



Macarthur Primary School

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Office Hours 2012

Monday - Wednesday
8:45am - 9:00am
10:00am - 4:15pm

For appointments
please ring
03 55761245

Classes begin: 9:10am

Recess: Mon, Tues,
Wed & Frid
-10:40—11:00am
(Thurs 11:10-11:30am)

Lunch: 1:00 - 1:50pm

End of Day: 3:20pm

Term Dates

2012

Term 3:

16 July - 21 September

Term 4:

8 October - 21 Dec

*Please phone or send a
note if your child is absent
from school -
It's not OK to be away*

Newsletter Date August 1st

Issue 23, 2012

From the Principal's Desk

2013 Enrolments

It is now the time of year when government schools are accepting enrolments for 2013.

All grade 6 enrolments for the Warrnambool network schools are due at the school now. These need to be returned to school by tomorrow so we can forward them to the network.

This involves any child intending to enrol in Hawkesdale P-12 next year.

Baimbridge College are holding a Group Day which is open to all grade 6 students to attend on September 4th, whether or not they are going to Baimbridge College next year.

Enrolment packs for students enrolling in Baimbridge College will be given out to students on this day.

Our school is currently accepting enrolments. I ask all parents to return enrolment forms as soon as you can so we can process these and begin the process of planning for 2013.

Thank you to all parents who attended our Prep 2013 information session today. I hope all parents found this informative and helpful.

Meetings with Staff

I would like remind parents of the procedure when needing to meet with staff. It is important that all parents who need to talk to staff regarding an issue involving their student ring the office to make an

appointment. Staff can then make a time which is convenient to both parents and the staff member when the matter can be fully discussed.

Staff are very busy at the start of the day preparing for teaching lessons, hearing reading and dealing with smaller administrative and organisational issues such as bus notes, medication etc. It is not the appropriate time to approach staff with issues which may need time to discuss.

I trust that parents will follow this procedure so that we may deal with your concerns effectively.

Olympics Day

Next Friday we will be holding the Macarthur Olympics. This should be a very exciting day and is a great opportunity to help children understand what the Olympics is about. Children will be in multi-age groups competing for points as athletes representing a country. We intend to have an opening ceremony, an Olympic flame and medal presentations. Grade 6 students will lead the groups and are in the process of designing some activities for the day.

Junior Red Cross are also running a hot dog and ice cream lunch. We hope many of you can attend to join in the Olympic fun.



Olympic Maths Challenge

I have been asked by a few parents if I am running the Times Tables Challenge again this year. I have decided to run an Olympics Maths Challenge this year to coincide with the Olympics and hopefully make the task more manageable. All students in the school are invited to join in the Olympic Maths Challenge to be held next week. Children can gain medals for their country by completing a range of counting and skip counting tasks according to their age. This will begin next Tuesday. I have attached an information sheet to this newsletter.

Parents can help their children by practising for the challenge at home.

SheepVention Holiday

Remember next Monday August 6th is a Pupil Free Day. Staff will be at school working on curriculum planning in the area of writing. No students are to attend school on this day.

Happy SheepVention. I hope the weather is kind.

Education Maintenance Allowance

Instalment Two

The Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is provided to assist eligible families with the costs associated with the education of their children.

Parents and guardians may be eligible for the EMA if they have a valid Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card.

The second instalment of the Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) payment is due to be paid into bank accounts from mid August onwards for those parents/guardians who chose the EFT payment option on their application form.

Parents/guardians who chose the cheque payment option will receive their payment from late August / early September.

Parents and guardians who lodged an EMA application at the beginning of the year do not need to lodge another EMA application to receive the second instalment EMA payment.

Parents/guardians whose children have transferred to this school since 29 February 2012 will need to submit a new EMA application form. Applications close on **3 August 2012**.

Contact: School Office for application form and further information

Macarthur Primary School Parents Association

will be meeting on

Friday 10th August 2.15 pm

In the multi purpose room

Everyone welcome, hope to see you there.

- Anna Wortley

& Nikki Belleville

Special Birthday wishes

to

Kyle Smitten (29th)



Student Leadership Photos

- School Captains
- Junior School Council
- House Captains

Are on display in the Office foyer.

If you wish to purchase copy, contact Sylvia. \$15.00 per photo. Money with order.

Artists of the Week

This week we have two students from Grade 1 who have been chosen as Artists of the Week.

Congratulations go to Kaitlyn Joyce and Kaitlin Parfrey. Our art this week had an Olympic theme. Students in Grade P/1 each received a flag from a country participating in the London Olympics. Using only the colours on their flag they had to decorate their figure in a suitable outfit. Both girls took a lot of care and displayed individual flair to create their costumes. Well done girls.

Corangamite Library:

Operates Wednesday
afternoons
from 1pm - 5pm.

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.

**Corangamite Library**

I am very pleased to
announce that Corangamite
Library will be changing our
books every fortnight
instead of once a month.
This will mean when you
have made a reservation
you will have them in a
fortnight instead of the
usual 4 weeks.

