



Macleod P - 12 College

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PRIMARY OPEN MORNING
SATURDAY 11th AUGUST
9.30am - 12pm
Animal Farm, Face Painting, Sausage Sizzle



August

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
Monday 20 th		DRESS UP AS YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK CHARACTER
Mon 20/8 - Fri 24/8		BOOK WEEK & BOOK FAIR
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
Thursday 13 th		P - 6 Swimming
Friday 14 th		Jump Rope for Heart
Wednesday 19 th	9am - 6pm	3/4 Science Excursion
Friday 20 th		P - 6 Swimming

P - 6 Leader's Report

Working Bee

I would like to send a huge thank you to those wonderful people who came to the Primary Working Bee last Saturday morning. Thank you to Anna Hacker & Gavin House, Kevin Picton, Craig Sellick, Nick Cameron, Stuart White-Smith and Sarah Allen.



We were able to achieve quite a lot in the 3 hours we were here including: planting out the garden along Carwarp St, painting the planter boxes and seats outside the Prep room, gluing some mosaics along the A block wall, shovelling sand back into the sand pit, trimming shrubs along the fence and sweeping the paths. I'm sure Anna's freshly baked scones for morning tea helped to keep our strength up.

Open Morning

Our Open Morning tomorrow seems to be creating quite a buzz around the school community. I am hopeful that we will attract some prospective parents who will be coming to see our school as a possible choice for their child/ren for 2019 and beyond. It promises to be a vibrant morning with lots of activities going on.

We have some of our music students playing in the playground, face painting by Marg Nigro, a sausage sizzle and bake sale as well as a visit from Leigh's Farmyard Friends. Please encourage friends and neighbours who are interested in seeing our school to come along for a tour and chat with our staff members. The Open Morning starts at 9:30 till 12:00pm. Please contact Anna Hacker if you are able to help out on the barbecue or bake sale.

The NED Show

On Thursday we had a visit from The NED Show. The children were entertained and educated about positive attitudes, encouragement and doing their best every day. Ned is an acronym for Never give up, Encourage others and Do your best. These messages complement our Positive Education program here at Macleod very well. In lieu of charging parents for this program the NED Show people offer the sale of yoyos and accessories to the children so that they are able to use them to practice these principles.

As mentioned in the notice that the children brought home, these products will be for sale over the next week outside my office before school and morning recess each day until Friday 17th August. We would like you to encourage the children to earn the money for their yoyos so that they are living these messages.

Australian Girls' Choir workshop

Greta from the Australian Girls' Choir came to our school on Wednesday. She ran a session with interested girls who were keen to show her their rhythm, singing and dancing skills. The girls sang phrases back as Laura assessed their skills as well as asking them to echo her clapping rhythms and showing them a short dance routine to dance.

The girls will receive a brief report of how they went in the session which will be sent to school and onto parents. Some of the girls may even be asked to audition for the Australian Girls' Choir.

100 Days of School Celebration

On Friday the 3rd of August students in Prep/1 celebrated 100 days of learning. The students and teachers came dressed as 100 year olds. The classroom was buzzing with 100 themed activities.

Students used their imaginations to create 100 glasses and hats and participated in a range of hands on activities, such as creating a 100 board using counters and beads and building structures using 100 cups.

Then it was time for a class party where the students shared 100 tiny cupcakes. At the end of the day students reflected on what they had learnt and enjoyed the most during the last 100 days of school. It was a great day for all, bring on the next 100!

Swimming starts next week

Please ensure that you have given consent and made payment for your children for the upcoming swimming program. The children are expected to attend this program as it is considered as a component of the school's Physical Education program.

The P-2 students will commence their program next Thursday 16th August, with the Year 3-6 students commencing on Thursday 23rd August.

The P-2 students will attend 6x45 minute lessons with the Year 3-6 students attending 5x60 minute lessons. You are welcome to arrange a payment plan if you choose. Just see Jo at the office who will be happy to help you.

German Christmas Market

Last Friday night attendance at our German Christmas Market certainly exceeded all of our expectations again this year. Thank you to our amazing community for your support at this event. It is always very encouraging to have such wonderful support when we run these events.

The original idea behind the Market Evening was to raise the profile of the German program in our school and to raise some money along the way. Offerings to our visitors included: Delicious winter soups, handmade pretzels, German sausages from the BBQ, mouth-watering German cakes, gingerbread decorating, face painting, jewellery and musical entertainment from our wonderful students and ensembles.

It was a magical atmosphere in the Impact Centre this year which although being a larger space was filled with crowds of people. I would like to acknowledge the hard work of the staff and students who were involved in preparations, ran stalls, set up and generally ensured a great experience for all who came along.

Have a great week,

Karen Butterworth
P - 6 Leader

100 Days of Learning

Last Thursday our Prep, Year 1 and 2 students celebrated 100 days of school. The children came to school dressed as 100 year olds. We saw lots of beards, beads and bald heads!

The children participated in activities throughout the morning. They made '100 Day' crowns and sunglasses. They built a sculpture out of 100 Legos and a tower out of 100 cups. The children counted out 100 objects which snaked down the corridor and they took part in 100 exercises!

Before recess, we tucked into fairy bread (made with 100s and 1000s, of course) and cupcakes. Each child received a certificate to remember their special day. The children had all brought in 100 items for Show and Tell, ranging from 100 straws, to 100 water balloons – and everything in between.

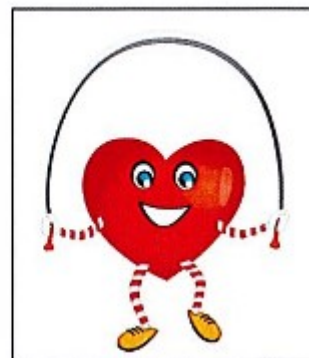
We are very proud of all they have achieved in just 100 days – and look forward to seeing what they'll do in the next 100!



Jump Rope for Heart kicks off this term!

Jump Rope for Heart is a fantastic physical activity and fundraising program that has been run by the Heart Foundation for 35 years. It's a great way for your child to keep fit and learn new skills, but it also helps raise funds for vital heart research and education programs.

Since Jump Rope for Heart started in 1983, schools like ours have raised more than \$75 million for the Heart Foundation's lifesaving work.



It's important you [register your child online](https://jumprope.heartfoundation.org.au/register), so they can receive the full benefits of the program and participate in online fundraising, simply follow the link below to get started.

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Students will be skipping *throughout the term during lunch break*. During this time you can share their online fundraising page with family and friends to help raise money for this great cause.

We will hold our school Jump Off Day on ***Friday 14th September***. This will mark the end of the program and is a chance for everyone to come together to skip and show off their newly learned skills.

Thank you for supporting the Jump Rope for Heart program!

Heart Foundation

Jump Rope for Heart

Sustainable Macleod & the

**Macleod Organic
Community Garden**



This week's offer

Tip of the Week

An important gardener's tip - do some research on soil preparation. If you need to add organic matter and lime for your spring summer crops, now is the time to do it. A little bit of soil preparation will go a long way in preventing lots of plant health problems during the growing season. Feed your soil and the soil will feed your plants.

Real Time Events: Macleod Veggie Swap

The next Macleod Veggie Swap is on Saturday 18 August 11am - 12 noon in the Rotunda in Macleod Park opposite the Macleod Village shops in Aberdeen Road. For GPS we are opposite the Macleod Newsagency at 62 Aberdeen Road.

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.



Poly Tunnels in the garden.

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

Celebrate Book Week

Monday 20th August

**Dress up as Your
Favourite Book Character**

Skipping Skills

