



Macleod P - 12 College

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WORKING BEE
SATURDAY 4th AUGUST
9am
MORNING TEA PROVIDED



August

Wednesday 1 st	12pm	PRIMARY TOUR
Friday 3 rd	12pm 6pm - 9.30pm	Interschool sport PRIMARY TOUR Open House BBQ & Movie Night
Saturday 4 th	9am	PRIMARY WORKING BEE
Tuesday 7 th	9.30am	PRIMARY TOUR
Friday 10 th		Interschool sport
Saturday 11 th	9.30am - 12pm	PRIMARY OPEN MORNING
Tuesday 14 th	2pm	PRIMARY TOUR
Thursday 16 th		P - 2 Swimming
Friday 17 th		Interschool sport
Mon 20/8 - Fri 24/8		BOOK WEEK
Thursday 23 rd	11.30am	PRIMARY TOUR P - 6 Swimming
Friday 24 th		Interschool sport
Wednesday 29 th	11.30am 1pm - 5pm & 6pm - 7.50pm	Primary Tour PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS
Thursday 30 th		P - 6 Swimming

September

Tuesday 4 th	9.30am	PRIMARY TOUR
Thursday 6 th		P - 6 Swimming
Wednesday 12 th	11.30am	PRIMARY TOUR

P - 6 Leader's Report

Here we go for the second half of the year already! The children have returned ready to work and the term has gotten off to a very smooth start. We're in for a busy term with lots of sporting activities and exciting curriculum happening across P - 6.



German Christmas Market

It was great to see so many of you at the German Christmas Market last Friday. It promised to be the event of the season with so much on offer and it certainly was. We had a wonderful array of yummy German food like sausages, cakes, soups, potatoes and gingerbread just to name a few.

A wide range of crafts and gifts were on sale as well as a silent auction. This year we had a coffee stall, mulled wine and a range of German beers on offer. The market was held in the IMPACT Centre this year, as we thought we needed a lot more space than G Block due to the overwhelming numbers that attended last year. A kids' zone was held in the IMPACT theatre where Mrs Hillman and I ran the gingerbread decorating stall.

Swimming Program for 2018

This year we will be offering our swimming program from Prep to Year 6 at Yarra Swim School. The Year 3 - 6 students attended this program last year and we were most impressed with the high quality of the pool, swimming teachers and service we received from Yarra Swim School.

The Prep-Year 2 children will attend 6 x 45minute lessons commencing on Thursdays from 16th August and the Year 3 - Year 6 students will attend 5 x 60 minute lessons commencing Thursdays from 23rd August.

We welcome the help of parents particularly for the Prep -Year 2 students. The pricing structure of this swimming program is more reasonable for parents also and I encourage all of our students to attend, as this program is considered part of our Physical Education program. This event will appear on Compass early in term 3 and payment plans are available, although the cost of these programs is more affordable than our previous venue.

Primary Open Morning

We will be holding an Open morning on **Saturday 11th August** from 9:30 – 12 noon and invite anyone who is looking for a school for their primary age children for 2019.

The school will be open for people to do a tour and we will have Leigh's Farmacyard Friends, face painting as well as a sausage sizzle and bake sale. I have also invited our primary musicians to perform if they are available, to show off our Music program. If you are able to help with making baked goods or you can spare half an hour or so to help out on the barbecue please let myself or Anna Hacker know.

Working Bee

In order to get the Primary area ready and looking good for the Open Morning, I am keen to run a working bee on **Saturday 4th August**.

Depending how many hands we have to help, the gate will be open from 9am. We will provide a cuppa and bickies for morning tea.

Jobs that need to be done are: painting the veggie boxes, planting new plants in the garden, trimming shrubs along the front fence, sweeping the paths, painting some walls on the outside of the building and painting the seat outside the Prep room.

If you have any other ideas to make the place look great, let me know and I will see if the budget will allow it. While we have some tools here at school, if you could bring some along that would be most helpful.

Kinder Visits

This week we will be hosting visits from Macleod Kinder. The children will come during their normal kinder sessions accompanied by their teachers and some parents and will attend a session each in our library.

They will be entertained with a story and enactment of a well-loved picture book by some of our students. We hope the children enjoy their time with us and these visits lead to more interactions between the College and Macleod Kinder in the future.

Later on in the term, our STEAM teacher Kim Mitchell will visit the kinder with some Year 5/6 students to give them a taste of our STEAM program with some Beebots which use simple coding to operate.

