraset Training

On Monday I attended a principal's conference in Melbourne where principals from across the state were introduced to the Ultraset. This was a massive day and the Ultraset is well on its way to being introduced to all government schools in Victoria. The Ultraset is an online learning community which will eventually be accessed by teachers, students and parents within a secure environment.

This has huge potential to enable increased collaboration between teachers across the state and will impact significantly on the learning opportunities for students. It is also designed to enable increased communication between school and home and it is hoped parents will be able to access the Ultraset by the end of 2010.

Teachers and staff at Macarthur Primary School spent Monday working under the guidance of Jacinta Mulder to familiarize themselves for the first time with the Ultraset. This was a big day with much to absorb and I thank Jacinta for her work in running this day to introduce our staff so expertly to the Ultraset.

#### Enrolments

The school is now accepting enrolments for 2011. I would like to ask parents of all students who intend to enroll in Prep for 2011 to bring in their enrolment forms to the office as soon as possible so we can confirm numbers for next year and I can begin planning for grade structures and staffing. Can I remind parents that they will need to bring a copy of the child's birth certificate and record of immunization to be viewed by the school with the enrolment form. Liana will be in the office Tuesdays and Wednesdays each week to process enrolment documentation.

#### Uniform Policy Review

The school is currently conducting a review of the School Uniform Policy. Can all parents wishing to have input into the review please return the review survey form to school by tomorrow at the latest. I need to complete the review process with the Uniform Committee by next Tuesday in order to present the policy to School Council for approval if we are to complete our review prior to uniforms being ordered for 2011.

#### School Council Meeting

The next meeting of School Council will be next Tuesday evening, August 17<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm.

#### Reminders

There were a number of forms sent out with last week's newsletter. Can I remind parents to return the following forms to school:-

Obstacle-a-thon Permission Slip  
Uniform Policy Review  
Working Bee Form  
Election Fundraiser and Raffle Form

#### Jeans for Genes Day

Congratulations to our Junior School Council for organizing a successful Jeans for Genes Day on Friday. They raised a total of \$20 on this day. It is great to see our children becoming involved in organizing events. Well done, great job.

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.



### Student Banking

Join the Dollarmites in 2010!!!

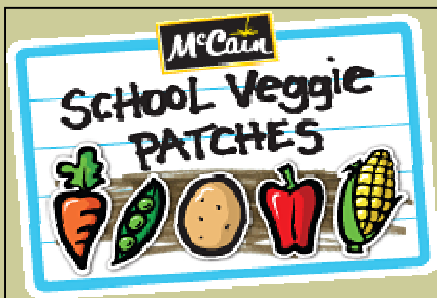
Banking will be on Mondays

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 Monday morning.

*Suzy Millard - Co-ordinator*



### EMA—Education Maintenance Allowance

In 2010 the EMA payment for parents/guardians is \$225 for primary school students. This amount is split evenly between the parents/guardians and the school and is paid in two instalments as per the schedule of payments set out in the table below.

#### Schedule of payments in 2010

#### Instalment Portion payable to Primary school rate

One (70% of EMA) Parent \$ 78.75	School \$ 78.75
Two (30% of EMA) Parent \$ 33.75	School \$ 33.75

#### Total for 2010 \$ 225.00

The first instalment (70%) has been paid & the second instalment will comprise 30 per cent and will be paid from August 2010.

This payment schedule recognises that families incur the highest educational costs at the start of the school year.

#### Eligibility

To be eligible to receive the EMA, you must:

- be either a parent or guardian of a primary or secondary school student up to the age of sixteen; **and**
- be an eligible beneficiary of a Centrelink pension, allowance or benefit within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004 or be a Veterans Affairs (TPI) pensioner or be a foster parent; and
- submit your application to the school by the due date.

The eligibility criteria must be met as at the first day of 3rd Term (**12 July 2010**) for the second instalment.

Any applications based on Centrelink payments that are not income tested (e.g. Carer Allowance, formerly Child Disability Allowance, Mobility Allowance and Remote Area Allowance) are not eligible unless the claimant, in their own name, complies with the second dot point above.

Application forms are available from the office. Please submit your application to school by **6 August 2010** for the second instalment of the EMA.

If you have submitted an application for the 1st semester you do not have to submit another application.

**LATE APPLICATIONS CANNOT BE RECEIVED.**

A McCain barcode collection box has been set up outside the office window.

