COMING EVENTS

First day of
2nd Term
Monday April 29th

Term 2 Week 1
Monday 29-4-13
*8:50 Assembly
*User Pays Guitar
Tuesday 30-4-13
*Kerry, our Christian Pastoral Support Worker (CPSW) is in 9-4pm
*Staff meeting
Wednesday 1-5-13
Thursday 2-5-13
Friday 3-5-13
*Newsletter

Week 2
Monday 6-5-13
*8:50 Assembly
*User Pays Guitar
*Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden (SAKG) classes commence
Tuesday 7-5-13
*Kerry at school 9-4pm
*Staff meeting
Wednesday 8-5-13
*Kerry at school 11:30-3:30
Thursday 9-5-13
*Living Safely With Dogs presentation
Friday 10-5-13
*Assembly

Term 1 Highlights and Successes

It’s hard to believe that Term 1 is finished and that the holidays are here. I think we’re all looking forward to a break, especially the children, who have looked very tired over the last couple of weeks. This isn’t surprising considering all of the work and activities we have been involved in during the last 11 weeks. Following is a brief summary of some of these activities:

*Mrs Pearce’s wonderful Science lessons that are often highlighted at our Friday assemblies.
*The SAKG program that has seen many wonderful aromas permeating the corridors after Monday and Tuesday’s cooking lessons. This term the children have been focusing on preparing Indonesian dishes as a part of our study of Indonesia.
*The Year 5-6-7 excursion to the Adelaide Museum and the Year 3-4 excursion to the Maritime museum as a part of their History studies
*Development of “One Plans” for identified children. These have enabled us to keep the children and parents better informed as to the progress the children are making.
*Beginning our journey into Positive Psychology. This included a talk to the parent community by Mr Warren Symonds, the principal of Mt Barker HS
*Continuing our work with Assessment for Learning strategies and Natural Maths
*Finding less than 20kg of rubbish in and about the school and Davenport Square as a part of “Schools Clean Up Australia Day”
*The “Please delight Me” signs appearing alongside all of our light switches in the school as an environmental message produced by our Junior Youth Environment Forum members
*The Parent Club’s Easter Fair
*Our Reception children paired with a Year 7 student as a part of the “Better Buddies” programme
*Parent teacher interviews
*K-R transition visits for our 6 new Reception students starting next term.
Bully Survey Results

In week 6 of Term the children undertook a Lunch Time Bully Survey. This involved the children rating their play from great through to OK, poor and bad.

The results from the survey show that 93% of our students experienced either good or OK days during this week.

There were 24 incidences of bad or poor days reported. All of these were immediately followed up by the teachers. These incidences included 5 children being hurt in an accident or in a game, 5 children being involved in a dispute or disagreement, 3 students behaving in a silly manner and being spoken to by the duty teacher, 2 children were lonely because their friends were absent and 9 children reported that they were either put down, had their feelings hurt or were subjected to offensive behaviour. After investigating these last 9 incidences further, only 2 resulted in further action being taken.

Maccy Merits

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Hayley Bolt, Carlie Slack

This Fortnight’s Virtue
Cleanliness
Cleanliness means washing often, keeping your body clean and wearing clean clothes. It is putting into your body and your mind only the things that keep you healthy. It is staying clear of harmful drugs. It is cleaning up mistakes and making a fresh start.

Yard Stars

While out on yard duty the teachers are on the lookout for children who display the school values of responsibility, respect, safety, success and caring and follow our virtue for the fortnight in their play. This is a way that we can focus on and promote the positive yard behaviours that we want our children to exhibit.

Our Yard Stars over the past month have been:

Kyeisha Fatt, Caitlin Baker and Caitlyn Hunter for displaying the school value of responsibility by handing in lost property. Tahlia Cain and Sam Erbsland displayed our value of safety by picking up rubbish and keeping our yard clean. Gabby Burt, Tiana Ewens and Madison Hockley were nominated for looking after friends or younger children who had been hurt. All of these girls displayed our value of caring. Kyeisha was nominated for a second time also for being caring and Gabby received a second nomination but this time for being responsible and reporting a tripping hazard and in the process, keeping us all safe. Our last nominee was Emily Muller who displayed great concern for a friend and having the courage to let an adult know of her concerns. This led to a successful solution for all parties. Well done Em. We’re proud of you.
We’re extremely fortunate in having such a wonderful, caring, supportive student community. We’re proud of them all.

**Easter Fair**

Congratulations Parent Club on organising and running another fabulous and successful Easter Fair.

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**SAPSASA Aths**

Congratulations to the 17 children who represented the school at Tuesday’s Barker District SAPSASA Aths Day.

A special mention must go to Isabelle McKenzie and Cassidy Cooper who won their respective 800m events and the right to represent the District at the State Championships to be held later in the year.

Well done to Casey Wallace for finishing 2\textsuperscript{nd} in her Long Jump event and making the finals of the 13 year old girls 100m and 200m events. Cassidy also made the final of the 200m event.

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**Pre-service teachers**

A special welcome to Stacey Wood, Emma Waldron and Samantha Wilkins, three pre-service teachers who are currently working one day a
week at Maccy before starting a four week teaching block in 2nd term.

Stacey is working in the Year 3-4 class, Emma with the 5-6-7s and Samantha in the Year 1-2 class.

*Have a safe and enjoyable holiday everyone. Let’s hope the weather stays like it has been this past week giving the children the opportunity to spend plenty of time running around outside rejuvenating their batteries in preparation for another term of fun and learning.*

**ANZAC Day Ceremony**

The Macclesfield RSL is holding their ANZAC Day ceremony on Sunday April 21st at 6pm in front of the RSL Hall.

Our school leaders, Thomas, Courtnie, Casey and Jake will be reading poetry as a part of the ceremony and laying a wreath at the foot of the memorial on behalf of all of the school children.

It would be wonderful to see a host of Macclesfield Primary School families at the ceremony.

**Parent Club**

We would just like to thank everyone who supported our Easter Fete and our Kytons fundraiser. A special thank you to Kerry and Tania who stepped up to do our face painting.

A volunteer or two is needed to help in terms 2 & 3 with hot milos at lunch time on Wednesdays. With work commitments, parent club stopped providing this service a few years ago, but the kids requested we start it up again. We just need an adult who can pour the boiling water into the cups. If you can help please let Kel know on 0421 279 059

Hope you all had a wonderful Easter.

Have a safe and happy holiday.

Parent Club

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Macclesfield Netball Club will be running Netsetgo in 2013.

When: Wednesday 15th May
Where: Macclesfield Netball Courts
Time: 4:15pm – 5:00pm
Contact: Peta Llewellyn on 0400 539 591 for more info
Open to girls and boys aged 5-10 years old