



Macarthur Primary School

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Office Hours 2011

Monday – Friday
8:30am – 9:00am
Mon, Tues, Wed
11:30am – 3:30pm
Thurs
9:00am – 2:30pm
Fri
11:30am – 1:00pm

Term Dates

2011

Term 1: 1 February to 8 April (1st-3rd Feb -Staff only) 4th Feb -Students commence

Term 2*: 27 April to 1 July
* (25 April is Easter Monday - a public holiday - as well as ANZAC Day. 26 April is a public holiday in lieu of ANZAC Day)

Term 3: 18 July to 23 September

Term 4: 10 October to 22 December



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From the Principal's Desk

Parent Interviews and Information Night

This week we have concluded our parent interviews and information sessions for term one. These have been well attended by parents and staff have been very happy to have the opportunity to talk to parents about your children. I would also like to thank parents for attending and staff for the extra hours of work associated with holding the interviews and information sessions. I hope everyone has found this helpful and informative.

Circle Time

Many parents have been asking me about "Circle Time". This is something we are introducing this year in all classrooms and is aimed to develop social skills and behaviours. We will be running Circle Time every Thursday morning for half an hour in all classrooms. Classes will focus on reinforcing skills introduced at the start of the year in our Learning to Learn program, skills developed during last year's Bully Busters program and our You Can Do It Program, as well as issues that arise throughout the year. I have included an information sheet for parents to outline the structure of Circle Time.

"Making Friends" Performance

Today we had the first of our visiting arts performances for the year. All children experienced a puppet show with the theme of "Making Friends" and from the many happy faces in the room everyone enjoyed the show. These performances are paid for through the Cultural and Arts component of our Parent contribution.

Parent Contributions

This week we will be sending out accounts to all families for the 2011 Parent Contributions. These were set by School Council at \$120 for 2011. This covers:

- * Student Requisites \$40
- * Cultural and Arts Performances \$40
- * Swimming Program \$40

We would appreciate prompt payment of accounts as much of our cash outlay is at the start of the year with student requisites and the swimming program.

The swimming program is already subsidised by the school by \$20 per student to reduce the cost to families.

Families who have purchased a family pass to the Macarthur Pool for 2010-11 are entitled to a \$10 reduction for each student.

House Sports Day

Our House Athletic Sports Day will be held next Friday March 18th, beginning at 9.30am. We will be joined for the day by students from Penshurst Primary School. The morning session will include track and field events, followed by some House team games in the afternoon.

Families are welcome to join us for the day and are invited to bring a picnic lunch to share with their children.

As usual, we will need parent help on the day to run the events. If you are able to assist please complete the attached sheet and return to school ASAP.



Macarthur Tennis Club

are holding a raffle.
Prize is a trailer load of wood.
Tickets \$1 per ticket
Or 3 for \$2.
Drawn -20th March 2011

Tickets on sale Mooney Milk Bar next couple of weekends & at the Community Auction.

Macarthur Tennis Club

Would like to invite all community members , big and small, for a fun social hit on Monday afternoons, starting 4pm. Just turn up. Barby tea provided at end of night.

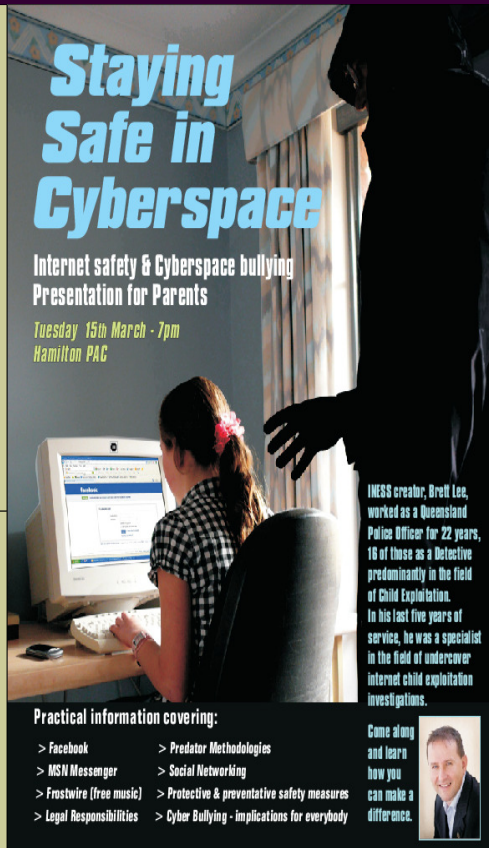
MACARTHUR TENNIS CLUB

has a block of 4 days tennis coaching available from 11th April till 14th April.
This can only happen if we have committed bookings. The more we have the cheaper this becomes for everyone. This will be held the first week of the school holidays.
Please contact Jill Millard on 55761224 or Andera Mooney at the paper shop.

Macarthur golf club

are holding a stableford event on the 18th of March at 5 o'clock 9 holes only every one welcome

Macarthur golf club opening day Sunday 20th March
FOUR PERSON AMBROSE any combination
12 o'clock for 12 30 hit off
Chris Marchant phone 55761191 or JILL MILLARD phone 55761224



Staying Safe in Cyberspace
Internet safety & Cyberspace bullying
Presentation for Parents
Tuesday 15th March - 7pm
Hamilton PAC

INESS creator, Brent Lee, worked as a Queensland Police Officer for 22 years, 18 of those as a Detective predominantly in the field of Child Exploitation. In his last five years of service, he was a specialist in the field of undercover internet child exploitation investigations.

Practical information covering:
 > Facebook > Predator Methodologies
 > MSN Messenger > Social Networking
 > Frostwire (free music) > Protective & preventative safety measures
 > Legal Responsibilities > Cyber Bullying - implications for everybody

Come along and learn how you can make a difference.

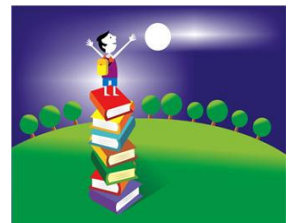
 For further information contact - Julie Droehler on 03 5571 6557.

Macarthur Fire Brigade

Just a little update on what has been happening in our Brigade. The last Tuesday in March will be our last training as day light savings will be finished. It starts at 6.30 and it would be nice to see some new faces. If you have not but wish to join our brigade please see Andrew Hartwich or Suzy Millard. Thanks to all that have been to our training sessions. I feel we have all learnt something and it is good to keep our skills up. I would like to thank Maurice Rowe for donating a fridge that is much needed. I also am in the proceed of obtaining a grant to buy a new ride on mower to keep the Brigade grounds clean and tidy. Fingers crossed.
Also congratulations to our Captain Andrew and Joanne on the arrival of Cassandra, a sister for Jesse and Tyler.
If you need any information please do not hesitate to call Andrew or myself
Andrew...Cap..55761006
Suzy...Sec.....55761210


Book Covering

The school has just bought a large number of new books to support our Reading Recovery program. We are in need of help to cover these with contact before they can be used. Anyone able to assist with covering a few books please contact the school. Many hands make light work.



Special Birthday wishes to

March
Mac Petersen (5th)
Jayden Dark (14th)



Uniform Order

There is a Uniform Order attached to this newsletter.

Note: There are 2 pages to the order. The second page lists some Optional items for purchase.

Order form, with payment, to be returned by Wednesday 23rd March.

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Hawkesdale – Macarthur Football Netball Club



Anyone with aspirations or an interest in becoming involved with the local football/netball club for season 2011

Junior Football Training - Under 16 & 1/2

Wednesday 9th March 2011

5pm

Hawkesdale Recreation Reserve

Junior Netball Training

Wednesday 16th March 2011

12 & Under – 4.30pm

14 & Under - 4.30pm

17 & Under - 5.30pm

Hawkesdale Recreation Reserve

**Hawkesdale
Macarthur Football
Netball Club
Pre Season Senior
Netball Training**

Pre Season Senior Netball Training will commence at 6pm on Wednesdays at the Hawkesdale Recreation Reserve.

Any enquiries or apologies can be made to Jeanette Carmichael, President on 55 76 1190 or Brenda Noonan on 55 607 245.

Any enquires please contact:

Football President: Peter Nield – 0427 516 640

Netball President: Jeanette Carmichael – 55761190

We are a family orientated club which gives opportunities for people to become involved as a spectator, player, club member, official, participant, administrator, coach, parent or member of the community that would like to participate within the club

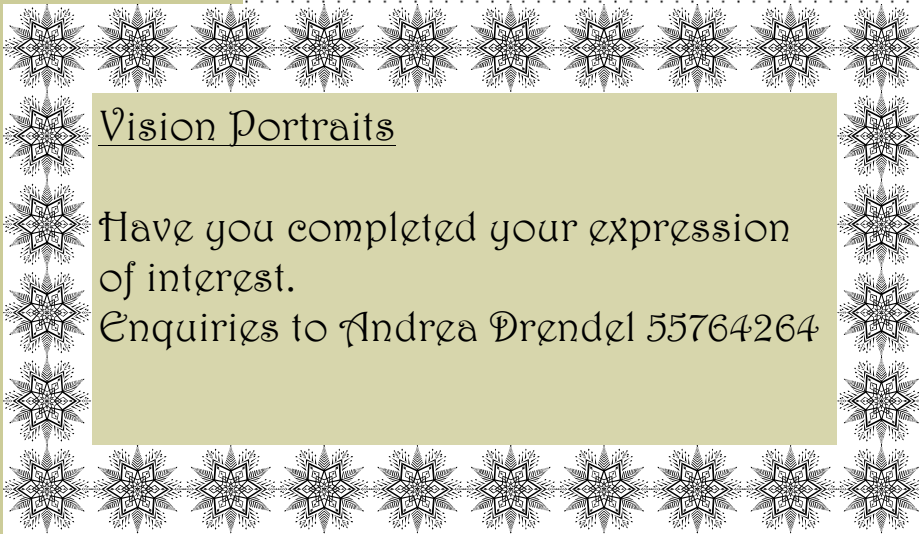
Calendar 2011

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

LL Lynn Lyles
JM Jacinta Mulder
SC Sharna Cunningham
DH Darren Hilliard
CS Coral Shepherd
AMcN Anne McNaughton
SM Suzy Millard
JT Jullie Timms
SL Sylvia Luke

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
6	7-Specialist Programs commence -Gr2/3 Parent Int 4-6pm	8 Gr4-6 Parent Info Night 7pm -Gr2/3 Parent Intview 4-6pm	9 -CS/SC PD Warm - 'Making Friends' Perf P-6 10:00am -Athletics p.m.	10 - Art -LL- PD Warm	11	12
13	14 Labour Day Holiday	15 -PLT- Maths	16 -Athletics -School Council AGM -PLT-Maths	17 - MARC - LL-PM Warm	18 - House Aths sports	19
20	21	22	23 -LL-PD Instruct Rnds Warm	24 - Art - SC/LL -Lit Lead PD	25 - District Aths Sports @ Pedrina Park	26
27	28 - Life Ed Van	29	30 - PD- SL-Warm	31 -MARC	April 1	2
3	4	5 -Zone Athletics	6	7 -Art	8 -End of Term	9





Vision Portraits

Have you completed your expression of interest.
Enquiries to Andra Drendel 55764264

Please note that a Working With Children card is required.

Forms are available at the Office (in limited supply) or from the Post Office.

The only cost, as a volunteer, is the cost of the identity photo.

✂.....✂ Can all families fill in this form ✂ ✂

CANTEEN ROSTER Term 1 & 2

Our Canteen will commence on Monday 21st March .
Could you please fill in this form and send it back to school by
Wednesday 16th March. - Thankyou

(Please tick responses)

I am able to do Canteen

I am unable to do Canteen

I have a WWC Card

The Day(s) I would prefer:

Monday

Wednesday

Friday

The Canteen will operate Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

New parents are encouraged to do Canteen Duty and will be paired with another parent, for the first time.

Your name:

Signed:

Phone: