

**Issue 38 2016**  
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# Macarthur Primary School

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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 4: 3 Oct to 20 Dec

### **2017**

Term 1: 30 January (school  
teachers start) to 31 March \*

Term 2: 18 Apr (Tues) -30 Jun

Term 3: 17 Jul to 22 Sept

Term 4: 9 Oct to 22 Dec

\* The first day of Term 1 is a  
student-free day in all  
government schools

## **Banking details:**

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



## **From the Principal's Desk**

A big thank you to Miss Mulder for stepping up and doing an excellent job during my period of leave, and also to staff who supported Jacinta extremely well whilst taking on this additional role.

### Sovereign Hill Camp

Our grade 5/6 students departed to Ballarat today for their camp to Sovereign Hill in Ballarat for what is sure to be a fun-filled three days away at camp.

Miss Thomson, Nikki Belleville and I will be attending this camp with the students, with Miss Mulder taking the Prep class whilst we are away. The students are confident they will find a wealth in gold whilst getting a feel for what life on the goldfields was like back in the 1850's through their attendance at the Ragged School.

More details of this camp will appear in the newsletter next week however for anyone wishing to know more, feel free to visit the website <http://sovereignhill.com.au/costumed-school/our-schools/>

### Transition Programs

The final transition events for this year are just around the corner, with the State-Wide Transition Day taking place next Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> December. Our 2017 Prep students will join us for the day will all students moving up a grade level to spend the day in their class for next year. Our current grade 6 students will also spend the day at the secondary school of their choice for next year and beyond. Children attending Hawkesdale P-12 next year will also spend the day there on Monday of next week.

### Sporting Schools

Please note that the final session of this program will actually be next Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> December, and not last night, as was stated on the newsletter.

### Visiting Performance

Yesterday our students were treated to an additional visiting performance for the year, titled "Messenger Dogs - Tales of WWI". We were fortunate to receive this show free of charge with the show being supported by a Victorian Government initiative to commemorate the Centenary of ANZAC. This show was very informative and was thoroughly enjoyed by the students.

### School Council

The final meeting of School Council for this year will take place next Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> December, commencing at 7:30pm. A lot has been achieved and I thank the group for their contributions and dedication of time given throughout the year. There is still a lot more work to be done, with an early focus for this group in the New Year being on our school refurbishments and upgrades project.

Two parent vacancies have arisen during the year, due to family departures, so if you are looking at a way of becoming further involved in the school next year, please considering becoming a part of School Council.

### 2017 Parent Payments

Information will be sent home today outlining Parent Payments for 2017. All efforts have been made to keep these costs to a minimum, with this being very well supported by the fundraising efforts of our MPA throughout the year.

The last page of this information includes a reply form that we ask you to please return to school by Wednesday of next week to assist us with our planning for the new school year. These notices are being sent home for information purposes only - we do not require payment until the 2017 school year.

### Student Reports

Staff have been working hard over the past few weeks, putting in many additional hours to complete assessment tasks with students to assist with the compilation of semester two reports. Our anticipated date for providing these reports to parents is on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December.

### School Presentation Evening

Our Presentation Evening for this year will take place here at school in the multi-purpose room on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Families are encouraged to bring along their tea from 6:00pm with the formal part of the presentation evening to commence at 7:30pm.

The school BBQ will be available for any families wishing to use this.

We look forward to seeing you all there on the night.

### End of School Year

The last day of formal classes for students will take place on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December, following our Presentation Evening the night before. As previously mentioned, Student Reports will be distributed on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>; with class parties to take place on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December (further information will be sent home from individual class teachers).

The last official day of the school year is Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December and on the Monday and Tuesday of this week staff will be cleaning up classrooms, finalising administration procedures and meeting to prepare for the following year.

If you plan to send your child/children along to school on these final two days, we request that you please advise the office so we can put alternative staffing in place to catering for the supervision of students on these days.

*Have a great week!*

*Ben Kelson*

*Principal*

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas . . . .



