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Mackellar Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Mackellar Families,



Wild Windy Day

Once again, weather conditions certainly had us on alert at Mackellar today. As part of our duty of care, we monitor weather forecasts very closely to ensure that we are protecting our students who may be affected from one or a combination of asthma triggers, such as seasonal pollens, humid temperatures and/or extreme windy conditions. All students stayed indoors during recess and lunchtime as a preventative measure against the windy conditions, as well as asthma attacks. If your child is diagnosed with asthma, it is imperative that an Asthma Plan is provided by your child's doctor and that you give the school a copy and inform us about any updates. Asthma Plans must be updated annually.

Mackellar's Birthday Celebration

Mackellar's birthday is fast approaching. **Wednesday the 4th of December** will mark 28 years since our school opened in 1991. To celebrate, children may wear their PARTY clothes to school on the day and we are holding a whole school disco in the gym at lunchtime. Naturally, there is **no gold coin required** for the event. We are already starting to think about Mackellar's 30th birthday which will be an exciting milestone for our community.

Amazing PREPS

Our Prep students are learning about Toys as part of their Inquiry unit. They have been learning about the materials that toys are made of and how toys move. Students have planned, designed and made their own toys from boxes and are now in the process of painting and decorating their toys for an upcoming Toy Expo where they will showcase their work to their parents and Grade 6 buddies. The specific date and time of day will be confirmed in the near future.

Have a look at these amazing designs and constructions from Prep P's Imogen, Kesabel, Dylan, Maylee, Emason, Noah and Airyan. Many more are under construction. This is an event that we are all looking forward to.



SunSmart Reminder

We are pleased to see most children wearing their hats this term, however sometimes children forget to bring them to school. If students don't have a hat, they are restricted from playing where they would like to in the yard as they need to be under the shaded areas.

Please remember that during Term 4, all students require a hat when playing outside. Our SunSmart policy also applies to Term 1. **No Hat = No Play**

The skin on our face, ears and neck is much thinner and more sensitive to UV damage, therefore **we must choose hats that provide shade to our face, head, neck and ears.**

When choosing a hat, please make it:

- wide brim
- bucket
- legionnaire

Baseball caps **are not** acceptable at school because they are not a good option for everyday sun protection as they only protect our scalp and forehead.



Teeth On Wheels

Teeth on Wheels will be returning to our school for the 6 monthly dental visits. To make filling out the consent form easier, you can now complete your child's consent form online by following the link below. It only takes 5 minutes to complete and by reducing the amount of paper being used, we will be helping the team out by being more environmentally friendly.

<https://teethonwheels.com.au/consent-eform>

The date of the children's dental visit will be starting on **Monday the 9th of December 2019**, so please ensure if you didn't complete a form at the start of the year to have this completed ASAP!

If you have any questions regarding the consent form or your child's dental appointment please don't hesitate to contact the **Teeth on Wheels** team on (03) 9338 1191

HONEY POT CAFÉ – Our first Café for Parents, Carers and Grandparents

Parents, Carers and Grandparents are warmly invited to treat yourself at Mackellar's very own **HONEY POT CAFÉ** on **Thursday afternoons at 3pm to 3.30pm**.

Our Grade 6 Catering Team will be serving prepaid coffee and cake in the courtyard just outside the office, however due to the weather conditions, we have moved the location to the indoor office area lately. Why not treat yourself! Please pay \$5.00 to our caterers will take you to your table.

We hope you can find your way to the

HONEY POT CAFÉ



Please remember that you are always welcome to attend our Monday morning assembly at 9am to 9.30am. We also hope to see you at Mackellar's Honey Pot Café.

Sincerely,

Tanya Lindsay-Clark

2020 Book Pack & Essential Learning Items

Each student's book pack contains stationery items that are essential to support the course of instruction in our standard curriculum. These are items the school deems compulsory for learning. The school orders these materials on behalf of parents due to the purchasing power of the school ordering in bulk. This is the most cost effective manner of providing these resources to students. It is essential that this charge be paid prior to each student receiving this book pack.

This Fee also includes provision of 'The Resilience Project' Planner, ICT (educational software subscriptions) and Kitchen Garden Food Tech Levy.

PAYMENT OPTIONS:-

1. Payment can be made online using XUNO or
2. Payment can be made at the office by cash, EFT, or credit card up until **Wednesday 18 December 2019**

Select 2020 Class – Essential Student Learning items will be delivered to Classrooms in 2020						
PREP	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6
\$160	\$135	\$140	\$130	\$130	\$140	\$135

CSEF (Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund)

If you are a holder of a GOVERNMENT CONCESSION CARD you may be eligible to receive CSEF (\$125.00 per child) to contribute towards the cost of Camps, Sports and Excursions. Application forms are available at the office.

IF YOU HAVE APPLIED FOR CSEF IN 2019 YOU DO NOT NEED TO RE-APPLY FOR 2020

Eligibility

To be eligible* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
 - on the first day of Term two;
- a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the *State Concessions Act 2004*, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
 - b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
 - c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

RESPECT LEARNING TEAMWORK RESILIENCE

Student Acknowledgements

This week, we are celebrating the value of

LEARNING

What we know and understand. How we use what we know. How we engage in the world.

