

Mackellar Primary School

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Principal's Message



Upcoming Events

March

- **Tue 12**
Public Holiday- School Closed
- **Wed 13**
Whole School Beach Excursion
- **Thur 14**
Smiling Mind Parent Information Evening-7.00pm-8.00pm
- **Thur 21**
Celebration of Harmony Day Whole School Incursion

XUNO

XUNO is a free helpful tool designed for you to track your child's progress, live attendance, assignments. Teachers are gradually using more and more of these features in their teaching and it will become an increasingly important tool for students.

XUNO can be accessed from anywhere, online and on just about any device. Through XUNO, you will have access to:

- Easy communication with your child's teachers
- Your child's past attendance statistics
- Past reports
- On demand and NAPLAN results
- Notices about school activities
- School calendar

You can access XUNO here: Website: mackellarps.xuno.com.au

Use your school supplied username and password to login. Go on, give it a spin NOW

The school will NEED a valid email address to supply your login details and to stay informed with the school.

Student Wellbeing



Arriving on time

Teachers are on duty in the playground before school between 8:45am and 9:00am, during morning recess, at lunchtime, and after school until 3:45pm to ensure the safety of students, supervise their conduct, maintain cleanliness of play areas and to encourage respect for all equipment and buildings.

Please encourage your child to arrive no earlier than 8:45am and leave promptly at 3:30pm.

Information Evening for Parents – Thursday 14 March

Information provided will be around the benefits of Mindfulness and bringing balance to the often hectic lives of young people.

Topics will include:

- Improving mental health and wellbeing
- Improving attention and focus
- Developing children's ability to manage emotions
- Building resilience
- Improving sleep quality
- Improving student engagement with learning
- The impact of mindfulness on children's behaviour

More information about this evening will be sent home to all families next week.



2019 School Terms

Term 1 - Jan 30 to April 5

Term 2 - April 23 to Jun 28

Term 3 - July 15 to Sept 20

Term 4 - Oct 7 to Dec 18

Better Buddies Program

Mackellar Primary School is recognised by the Alannah and Madeline Foundation as a Better Buddies showcase school due to our successful integration of the Better Buddies Program. The program delivers positive anti-bullying and anti-violence messages and assists Mackellar Primary School in maintaining a caring culture where older students look after younger students. A Better Buddies yearly overview is implemented as a preventative program and whole school approach to promoting pro-social skills, positive student relationships and community connectedness. Part of our program is the whole school excursion to Altona Beach. Buddies will have a wonderful, happy day out getting to know each other.

MACKELLAR'S 2019 BUDDY GRADES

'Better Buddies enables younger children to feel safe and cared for while older children feel valued and respected.'

Alannah & Madeline Foundation

	Older Buddy Grade	Younger Buddy Grade
1	Grade 6A	Prep E
2	Grade 6S	Prep K
3	Grade 6P	Prep P
4	Grade 5G	Grade 3M
5	Grade 5W	Grade 1E
6	Grade 4G	Grade 2M
7	Grade 4K	Grade 2F
8	Grade 4L	Grade 2B
9	Grade 3I	Grade 1G
10	Grade 3K	Grade 1T

Whole School Beach Excursion Wednesday March 13

As part of our Better Buddies Program, we have organised our annual whole school excursion to Altona beach.

Whilst at the beach ,students will interact with their buddies and explore the beach and park environments. This will include sand play on the shore and paddling only in ankle deep water under teacher supervision. Students will not be permitted to swim but as we are at the beach, students are advised to bring a spare change of clothes.

Parents are most welcome to join us on the day, but you must make your own way to Altona Beach.

Students are required to wear school uniform (green top & wide brim hat).

Students are permitted to wear board shorts in place of black shorts.

Students are required to bring their snack, lunch, a drink and also a towel.

Please apply sunscreen on your child in the morning and clearly label all belongings

Cost \$10.00 Payments can be made by Credit Card online at : makckellarps.xuno.com.au. Alternatively please include cash when returning the permission form to the office.

Kind Regards,

Tanya Lindsay-Clark

Student Wellbeing

Grade Six Hoodie & Polo Shirts

This year we are offering students the opportunity to purchase a grade 6 Hoodie; grade 6 polo; or both to commemorate their last year at primary school.

The cost of the grade 6 Hoodie is **\$32.00**

The cost of the grade 6 polo is **\$29.00**

Various sizes are available – Teachers have sized your child at school.

To avoid disappointment please ensure your payment and order form are in by the due date. No late payments will be accepted after this date.

