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Office Hours 2016

Monday - Thursday
8:45am - 10.30am
11:00am - 4:30pm

For appointments please
ring 03 55761245

School Day:

Start of day: 8:45am
Classes begin: 9:00am
Recess:
11:00—11:30 am
Lunch: 1:00 - 2:00pm
End of Day: 3:30pm

Term Dates

2016

Term 2: 11 April to 24 June
Term 3: 11 July to 16 Sept
Term 4: 3 Oct to 20 Dec

Banking details:

Bank - NAB
BSB: 083 663
Account name:
Macarthur Primary School
Acc No: 621328156
Ref Details - your name.

From the Principal's Desk

Division Cross Country

Last Friday we had 5 students compete at the Division Cross Country in Warrnambool, having qualified through their strong performances at the SGSSA event held the week before.

Results on the day were:

Zoe - 34th (9/10 year girls),
Alexis - 44th (9/10 year girls),
Lachie - 26th (9/10 year boys),
Mikaylah - 49th (11 year girls) and
Jack J - 28th (11 year boys).

By all reports the course was once again very demanding on our students who are all to be commended for their exceptional performances in even qualifying for this higher level of competition. Well done to all!

Transition to Secondary School

Taking that next step to secondary school is a very important, and at times somewhat daunting, stage in a child's schooling. In recent weeks our senior students have received a visit from staff (and a student - it was nice to see Zebb back for a visit) from Baimbridge and Hawkesdale Colleges. I'm also aware several families have also visited local secondary schools for information evenings as they consider all options for their child next year and beyond. On June 15th, children in grade 5 will have the opportunity to visit Baimbridge College, to gain an insight into what secondary school may be like for them from 2018 onwards. These events are all an important part of our transition program in helping prepare students for the next stage of their schooling, with more events planned to take place in the second half of this year.

2017 Prep Transition

Commencing school for the first time is also a very important stage in a child's life. In recent weeks we have been coordinating with the Macarthur Kindergarten regarding our transition program for new Prep students in 2017. Our program this year will follow a similar format to previous years, starting with a Parent Information Session at 9:15am on Wednesday 20th July. On Monday 5th September we will then take our current Prep students across to the kinder, with follow-up sessions planned for Monday 10th October and Monday 7th November, with the final day being the state-wide orientation day on Tuesday 6th December. I ask parents of Prep students for next year to please mark these dates in their diaries however if you have any questions surrounding your child starting Prep with us next year, please feel free to contact me at any time for a chat.

Baked Potato Lunch

Today our grade 6 students hosted a ‘Baked Potato Lunch’ which was rather enjoyable for those who purchased one. We also had students from Panmure Primary School (13 students from grades 3-6) join us, as like our grade 6 leaders, they too are focusing on a leadership program that involves utilising their school’s gardens to help support the health and wellbeing of others in their community. Panmure students helped us prepare lunch for all and also did a bit of work in our garden, in which cuttings from strawberries and raspberries were taken for them to take back and plant at their own school. This was a great combined activity across the two schools and we look forward to our senior students making a return visit to Panmure later in the year.

Laura Hill - Teacher Placement

For the past 5 weeks we have had Laura spend time with us in the Prep classroom, working with Miss Thomson and the students in her class to help develop her skills as a teacher and put the theory being learned at university into practice. Laura has been a very friendly and positive addition to our staff and we thank her for the work she has done. We look forward to having Laura return to us in August for another 5 week placement, which will then be spent in the 3/4 classroom.

Pupil Free Day - Report Writing

A reminder that next Friday, 10th June, will be a report writing day and as such no children will be required at school. Teachers have been busy over the past few weeks assessing student abilities to assist with the preparation of these reports, which will look a little bit different to those you have received in the past. A notice will be sent home next week outlining these changes, with semester 1 reports scheduled to be distributed to families on Friday 17th June.

Lions Coins for Kids

This annual event, held in conjunction with the Lions Club of Macarthur and District, will take place on the last day of this term, Friday 24th June. The Lions Club will also put on a BBQ lunch for all students on this day. I ask that you please start collecting coins (or continue doing so) for this worthwhile cause. The Lions Club of Macarthur and District have been great supporters of our school and earlier this year donated \$1,200 to go towards the replacement of our existing basketball towers, and we once again look forward to working with this local group to support others in need.

Have a great week!
 Ben Kelson
 Principal



MPA
Parent
ASSOCIATION
 macarthur primary school

Meeting: Tuesday 21st
July June 2:30pm at
school
(apologies for the date error)

Fundraiser: Election Day
 BBQ breakfast July 2nd

UNIFORM

There have been quite a number of parent requests re missing uniform items.

Woollen Jumpers -
 There is one ‘joyce’ named woollen jumper in lost property, however that does not equal the number of missing ones.

Could parents do a uniform check on clothing.

MACARTHUR PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dates of Events - 2016

To assist parents with planning we have created a list of expected activities and events for you to include on your calendar at home. Dates shown are indicative only and due to circumstances beyond our control, some of these may change. We will endeavour to provide as much notice as possible should this occur.



