



# Macleod P - 12 College

## Primary Bulletin 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2016

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### November

Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	7pm	Information Evening - 2018 Enrolments
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>		Prep - 3 Swimming

### December

Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup>		Year 6 'The Workshop' Transition
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup>		Year 6 'The Workshop' Transition Prep - 3 Swimming Mango Madness Twilight Concert
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>		PUPIL FREE DAY - 2017 STAFF PLANNING DAY OSHC available - please book
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> - Wed 7 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am - 3pm	Year 7, 2017 Orientation Days
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	6pm	College Council Meeting & Dinner
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>		Prep - 3 Swimming
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>		Year 6 Celebration Evening
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Awards Night & Year 12 Graduation
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	11am	Parent Helpers' Morning Tea
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>		Year 6 Excursion to Funfields
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	11am	End of Term 4, 2016

### 2017 DATES TO REMEMBER

Primary Book Pick up Day Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January 9.30am - 2pm  
 Year 1– 10 students begin 8.54am Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February  
 Year 11 - 12 students begin 10.00am Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February  
 Prep students begin on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February

### Pupil of the Week Ending 11<sup>th</sup> November

Prep/1 COJ	1/2 HIL	3/4 BUT	3/4 CAM	5/6 PET/PAS	5/6 PIP/PAS
Rhoan McK	Mary P	Matthew E	Ethan H-McG	Emily R	Abubaker A
Chloe H	Angus S	Hannah S			

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Thomas B	Elisa W		Elli K	Uros K	Aeila K
Sam H	Cheyenne D				

### Assistant Principal's Report Watsonia RSL Scholarship

Congratulations to Jade and Khadija on receiving the Watsonia RSL Scholarship on Remembrance Day. The students together with their families and I attended the Ceremony.



### Chaplaincy Program Survey

A reminder to all families to complete the survey and to have your say on the continuation of the Chaplaincy Program at Macleod College. **The survey is available on the College website closing today.** Your valuable input will be used by College Council in determining the future of the program.

### Transition Support Into Year 7

A letter has been sent out to all Year 6 families regarding Transition support into Year 7, through funding from the School Focus Youth Service. The Program will focus on issues and support to assist Year 6 students in making the best Transition into the Year 7 program and the next phase of their schooling, irrespective of which school they will be attending in 2017. The program will run across 2 days on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

### Information Evening

A successful information Night was held on Tuesday evening for 2017 enrolments. Thank you to all staff who attended as well as Julie and Moataza from OSHC and Rae and Linda on behalf of PaFM. Year 1 - 6 Orientation will be held on Tuesday December 6<sup>th</sup>.

### Year 6 Funfields Excursion

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December is the Year 6 excursion to Funfields. All other Year levels will hold their 'party/end of year celebration' on that day. More details will be sent home by class teachers shortly.

### 2016 Parent Helpers Morning Tea

All of the staff hope to see our wonderful 2016 Parent Helpers for our special 'thank you' morning tea on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 11am. Invitations have been sent home but is also included in this newsletter. Please, if you have assisted in any way during 2016 we would love you to come along.

### 2017 Booklists

Booklists have been sent home with all students as well as the accompanying letter. Please return them to the College no later than 1<sup>st</sup> December.

### PaFM Film Night

A reminder to families that the PaFM film night is being held tonight, Friday 18<sup>th</sup>, in the hall. There will be a sausage sizzle at 6pm with the movie due to start around 7pm. Children may come in pyjamas if they wish. Please bring a blanket, bean bag or low beach type chair to sit in. Special thanks to the PaFM group for running this evening.

### Georgina Convery Assistant Principal



### Remembrance Day at Macleod College

## Chaplaincy & Wellbeing Support Group

### Seed Creations

Seed Creations Fundraiser orders are due in today but I will accept late orders up until Monday lunchtime (order form in this newsletter). Delivery will be in the first week of December. Thanks very much for your orders and I hope you enjoy these fun products.

### Second-hand Uniform

It is great to see some items of the new style uniform coming in to be sold, either donated or on commission. Second-hand uniform will be on sale during the book sale times, Friday Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>, Saturday Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>, Tuesday Dec 6<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday Dec 7<sup>th</sup>.

