



MACARTHUR PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Office Hours 2008

Monday - Friday

8:00am - 9:00am

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1:00pm - 4:00pm

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From the Principal's Desk

Big Tank

Our new water tank has arrived and was constructed yesterday afternoon. Hopefully it will soon be connected and we will receive approval for our new building. I do not think we will be running short of water in the future.

Pet Day

Last Friday we held our first Pet Show organised by Junior School Council. It was a most enjoyable day and I know the children have completed some wonderful work in classrooms about their pets over the past week. The staff enjoyed meeting your pets and I would like to thank all parents for their support in bringing pets to school.

Chess

Yesterday our chess team entered another chess competition in Warrnambool. They came second in the event as a team and in the individual results James Cassidy came equal first winning six games out of 7. Well done all members of our

chess team Sean Dyson, Harry Musson, Indi Jones and Bailey Belleville.

Hoop Time Team

Last week we were very successful in basketball as our grade 3 and 4 Hoop Time Basketball team also competed in Hamilton and won all of their games. Congratulations to our grade 3 and 4 students for winning the final against Baimbridge College.

Uniforms

It has been great to see such support for our uniform policy and I have had many comments from visitors about how smart our children look in their uniforms. We have been reminding children to change into sports uniform on Tuesdays as some students are bringing sports clothes to school but not changing. We would like children to develop the habit of changing at lunchtimes which will give them the opportunity to get the full wear out of their sports clothes. Remember sports track suit pants are green with blue pants being our

everyday uniform. Children need to remember runners and sports clothes on Tuesdays.

2009 Buses and Enrolments

This is the time of year we look at enrolments for 2009. If you are aware of any families wishing to enrol in our school in 2009 please let the school know. We are also looking at the bus routes and the needs of families in 2009. I will be asking all parents of children wishing to travel by bus next year to see me so I can look at the bus routes for 2009. I will be meeting with our bus drivers soon and we will look at the service for the future.

Lynn Lyles

Clubs

We have had a very good response to our call for assistance with 'Clubs' once again. If there are any more volunteers!!!, could they let me know next week please, so that I can organise materials and equipment.

Thanks, Jan W

FAMILY PORTRAITS- CHANGE OF DATE

Due to unforeseen circumstances there has been a change in company and date. The date is Friday 15th August from 4.30pm and cost is \$12.

Could all parents who indicated interest please contact me by Monday July 28th to reschedule your appointment.

Please also return your new voucher to the school or myself.

For the parents who have already paid I will need to collect an extra \$2.

Sorry for any inconvenience
Andrea Drendel

Phone: 55764264 or 0428761097



Special birthday
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Kyle Smitten (29th)



24 July 2008

BRIDGES TEMPORARILY CLOSED FOR INVESTIGATIONS PRIOR TO RECONSTRUCTION

Four Moyne Shire bridges will be closed for a day each early next month, and for a period later this financial year in order to reconstruct the bridges to remove load limits and improve traffic safety.

Starting on Monday 4th August, bridges on Carrolls Lane (Garvoc), Nardoo Road (Hawkesdale), School Road (Bessiebelle) and Lyons Road (Macarthur) will be closed during daylight hours to allow for detailed structural and geotechnical testing. Local residents would then be notified in writing when the four bridges as well as the Lake Gorrie Road bridge in Bessiebelle would be closed for the resulting improvement works.

Moyne Shire Council has posted letters to nearby landholders notifying them of the first day of work on 4th August and would again notify them with dates for the improvement works.

Moyne Physical Services Director Malcolm Macpherson said the bridge closures would be a short-term inconvenience for a long-term gain with the bridges going from having load limits to allowing larger vehicles to use them.

Mr Macpherson said once the testing was completed, designs would be undertaken. The improvement work on most bridges would involve installing reinforced concrete deck overlays and new guardrails so the load limits could be removed.

“Unfortunately the reconstruction work will necessitate the closure of sections of each road for a few weeks. The closure time for each bridge will vary but we will be working to minimise disruptions,” he said.

“The improvement works are scheduled for some time between October 2008 and June 2009 and we will be ensuring all nearby landholders are notified in writing a month before the work starts. Any inconvenience is regretted but the work will improve the bridges for the future use of the entire community and we appreciate everyone’s patience.”