Jullie Timms

Price List—Canteen**\$**

Big Pies	\$3.30
Party Pies	1.10
Party Pastie	1.10
Mini Potato Pies	1.10
Sausage Rolls	1.80
Dim Sims	0.80
Lasagne Pasta Blasta	3.20
Pizza	
Ham/Pine Pizza	1.60
Chicken Dinosnack each	0.70
Fish Bites each	0.70
Yoghurt	
Strawberry	1.70
Apricot	1.70
Raspberry	1.70
Drinks	
Strawberry Milk	1.30
Chocolate Milk	1.30
Apple 250ml	1.10
Orange 250ml	1.10
Tropical 250ml	1.10
Icecreams	
Lemonade	1.10
Icypoles	
Raspberry Icypoles	1.10
Chocolate Billabong	1.30
Triple Swirl Billabong	1.30

Canteen Roster—Term 3.

30	Monday	Trudy Sharrock	
Aug 1	Wednesday	Andrea Drendel	Mark Todd
3	Friday	Lei Kelly	
6	Monday	Pupil Free Day	NO CANTEEN
8	Wednesday	Sally Gay	
10	Friday	Olympic Day	NO CANTEEN

Chicken Royales are no longer being produced.
A new chicken product is will be introduced
shortly.

Thankyou to all our volunteers.
Your help is very much appreciated.

MISSING

Green school jacket, size 10.
Has 'ilgate' labelled on front.
Please return to Molly Hardy.

MACARTHUR PRIMARY SCHOOL
IS COLLECTING:

Just by doing your normal shop and collecting
vouchers from Coles supermarkets, BI-LO, Pick
'n' Pay and Coles Online you can assist the
primary school to get quality sports gear.

1 x Coles Sports for Schools voucher = 1 Point. Vouchers are
issued on each full \$10 purchase. The number of vouchers
issued will be rounded down to the nearest \$10 Example: If
you spend \$68 then you will receive 6 vouchers.

Collection box located at the front of the school office.

Closes 14th August 2012



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**Your
Parent Surveys
need to be
returned this
Friday,
August 3rd.**



We now have our box located at Safeway in Hamilton. Please look for our logo on the box and drop off your stickers. Alternatively we still have a box located at the front of the school.

The closing date is August 12th (it has been extended).

Calendar 2012

PD Professional Development Conf - Conference
PM - Principal Meeting
NWM - Network Meeting
JRC - Junior Red Cross
JSC - Junior School Council
AASP - Active After School Prog
CRE - Christian Religious Ed

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

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 Olympics begin	30	31 -NumeracyLead -Garden 4-6	August 1 -P-2 Num PD -Prep Info Sess -AASP	2 -LL-Network Mt -MARC	3 -AASP	4
5	6 Sheepvention Pupil Free Day	7 -Garden 4-6	8 -AASP	9 -LL-Reg Meet -DH-LitLead PD -Art	10 (no canteen) -OlympicsDay -MPA Meet 2:15pm -AASP	11
12	13	14 -Garden 2-3 -Sch Council	15 -AASP	16 -Gr5 Science Day -MARC	17 -AASP	18
19	20	21 -Garden 2-3	22 -AASP	23 -Art	24 -AASP	25
26 Literacy Numeracy Week	27	28 -Garden 2-3	29 -AASP	30 -LL -Ntwk Meet -MARC	31 -Clubs	Sept1



Olympic Maths Challenge

Next week we will be hosting an Olympic Maths Challenge.

All children are invited to participate.

There will be a medal tally for each grade.

Children will be able to compete for medals for their country by completing the following challenges:

Grade Prep

Gold Medal: Count forwards to 10, Count backwards from 10-0, Count to 20 or beyond

Silver Medal: Count forwards to 10, Count backwards from 10-0

Bronze Medal: Count forwards to 10

Grade 1

Gold Medal: Count by 1s to 100, Count by 10s to 100

Silver Medal: Count by 1s to 50, Count by 10s to 100

Bronze Medal: Count by 1s to 50

Grade 2

Gold Medal: Skip count by 2, 4,5,10

Silver Medal: Skip count by 2,5,10

Bronze Medal: Skip count by 5,10

Grade 3

Gold Medal: Skip count by 2,3, 4,5,9,10

Silver Medal: Skip count by 2,3,4,5,10

Bronze Medal: Skip count by 2,5,10

Grade 4

Gold Medal Skip count by 2 to 10

Silver Medal: Skip count by 2,3,4,5,6,9,10

Bronze Medal: Skip count by 2,3,4,5,9,10

Grade 5

Gold Medal: Skip count by 2-11

Silver Medal: Skip count by 2,3,4,5,6,7,9,10

Bronze Medal: Skip count by 2,3,4,5,10

Grade 6

Gold Medal: Skip count by 2-12

Silver Medal: Skip count by 2,3,4,5,6,7,9,10,11

Bronze Medal: Skip count by 2,3,4,5,10,11

Parents can help by practising these tables with their children at home.

The challenge will take place on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week beginning with grade 5 and 6 students. The grade 5 and 6 students will then assist me in the task of running the challenge with the younger students.

Let's join the Olympic Team in trying to do our very best and becoming the best we can be by practising for the Olympic Maths Challenge.

The Medal Tally Board will be displayed in the school and updated daily so come and join in the Olympic Maths Sprint at Macarthur PS.

Don't Forget our Macarthur Olympics Day on Friday August 10th. We would LOVE you to attend.

Lynn Lyles