Month	Event	Date/s	Comments/notes
June	Curriculum Day	Friday 10 th	REPORT WRITING – pupil free day
June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday	Monday 13 th	Public Holiday – no school
June	Visiting Performance at 2:00pm	Tuesday 14 th	Grades P-6 at school – paid for through parent contributions
June	Coin for Kids	Friday 24 th	Whole school
June	LAST DAY – Term 2	Friday 24 th	2:30pm dismissal
July	FIRST DAY – Term 3	Monday 11 th	
July	Hooptime Basketball	Thursday 21 st	Grade 3/4 students in Hamilton
July	Hooptime Basketball	Monday 25 th	Grade 5/6 students in Hamilton
August	Curriculum Day	Monday 1 st	Curriculum Planning (coincides with Sheepvention in Hamilton)
August	Grade 5 GRaSS Excursion	Monday 15 th	Excursion to BioCats (Science) in Geelong
September	Visiting Performance at 2:00pm	Thursday 8 th	Grades P-6 at school – paid for through parent contributions
September	Grade 3/4 Camp	Tues 13 th -Thurs 15 th	Cape Bridgewater (cost approx. \$200 - \$220)
September	LAST DAY – Term 3	Friday 16 th	2:30pm dismissal
October	FIRST DAY – Term 4	Monday 3 rd	
October	Grade Prep/1/2 Exc. And 1/2 Sleepover	Thursday 6 th Friday 7 th	Activity – TBC Cost – approx. \$35

CANTEEN All orders should be written on a clean bag - Name, Class, food order & \$ amount.

The money should be wrapped separately and placed in the bag.

CANTEEN			
30	Monday	Rachael Dettling	
Jun 1	Wednesday	NO CANTEEN	Spud Day
6	Monday	Jenny Nield	
8	Wednesday	Sue Logan	
13	Monday	Public Holiday	
15	Wednesday	Dotti Dicker	
20	Monday	Jane Young	
22	Wednesday	Nicole Buck	

Ham/Cheese Toastie	1.70
Cheese Toastie	1.20
Chicken Burger (roll, mayo, lettuce, chicken burger)	3.30
Chicken & Cheese Burger (roll, mayo, lettuce, chicken burger & cheese)	3.50
Party Pies	1.20
Sausage Rolls	2.50
Dim Sims	.80
Chicken Breast	1.90
Ham/Pine Pizza (McCains)	2.00
Chicken Dinonacks ea	.70
Fish Bites each	.80
Frozen Yoghurt	
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
Fandangles choc mallow	1.40
F'dangles popcorn caramel	1.40

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS - May 27th

Grade	Name	Reason
Prep	Jorja	For being a positive girl
1/2	Arliah	For always being helpful in class
3/4	Alexis	For outstanding writing & helping the teacher
5/6	Cody	For being friendly
PE	Mae	For outstanding partnership



Macarthur 2017 Kindergarten Enrolments OPEN NOW
 Enrolment Application Forms are available from:
 :All Moyne Shire Kindergartens : www.moyne.vic.gov.au (applications can now be submitted online!)
What to include with your application:
 :Birth Certificate or equivalent documentation
 :Child's Immunisation History Statement (please note we no longer accept photocopies of your Maternal Child Health Book.)
If you have a Three or Four Year Old eligible to attend Macarthur Kinder next year, it is vital you do it now. Enrolments open next week, May 30th, 2016.

The Macarthur (Corangamite) Library
Mondays 1pm till 5pm.

Check Out a Library Book

Jullie Timms

Australian Government Mobile Service Centre

The Australian Government Mobile Service Centre is supporting rural communities by providing convenient access to Australian Government payments and services. This specialised vehicle offers a wide range of face to face and self service assistance for rural families, older Australians, students, job seekers, people with disability, carers, farmers and self-employed people.

You can visit the Mobile Service Centre:
 Near the Post Office, High Street
 MACARTHUR
 Tuesday, 14 June 2016 9.30 am to 4 pm

Experienced staff travel with the Mobile Service Centre and provide friendly, face-to-face service, information and support. On this trip, the Australian Taxation Office will be available to assist with advice and information about tax and superannuation. If the assistance you're after is not available, arrangements will be made for someone from the relevant organisation to contact you.

For more information, go to humanservices.gov.au and search for Mobile Service Centre or call 132 316.

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	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Calendar BK Ben Kelson JM Jacinta Mulder DH Darren Hilliard DS Daniel Smith RT Rachell Thomson AM Anne McNaughton SP Stacey Pemberton JT Jullie Timms SL Sylvia Luke PD - Professional Development Conf - Conference PM - Principal Meeting WNM - Warm Network Meeting JSC - Junior School Council SSP - Sporting Schools Prog KGS - Kitchen Garden Science SC - School Council	29	30	31 -SSP	June 1 -Spud Day lunch -Kitch/Garden 3/4	2- Art -PD-Port Fairy-RT/SP	3 -Auskick	4
	5	6	7 -SSP	8 -Kitch/Garden 1/2	9 - MARC -BK/DS -PD Melb	10 NO SCHOOL Curriculum Day -BK/DS-PD Melb - No Auskick	11
	12	13 No School Queens Birthdy Public Holiday	14 -2pm Visiting Performance -SSP	15 -Gr5 visit to Baimbridge collge	16 - Art	17 -Auskick	18
	19	20	21 -MPA mtg 2:30pm	22	23 - MARC	24 -Last day of T2 -Coin for Kids - End of term BBQ	25
	Term holidays - Monday 27th June - Friday 8th July.						