Bridges and closure dates:

- Carrolls Lane, Garvoc - Monday 4th August 2008
- Nardoo Road, Hawkesdale - Tuesday 5th August 2008
- School Road, Bessiebelle - Wednesday 6th August 2008

Lyons Road, Macarthur - Thursday 7th August 2008

Mr Macpherson said residents should contact Jason Hoy as soon as possible on 5558 7888 if the timing of the work was unsuitable for them.

Canteen

Fri Aug 1	Leonie Dyson
Mon 4	Holiday
Wed 6	Narelle Cassidy
Fri 8	No Canteen

EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE

Apologies for late notice

The second round of applications for the EMA are now due.

If you were successful in receiving the EMA last semester you do not need to do anything - the application process is automatic.

However, if you are now eligible (if you now hold a Centrelink Health Care Card), then please contact the office IMMEDIATELY and an application form will be sent to you. The **cut off** date for applications is **this Friday, August 1st 2008** and your health care card must be current as of the first day of Term 3, **14 July 2008**.

If you are unsure as to whether you need to reapply or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

P / 1 / 2 Excursion - Sleepover

Information re the P/1/2 Excursion – Extended Day – Sleepover will be sent home at the end of the week. The Excursion will be on Friday September 5th. I would like all permission forms and money sent to school by August 15th please.

Jan W

NET SET GO

There will be no Net Set Go next Monday evening, due to the Sheepvention Holiday.

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BAIMBRIDGE COLLEGE YEAR SEVEN SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are offered to students who will be entering year seven at Baimbridge College in 2009

- **GENERAL EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS**
- **ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS**
- **RURAL SCHOLARSHIPS** – Available to students whose residence is more than 40 kms from Hamilton

Selection will be based on an application, interview and primary school reports.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Selections will be based on an application and audition

Application forms for all scholarships are available from:

Baimbridge College
85 Stephen St. HAMILTON 3300
Phone: 5572 2788, Fax: 5572 5811

Applications close
4.00 pm Friday August 15th

Corangamite Library

Due to a public holiday on Monday 4th August (Sheepvention) there will be no Corangamite Library at the school.

Open as normal on Wednesday.

Lorraine Lea Linen

Host a party for the month of September & as a host you will receive a free gift plus money to spend on our fabulous range of linen and manchester from any sales & additional party bookings from your party.

For more information or to book a party please contact Dannielle Dyson on 0427 848 070 anytime.

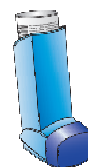
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	31 MARC	August 1 EMA appl'n closes LL- Melb PD	2
3	4 Sheepvention Holiday	5 Musica Viva PD 4:30 -7:00pm	6 Art	7 JM - LITM PD Gr6 LeadCamp	8 JM - LITM PD	9
10 Bookfair	11	12	13	14 MARC JM - LITM PD 11:30 LL Grass Mtg, HDEN	15 Family Portraits from 4:30pm	16
17 Book week	18	19	20 School Cncl	21 Art	22 Mini Olympics	23
24	25 JM/LL PD LITM	26	27	28 MARC	29	30

Legend:
PD Professional Developmnt
Conf Conference
SC - School Council
MPS - Macarthur Primary
School

LL Lynn Lyles
JM Jacinta Mulder
SC Shama Cunningham
JW Jan Wilson
SM Suzy Millard
JT Jullie Timms
SL Sylvia Luke

Correct Use of Puffers and Spacers

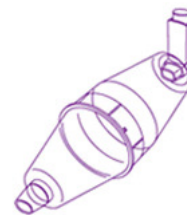
New research from the Woolcock Institute of Medical Research has shown that up to 90 per cent of people on asthma medications are using their puffers (Metered Dose Inhalers) incorrectly leading to poor asthma control, increased hospital visits and increased cost of treatment.



Everyone should use a spacer when using a puffer (for both reliever and preventer puffers). Using a spacer is significantly more effective than a puffer on its own. The medication is delivered more efficiently into the small airways in the lungs where it is needed (approximately over 3 times more effective). Less medication is deposited in the mouth, reducing the side effects associated with preventer medications.