Ham/Cheese Toastie	1.70
Cheese Toastie	1.20
Dim Sims	.80
Ingham GF Chicken Nuggets	.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 Icpoles	1.10
Raspberry Icpoles	1.10
Fandangles choc mallow	1.40
F'dangles popcorn caramel	1.40

As there are only 2 canteen days left for 2016, the following items are no longer available -  
 Chicken Fried Rice; Sausage Rolls;  
 Ham/Pineapple Pizza; Chicken Dinosaurs;  
 Chicken Burger; Chicken & Cheese Burger; Chicken Breast;

28	Monday	Jenny Nield	
30	Wednesday	Caroline McGowan	
Dec 5	Monday	Michelle Rundell	
7	Wednesday	Tamara Hardy	
	<b>Canteen</b>	<b>closed</b>	

**MPA Break up afternoon tea**

Sarah and Michael at the pub have kindly offered to open the dining room and make tea & coffee for us.

MPA will provide some cake and slices as well. Please come along and celebrate the great year the MPA has had in 2016

**FRIDAY 9th December at 2pm**

No Meeting just a break up.

Everyone is welcome to attend, you don't need to have attended our meetings to join us.

Most families have helped out in some way throughout the year.



**Can you help?**

**Wanted**

**3 to 4 Bedroomed House with garage for rent**

Please contact either Ben or Sylvia 03 5576 1245



**Macarthur Primary School Disco**

Junior School Council have requested we hold an end of year disco to celebrate the year.

The disco will be held in the multi purpose room of the school on the **16th December**, this is the last day of formal classes for the school year, from **6pm – 8pm**

Tickets will be \$8.00 per child and will include -entry, 1 drink, 1 plate of dinner and 1 dessert

*Dinner will be a choice of 3 of the following—mini hotdog in roll, mini baked potato, mini pie or mini sausage roll.*

Extra drinks and nibbles will also be for sale, along with glow sticks.

There will be spot prizes given out through out the evening.

For a gold coin donation food and drink will be available for parents who wish to stay.

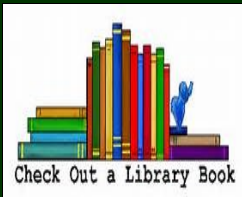
**STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS - November 25th**

Grade	Name	Reason
Prep	<b>Alva</b>	<b>For settling into our school nicely</b>
1/2	<b>Annie</b>	<b>For always trying her best</b>
3/4	<b>Jack</b>	<b>For for leadership in the classroom</b>
5/6	<b>Oliver</b>	<b>For exception effort in all assignments</b>
PE	<b>Tabby</b>	<b>For improving her resilience</b>



The Macarthur  
(Corangamite)  
Library

Monday  
Hours 1pm-5pm



Jullie Timms

Broadwater Community Reserve Inc (old school)  
Hamilton / Port Fairy Road, Broadwater

Santa is coming to Broadwater



Saturday  
10th December  
6pm-8pm Santa

BYO food/drinks & BBQ supplied  
50c per person  
Families a plate of supper to share

**Whole Community is Welcome.**  
**For more information:**  
**Leonie 0438 586 762**

## LETTERS TO SANTA



All children who post letters to

Santa  
C/- Macarthur P.O.

before December 15<sup>th</sup> will  
receive a personal reply from  
Santa.

**A return address must be  
included on back of  
envelope to ensure a reply.**

*(This is an annual project run by  
the Lions Club of Macarthur and  
District.)*

## 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

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29 -Active After School	30 -56 Camp Ballarat	Dec 1 - Art -56 Camp Ballarat	2 -56 Camp Ballarat	3
4	5	6 -Active After School (final)  Statewide Transition Day	7 -KGS-12  -School Council	8 - MARC	9 -MPA Breakup @Pub - SchoolCouncil Dinner	10
11	12 - Art	13	14	15 -Art -EOY class parties -School Presentation Evening	16 - Disco 6-8pm	17
18	19	20 End Term 4	21	22	23	24

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