



Macarthur Primary School

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Principal:

Ben Kelson

School Council President:

Richie Belleville

Office Hours 2014

Monday - Wednesday

8:45am - 9:10am

9:40am - 3:45pm

For appointments please ring

03 55761245

Classes begin: 9:10am

Recess:

10:40—11:00am

Lunch: 1:00 - 1:50pm

End of Day: 3:20pm

Term Dates

2014

Term 1: 28 January (school teachers start) to 4 April

Term 2: 22 April to 27 June

Term 3: 14 July to 19 September

Term 4: 6 October to 19 December

Special Birthday wishes to

April

Abbey Kelly
(7th)



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From the Principal's Desk

Term 1...

A lot has taken place and there has been a lot achieved in what has been a very busy and productive beginning to the school year. There has been a range of sporting activities, along with various classroom assessments leading up to the work that has been completed by students, as we strive to take each child to the next level in their learning. We have also had visiting performances, specialist programs such as Art and MARC plus a whole range more to round out a comprehensive curriculum for our students, and this is only term 1. Many more events will take place as the year unfolds.

Regional Athletics Sports

Following the wash-out of the SGSSA Athletics Sports, schools have been sending in results to be collated to determine our collective team of students to represent our schools and the SGSSA at the Warrnambool-Portland-Hamilton Regional Athletics Sports in Warrnambool on Monday 28th April. Now that this team is complete, we can acknowledge several of our students on making this team through their strong performances.

Congratulations to: Zebb Nield (100m, 200m, 1500m), Addison Gay (100m, 800m, 1500m), Claire Logan (800m, High Jump, Discus), Johanna Jones (100m, 200m, 800m), Maddison Sharrock (High Jump), Matilda Fitzgerald (Shot Put), Oliver Wortley (800m) and Thomas Logan (800m). We wish these students all the best at this next level of competition and look forward to hearing of their performances early in term 2. Special mention should be given to

Johanna Jones who broke the SGGSA 400m record in her age group.



New Staff Member

Over the past few weeks we have been going through the process of selecting a new staff member and I am very pleased to announce that Miss Davina Pearson will be joining us from the start of next term. Davina is a graduate teacher who has previous experience with schools in and around the Warrnambool Network, including a more substantial stint working at the Warrnambool Special Development School. Davina will be working with us one day a week, teaching the grade 1/2 class on a Wednesday, which will release Mrs Unger to take on a more substantial role in teaching The Arts (Music) across Prep to 6. Miss Pearson is thrilled to have been appointed to our school and is very much looking forward to working alongside Mrs Unger to deliver a high quality teaching and learning program for our students. I welcome Davina to the Macarthur School community and look forward to working with her throughout the remainder of this year.

Active After-school Sports Program

Yesterday children who have been involved in the after-school sport

program this year were taken into Hamilton to be a part of the NetSetGo! Netball gala day with other schools that have been running the program this term. This was a good opportunity for our students to celebrate the after-school sport program and thank you to Miss Thomson, Jodie Nicholls, Ange Jones and Rachael Dettling for going along and being a part of this day.

Parent/Teacher Interviews

These are a valuable part of the partnership between school and home in delivering the teaching and learning programs for our students. Thank you to all parents who were able to come along and be a part of this experience and to staff for the considerable amount of time they have given up in preparing and conducting these interviews.

High levels of communication are very important in the education of a child. Please remember that any time you have concerns, no matter how big or small, to please make contact and discuss these with either myself or the classroom teacher of your child. We acknowledge that for some the 10 minute interviews were too short and we will look to address this with future interview sessions, trying to eliminate the waiting time faced by some. We do thank those however for their patience.

Grade 6 GRaSS Transition Camp

Tomorrow and Friday I will be attending the GRaSS Grade 6 Transition Camp with our senior students. This will be a fantastic activity for our students that will provide them with the opportunity to develop their leadership and social skills in a variety of activities, at the same time as hopefully forming new friendships as they begin to make the transition to school-life at secondary school.

