Macleod P - 12 College



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FOR STUDENT SAFETY, STUDENTS ARE NOT TO BE DROPPED OFF OR PICKED UP FROM THE COLLEGE STAFF CAR PARK

DUE TO THE LAYING OF A NEW FLOOR IN THE CANTEEN (result of storm damage) THE CANTEEN WILL BE CLOSED THE WEEK 20th - 24th FEBRUARY

February

Monday 13 th	3.30pm - 6pm	Primary Meet & Greet Interviews
Tuesday 14th	10.00am	PRIMARY TOUR
Thursday 16th	3.30pm - 5.30pm	Primary Meet & Greet Interviews
Friday 17 th		SCHOOL PHOTOS
Monday 20th	2pm	OSHC Meeting - parents welcome
Wednesday 22 nd	6.15pm	College Council
Thursday 23 rd	3.30pm 5pm - 7pm	PRIMARY TOUR Primary Family Picnic in the Park
Monday 27 th		SWIMMING CARNIVAL

March

Wednesday 1st		Prep /Year 9 Breakfast
Friday 10 th	11.30am	PRIMARY TOUR
Monday 13 th		LABOUR DAY
Tuesday 21st		PRIMARY TOUR
Wednesday 29th		ATHLETICS DAY
Friday 31st	2.20pm finish	END OF TERM 1

Pupil of the Week Ending 25th November

Prep/1 COJ	1/2 PIL/AUC	3/4 PET/AUC	4/5 BUT	5/6 HIL	5/6 CAM
Liam W Rob S		Sarah S		Tom G	Josh P
Kaelan B			Liam McK	Nick P	Hussein H

P - 6 Leader's Report

Welcome back for 2017! I am sure that everyone enjoyed their holidays as the children presented happy, healthy and ready to go on the first day of school. I am very excited about the coming year and know that the staff have planned some new and interesting aspects to our program.



We welcome new staff members: Ms Kim Mitchell, who will drive our STEM program, Ms Lauren Auchettl, who will work across the school with many of our classes. We also welcome back to the Macleod College fold, Ms Katja Kankaanpaa who is currently taking Mr Cameron's grade till his return. She will continue on in a shared teaching capacity with Mrs Butterworth and Mrs Hillman's classes after this time.

Mr Cameron will be taking some personal leave for February as he deals with some very sad family circumstances. Our thoughts are with Nick at this difficult time.

Assemblies

Assemblies will continue to occur every Monday morning in G block. The primary orchestra will be playing the National Anthem and performing for us. Please ensure that your child is here early on Mondays if they are in the orchestra so that they are ready to go for assembly.

Our Year 6 leaders will be hosting assembly from Monday so please come along if you can and support them in their new roles.

Meet and Greet Interviews

Next week teachers invite you to join them for a brief meet and greet interview to discuss any issues you would like to share with them regarding your child/ren.

These will be of 10 minutes duration and if you require more time you are welcome to arrange another time to meet with your child's teacher.

This a great opportunity for you to share any information and inform us of your expectations for the coming year. Mr Cameron will conduct his Meet & Greet interviews on his return in March.

School Picnic in the Park

This year we are doing our usual community gathering a little differently. We invite our families to join us at Macleod Park for a relaxed picnic between 5:00pm and 7:00pm on Thursday 23rd February, to meet up with new and established families in our school community.

Bring along your picnic basket full of tasty goodies or dine on pizza or fish and chips. P-6 staff will also be attending and we would love to catch up with as many families as possible. So let's all think good thoughts for fine, not too hot weather and have a lovely evening together.

Parent Helpers

If you are available during school hours and would like to help out in your child's or any classroom, we encourage you to come along to our Parent Helper's course. We will be offering this course, which is essential to be completed, if you are helping in the classrooms, before the end of term 1.

We will send home an invitation to parents with a reply slip which you can give to your child's teacher. The course will be running one afternoon from 2:00pm till 3:10pm. You will gain an understanding of your role as a classroom helper as well as lots of tips you can use to help your own child with their learning at home.

Excursions and Events

We welcome parents to assist with excursions and school events during the year. This term we have our School Swimming Carnival on February 27th and Athletics Day on March 29th. We love parents to come along and support the children on these days and they enjoy seeing you also.

