



Macarthur Primary School

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Principal: Lynn Lyles
School Council President: Peter Musson

Office Hours 2010

Tues, Wed
8:30am – 4:00pm
For Term 3

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

Emasyn
Belleville
26th

Kyle Smitten
29th



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From the Principal's Desk

Newsletter July 28th 2010

Grand Opening

We are planning to hold an official opening for our new building on the last day of this term. This will include a lunch followed by an official opening and an afternoon performance by the children. I have booked The Billy Tea Bush Band to work with children during the morning and they will lead the school through a performance after lunch to complete our opening. I will send out invitations to parents and the wider community once more details have been confirmed but please put this date in your diaries.

Veggie Garden Update

Our Garden Committee have met again to plan the construction of our new vegetable garden. This is a big job requiring a lot of time and also patience as the weather has been against us so far. The last working bee hit a few problems with the ground being too wet which has held up proceedings but we are back on track with a new plan of attack. The vegetable garden is going to be a fantastic addition to our school and will allow us to extend our curriculum to include the growing of plants, cooking and healthy eating. These are life skills for the future for our children and I can see the garden, once completed, being part of our school community and educational programs for many years to come. I thank the garden committee for their time so far and their hard work and persistence.

Working Bee

I would like to hold a BIG Working Bee on Friday, August 20th beginning at 3pm till 5.30pm. There is a lot of work to be done at the school for our vegetable garden and also to get the school tidy and ready for our grand opening on the last day of term. We will need lots of help to get things done so please consider donating some time to the school. I will organize a BBQ at 5.30 for those attending. The main job will be construction of our Vegetable Garden Beds. All materials for the construction have been delivered and are in the shed. We will need people with tools and skills in working with timber as well as those willing to fill wheelbarrows and cart soil. Please fill in the attached form if you are able to attend the working bee.

Fundraiser Obstacle-a-thon

I am planning to organize a fundraiser to raise money to buy the plants to establish our new vegetable garden and fruit trees. The plants and trees will cost approximately \$500 to set up initially so I have talked to Junior School Council about running a whole school fundraiser. The idea is to run an "Obstacle-a-thon" where children are sponsored to complete laps of our oval with a variety of "obstacles/fun challenges along the way. This is intended to be a fun but inclusive way of raising the money by all for a facility which will be of benefit to all.

I will send out an information form next week with more details, date, a permission form and a sponsorship form.

Kinder Information Session

Today we held an information session for 2011 Prep parents. We are currently accepting enrolments for 2011 so if you are aware of any children in the district who may want to enroll at Macarthur next year please ask them to call in to see me. I am more than happy to show parents around our school at another time.

Ultranet Pupil Free Day

There will be a pupil free day on August 9th for all students across the state. This is a day when all teachers will be introduced to the Ultranet which is currently being introduced in Victoria. Principals will attend a conference in Melbourne and teachers will work in schools learning about the Ultranet. Lead Users will be trained in each school to lead the professional development for teachers on this day. Jacinta Mulder and myself are attending Lead User training this week and next week in preparation for the introduction of the Ultranet into Macarthur Primary School over the next months.

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

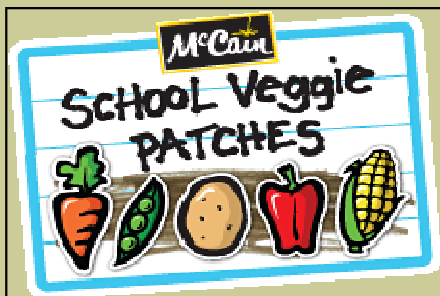
The Commonwealth Bank have revamped the student banking program.

Students are able to collect tokens and redeem them for Dollarmite items.

Drop bank books into the Dollarmite container at the Office each

Wednesday 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

Net Set GO! Thankyou

The last session of Net Set GO was last week and I would like to sincerely thank Ange Jones for all her help with the weekly sessions. It is extremely hard to run two age groups at the same time successfully due to the different ability levels of the children. Ange made my life a lot easier supervising the prep/ones. Thankyou so much. Also to all the other parents who helped throughout the 9 week program and the teacher/s which stayed back at school for us to finish our program.

And I can't miss out the CHILDREN they were all a pleasure to take and I hope they enjoyed the program.

Regards

Leonie Dyson
Co-ordinator
Net Set Go.

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Hoopstime



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Macarthur Primary School
Fundraiser
EGG & BACON BREAKFAST



Bacon & Egg Sandwich \$3.00

Tea, Coffee and Orange Juice \$1.00

Saturday 21st 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
25 Enrolment Week	26 Head Lice Check afternoon	27 LL , JM Ultraset PD	28 11.30am Prep Information Session JRC Guest	29	30	31
August 1	2	3 LL, JM Ultraset PD	4	5 Marc Van LL—PM Warm	6	7
8	9 Student Free Day Ultraset Day	10	11	12	13	14
15 Book Fair	16	17	18	19 Marc Van	20 Clubs Working Bee BBQ Tea	21 Election Egg & Bacon Breakfast
22	23	24 CFA	25	26	27 Clubs	28

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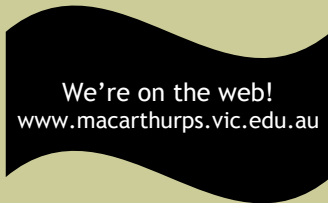
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FOR SALE – UNIFORMS

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**

**Broadwater Tennis Club
Port Fairy/Hamilton Road**

Broadwater Vic 3286
ABN: 32 953 353 175

Junior (and senior) Tennis Coaching Program

Is on again



Dates: Monday to Thursday - 27th to 30th September 2010

Time: 10am-12pm - 2 levels (1 hours sessions)

Cost: \$7.00 per lesson each day

At Broadwater Tennis Courts - Lunch will be provided at a low cost. Coaching for all abilities and ages.



Registrations to:

Leonie Dyson 5576 4251 ljdyson@westvic.com.au

Jodi Fry 5576 4213 jodifry@westvic.com.au

By Friday 24th September 2010



EVERYBODY WELCOME



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CLUBS PROGRAM 2010

We invite all community members to take part in our very popular clubs program towards the end of this term. It runs over four Fridays with groups of about 6 children, and each afternoon runs two 45 minute sessions.

Grab a friend (it's more fun with 2) and amaze the kids with your talents. Share your favourite activity or ask the teachers for ideas too; we have resources and patterns that could be used. We would like 8 groups running with teachers assisting rather than running a group, if possible.

Please send this expression of interest to **Coral Shepherd** as soon as possible so that I can help organise materials for you.
Thank you.

Coral Shepherd.

Name:

Contact phone number:

Activity(s)

Materials needed: i.e.consumables(Please list)

Equipment needed: eg. Scissors

Genes For Jeans Day

On the 6 of August Junior School Council is holding a Genes for Jeans day. It will cost 50c. You will be expected to wear jeans and any thing else casual.

Thank you

Junior School Council