New Student Enrolments

This week we have welcomed two new students and their families into our school community. I would like to welcome Morgan who have joined our grade 2 students in the grade 1/2 class, and Jordan who has joined our Prep class. We hope these students, along with their families, have a long and successful union with Macarthur Primary School, with both boys having already made a positive start to school.

JSC Fundraising

Earlier today our students lined up the many coins they had brought along to raise money for the Lions Club of Macarthur and District, which was followed by a BBQ, also kindly donated by the Lions Club.

Our share of the money raised, which will go towards Peter's Project, will be published next term once the amount is known. In the afternoon our students also collected sticks from around the school to make bags of kindling, which are available for purchase from the grade 5/6 room for \$5. Proceeds from this activity will also be donated to Peter's Project.

Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal

A reminder that children in grades Prep to 5 are encouraged to come along to school on the last day dressed in casual clothes and to also make a gold coin donation, with proceeds to be given to the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday appeal.

Last day of term 1

This Friday is the last day of term 1 and we would like to remind families that the dismissal time will be 2:20pm.

Next term

School will resume on Tuesday 22nd April, with the Monday being a public holiday as a part of Easter. Friday 25th April will also be a public holiday for ANZAC Day, meaning a very short week for us to resume following the school holidays. Have a great break, travel safe if holidaying away and we look forward to a busy and productive period of learning in term 2.

Have a great week, and a great holiday break!

Canteen Prices	\$
Big Pie	3.70
Party Pies	1.10
Sausage Rolls	2.00
Spaghetti Pasta Blasta	3.20
Ham/Pine Pizza	1.60
Dim Sims ea	0.80
Chicken Breast	1.50
Chicken Dinosnack ea	0.70
Fish Bites ea	0.70
Yoghurt	
Strawberry	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 Icyoles	1.10
Raspberry Icyoles	1.10
Chocolate Billabong	1.30
Triple Swirl Billabong	1.30



Thanks to all those who took time out to attend a meeting or give a donation of time or goods this term. Our next meeting is the 9th May, 2014.
Wishing you all a safe and relaxing school holidays.

Dates to Remember

Fri 9th May

MPA Meeting 1.30pm Multipurpose Room

Lei, Nikki & Vicki.

CANTEEN ROSTER TERM ONE

31	Monday	Kathy Ross	
Apr 2	Wednesday	NO CANTEEN	Lions BBQ Coin for kids
4	Friday	NO CANTEEN	

NOTICE:

As there has been no volunteer offer to do Canteen duties this Friday, the Canteen will not be operating.

Lunch orders—
Orders should be written on a clean lunch bag (name, grade, the order and the \$ amount enclosed), with the money wrapped and put inside the bag.

Kindling Bundles for sale – \$5

Junior School Council are selling bundles of kindling which are available from the grade 5/6 classroom. Proceeds will go towards Peters Project.



Uniform: - Wanted

Are there any 'woollen' school jumpers lying idle in your cupboard?

I have some families wanting to purchase some jumpers. All sizes considered.

Please contact Sylvia at the office. Thankyou.

Parent Contributions 2014

At the December School Council meeting a motion was passed to keep the Parent Contributions for 2014 at the same cost of **\$140.00** per child. This money is used to cover the costs associated with:

- School Swimming Program - \$40.00
Children who do not hold a pool season pass will be required to pay an additional \$10.00 (\$1.25 per session) to pay for pool entry costs.
- Visiting Performances - \$40.00
- Student Requisites (stationery etc.) - \$40.00
- Garden Contribution - \$10.00
- Excursions Contribution - \$10.00

Costs are reduced for families through the wonderful fundraising efforts throughout the year, with a \$20.00 subsidy for each child to reduce the cost of the swimming program and \$10.00 per child also allocated to budgets to support excursions. This is a total of \$2,100 to support both programs.

Invoice/Statements were sent home to parents on Monday, 31st March.

