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Mackellar Newsletter

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Mackellar Primary School

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Principal's Message

Dear Mackellar Families,

Final Day Term 2 Friday June 28

Our final day of Term 2 is Friday June 28. **There will an early dismissal at 2.30pm.**

Parents are advised to make arrangements to have children collected from school on time at 2:30pm. The school grounds will be supervised until 2:45pm, then the school will be closed for the school holidays. All students who have not been collected from school by 2:45pm will be placed in the After School Program for their care and supervision. Costs incurred will be the responsibility of parents. After School Care will be available from 2:30 pm until 6.30pm. Bookings can be made by contacting the Out of School Care program coordinator, Wendy Feeley, on 0447 302 473.

The **Vacation Care** program commences on **Monday July 1 2019**, and will be available each day up to and including **Friday July 12 2019**. The Vacation Care program is available from 6.30am to 6.30pm daily Monday to Friday for the two weeks of the term holidays. **School will recommence for Term 3 at 9.00am on Monday July 15, 2019.**

Student Reports

Teachers are well underway in completion of writing Semester 1 Reports. Reports will be sent home with students on Wednesday June 26. Teachers have devoted considerable time reviewing your child's progress and writing comments that describe what your child can do, celebrating their achievements and outlining key areas for improvement. Early next term, there will be an opportunity for parents and carers to meet for interviews.

School-Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS)



Congratulations to our Student Leadership Team for their valuable contribution towards the success of our SWPBS staff meeting this week. The leadership team and staff took another step forward in the SWPBS process by beginning to develop a whole school matrix of expected behaviours. The behaviours explicitly reflect the values that our school community voted for; Respect, Learning, Resilience and Team Work. Members from the student leadership team gathered pre-assessment data from across all grade levels about what students know and understand about the value of RESPECT and presented their information at the meeting. What a fantastic place to start! Staff are extremely proud of the high level of engagement our students demonstrated. Their contribution

is an important part of our school's commitment to Student Agency, where students are given the opportunity to communicate ideas and opinions as well as influence change. Having our students collaborating and making decisions with staff empowers them to have a democratic voice in our community. We are looking forward to presenting our Matrix to all grades next term which will be an opportunity for every student to be active participants in this important whole school process.



Upcoming Events June

- **Fri Jun 21**
Gr 2 Werribee Zoo Excursion
- **Fri Jun 28**
Last Day Term 2 School Dismissed at 2.30pm

August

- **Mon Aug 12**
Curriculum Day—School Closed

September

- **Sept 2 to 6**
Gr 5 & 6 Camp
- **Sept 17 to 19**

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**

2020 School Terms

- Term 1 - Jan 29 to March 27**
- Term 2 - April 14 to Jun 26**
- Term 3 - July 13 to Sept 18**
- Term 4 - Oct 5 to Dec 16**



Lunchtime Zumba

Students at Mackellar certainly know how to enjoy themselves during recess and lunchtime. One of our latest activities has students dancing Zumba. Seeing how much joy the classes are bringing to our students, I was curious to find out more about Zumba from Mackellar's expert Zumba instructor, Marina Flavell.

How long have you been dancing Zumba?

I have been enjoying Zumba for 10 years! It is something that makes me feel so good and I feel so happy whilst participating. I feel like it releases my happy hormones.

Why did you choose Zumba?

I chose Zumba because I'm not into going to the gym to exercise, but I really love to dance, so when I heard about this type of 'dance fitness', I wanted to try it. It caters for beginners to advanced level with great music and choreography to dance to, all while getting fitter! I've found that it's so much fun too!

What would you like to share about the classes at Mackellar?

I have noticed that the students are very engaged during Zumba and all have big happy smiles on their faces. They follow all the movements, which also stimulates their brains to be more alert in class. The students often ask, 'When is the next Zumba session because it's so much FUN!'