The final day for ordering is: **Monday 25 February. 2019** All orders must be paid for in full by this date.

No order will be processed unless payment is made by the due date.

There will be no refund or exchange after the final payment date.

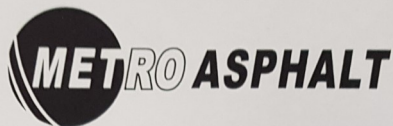
Gr 5 & 6 Interschool Sport Season 1

Interschool sports will actively promote school sport for all Victorian school students as a means of developing their students' health and wellbeing.

It will do this by:

- providing strategic leadership for Victorian School Sport;
 - providing regular sporting competition that embraces an educational approach in developing students' appreciation and carriage of respected community values;
 - maximising participation opportunities for all school students in competition that is commensurate with their age and ability;
- promoting school and community partnerships through sport. Student are required to bring drink bottle, sports uniform (football boots, mouth guard if needed etc.)

Cost \$45.00 Payments can be made by Credit Card online at : makckellarps.xuno.com.au. Alternatively please include cash when returning the permission form to the office.



IMPORTANT MESSAGE

20th February 2019

RE: Goldsmith Ave, Delahey – Road Rehabilitation (between Yeats Dr & Kings Rd)

Metro Asphalt Pty Ltd, on behalf of the City of Brimbank, wishes to advise the local community that there will be a **road closure** at **Goldsmith Ave, Delahey between Yeats Dr and Kings Rd from Monday 4th March 2019 for approximately 10 weeks (weather permitting).**

Road works are programmed to commence during the week of 4th March 2019. Due to the rehabilitation works, Goldsmith will be closed continuously from Yeats Dr to Kings Rd during this entire construction period. A detour route will be in place through Coleridge Dr.

Please note that there will be higher traffic volumes on Currie Drive and Coleridge Dr, Delahey due to these detours being in effect. Please take caution when exiting your driveways onto the road at all times.

Please find attached a detour traffic management plan that represents the closure and appropriate detour taking effect during the road reconstruction period.

Site working hours will be between 7:00 am and 5:00 pm Monday to Saturday.

Our on-site supervisor Kris Temelkovski will be available should you require assistance or alternative access arrangements.

We take this opportunity to advise all residents to allow extra time for your journey, taking this road closure and detours into account. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause for residents.

If you require further information, please contact our office on 9466 4272 between 8:30 am and 5:00 pm Monday to Friday.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Draghiciu
Project Engineer – Civil Division



Celebration of Harmony Day- Whole School Incursion

Thursday 21 March

All Students will experience a colourful performance that includes dances from all around the world (Italian, Spanish, African, Polynesian, Greek, Indian, Indigenous, Irish, Australian and American) with a story, which promotes values and illustrates how we are different.

Cost \$5.00

Payments can be made by Credit Card online at : makckellarps.xuno.com.au. Alternatively please include cash when returning the permission form to the office.

Please wear orange for Harmony Day.
A gold coin is NOT required

Harmony Day celebrates Australia's cultural diversity. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. To celebrate Harmony Day at Mackellar Primary School, it would be appreciated if children-can please wear **ORANGE**, on the day to school.

Congratulations

Students of the Week



Attendance Awards



Grade 4L - Week 2

Attendance Awards

Term 1, 2019



Week 1



4L & 4G

Week 2



4L

Week 3

Week 4

Week 5

Week 6

Week 7

Week 8

Week 9

Week 10

Leo Pereira, Arsham Mokhtari, Nabeel Chandab, Ken Ho

Marie Akamatis, Eh Eh Sein, Braydon Vong, Shaylah Davis

Aeryn Angeles, Chelsea Wilkins, Yudhvir Saini, Faran Azizi Pule Tukuafu, Kyan Pham

Anton Truong, Ethan Huynh, Hakan Adamaz, Marcus Ah-Fua Cemre Kalinkara,

Magdalena Klechkaroska

18/02/2019

INSTRUMENTAL
MUSIC PROGRAM
FOR SCHOOLS



Want to learn Keyboard, Guitar, Trumpet, Flute, Clarinet or Sax??? YES PLEASE!!

ABC Music offers music lessons **during school hours** every Tuesday during the school term at Mackellar Primary!!

ENROL NOW ONLINE & Receive FREE Books (\$44)

www.abcmusicgroup.com.au/enrol-now/

Group Keyboard or Guitar lessons from \$139 per term

Group Trumpet, Flute, Clarinet, Sax lessons from \$185 per term

Private lessons \$350 per term For more information please contact the ABC office via email:

info@abcmusicgroup.com.au or call 9427 8049

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