Macarthur's RCH Good Friday Appeal

As we all are aware Good Friday is fast approaching. We will be door knocking in your area, so PLEASE dig deep for our volunteers. We will be on the highway on Good Friday collecting. Let's make it a great effort for our little town and surrounding district.

If anyone would like to help door knock please feel free to give me a call on 55761303.

*Thankyou
Sandra Addinsall
Co-Ordinator*

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Term 2			
Apr 23	Wednesday	Kathy Ross	
25	Friday	ANZAC Day	Public Holiday
28	Monday	Michelle Rundell	
30	Wednesday	Maryanne Fitzgerald	
May 2	Friday	Lei Kelly	
5	Monday	Sara Morgan	
7	Wednesday	Julie Rissman	
9	Friday	Jenny Nield	
12	Monday	Tamara Hardy	
14	Wednesday	Victoria Jackson	
16	Friday	Rachael Dettling	
19	Monday	Sue Logan	
21	Wednesday	Jenny Nield	
23	Friday	Sara Morgan	
26	Monday	Kathy Ross	
28	Wednesday	Julie Rissman	
30	Friday	Lei Kelly	
Jun 2	Monday	Mel McDonald	
4	Wednesday	VOLUNTEER NEEDED	
6	Friday	PUPIL FREE DAY	
9	Monday	PUBLIC HOLIDAY	
11	Wednesday	Maryanne Fitzgerald	
13	Friday	Sara Morgan	
16	Monday	Sue Logan	
18	Wednesday	Victoria Jackson	
20	Friday	Rachael Dettling	
23	Monday	Mel McDonald	
25	Wednesday	Julie Rissman	
27	Friday	EOT BBQ	NO CANTEEN

Would volunteers advise me if the day/s they have been rostered to is/are not suitable.

Thankyou to all the above mentioned parents who have offered their time to do Canteen duty. It is very much appreciated.

Sylvia Luke

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Corangamite Library:

Operates each Wednesday afternoon from 1pm - 5pm.

Corangamite Library will be closed for the school holidays commencing 5pm on Wednesday 02/04/14 and re-opening on Wednesday 23/04/14 from 1pm till 5pm.

If wish to change your books during this period they are able to be exchanged in Port Fairy.

Wishing you a safe and happy Easter.



BADMINTON



Back in Macarthur

Every **Tuesday**

Juniors (7+) 5:30pm

Seniors 7pm

Venue: Macarthur Hall

Juniors \$2

Seniors \$5

Contact: Brendan Gay 0429334522

Heywood Consolidated Inter-school Equestrian Games

After a false start on the Friday 21st March, due to heavy rain, the Heywood Interschool Games Day was then held on Friday 28th March. We ended up with beautiful weather and a great day had by the four children attending.

Our kids all placed in their respective groups and there were a lot of comments on how well all the children conducted themselves on the day.

The overall placings were as follows:

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- Mac - 2nd
- Chelsea - 2nd
- Jack - 4th
- Zoe - 5th

Thanks— Marita Petersen



"INFLATABLE" FUN

@ BELFAST AQUATICS

Wednesday
April 9th & 16th

1 - 4pm

\$5.30 per child

belfastaquatics.com.au Phone: 55681986

Children 12yrs & under require parent supervision

Calendar 2014

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

BK Ben Kelson
JM Jacinta Mulder
DH Darren Hilliard
CU Christine Unger
RT Rachell Thomson
AM Anne McNaughton
JT Jullie Timms
SL Sylvia Luke

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	April 1 Parent Teacher interview	2 - Coin for Kids Lions Club BBQ With EOT parent student games	3- Art	4 - Gr 6 GRaSS cmp (Dunkeld) -End of Term 2:20pm dismissal	5
6 13	7 14	8 15	9 16	10 17	11 18 Easter	12 19 Easter
School Holidays April 7th - Monday 21st April						
20 Easter	21 Easter Holiday	22 Term 2 commences	23	24	25 ANZAC Day	26
27	28 -Div Aths in Warrnambool	29	30	May 1 - MayRaces Holiday	2	3

