

Macclesfield Primary School

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Term 4 Week 7 Friday November 27th 2020

Week 8 – Spirituality Monday 30/11/20

Tuesday 1/12/20 Kerry in Governing Council dinner meeting - 6.30

Wednesday 2/12/20 Iceblocks 50c School Concert

Thursday 3/12/20 Kerry in Special Assembly – 2.50 New Principal visiting

Friday 4/12/20 Assembly moved

Week 9 – Appreciation of Beauty and Excellence

Monday 7/12/20 Choir performance Reports go home Christmas seminar with SMG

Tuesday 8/12/20 Kerry in

Wednesday 9/12/20 Ice blocks for sale Graduation Dinner

Thursday 10/12/20 Kerry in

Friday 11/12/20

NEWSLETTER NO. 19

Earlier this year, we lost a much loved member of our school community, Jenni Fahey.

In her honour, the Parent Club has erected a seat, placed under the shade of the 'Wonder Tree' in the top playground. You are welcome to have a look when you are able.



Wendy Silvestri – New Principal visiting

On Thursday 3rd December, Wendy Silvestri will visit to be introduced to the school community at a school assembly. This will replace the assembly on Friday 4th.

It will be hosted by the year 5/6/7 class and will be held from 2.50. We will have an end of year assembly on Friday 11th December at 1.50pm.

Camp Property

We still have a black fitted sheet and a tea towel left from camp. You may have overlooked that they are missing. Can you please check? They are in the lost property basket in the office.

School Concert (Wednesday 2/12)

We hope you have all received a note regarding the School Concert on the oval, next Wednesday December 2nd at 6.30. This is for immediate family only this year. We look forward to seeing you there.

MOVING YEAR 7 INTO HIGH SCHOOL: WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR YOUR KIDS?

The transition was eased by clear communication between primary schools and the high schools receiving students. Giving primary teachers the chance to move to the new school with their students provided familiarity. So did placing students who knew each other in the same classes. It's a good idea to offer new students a grace period in early weeks as they learn new organisation skills: such as timetables, knowing where to go, and managing their lockers.

It was often small things like managing lockers that students in WA struggled with. As such, it's important for parents, educators and kids to listen to each other's concerns, however small they might seem, and work together to support students during their move to high school.

If you'd like to discuss your school community's plans to ensure a smooth transition, and how to get involved, don't hesitate to ask your child's teacher or get in touch via the reception desk.

You can find more expert insights on middle years education and the Year 7 transition here:

Donna Pendergast et al. (2015). '<u>The Education Change</u> <u>Model as a vehicle for reform: Shifting Year 7 and</u> <u>implementing Junior Secondary in Queensland</u>' *The Australian Journal of Middle Schooling*.

SAPSASA Cancelled

Regretably, the SAPSASA Athletics competition, to be held in Adelaide was cancelled last week. Sierra Matthews was to have represented the district in discus. Although she did not have the opportunity to compete, we are very proud of her and her efforts, making it to this level of competition.

Strawberry Fete

Although we did not get to have a Strawberry Fete this year, we must extend a big thankyou to those parents who began organising the Baked goods and Baked Spuds stall. Thankyou also to those who offered support by selecting a time on the roster, to work.

Further to this

Rory Johnson and his family had been growing strawberry plants and making Loomband bracelets for sale at the fete.

When the event was cancelled, Rory set up a 'pop-up' stall at the front of his house, raising \$82 for the school. Well done Rory!



Character Strength

Appreciation of Beauty and Excellence

You notice and appreciate beauty, excellence, and/or skilled performance in all domains of life, from nature to art and from science to everyday experiences. If you are high in this strength you will often experience the feelings of admiration, wonder and awe, finding richness and satisfaction in many places.

If you have the strength of appreciation of beauty and excellence...

- You are likely to have been excited by excellence in music, art, drama, film, sport or science in the last month
- You admire and appreciate the strengths, talents and accomplishments of others
- You seek out new ideas and experiences that are likely to delight you
- You experience joy in other people's success



Graduation Dinner

If Government Covid-19 restrictions are lifted as expected next Monday, we are confident that the Aston Hills Golf Club will resume trading with their earlier capacity of 90 people.





WHAT'S THE BUZZ? Adelaide Hills & Fleurieu

Is your child struggling with Social Situations? Confidence.. Friendships.. Resilience.. Anxiety?

Have you heard of What's The Buzz?

An evidence based social emotional skills enrichment program taught through fun based stories and games. **Now taking enrolments** for 5-16 yr olds for 2021 in the Adelaide Hills.

~ UNDERSTAND & MANAGE EMOTIONS ~ LISTEN TO OTHERS ~ SET & ACHIEVE PERSONAL GOALS ~ FEEL & SHOW EMPATHY FOR OTHERS ~ ESTABLISH & MAINTAIN POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS

~ MAKE EMPOWERED DECISIONS



Contact Lauren Tydeman & Jess Keenan at www.whatsthebuzzadelaidehills.com.au

Acrostic poems about Remembrance Day by the 3/4/5 Class.

Students had to write an acrostic poem using the word, Remember.

Rather than single words students had to write a phase that matched the letter, relating to Remembrance Day.

Students were successful when they had written a draft, according to the success criteria, had it checked by a teacher and completed a good copy for presentation.

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Red poppies sit on the battle field like a cat ready to pounce	E ngage the soldiers victory	M en falling dead like flies on a fly trap	E ntering the battle fields scared, the soldiers like mice	M en fighting for their rights	B elieve in the soldiers like they believe in us	E leven was their special number of place	R emember these fallen soldiers we will	
R ed poppies it's the photo of the war	E cho of the men's gun shots	M en hurt and all of the blood	E lements of the horse carts and horses	M en hiding underground	B eing brave in the war	E ating on the way to the war	R emember the people who served in the war	Deadly of the letter of the le

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Red poppies growing amongst fallen men	choes of fallen soldiers shot dead where they stood	M any many men charging into battle	E ntering the battlefield they had no idea what would happen	Mourning wives and children crying for their loss	B attle-worn ANZACS remembering fallen comrades	E choes of gunfire as deafening as a bomb	R emember our failen soldiers, lest we forget	
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