Curriculum Day Monday August 12, 2019

Mackellar Primary School will be conducting a Curriculum day in Term 3. The Curriculum Day will be Monday August 12, 2019. The school will be closed to allow the staff to undertake professional development. Full day out of school hours care will be available on these days if there are sufficient bookings. Bookings can be made by contacting the Out of School Care program coordinator, Wendy Feeley, on 0447 302 473.

Head lice

There have been a reported case of head at Mackellar. I am seeking your cooperation in checking your child's/ren's hair to help minimise the impact of this outbreak of head lice at our school.

Head lice do not transmit infectious diseases – they are transmitted by having head to head contact with someone who has head lice. You may be reassured to know that head lice are commonly found in places other than at Mackellar Primary School. Head lice are common in school aged children and are most adaptable creatures. They have survived living solely on humans for 10,000 years!

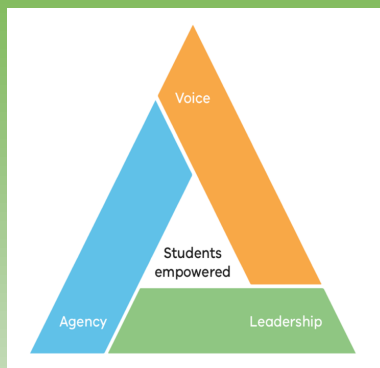
Please check your child's hair on a weekly basis and in those instances where head lice or eggs are found, to treat your child's hair with one of the prescribed treatment options.

Grade 5 & 6 Sport Awards



Angela	6S
Ilagan	6A
Antonio	6A
Isabella	6S
Ella	5G

Kind Regards,
Tanya Lindsay-Clark
Student Wellbeing



Attendance Awards



Term 2 Week 8
3M

Attendance Awards

Term 2, 2019

Week 1	 6A & 6P
Week 2	 Gr 5G
Week 3	 Gr 5G
Week 4	 Gr 5G Gr 4G
Week 5	 Gr 3I
Week 6	 5W
Week 7	
Week 8	 3M
Week 9	
Week 10	

What's Happening at Mackellar

Gr 5 & 6 Interschool Sport Friday June 14 to Friday September 6

During **Term 2 & 3 Grade 5 & 6 student** will be involved in Inter-school sport.

Matches will be played every Friday morning from 9.30am until 11.00am.

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.

Cost: \$15.00

2019 Grades 3 & 4 Camp PGL Campaspe Downs Tuesday September 17 to Thursday 19, 2019

PGL Camps aim to provide unique camping experiences in the great outdoors that inspires all people to be healthier, happier and more connected to their community. Learning Experiences at PGL Campaspe Downs aim to build resilience, reinforce a positive outlook, develop new physical activity skills, set goals, make healthy choices, develop independence and provide leadership opportunities. PGL Campaspe Downs also encourages students to solve problems in a team setting while appreciating the natural world around them.

This year's camp will cost **\$295** for the 3-day experience. The cost includes accommodation, activities, camp instructors and bus travel. As prices in petrol, food, wages, have risen, so have the cost of camps and buses. Taking these cost rises into consideration, we have compared prices for a number of camps and made the decision that for maximum benefit and value for money, the camp at Campaspe Downs is the best option.

A **non-refundable deposit** of **\$60** is payable by **Friday 28th June** to secure your child a place on the camp. A payment plan will commence there after so that the financial demands will not be too taxing for families.

Final payment is due no later than Friday 30th August

2019 Grades 5/6 Canberra Camp- "Capital Country Holiday Park".

Monday 2 September to Friday 6 September

The camp is a tremendous experience for students to engage with their peers and teachers to develop individual personal responsibilities and confidence. The camp also aims to provide opportunities for self-discovery and teamwork through facilitation of unique camping experiences.

The camp will cost approximately **\$650** for the 5 day experience. The cost includes accommodation, activities, camp instructors and bus travel. As prices in petrol, food, wages, have risen, so have the cost of camps and buses. Taking these cost rises into consideration, we have compared prices for a number of camps and made the decision that for maximum benefit and value for money.