It would be great to have some extra helpers for the Second-hand uniform shop which is open each Thursday from 3 til 3.30pm. Volunteering just once or twice a term would be great, or an offer to help with the bookwork would be really appreciated too.

Many thanks go to Lyn Adams who has been a valued helper for many years. Her daughter Rebecca has now completed her schooling here at Macleod, so she will be leaving us. We will miss you Lyn, thanks for all your support.

**Cathie Clarke**

## Parents & Friends of Macleod - PaFM

**\*\*THANK YOU** to *Raelene Eshun & Linda Voykovic* for your input and Parents & Friends welcome at the 2017 primary and secondary information night. With hope that new and prospective parents and friends will join us in 2017 from across all year levels of the college.

**\*\*ICY POLES** Every Thursday directly after school and also on the hotter days as they approach \$1 per icy pole.

**\*\*PaFM presents FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT TONIGHT—Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> November.**

Please see attached flyer on newsletter

**\*\*PLAYGROUP has finished for 2016**

Thank you to all those parents and friends who have helped assist in the success of the playgroup program over the year.

***Is there anyone interested in volunteering to run the weekly playgroup?***

We are looking for someone to run the playgroup on a weekly basis with the hope to have it running in, particular for Term 1, 2017 to assist in potential future prep enrolments. A great little program for someone with a passion for kids, a parent who would bring their child along anyway or perhaps a tertiary student looking at gaining experience?? Please leave your details with the general office if you are interested and we will be in touch for further discussion.

**\*\*Next Meeting scheduled for Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> December 2016 at 9.30am in the primary staff room behind Mrs Convery's office** *New members are always welcome.*

**Rae Eshun**

## OSHC

### 2017 Planning Day

Please note that Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> December is a Pupil Free Day and any families wishing to use the program, an OSHC program will be available if we have enough interest.

The day session will run from 7am –6.30pm for a cost of \$40 per child. There is a cap on numbers so please advise OSHC of your requirements.

Please note, if you do not have an existing enrolment for school care and wish to enrol your child in the day program, you will need to complete paperwork prior to the day. If you wish to book a place, please do so with me by 25<sup>th</sup> November. Booking details are included in the newsletter.

### Enrolments

2017 OSHC enrolments will be being handed out with a new parent handbook. Please note that enrolment forms must be renewed yearly and children cannot attend the program without a current enrolment.

### Reminders

We cannot stress enough that OSHC families need to remember to advise us, in plenty of time, if there are any cancellations or booking changes. Any cancellations made after 7am (on the day of the booking) will be noted as a late cancellation and you will be charged for the session. If you are absent from school and will not be attending the program please text or call 0401 991 093. Please remember to keep us updated of any booking changes, early pick-ups, playdates, absent, illness etc...

### Accounts

With the end of year fast approaching, we require that all accounts be paid in full before the end of the year. Accounts are required to be paid in full on a FORT-NIGHTLY basis and they can be paid directly to us by cash or cheque or at the office which also has credit card and EFTPOS facilities. You can also pay over the telephone to the office if this is more convenient.

Are you starting your spring cleaning and looking around the house at all the old toys that your children are too old for, but are too good to throw away? OSHC may be able to put them to good use eg board games, craft things, soft toys, etc.



**Julie & Moataza**





**OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE  
2017 PLANNING DAY - PUPIL FREE  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2016**

**TIME: 7.00AM – 6.30PM**

**CHILDREN NEED TO BRING THEIR OWN LUNCH**

**BREAKFAST & AFTERNOON TEA**

**INCLUDING FRESH FRUIT WILL BE PROVIDED**

**FEE: \$40.00 PER CHILD**

**Julie 9457-0234 or 0401 – 991 -093**

**CHILD CARE BENEFIT (CCB) IS AVAILABLE TO ALL FAMILIES AS A FEE REDUCTION**

**BOOKINGS FOR THIS DAY ARE ESSENTIAL AND MUST BE MADE BY NO LATER THAN 25<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

**PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL TO ADVISE WHETHER YOU NEED CARE FOR THIS DAY OR NOT.**

**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 included in this newsletter and can also be requested 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.



