



# Mac News

Friday 17th November

## DIARY DATES

Friday 17th November	Prep Dinner & 1/2 Sleepover
Tuesday 21st November	School Council Meeting 4pm
Friday 24th November	Swimming
Friday 1st December	Swimming
Tuesday 5th December	Book Club orders due
Monday 11th December	Staff Planning Day - Student Free

**Did you know you can use the Tiqbiz (Flexibuzz) app to advise us if your child is going to be away from school due to illness, family holidays etc?**



Dear Parents and School Community,

Term Four is always a busy and exciting part of the year. It is a time when we collate our summative assessments to determine how our students have progressed and this informs our judgements and comments for the end of year reports. It is also a term in which preparations for the next school year are occurring.

Our staffing profile has been finalised with the appointment of Dea Osman who will take on the responsibility of teaching one of the Grade 234s. The other Grade 234 will be taught by Jo Reyntjes. The Grade 56 will be taught by Andrew Goodson and the Prep One grade will be taught by Sharon Smith-Francis. Changes to the enrolment have meant that the allocation of students to the 234 grades has yet to be finalised. We will let you know those groupings in the near future.

Carolyn Ryrrie will continue her Literacy Support role and Karen Wray and Jo Edwards will continue their roles in teaching art and sport. Sylvia Ganosis and Lisa Rowe will continue to head up classroom support, additional assistance and wellbeing roles in 2018. Fiona Jenkins will continue in her role as our school's Business Manager. We expect our enrolment to be similar to this year with around 100 students.

There is much excitement in the air as the Prep, 1 and 2 students prepare for their dinner and sleepover tonight. The Preps will head home after tea and the grade 1 and 2 students will stay the night at school. This is good preparation for camping programs in the future and a way to encourage independence as well as being fun and exciting for our students. A huge thank you to the staff who are giving up their time to stay the night at school – their commitment is highly valued and appreciated. We also are very thankful to the parents who are helping out with the meal preparations.

Next Thursday, Prep, 1 and 2 students will be involved in the Bravehearts program. This highly regarded program focusses on teaching young students about personal safety and it aligns well with the school's Child Safe Policy. Parents are encouraged to come in and watch the delivery of this important learning experience. It will be held in the Prep/1 room starting at 12pm and goes for around 30 minutes.

We are seeking feedback about this year's School Halloween fair. Attached to the newsletter is a feedback form. It will only take a couple of minutes to complete and your thoughts and suggestions will go a long way in making our next fair even better. Please return your completed feedback form to school by next Friday, 24th November.

With kind regards,

Andy Backwell ~ Principal.

**OUR FABULOUS FUNDRAISING  
COMMITTEE IS ORGANISING A  
CHRISTMAS  
RAFFLE —OUR FINAL  
FUNDRAISER FOR THIS YEAR.**

**Please drop in your donations of anything  
Christmassy by 1st December.**



**Raffle books of 10 tickets have been sent home with every  
family today. Each ticket is \$1.00. Please return sold/unsold  
tickets & money to the school office by Friday 8th December.**

**SCHOOL TERM DATES FOR 2018**



31 January - 29 March  
16 April - 29 June  
16 July - 21 September  
8 October - 21 December



**Like us on Facebook**

Macarthur Street Primary School has a closed Facebook group and you are all welcome to join to keep in touch with what's happening at school.

**Lost Property**

We still have a huge amount of unnamed items in our lost property box. Please come in and have a look.