School Photos

Please ensure that you child is in clean and full uniform for School Photos on Friday 17th February. These will take place in the stadium and forms for these will be sent home in the coming week.

I am looking forward to working with you in my new role as P-6 Leader with the support of the school leadership team, staff and parents.

Canteen

The College canteen will be open on Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, a canteen menu is included in this newsletter.

Karen Butterworth P - 6 Leader

Appeal for donations for STEAM program

S – Science

T – Technology

E – Engineering

A - Art

112 - Mathematics

If you have a collection of any of these types of items taking up room in your house, please send them along to school for use in the STEM program:

Egg cartons, ice cream and margarine containers, bottle lids, cotton reels, dowel offcuts, small boxes eg. toothpaste, match etc..

Ms Mitchell will accept these and any other useful items you may have collected. You can drop them off at B block on Tuesdays when she is at school or leave them in the box outside the STEAM classroom. The STEAM room adjoins the Year 5/6 classrooms at the end of B block just opposite the Early Years building.

New Primary Staff Members Ms Lauren Auchettl

My name is Lauren Auchettl and I would like to introduce myself as a new classroom teacher in the Primary School area. I greatly enjoy reading whenever I have time and am an animal lover with two very spoilt cats and one very spoilt dog.

This is my second year of teaching Primary School students and I am looking forward to a fun and exciting year ahead. I strive to help all students in my classroom to enjoy learning while building their self-esteem, social skills, independence, and academic achievement.

I will be teaching in the grade 1/2 classroom every Monday, the 3/4 classroom every Thursday and Friday, and helping in the other Primary classrooms when needed.

I look forward to meeting you soon, Lauren Auchettl.

Ms Kim Mitchell

Hi I'm Kim Mitchell, the new STEAM teacher at Macleod College. I am so excited to become a member of staff at MC and work with your children. I have always been passionate about inquiry learning and technology, specifically ICT. Previously I worked supporting schools in the Whittlesea shire with ICT Science and Mathematics creating fun and exciting lessons.

I am a passionate, yet terrible runner and basketball player and regularly volunteer, supporting health and wellbeing in the Nillumbik community. I look forward to meeting you and your children.

I have created a STEAM @ MC blog which will share my lessons and the kids work

http://stammc.global2.vic.edu.au please feel free to visit any time!

STEAM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics and is an collaborative approach to learning that focus's on an inquiry and problem solving. For term 1 we will be focusing on stand alone lessons that will compliment their classroom integrated units.

Activities will be short, sharp, engaging and educational! Each year level will have different activities, but they will specifically focus on Engineering, Science, ICT and Art.

Kim Mitchell, STEAM teacher

Compass Website Change

Compass has changed the domain name we use to https://macleod-vic.compass.education

Please update any favourites or bookmarks you may have to our Compass site.

Simone Hale - IT

Primary School Nursing Program

The Visiting Primary School Nurse from the Primary School Nursing Program will be visiting our school late February.

- Distribute the confidential Primary School Nursing Program Information Package and School Entrant Health Questionnaire (SEHQ) to all parents of foundation children. (The questionnaire provides parents and/or carers with the opportunity to raise any concerns they may have about their child's health and development with the school nurse)
- assess children referred to the school nurse in Grades 1-6
- assess children who are newly arrived from overseas
- follow-up children where school nurse intervention was previously required
- provide advice and health information

Prompt return of all the SEHQs would be appreciated

Applications for Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)

Parents who hold a valid Health Care Card are eligible to apply for CSEF. This grants each school-aged child an amount of money to be used during the year for any camp, sport or excursion. This money cannot be used for books, uniforms, fees, or any other expense. Funds will be held by the school and allocated towards any camp, sport, or excursion for which there is a fee payable.

Parents or legal guardians are required to complete a CSEF application form every year and lodge it with their child's school for processing. IF YOU DO NOT LODGE AN APPLICATION FORM YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE YOUR FUNDING.

Application forms should be completed and lodged with schools by 3 March 2017, as payments are made from March. However schools will be able to accept and process applications up until the end of term two each year. Please note that late applications cannot be processed under any circumstances.

Application forms are available at the General Office.

Shared custody

The CSEF system only allows one application per student. Parents in shared custody situations are encouraged to make decisions as to who applies for the CSEF. Schools should not be put into the position of arbitrating in decisions such as this.