Primary School Tours

I will be continuing to offer tours weekly this term. If you know anyone who would like to come and see our school in consideration for their child, they can call the school office to book in on 9459 0222.

Australian Girls' Choir

On Wednesday 8th August, we will be visited by a representative of the Australian Girls' Choir who will run a short workshop for girls in P-6 who are interested in singing and possibly auditioning for this well-known choir.

The girls will bring home a permission form for you to consent for them to participate. They will receive a short feedback report after the workshop which will be sent to you. They may also be invited to attend an audition.

Student Leadership Opportunities for Year 5 Students

Interested Year 5 students are encouraged to consider putting forward an application for a student leadership position commencing in term 4 this year. Students can currently collect an application form from the school office.

Applications for College Captains are due on Friday 3rd August and those for House Captains are due on Tuesday 7th August. This is great opportunity for students to challenge themselves and be a voice for their fellow classmates as well as being involved at a community level within the school.

Karen Butterworth P - 6 Leader

Naa's Natter

Hi everyone, today I am going to be talking about how some stores are getting rid of plastic bags. I think it is a great idea because it helps the environment and prevents pollution. Two of Australia's major supermarkets, Woolworths and Coles, have been saying that their stores will stop offering plastic bags. Instead, customers will be able to buy a more long-lasting plastic bag at 15 cents each, you are also allowed to bring your own.

People are saying that not using plastic bags won't be doing much for the environment. Personally, I have to disagree plastic bags do great harm for the environment. They get into soil and release toxic chemicals. They eventually break down into the soil, with the horrifying results being that animals eat them and often choke and die, killing our animal populations.

Though not providing plastic bags is good for the environment it is not providing these stores with much money. There are costs beyond just the bags themselves, such as the costs associated with sourcing and packaging suppliers, procuring them, shipping and warehousing them, and distributing them to stores only to then give them away. As you can see this is very costly for their businesses. By providing these bags it is also costing shoppers more than usual. As you can see there are many downsides to providing these bags as well as good.

Thanks for reading hope you enjoyed. I hope all of you had a great holiday.

Naa



Oh OPEN HOUSE PRESENTS MOVIE NIGHT

Friday August 3
Macleod College Theatre & Impact Centre
Cnr Carwarp St & May St Macleod
Dinner @ 6.00pm Film 7.30pm-9.30pm

Feature movie
I CAN ONLY IMAGINE
PG - Mild Themes

TICKETS ON SALE AT OPEN HOUSE
OR CALL 9450 7600 QUESTIONS:
OFFICE@OPENHOUSECIC.ORG.AU

ALSO FEATURING A
SILENT AUCTION

\$20 PER TICKET
INCLUDES BBQ DINNER
POPCORN & LOLLY BAG
DRINKS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE

Sustainable Macleod & the

**Macleod Organic
Community Garden**



presents...

This week's offer

Tip of the Week

Weed asparagus beds as they dislike competition from weeds. Mulch raspberry and other berry beds with a thick layer of compost, and spray with Bordeaux mix to prevent raspberry rust. Check brassicas for aphids and green caterpillars. Aphids can congregate deep in the plant, so spray off with the hose or a soapy water mix.

Real Time Events: Macleod Vegie Swap

The next Macleod Vegie Swap is on Saturday 21 July 11am - 12 noon in the Rotunda in Macleod Park opposite the Macleod Village shops in Aberdeen Road.

.....and Leigh Powell is running a sausage sizzle to raise money for the Olivia Newton- John Wellness Walk and Research Run at the same time and place



In the Community Garden

The grapes have been planted adjacent to the posts of the arbour. As they are advanced, we should have shade in summer. Gardens have been dug outside the front fence and planted with tansy and calendula, and the oval fence has been weeded and mulched. We have mown a wide strip around our garden and the community garden to prevent weed going to seed.

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

PRIMARY WORKING BEE

Saturday 4th August

from 9:00am



Jobs to be done:

Planting garden beds

Painting walls and seats

Trimming bushes

Sweeping

General tidying

etc...

Morning tea will be provided.

Please come along if you can, many hands make light
work!



Come and Join us!



Macleod College Primary

Open Morning

Where: Macleod College Primary

Carwarp Street, Macleod

When: Saturday 11 August 2018

9:30am—12:00pm

Enter via gate on Carwarp Street