Congratulations to the following students:

Prep K	Cherry	For working very hard to achieve great results in her reading and comprehension of a text.
Prep E	Andy	For demonstrating the value of learning during reading. Andy has put in a maximum effort into his learning of new words and letter blends.
Prep P	Aarav	For persevering and trying her best in all areas.
1G	Tina	For consistently learning her spelling words and using them in her writing.
1T	Antionette	For being a friendly and cooperative member of our classroom. Antionette is a great team member.
1T	Vince	For being a considerate and kind member of the classroom. Vince helped everyone in the classroom build worlds in Minecraft. He also enjoys helping others with numeracy tasks.
1E	Koray	For showing maximum effort in his learning, especially during the Mad About Science incursion.
2B	Travon	For remaining focussed throughout lessons and working hard to complete learning tasks.
2F	Linus	For conscientiously applying himself to every learning task.
3I	Tyler	For always demonstrating a 'can do' attitude towards his learning.
3K	Nhu	For challenging herself in The Resilience Project as she attempted tasks about turning unhelpful thoughts into helpful thoughts, clearly showing a growth mindset.
4L	Tom	For working hard on his resilience in the classroom and in the yard. He is trying very hard to adapt to changes.
4G	Lala	For having a positive attitude towards his learning.
4K	Chloe	For showing resilience by bouncing back from setbacks which would have upset her in the past.
5W	Dylan	For making outstanding progress with his reading this year by showing commitment to practicing his reading goals.
5G	Michelle	For conducting adequate research on her chosen inventor Alessandro Volta for her science project.
6A	Dylan	For making an effort to participate in class discussions to share his new learning with his peers.
6P	Marie	For commencing her tasks promptly and demonstrating excellent learning habits.



Christmas Tree Sale

This year Caroline Springs Scout Group are selling fresh Christmas trees. They look and smell wonderful and to save the hassle - we deliver! All funds raised will go towards activities and equipment for the kids.

Pre-order your real Christmas tree today!
Prices start at \$55 for a 5' tree - \$85 for an 8' tree.

Delivery available or pick up on 30 Nov or 1 Dec (10am-2pm)
We will also have a limited number to purchase on-site at this time.
Tree stands available.

Order online at Trybooking.com/575151

Orders close 28 November 2019.

Thank you for your support!

Caroline Springs Scout Centre
115 Tenterfield Drive, Burnside Heights
carolinesprings.christmastrees@gmail.com

CAROLINE SPRINGS SCOUT GROUP
- Fundraising Event -

Attendance Award 18-22 November Grade 1G



Students of the Week!



Michelle, Lala, Dylan, Chloe, Marie Vince, Anthony, Travon, Koray, Tom, Nhu Antoinette, Cherry, Aarav, Andy, Tina

18.11.19

Pop-Up Drive Through Recycling Day returns to Brimbank

Council's second Pop-Up Drive Through Recycling Day will be held at Victoria University in St Albans, on Saturday 30 November from 8am-1pm.

Brimbank residents can safely and conveniently drop-off their unwanted household items, for reuse and recycling at the Pop-Up Drive Through Recycling Day—all at no charge.

The first event in March was a huge success with over 360 residents participating and more than 21,000 kilograms of items were collected on the day.

Residents can drop-off TVs, computers, electronic appliances, whitegoods, furniture (in good condition), bicycles (in good condition), mattresses, homewares, clothes and linen.

Council are partnering with local charity organisations, including the West Welcome Wagon, to collect and reuse unwanted household items, including TVs, computers, electronic appliances, whitegoods, clothing, furniture and bicycles, in good condition.



Event details:

Saturday 30 November 8am - 1pm

Victoria University, St Albans Campus

Enter via Willis Street, St Albans

To register visit: brimbankpopup.eventbrite.com.au

7—11 Oct	14—18 Oct	21—25 Oct	28 Oct -1 Nov	6-8 Nov	11-15 Nov	18-12 Nov	25-29 Nov	2-6 Dec	9-13 Dec
Grade 1G	Grade 3K	Grade 3M	Grade 3M	Grade 5G	Grade 1G				

Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Time
Tuesday 26th November	2020 Prep Transition	9.15am to 10.30am
Wednesday 4th December	Mackellar Primary School's 28th Birthday Lunchtime disco. Students may wear their party clothes to school if they want to. (Not a gold coin event.)	Lunchtime disco All day party clothes.
Monday 9th December	Teeth On Wheels	For the week
Tuesday 10th December	2020 Prep Transition 2020 Prep Information Night	9.15am to 10.30am 5pm to 7pm
Tuesday 10th December	State-wide Grade 6 Transition Day to Year 7 Grade 6s attend their secondary school for 2020 for the entire day	All Day
Wednesday 11th December	Parent/Carers Morning Tea	11.00am to 11.30am
Thursday 12th December	Grade 6 Graduation Rehearsals will be during the day.	5.30pm to 9.00pm (For students/staff) 7.00pm to 9.00pm (For parents)
Thursday 12th December	Toy Fund donations are due for St. Vincent de Paul Collection	By 3.30pm
Friday 13th December	Prep Crocs Play Centre	9.30am to 3.00pm
Monday 16th December	Mackellar Twilight Family Celebration	5.30pm to 7.00pm
Wednesday 18th December	Last day of school for students Students Step Up to their 2020 classes Final whole school assembly for 2019 will be at 9.00am.	3.30pm Finish

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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



THURSDAY SPECIAL
CHICKEN BURRITO
\$5.00

Burritos contain chicken, capsicum, spices, grated
 cheese and sour cream
ONLY AVAILABLE THURSDAYS

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
Napolitana 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

DRINKS

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

TOASTED SANDWICHES

Ham	\$4.50
Cheese	\$4.50
Ham and Cheese	\$4.80
Cheese and Tomato	\$4.80
Ham, cheese and tomato	\$5.00

SALAD TUBS

Garden Salad	\$5.00
(lettuce, tomato, cucumber, carrot)	
add cheese	\$5.50
add ham or chicken	\$6.00