



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 3 12 July to 17 September
Term 4 4 October to 17 December

Special
Birthday
wishes to

Paris Dyson
(19th)

Miss C's birthday
was on the 8th



Newsletter Date July 14th

Issue 20 2010

From the Principal's Desk

Welcome Back

Welcome back to term 3. I hope all families had a good holiday and are ready to start a new busy term at Macarthur Primary School.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Next week we will be conducting mid-year parent teacher interviews on Monday and Tuesday evening. I encourage all parents to attend these interviews so you can discuss your child's progress personally with the classroom teachers. A note has gone out yesterday which we would like returned to school by Friday so we can allocate interview times. Please indicate your time preference on the form and return to school as soon as possible.

Student Family Occupation (SFO) Details.

I have also attached a letter to all families regarding Student Family Occupation (SFO) details which is part of the school enrolment process. I am currently updating these for all families at the school as this affects the level of funding allocated to the school budget for teaching staff. I would like to ask all families to complete the update and return to school as soon as possible. If anyone is uncertain about this could they see me when they attend school for parent teacher interviews and I will clarify any issues.

Recycling

All children will be learning about Recycling this term as part of their classroom unit of work. This is very topical as Macarthur town introduces the new waste collection system through Moyne Shire. We are all

learning together about the categories of rubbish and which bin does it belong in, Waste, Recycling or Organic. This is causing daily discussion and debate, especially in what can be recycled. It is going to be a challenge to us all to look at the amount of waste we produce and how we deal with or reduce this in the future.

Clubs

This term we will once again be running our Clubs Program so we are hoping parents will volunteer to assist with this. This is always one of the most popular programs with all children so please consider sharing your skills with us whether it be a craft, sport, cooking, dance etc. Mrs Shepherd will be coordinating the program and will be sending out a note for volunteers in the near future. We plan to run the program for 4 weeks on a Friday beginning Friday August 20th.

New Building

We have started using our new building this week and I would like to thank the staff for the work they have done in moving equipment and setting the room up for operation. Mrs Shepherd has been particularly busy organising the art area and Miss Mulder has set up the old art room as a music room which the children are thoroughly enjoying. It is fantastic to have the space to be able to set up these areas for permanent use. Next week Prep and grade 1 children will begin using the new entry and their new lockers. We will introduce them to this change this week and from Monday children in Prep and grade 1 will enter

and leave the school from the new entry at the multi-purpose room.

Ultraset Training

This week we begin training to introduce the Ultraset at Macarthur PS. On Friday Jacinta Mulder and I will attend some initial training followed by 2 full days training over the next 2 weeks.

Mrs Shepherd has kindly volunteered to work on Friday to fill in for me and will be in charge of the school on Friday.

The Ultraset is being introduced state-wide over this term and will be an online learning community for teachers, students and eventually parents. Watch out for more information over the next few weeks: as we complete the training we will inform the community more about how this will work and what it means for the education of your children.

Staff Leave

Mrs Luke will be taking leave this term beginning next week and returning during the last week of this term. Liana Blake from Hawkesdale College will be filling the business manager role during this time. Liana will work in the office two days a week on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Jullie Timms and Suzy Millard will fill other parts of Mrs Luke's role including newsletter, student banking, student support and canteen once this is operating again later this term. We wish Sylvia well during her well-earned period of leave.

School Council Meeting

The next School Council Meeting will be held next Tuesday evening, July 20th at 7.30 pm in the library. This will be preceded by a finance committee meeting at 7pm.

Garden Meeting

A reminder to members of the garden committee that there will be a meeting next Wednesday, July 21st at 2pm in the multi-purpose room.

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

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| 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.

Net Set GO

Net Set Go will continue for two weeks this term. Friday 16th and Friday 23rd July 2010 3.45pm to 4.45pm.

Thankyou

Leonie Dyson - Co-ordinator

HJBA - Basketball**HAMILTON SQUAD TRYOUT DATES**

U12 Boys (00/01)
Sunday July 18th & 25th
5.00 - 6.00pm at HILAC

U12 Girls (00/01)
Thursday July 15th & 22nd
4.45 - 6.15pm at Hilac

U14 Boys (98/99)
Wednesday July 14th, 21st & 28th
6.00 - 7.30pm at MONIVAE

U14 Boys (Development Team)
Wednesday July 14th, 21st & 28th
6.00 - 7.30pm at MONIVAE

U14 Girls (98/99)
Thursday July 15th & 22nd
4.00 - 4.45pm at HILAC

U16's Boys
Wednesday July 14th 4.30 - 6.00pm
Saturday July 17th 5.00 - 6.30pm
All at HILAC

U16 Girls (96/97)
Wednesday July 21st & 28th
Wednesday Aug 4th
4.00 - 4.45pm at HILAC

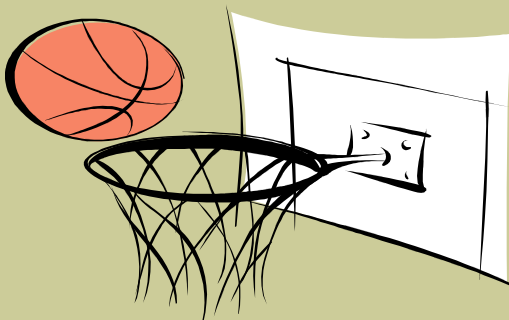
Player Registration Nights

Monday July 19th

Friday July 23rd

4.00 - 5.30pm

At HILAC Basketball Office

**Parenting Workshop with Lydia Bustin**

Helping parents understand

Thursday 19 August, 2010

7.30 pm – 9.30pm

RMIT University Hamilton

\$30 per parent or \$40 per couple

In this workshop Lydia Bustin will explore the topic *Linking Emotional Coaching with Effective Discipline*.

This workshop is especially aimed at parents of children aged 2-8 years, with all parents encouraged to attend.

Parents will learn about the key elements of emotional intelligence, how different parenting styles can either enrich or inhibit children's growth, how emotion coaching enhances a child's development, achievements and relationships. Lydia will also explore how to effectively implement the five steps of emotion-coaching with young children.

To register call 03 5572 0500, or email rmithamilton@rmit.edu.au. Registrations are essential and payment is by cheque or credit card only.

Prep One

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

Please collect the bar-codes and drop them in the box



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We're on the web!
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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 **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

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 |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----|
| 11 | 12 Term 3 commences | 13 | 14 DH - PD | 15 | 16 JM & LL - ID PD Warn | 17 |
| 18 | 19 -ParentTeach interviews | 20 -ParentTeach interviews -Hoop Time - SC Meeting | 21 | 22 MARC -Hoop Time | 23 | 24 |
| 25 Enrolment Week | 26 | 27 -LL & JM - Ultranet PD | 28 - 11:30am Prep Inform Session - JRC Guest | 29 | 30 | 31 |
| August 1 | 2 | 3 -LL & JM - Ultranet PD | 4 | 5 MARC -LL - Prin Ntwk Warn | 6 | 7 |
| 8 | 9 Student Free Day - Ultranet | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |