



Macclesfield Primary School

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Term 1 Week 5 Friday March 1st

Calendar

Week 6 - Character strength - Curiosity

Monday 4/3

Tuesday 5/3

Indonesian

Pancake Day

Wednesday 6/3

Ice blocks for sale 50c

Thursday 7/3

Parent Coffee Morning 9.15 – 10.15

Friday 8/3

Assembly 2.50pm – Year R/1 hosting

Athletics clinics

SAKG Cooking

Week 7 - Character strength - Creativity

Monday 11/3

Adelaide Cup Public Holiday

Tuesday 12/3

Kerry in

Indonesian

Wednesday 13/3

Ice blocks for sale 50c

Thursday 14/3

Parent Coffee Morning 9.15 – 10.15

Friday 15/3

Newsletter

SAKG Cooking

Football clinics

NEWSLETTER NO. 3

Premier's Reading Challenge

This year, we will participate in the Premier's Reading Challenge again. Last year we had a very high completion rate and were invited to the Premier's Reception for schools with high levels of achievement. It would be wonderful if we could achieve that again. An information flyer is attached and students will soon be set up with individual record sheets. It is achievable for everyone. Below is a photo of Emily and Freyja at the Reception last year with South Australia's Premier, Steven Marshall.



House Team Captains

Congratulations to the following students who are House team captains for 2019.

Angas

Girls: Emily Muller (Captain), Ellis Miles (Dep.Cap.)

Boys: Jacob Cooper (Captain), Justin Cooper (Dep.Cap.)

Battunga

Girls: Keely Andrew (Captain), Carlie Slack (Dep.Cap.)

Boys: Rhys Woodcock (Captain), Jock McBeath (Dep.Cap.)

Davenport

Girls: Kyeisha Guy (Captain), Kimahri Lions (Dep.Cap.)

Boys: Justin Cooper (Captain), Jacob Cooper (Dep.Cap.)

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SURROUND YOUR CHILDREN WITH BOOKS AND IDEAS THIS SUMMER

With this in mind, there are many great opportunities for parents to both gift their children some new books, and to get reading themselves. Should finances prove tight, there's always the option of filling your shelves with books from a public library.

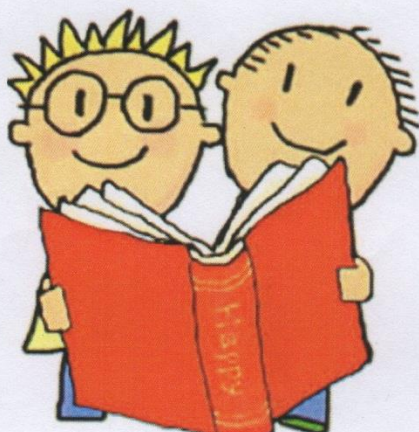
Admittedly, if your entire house is already swimming in books, it may be less important to get more. According to the study, "each additional book in a home library has much larger benefits for families that only possess a few books than for families that already possess many."

A possible reason why is that "the first book you read opens a whole new set of operational skills and cognitive possibilities; each subsequent book continues to offer vocabulary expansion, new experiences in cognitive complexity and intellectual flexibility, but at a reduced rate."

"But why" one might ask "should we bother with books, when so much is available online?" While it is great if children are getting absorbed in reading a novel on an e-reader, Dr Sikora suggests that printed books are far from obsolete.

While bookish homes' biggest benefits were for literacy and numeracy, they led to greater digital literacy too, making books as relevant as ever in an age when digital skills are increasingly important.

What's more, Dr Sikora and her co-authors point to other studies showing that reading books rather than text on screen is better for "deeper comprehension of complex content," "retrieving specific information", and "facilitating shared family reading time."



Character Strength

**Curiosity (interest, novelty-seeking
openness to experience)**

Curiosity and interest in the world represents your desire for new experiences and a thirst for knowledge. You actively recognize and pursue challenging opportunities. Curious people not only tolerate ambiguity, you like it and are intrigued by it.

If you have the strength of curiosity...

- You are always asking questions, and you find all subjects and topics fascinating
- You are flexible about matters that do not fit your preconception
- You like exploration and discovery and become easily absorbed in music, movies, books, sports, and people
- You are not easily bored

Macclesfield Community Association

needs your help on....

Clean Up Australia Day

Sunday March 3rd

9-11am

Meeting in Davenport Square

Areas to be cleaned:

- All major roads leading into and out of Maccy
- Davenport Square
- Recreation grounds
- Crystal Lake

MATERIALS AND SERVICES CHARGES FOR 2019

During Week 1 you should have received an Invoice for your child's Materials and Services Charges for the 2019 School Year. These Charges are due by the end of Term 1. Part payments can be made, and may be negotiated with either Gail Smith in the Finance Office, or with the Principal, Lynne Noll.

SCHOOL CARD SCHEME:

Applicants who apply for School Card assistance via an ED003A - Income Audit application form are now able to apply via an online application form. The online application form is available at www.sa.gov.au under the heading **Education, Skills and Learning**.

By completing the ED003A application form online, the application form will be emailed directly to the government school(s) where the child(ren) attend, i.e. where two children attend different schools both sites will receive a copy of the application form.

Paper copies of the application are available from the front office if required.



Care and Share with Kerry – Pastoral Care Worker

Welcome back to the 2019 school year. I haven't been a big contributor to the newsletter in the past so would like to take the opportunity to share with new and existing families about myself and my role. I reside in the Meadows township with only one of four children still living at home, my other children are scattered near and far Meadows – Darwin - Perth. All four children have attended local schools and is a big part of who they are. I worship at the Meadows Uniting Church and am active in Youth Group, preschool Moosic group, Godly Play, and plenty of Closet op-shop sorting. I also have the privilege of being the Macclesfield and Meadows Pastoral Care Worker at your child's school for the past 8 years with the intention of being around for many more years to come.

With the excitement of starting school for the very first time to our year 7 students running for school leadership and house captain positions, fresh haircuts, new lunchboxes, having grown in height and holiday adventures to share marks a great start to a fresh year.

I am able to spend time with the children in many different capacities from celebrating the term birthdays, classroom support, small group sharing, Better buddies program, parent morning tea, lunchtime games or top block play and sharing in the highs and lows that life sometimes brings.

We are also very fortunate to be supported by our local church family both financially, prayerfully and practically with Pancake Day cooking, providing Hot Cross Buns at Easter and morning tea for staff throughout the year. Partnership and community support makes Macclesfield such a great place to raise a family.

I am excited to be part of what 2019 brings and share in the joys and challenges that come with it. Please make yourself known and I would be more than happy to chat and share with you on a Tuesday or Thursday.

"It take a village to raise a child" –African proverb

Blessings Kerry

✕ The Macclesfield Uniting Church will be supplying both staff and students with fresh hot Pancakes for Shove Tuesday on Tuesday March 5th after school, please let me know if you did not wish your child to receive pancakes for any dietary or personal reasons.

✕ Parent Morning tea with Lynne and myself held each Thursday 9am-10am in the parent club room, pop in and make yourself known stay for a cuppa/coffee and chat if time permits, it would be lovely to have mix of parents from all year levels to share parenting support with each other.

Parent Club

Parent Club meetings will be held week 3 and 8 at school on Mondays @ 11:30am.

Week 5 will be held at someone's house @ 7pm.

We have the week 5 meetings outside of hours to cater for working parents, enabling them to be able to participate.

Keep the date 22nd March free for a movie night! More info to come.

Please contact Kel Bolt for details 0421 279 059.

