



Macarthur Primary School

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Office Hours 2012

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

For appointments
please ring
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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 8th

Issue 24, 2012

From the Principal's Desk

Curriculum Day

On Monday staff had a most productive curriculum day working on student writing. Staff spent much of the day analysing samples of student work and assessing student progress. We are currently introducing student writing profile books in which staff will record student ongoing progress in writing. All students will work on the genre of narrative writing during the second half of the term. We have developed a set of criteria which will make it clear to students what the expectations are for this piece of work at the different levels in the middle and upper grades. We will then assess student progress in writing against this at the end of term. Students will be involved in this process and will then be clear on what areas they need to work on to make progress in their own writing.

Olympic Maths Challenge

The Olympic Maths Challenge has been in progress over the last two days. All children in the school have been completing a number of counting tasks to gain gold, silver or bronze for their teams. The points for each student will be included in the total scores for the teams on Friday in the Macarthur Olympics Day. A medal tally is outside each classroom. Well done everyone for your efforts in the challenge.

Macarthur Olympics Day

This Friday we will be holding our own Macarthur Olympics. The children have been placed in country teams and will compete for points on Friday in a range of fun activities loosely based on some Olympic events. (e.g. equestrian, archery, basketball etc.) The Opening Ceremony will begin at 10.15am followed by the team events. We will need 3 parents to assist with score cards on 3 of the events if possible to help the day run smoothly. This will not be complicated and will not require any athletic skill. Let me know if you are able to help.

Junior Red Cross Hot Dog Day

Junior Red Cross will be running a hot dog and ice cream lunch on Friday. There will be no canteen running. Hot dogs will be \$2 and ice-cream will be 50c. Please send money on Friday. JRC have asked children who will be having hot dogs in order to work out approximate numbers. There will be no order form for this coming home.

Grade 5 Science Day

Next Thursday August 16th Grade 5 students will attend a Science Olympiad at Coleraine Primary School. They will work with students from other small schools in the GRaSS Group. These students will be the same students who will attend the grade 6 Camp in The Grampians next

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year. This is part of our transition program for students into high school. I will attend with the students in what looks like a full day of science fun.

Book Fair

Next week we will be holding the annual Book Fair in our school library. Mr Hilliard will be running this in Miss Mulder's absence. There will be a wide variety of good quality books available for sale in the school library to suit all ages of children.

Parents are able to purchase these on the following days and times:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday Lunchtimes: 1.00pm - 1.50pm

After School all days Mon-Fri 3.20pm -4.00pm

This is a great time to buy presents for birthdays and Christmas. The school gets a commission on sales which we are able to purchase books for our school library so all money spent helps our school.

Children can also purchase books at lunchtime. Please send money to school in a sealed envelope if you wish children to purchase books. We do not want money lost on the way to school.

Clubs

Our Clubs Program will be running in a few weeks time beginning Friday, August 31st.

Coral Shepherd has prepared a note with more information which is attached to this newsletter. If you would like to be involved in this fantastic program please contact either myself or Coral.

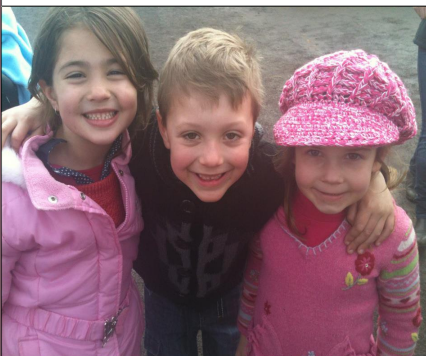
School Council

There will be a meeting of School Council next Tuesday, August 14th, at 7.30pm.

A meeting of the Finance Committee will precede this meeting at 7.00pm.

Lynn Lyles

Archie Buck met up with some friends at Sheepvention Lucy Hardy & Reigan Belleville.



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*



Emasyn Belleville competed in her first ever cycling race on Sunday. Emasyn came 3rd in the under 13 division.

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

<u>Canteen Order sheet</u>	\$
Big Pies	3.30
Party Pies	1.10
Party Pastie	1.10
Mini Potato Pies	n/a
Sausage Rolls	1.80
Dim Sims	0.80
Spaghetti Pasta Blasta	n/a
Lasagne Pasta Blasta	3.20
Pizza	
Ham/Pine Pizza	1.60
Supreme Pizza	n/a
Chicken Breast	1.30
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 Icy poles	1.10
Raspberry Icy poles	1.10
Chocolate Billabong	1.30
Triple Swirl Billa-bong	1.30

Canteen Roster—Term 3.

6	Monday	Pupil Free Day	NO CANTEEN
8	Wednesday	Sally Gay	
10	Friday	Olympic Day	NO CANTEEN
13	Monday	Jenny Nield	
15	Wednesday	Victoria Jackson	
17	Friday	Sue Logan	

Chickadee Chicken Breasts have been added to the Canteen @ \$1.30 each. The Mini Potato Pie is no longer available. No alternative has been found as yet.



Macarthur Primary School is still collecting caps. Please keep sending them in.

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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Special Birthday
wishes to

Coral Shepherd (5th)
Mikayla Sharrock
(7th)
Temika Gay (7th)
Ellie Macdonald
(9th)




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
5	6 Sheepvention Pupil Free Day	7 -Garden 4-6	8 -AASP	9 - NO CRE -LL-Reg Meet -DH-LitLead PD -Art	10 (no canteen) -OlympicsDay -2:15pm-MPA Meet -AASP	11
12 Book Fair 	13	14 -Garden 2-3 -Sch Council	15 -AASP	16 -Gr5 Science Day - LL -MARC	17 -AASP	18
19 Book Week	20	21 -Garden 2-3	22 -AASP	23 -Art	24 -AASP	25
26 Literacy Numeracy Week	27	28 -Garden 2-3	29 -AASP	30 -MARC	31 -Clubs	Sept1
2	3	4 -9:15 'It's a Mad World' Perf - Garden P-1	5 -AASP	6 -LL -Ntwk Meet -Art	7 -Clubs -AASP	8



CLUBS

The clubs program is a popular time during the year for the children. It also introduces the children to new and exciting leisure activities which they may discover they have a flair for and continue for enjoyment.

Community groups, parents and grandparents are invited to share an activity with small groups over 4 weeks towards the end of term on Fridays. There are two sessions per day at 30 minutes each. There is a maximum of 9 per group and a mixture of ages so that the older students can assist younger students. A small budget will cover basic expenses.

Consider these ideas

Card games (with real cards!)

Simple sewing

Card making

Stress balls

Magic tricks

Cooking

Computer activity

Bocce, Archery

Brag book

Carpet bowls

Christmas decoration

Useful item to be made

Balloon animals

Pom pom creatures

Salt dough creations

Kite making (simple pattern available)

Game making / Toy making

Chess or checkers

If you have ideas to share or wish to offer an activity please talk to Lynn or Coral ASAP

First Session starts Friday 30 August at 1:50pm followed by assembly at 2:50pm

WANTED TO BORROW

Old but useable digital cameras for a Photography Club activity. 9 needed.
See Coral (Wed -Fri)



BOOK FAIR WEEK!

Next week, Monday 13 August to Friday 17 August, the school will be holding its annual book fair in the library. We would love for everybody to come in and check out the awesome range of books at great prices! The book fair will be open to the public at lunch time on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and will also open after school each night until 4pm! Bring friends and family along and we hope to see you all at this great event.