Final Payment is due Friday August 16, 2019

Payments for the camp can be made anytime during school hours.

There are still vacancies for students interested in going to the 5/6 Canberra Camp.

Students of the Week



Monson Ah-Fua, Jovan Stevanovski, Bojan Stojanovski Calais Karepa,
Elizabeth Bouzinis

Dennis Nguyen, Andy Truong, Nayan Pothireddy, Natalie Paz,
Steven Lay

JJ Duspara, Sienna Jarvis, Oliver Potschin, Joyce Figota
Neo Nguyen, Mya Tran, Ethan Huynh, Kola Figota

Collecting students early from school for an Appointment

Parents wishing to collect their child from school during school hours must receive approval via the office. Office staff will then call the classroom. Parent are required to **sign the student out before they leave**. Any person other than the parent wishing to collect a child during school hours must provide a written request from the parent. Students will not be released to anyone under the age of 18.

It is very difficult for students in the playground to hear announcements during recess and lunch times. It becomes very frustrating for parents when they come to collect their children during these times only to find they have to wait until after the break to be able to collect their child. To overcome this problem, **parents wanting to collect students early will need to do so during class times:**

9.00am to 11.05am

11.35am to 1.45pm

2.30pm to 3.30pm

Parents are still able to collect students early outside the above times, but we cannot guarantee the student will hear the announcement calling them to the office and, for safety reasons, we cannot allow parents into the school grounds to search for their children.

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MACKELLAR PRIMARY SCHOOL CANTEEN MENU

Please ensure all lunch orders are placed in class boxes by 9.30am
All lunch orders are to be in bags suitable to hold food and drinks otherwise 10c will be charged per bag
Please use correct change or as close to correct change as possible, as large amounts of change may not be given until it is available.

MONDAY SPECIAL

BAKED

POTATOES

\$5.00

Baked Potatoes include

grated cheese and sour cream

ONLY AVAILABLE MONDAYS

SANDWICHES AND ROLLS

(white and wholegrain available)

Vegemite	\$3.20	Cheese	\$3.70
Egg	\$4.20	Egg and Lettuce	\$4.70
Chicken	\$4.50	Chicken and Cheese	\$4.80
Ham	\$4.50	Ham and Cheese	\$4.80
Salad	\$5.00	Salad – add meat	\$5.50
(lettuce, tomato, cucumber, beetroot, carrot, cheese)			

any extras add 50c each

Roll add \$1.00

HOT FOOD – add sauce 50c each

Large Pie	\$4.50
Large Sausage roll	\$4.30
Party Pies	\$1.50 each
Party Sausage Rolls	\$1.50 each
Hot Dog in Roll	\$4.00
Chicken Nuggets	\$0.80c each
Dim Sims	\$1.00 each
Cup Noodles	\$3.00
(chicken, beef, oriental)	
Crumbed Chicken Tenders	\$2.50 each
Plain Hamburger	\$5.50 add cheese \$6.00
Grilled Chicken	\$5.50 add cheese \$6.00
Chicken Tender Roll	\$5.50 add cheese \$6.00

HEALTHY HOT FOOD

Plain Pasta	\$2.50 add cheese	\$3.00
Napoleatana Pasta	\$3.00 add cheese	\$3.50
Beef Lasagne		\$5.00
Macaroni Cheese		\$5.00
Pizza Slice	\$4.50 (hawaiian or margarita)	

WINTER ONLY –

chicken noodle soup	\$1.00
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DRINKS

Nippys Choc or Strawberry Milk	\$3.00
Orange juice	\$2.50
Water	\$2.00

THURSDAY SPECIAL

CHICKEN BURRITO

\$5.00

Burritos contain chicken, capsicum, spices, grated cheese and sour cream

ONLY AVAILABLE THURSDAYS