How to correctly use your spacer and puffer:

1. Remove the cap from the puffer mouthpiece
2. Hold the puffer upright and shake
3. Fit puffer mouthpiece into the spacer (at the opening opposite to the mouthpiece)
4. Breathe out, tilt the chin up
5. Put the spacer mouthpiece in your mouth and create a seal with your lips
6. Press the puffer to release one puff into the spacer
7. Breathe in and out through the spacer for 4 normal breaths
8. If more puffs are needed repeat steps 6 and 7
9. Replace the cap on the puffer



If you would like more information please call **The Asthma Foundation of Victoria** on **1800 645 130** or visit www.asthma.org.au.



Asthma Management Checklist for Parents of Children with Asthma

1. **Does your child have an up to date Asthma Action Plan that tells them how to manage their asthma and what to do if their asthma gets worse?** Your child's asthma should be reviewed regularly with their doctor and their school should have a copy of their Asthma Action Plan. It is very common for children to have occasional or seasonal asthma. An Asthma Action Plan is still needed for when this occurs.
2. **Does your child carry their reliever puffer and spacer with them at all times?** Medication needs to be available wherever your child may be (school, sporting field, home). The expiry date of the medication and the amount of medication left in the canister should also be checked regularly.
3. **Are you and your child aware of your child's asthma triggers and do you take steps to avoid them?** It is also important to highlight the key symptoms, triggers or special features of your child's asthma with their teachers so they can assist in managing your child's asthma more efficiently.
4. **Do you listen to what your child says?** They will be aware of their asthma symptoms and should be able to tell you when they need their medication.
5. **Does your child take their asthma medication correctly?** Good technique allows more medication to get into the lungs where it is needed.

It is important to work with our school to ensure that your child's asthma is managed appropriately.

If you have any questions about asthma management at school or would like to discuss asthma further, please call the Asthma Helpline on 1800 645 130 or visit **The Asthma Foundation of Victoria's** website www.asthma.org.au



Macarthur Primary School Canteen Roster

For the period Monday August 4th – Friday September 19th

Thanks to those few parents who responded to the canteen notice. Please note there are several days where the canteen will be closed.

August		
Monday	4	Sheepvention Holiday
Wednesday	6	Narelle Cassidy
Friday	8	<i>No Canteen</i>
Monday	11	<i>No Canteen</i>
Wednesday	13	<i>No Canteen</i>
Friday	15	<i>No Canteen</i>
Monday	18	Andrea Drendel
Wednesday	20	Marita Petersen
Friday	22	Leonie Dyson
Monday	25	Sharyn Pye
Wednesday	27	Julie Watson
Friday	29	<i>No Canteen</i>
September	.	.
Monday	1	Carolyn Malseed
Wednesday	3	Narelle Cassidy
Friday	5	<i>No Canteen</i>
Monday	8	Jenny Nield
Wednesday	10	Marita Petersen
Friday	12	Leonie Dyson
Monday	15	<i>No Canteen</i>
Wednesday	17	<i>No Canteen</i>
Friday	19	<i>End of Term</i>

Canteen Price List	(February 2008)
Hot Food (with or without sauce)	
Pie	\$2.40
Pastie	\$2.40
Party Pies	.80
Sausage Rolls	\$1.60
Dim Sims	.70
Spaghetti Pasta Blasta	\$3.00
Lasagne Pasta Blasta	\$3.00
Ham/Pineapple Pizza	\$1.40
Supreme Pizza	\$1.40
Crunchy Chicken Royale	\$1.50
Chicken Nuggets (5)	\$2.00
Chicken Nuggets (3)	\$1.30
Fish Bites (3)	\$1.70
Fish Bites (2)	\$1.20
Cold Food	
Frozen Strawberry Yoghurt	\$1.60
Frozen Apricot Yoghurt	\$1.60
Strawberry Milk	\$1.30
Chocolate Milk	\$1.30
Just Juice Apple	\$1.00
Just Juice Paradise Punch	\$1.00
Just Juice Apple/Blackcurrant	\$1.00
Just Juice Orange	\$1.00
Lemonade Icyoles	.80
Raspberry Icyoles	.80
Rainbow Icyoles	\$1.00
Peters Lifesavers	\$1.50