Count Us In Music Event





## Primary German





## CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

School Name

School REF ID

### Parent/legal guardian details

Surname

First name

Address

Town/suburb  State  Postcode

Contact number

Centrelink pensioner concession **OR** Health care card number (CRN)

-    -    -  **OR**

☐ Foster parent\* **OR** ☐ Veterans affairs pensioner

\*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

### Student details

Child's surname	Child's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

- DHS will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
  - this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
  - I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DHS and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
  - if I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.
  - information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services and/or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.
- You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant

Date  /  /

## CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below is the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

### Criteria 1 – Eligibility

To be eligible\* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
- on the first day of Term two;
  - a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the *State Concessions Act 2004*, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
  - b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
  - c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

\* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

### Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

### Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (30 January 2017) or term two (18 April 2017).

## PAYMENT AMOUNTS

### CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: \$225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child. .

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see: [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

**Year 7 government school students** who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents so please register your interest at the school.

## HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

### NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.  
Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.  
If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.
2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office by **30 June, 2017** which is the closing date for applications.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.



# Christmas fair

IN MACLEOD PARK



Friday 2nd December,  
4pm–8pm

- Free Photo's with Santa
- Petting Zoo
- Tommy the Trackless Train
- Face Painting
- Post Your Santa Letter
- Amusements
- Trader Stalls
- Stage Entertainment

\$10 wrist bands for all  
rides and face painting  
or \$3 ticket per ride

Bring your blanket and  
enjoy your local Park

Gifts invited for the Big  
Group Hug Giving Trees





learn laugh love

Join the Open House Play Group for babies, young children and their carers

**Every Thursday**  
**From 10am to 12pm**

During School Terms

At 67-71 Strathallan Road, Macleod

The program is free - just a gold coin donation to cover coffee or tea.

For more Info please contact Bec on 9450 7600



[www.openhousecic.org.au](http://www.openhousecic.org.au)



## SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAM JANUARY 2017

Fun activities include:

Laser Tag  
Messy Games  
Park Fun and BBQ  
Cooking

OPEN HOUSE

67-71 STRATHALLAN RD, MACLEOD  
(Cnr. Strathallan Road & Carwarp Street)

Ph: 9450 7600

Web: [www.openhousecic.org.au](http://www.openhousecic.org.au)

### Program dates and details:

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January**

Day outing of outdoor adventures

Time: 9:30am - 3:30pm

Cost: \$25 or \$20 if you hold a health care card.  
Drop off and pick up at Open House, Macleod

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January**

Laser Tag @ NRG Force

Time: 9:30am - 3:30pm

Cost: Standard price of \$30  
Drop off and pick up at Open House, Macleod  
**LIMITED TO 10 SPACES**

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January**

Cooking

Time: 9:30am - 3:30pm

Cost: \$25 or \$20 if you hold a health care card.  
Drop off and pick up at Open House, Macleod

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January**

Outing to the park for games and a BBQ  
lunch

Time: 9:30am - 3:30pm

Cost: \$25 or \$20 if you hold a Health Care card.  
Drop off and pick up at Open House, Macleod

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January**

Games Day - MESSY CLOTHES REQUIRED

Time: 9:30am - 3:30pm

Cost: \$25 or \$20 if you hold a health care card.  
Drop off and pick up at Open House, Macleod

### Please Note:

Children are required to bring their own lunch  
each day of the program. Healthy snacks will  
be provided.

For further information or to make a booking,  
please contact Tim or Bec on  
9450 7600 or email  
[office@openhousecic.org.au](mailto:office@openhousecic.org.au)





# CHRISTMAS CAROLS

6.00 pm 23 December

Salvation Army Band, BBQ, Santa and Family Fun



**ALL WELCOME**

Alcohol free event

**Cnr Strathallan Rd & Carwarp St, Macleod, VIC 3085**

Open House Christian Involvement Centres

Tel: (03) 9450 7600 [openhousecic.org.au](http://openhousecic.org.au)