



Macleod P - 12 College

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PUPIL FREE DAYS
FRIDAY 22nd JUNE - REPORTS
MONDAY 16th JULY - CURRICULUM DAY

June

Friday 1 st		4/5/6 Interschool Sport 3/4 Gymnastics - YMCA
Thursday 7 th	10am & 3.30pm	Primary Tour
Friday 8 th		4/5/6 Interschool Sport 3/4 Gymnastics - YMCA
Monday 11 th		Queens Birthday Holiday
Wednesday 13 th	12pm	Primary Tour
Friday 15 th	11.30am	Primary Tour
Wednesday 20 th	6.15pm	College Council
Friday 22 nd		REPORT DAY - PUPIL FREE
Friday 29 th		Science Day Last day Term 2 - 2.20pm finish

July

Monday 16 th		CURRICULUM DAY - PUPIL FREE
Tuesday 17 th		4/5/6 Interschool Sport
Friday 27 th	5pm - 8pm	German Xmas Market
Tue 31/7 - Fri 3/8		Music Camp

P - 6 Leader's Report

Looking forward

We were invited to present at the Skye Children's Cooperative last week to speak to parents about our school. I would like to thank Bruna Pipolo and the Wilson-Hoare family for coming along to show their support.



Evenings like these give us an opportunity to meet parents of 3 & 4 year olds and tell them about our school and what we have to offer. Of course, we are proud to share our school with others and we invite them to come along to a tour to see us in action.

On the subject of tours, we have quite a few dates coming up as the term rolls on, so if you have friends or neighbours who have not decided on the school for their child for Prep in 2019, please let them know about these and get them to call us to book in. Of course we are flexible and can make times to suit.

Upcoming Tours:-

Thursday 7th June – 10:00am and 3:30pm

Wednesday 13th June – 12:00pm

Friday 15th June – 11:30am

Year 5/6 City Camp

I was lucky enough to attend the Year 5/6 Camp at CYC City this week. We were blessed with perfect weather and children who were a credit to our school. We had a number of our tour guides make comment about how polite and well behaved our children were which made us very proud. The children were actually asked to gather information for a learning task as part of their current unit of work. They were taking lots of photos and making notes at the end of each day which they will use to create their own blogs from the perspective of a tourist.

Here is a brief outline of their program:

Monday 28th May – Travel by train to Southern Cross Station, walk to CYC City Camp to deposit luggage.

Walk along Southbank, Birrarung Maar to the MCG for tour and time at the National Sports Museum, walk back to Birrarung Maar for a play break and back to CYC for a safety talk and dinner followed by a visit to Eureka Sky-deck.

Tuesday 29th May – Tram along William St to Queen Victoria Market for some shopping then onto Flagstaff Gardens for lunch. Catch the train at Flagstaff Station to Parliament for the essential camp group shot. Then walk to Little Bourke St to the Chinese Museum for a tour. Catch a busy city tram down Bourke St back to CYC. Dinner and relax. The students were so tired on Tuesday night that we didn't even finish a movie. All in bed by 9:00pm.

Wednesday 30th May – Leisurely wander around the Docklands area taking in the sites: Polly Woodside, Etihad Stadium and the wharves for a picnic lunch, before returning to CYC to collect our luggage and catching a train home to Macleod.

I would also like to acknowledge the assistance of those parents who willingly gave up their time to travel into town on the three days to assist us with supervision of the children.

Their support certainly made for a far more pleasant and less stressful camp from the staff perspective and it also added a fun element to our whole experience. Thank you Kathie, Chris, Tim, Trepheena and Craig, you are proof that we have the best parents at Macleod.

My final word goes to my colleagues Anne Hillman, who organised the camp so efficiently covering every base and ticking every box. Thanks so much Anne, our kids are so fortunate to have you as their teacher. You are prepared to push the envelope just that little bit further for our students' personal benefit and learning.

Of course, Nick Cameron who does an amazing job with our students. He was quite the tour guide during the 3 days sprinkling little gems of information about the places we visited. Thank you guys for giving up time away from your families and the commitment you show to our students.

On Demand Testing

These biannual assessments are undertaken with the children, the students from Year 3 –Year 10 will be involved in On Demand Testing in the areas of Reading, Spelling, Language Skills, Number and Measurement over the next couple of weeks.

These tests adapt to the children's skill level as they work through them and give a level against the Victorian Curriculum Standards. This in turn informs the teachers as to how they are progressing and where they are up to in the curriculum continuum. They also enable us to track growth more accurately in their learning.

ICAS Testing

These tests continue this week for the children involved. They have completed the Science Test this week. I am very proud of the students' efforts in these tests so far and commend their willingness to challenge themselves in this forum.

Parent Helper Session Reminder

If you have not received an invitation to join our training session on Thursday 7th June , 2:10 – 3:10pm and would like to be part of this, please pop into the office for one. I will also leave some copies on the table outside my office.

Last Day of Term 2

The primary staff met last week and discussed the idea of having a Science Day on the last day of term. We have run these sorts of days in the past and the feedback from the students is always very positive.

So we will be doing some fun and messy 'science' activities to finish off the term. Maybe even with a bang. I look forward to days like these.

Have a great week and keep warm.

Karen Butterworth
P - 6 Leader

Naa's Natter

Hi everyone today I am going to be talking about 5/6 camp. On the 28th of May we went to CYC City Camp. In the morning we had to sort out what groups we were in. Afterwards we had to get ready to get on the train it was a very long train ride.

Once we had arrived at our location we all got off the train and walked to camp. Then we walked a very long distance down to the MCG. Once we had arrived we split into two groups and got a tour of the MCG. Then we got to go to the sports museum we learnt so many new and interesting things about sport and the Olympics after we had finished looking at the sports museum.

We went to the interactive gallery to play games, it was very fun. After we had finished at the MCG we went outside to have lunch and to also have a break. About thirty minutes later we started walking back to camp it was a very long walk. Once we had arrived at camp our bags were already at level 2. We had to have a quick safety talk before we could go into our rooms. Afterwards we all got to go into our rooms to relax before dinner.

After a while we went down to the dining room to have dinner we were having lasagne and garlic bread it was delicious. After dinner we had dessert we were having pavlova not many people liked it but I thought it was alright. After everyone had finished dessert we went to our rooms to get ready to go to the Eureka Sky Deck.

After everyone had finished getting ready we walked down to the Eureka Sky Deck. Once we had arrived we got into two groups of 12 so we could go onto the elevator. The elevator took a while because we had to go very high up. Being on top of the Eureka Sky Deck was so mesmerizing. I could see so many different coloured lights it was amazing. It was weird how everything looked smaller than usual. Afterwards we walked back to camp and got ready to go to bed.

Naa

Sustainable Macleod & the

**Macleod Organic
Community Garden**



This week's offer

Tip of the Week

Much needed at this time of year is colour. marigolds, lupins, pansies, violas, phlox, verbena and lavender (non-invasive varieties of course!). Popping these in around your veggies will give some colour and interest to the patch, and act as beneficial insect attractors!

Real Time Events

Volunteer Day at the Garden Saturday 2 June 1pm - 5pm.
Afternoon tea at 3pm. Please bring some food to share.

In the Community Garden



It was beautiful warm sunny autumn day for a Chinese vegetarian cooking class at our Macleod Community Garden. Thank you so much Helen and her team for cooking such delicious food and providing the ingredients all prepared and the recipes!

The **Macleod Organic Community Garden** is open
Wednesdays, 1 – 3pm and Saturdays, 1 – 5pm
Entrance Somers Ave (Rear of Macleod College)
New members welcome!
For more information, contact
sustainablemacleod@gmail.com

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FOSTER CARE INFORMATION NIGHT

Ever thought about fostering children or young people?

Anglicare Victoria is looking for people who have a place in their heart for a child in need of a safe home. Care can be short term or long term.

INFORMATION SESSION:

Tuesday 5th June | 6.30pm - 7.30pm

Anglicare North East Metropolitan Area

Come along to find out more & have your questions answered.

To book or to receive an information package please contact

Maria Mayors on 93015200 or maria.mayors@anglicarevic.org.au

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