If the parents cannot decide between themselves who should apply, they should be encouraged to resolve the dispute through the Family Court, or contact the Department's CSEF Helpdesk for more information on 1800 060 970.

Back to school asthma checklist







1. ASTHMA ACTION PLAN

See a doctor for a signed Asthma Action Plan or Care Plan. Most schools require an up-to-date plan for each student with asthma at the start of the new school year.

Evidence tells us that using an Asthma Action Plan can help to reduce hospitalisations, improve lung function and reduce the number of days off school.

While with the doctor, why not combine this with a check-up for your child's asthma, including a check on their device technique.



2. RELIEVER MEDICATION

Check with the school about their medication policy and work with the staff to find the best way to manage your child's asthma medication, including before physical activity (where applicable).

- Medication and devices are clearly labelled with your child's name
- Medication is in date and with sufficient medication remaining

3. TALK TO SCHOOL STAFF

Make time to talk with the class teacher and the school nurse (where applicable) about your child's asthma, their Asthma Plan and their usual triggers, symptoms and medication.

Also talk to your child's sport coaches and supervisors of other school activities. Don't forget to keep staff up-to-date with any change to your child's asthma management.

Use this valuable time to:

- O Go over your child's Asthma Plan
- O Discuss the signs of asthma for your child
- Show them your child's asthma medication and demonstrate how to use it
- Talk about the extent to which your child can self-manage their asthma
- O Provide details of how to contact you when:
 - They have asthma symptoms
 - They use a reliever medication at school



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LEARN MORE ABOUT ASTHMA.

Contact your local Asthma Foundation 1800 ASTHMA Helpline (1800 278 462) or visit www.asthmaaustralia.org.au

P5 Photo Booth





Macleod College Canteen - Primary

MANAGED BY ELITE CATERING GROUP (www.elitecatering.com.au)

CANTEEN WILL ONLY BE OPERATING ON WEDNESDAY'S, THURSDAY'S & FRIDAY'S

PLEASE SPECIFY IF YOU REQUIRE HALAL

COLD FOOD

SANDWICHES

VEGEMITE	\$3.00
CHEESE	\$3.50
VEGEMITE + CHEESE	\$9.00
HAM ♦ CHEESE	\$9.50
EGG + LETTUCE	\$5.00
CHICKEN + SALAD	\$5.00
HAM & SALAD	\$5.00

SALADS

GREEK SALAD	\$5.00
CHICKEN SALAD	\$5.50
GARDEN SALAD	\$5.00
FRESH FRUIT SALAD	\$4.00

DRINKS

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WATER	\$2.50
CHOCOLATE MILK	\$3.00
STRAWBERRY MILK	\$3.00
APPLE JUICE	\$3.50

HOT FOOD

DIM SIMS STEAMED	\$1.00
HASH BROWNS BAKED	\$1.00
CHICKEN BREAST NUGGETS	\$1.00
GREEK HERB CHICKEN SKEWER.	\$3.00

CHICKEN SOUVLAKI WITH \$6.50
TZATZIKI, TOM, ONION + LETTUCE

GREEK SPANAKOPITA	\$4.00
HOT DOGS	\$3.50
LARGE BEEF PIE	\$5.00
NACHOS	\$4.00
GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH	\$4.00
GRILLED HAM + CHEESE	\$4.50
PASTA CARBONARA (BACON)	\$9.00
PASTA NAPOLITANO	\$9.00
MARGARITA PIZZA	\$4.00

TOM SAUCE .50C SOY SAUCE .50C LUNCH BAG .10C

YUMMY TREATS !!! ITEMS ALTERNATE DAILY

SOLD ONLY OVER THE COUNTER

CANTEEN WILL BE OPEN AT RECESS AND LUNCH FOR OVER THE COUNTER PURCHASES MON, WED & FRI.

AVAILABLE TERMS 1.2.3 & 4

MINI MUFFINS	.50c
VANILLA PIKELETS	.50c
FRESH FRUIT WHOLE	\$1.00
HONEY JOYS	\$2.00
BANANA LOAF	\$2.00
JELLY	\$3.00
LARGE MUFFINS	\$3.50

ONLY AVAILABLE IN TERM 1 & 4

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F	RO	ZE	N PIN	EAP	PLE		\$1.00
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