By collecting barcodes from McCain frozen vegetable & purely potato packs and bringing them to school, we can redeem points for equipment –

**10 points** – McCain frozen vegetable 1 kg, 1.2kg & 2 kg packs

**5 points** - McCain frozen vegetable & Purely Potato 500g, 600g, 750g & 800g packs.

Barcode = points

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Macarthur Primary School  
Fundraiser  
**EGG & BACON BREAKFAST**



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

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> AUGUST**

**When: 8.00am onwards**

**Where: Macarthur Primary School**

**Calendar 2010**

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
8	9 Student Free Day Ultraset Day	10 Fire drill	11	12	13	14
15 Book Fair	16	17 SM-PD W'bool	18	19 Marc Van	20 Clubs Working Bee BBQ Tea	21 Election Egg & Bacon Breakfast
22	23	24	25 CFA Prep transition	26	27 Clubs Obstacle-a- thon	28
29 Literacy & Numeracy week	30 Baimbridge Parent Info session 7.30pm	31	September 1 Baimbridge visit Gr 6 transition 11.30am  Garden Meeting	2 Marc Van LL-PM W'bool	3 Clubs Gr 6 transition	4
5	6	7	8	9	10 Clubs	11

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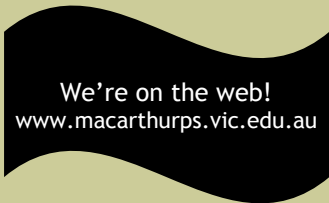
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## FOR SALE – UNIFORMS

The school has excess old sports uniforms for sale. If purchased, your children can wear them as part of their **SPORTS** uniform **ONLY**. On sale until stock runs out. First in best dressed.

**PRICE \$5.00 PER ITEM**

Jagga Jagga Fleecy Track Pants – elastic waist, side pocket and double knee.

Size: 6 7 8 10 12 14 16

Jagga Jagga Rugby knit Shorts

Size: 6 7 8 10

Long Sleeve Green Polo's (these can be worn as winter uniform)

Size: 10 12 14

**ALL ENQUIRIES MUST CONTACT : CAROLYN MALSEED - 5578 4203 or  
LEONIE DYSON - 5576 4251/0438 586 762**

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## CLUBS

Fiona Musson is doing knitting for “Clubs”, and would love any donations of wool or needles.

Please leave at the office marked “FIONA”.

If your child is able to bring their own knitting needles to the session that would be “FANTASTIC”.

Thank you

Fiona Musson

## CLUBS

I will be making scarecrows and would like to ask families if they have any old clothes to dress scarecrows in. Could they please donate them to the school. Things like hats, scarves, gloves, glasses, boots etc. would be great as well.

Also if anyone can donate some straw to stuff our scarecrows this would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you

Nikki Belleville

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**CLUBS PROGRAM 2010**

These are the clubs that will be running this year. Thank you to these wonderful parents.

Donations of useful things (see below) would be most appreciated.

Tamara Hardy - Bird Feeders

Sue Logan - Masks

Brendan Gay - Woodwork

Chrissy Tischler - cooking ( A helper would be appreciated.)

Louise Hill - Mobiles

Coral Shepherd - Fold up book.

Fiona Musson - Knitting NEEDS; donations of wool; 8 ply best but any accepted, donations of needles size 4 or 4 ½ preferred (please note; cannot guarantee return so donated please). Fiona would also like a helper please.

Nikki Belleville - Scarecrows. NEEDS; old pillow cases for heads, old clothes, bales of straw for stuffing.

If you want to help out with any of these activities, please contact me. Fiona will need someone to take week 4 so any knitting helpers would be great.

Donations can be left with Coral Shepherd.

Thank you.

Coral



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Baimbridge College is Visiting Your Community

Over the coming weeks, the leadership team and specialist staff from Baimbridge College will be visiting district school communities to talk about our curriculum and co-curricular programs. These visits will take place in addition to our annual information nights. The Principal, Mr Robert Vecchiet, Assistant principals and teacher representatives will be visiting your area in the coming weeks. Any interested persons are welcome to attend.

Cavendish Primary School on the 2<sup>nd</sup> AugustDunkeld Consolidated School on the 16<sup>th</sup> AugustMacArthur Primary School on the 30<sup>th</sup> AugustColeraine Primary School on the 8<sup>th</sup> September

The sessions will all begin at 7.30pm and there will be a light supper provided.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

Temika Gay completed in the 2010 South West Swim Series and came third in the 9 year age group. The series ran over 3 nights with competitors from Hamilton, Portland, Mt Gambier, Warrnambool and Horsham swimming clubs.

**Well done Temika.**