



# Mac News No. 3 Friday 8th March 2024

## 2024 DATES TO REMEMBER

<b>Friday 8th March</b>	<b>Foundation - Grade 2 Fire Rescue Victoria (FRV) Incursion Session 1</b>
<b>Monday 11th March</b>	<b>LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY - NO SCHOOL</b>
<b>Wednesday 13th March - Monday 18th March</b>	<b>Grade 3 and Grade 5 NAPLAN</b>
<b>Monday 25th March</b>	<b>Foundation - Grade 2 Fire Rescue Victoria (FRV) Incursion Session 2 Parent Teacher Interviews 3.30pm—5.30pm</b>
<b>Tuesday 26th March</b>	<b>Parent Teacher Interviews 3.30pm—5.00pm</b>
<b>Thursday 28th March</b>	<b>LAST DAY OF TERM 1! House Athletic Carnival held at school Students finish school at 2:00pm</b>
<b>Monday 15th April</b>	<b>STUDENT FREE DAY — STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY</b>
<b>Tuesday 16th April</b>	<b>FIRST DAY OF TERM 2 Whole School Welcome to Country - Smoking Ceremony 9.00am-10.00am</b>
<b>Monday 22nd April</b>	<b>SCHOOL PHOTO DAY</b>
<b>Monday 29th April &amp; Tuesday 30th April</b>	<b>Dental Visit for all students</b>

### Principal Report

Dear Parents, Carers, and Community Members,

It has been another busy fortnight at Mac Street! Our Foundation students have begun full weeks at school, we have had several incursions: golf for our grade 3 to 6 students, central highlands water visit for our grade 1/2s and a visit from local firefighters for our foundation to grade 2 students! Our staff are always thinking of ways that they can provide different learning experiences for our students that link to our core knowledge curriculum.

#### SCHOOL COUNCIL

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the following people who will finish their time on our school council: Jason Parke and Kristy Owens - Jason and Kristy have held various roles on school council and have played integral roles in the direction of our wonderful school. We thank you for your time and commitment.

We would like to welcome three new members to school council for 2024: Billi Rose-Arnott, Sarah Dziunka and Melissa Jessiman. We look forward to working with you and continuing to build on the great work that has been achieved in the last 12 months.

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

On Tuesday 19 March we will be holding our Annual General meeting and be tabling the Annual Report for 2023 in the School Staffroom at 4.00pm. The AGM will detail the achievements for 2023 and include department data to support this document. If you wish to attend the AGM and you are not on the School Council, could you let us know, you are most welcome to attend.

#### PARENT/CARER/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

In Week 9, the 25th and 26th March, we will hold our student conferences. This year, each student has an allocated time, and we are allowing one time slot per student. A note has been sent home informing families of the date and time as well as questions for families to fill in prior to the meeting. This will allow staff to cover all topics and questions in the allocated time.

#### SCHOOL ATHLETICS

On the last day of Term, we will have our school athletics day. Students can dress up in their house colours if the clothes are appropriate for athletics and being sun smart. A big thank you to the parents that have volunteered their time to assist running events.

## Principal Report continued.....

### NAPLAN

Our Grade 3 and 5 students will take part in NAPLAN next week. Students will be assessed and compared against other Grade 3 and 5 students across the country. Our students will complete a reading, writing, numeracy, and language conventions assessment. All of which is completed on school laptops, other than our Grade 3 students who will complete their writing assessment on paper. We believe that all students can take part in the assessment, but if you believe your child should be exempt, please contact myself or Mrs Edwards.

13 MARCH		14 MARCH		15 MARCH	
09:30 AM - W Y3(6)		09:30 AM - CL Y3(6)		09:15 AM - N Y3(6)	
09:30 AM - W Y5(7)		10:15 AM - R Y5(7)		09:15 AM - CU Y5(7)	
12:00 PM - R Y3(6)		10:15 AM - CU Y3(6)		12:00 PM - N Y5(7)	
		12:00 PM - CL Y5(7)		12:45 PM - CU Y5(7)	
		12:00 PM - CU Y3(6)			

18 MARCH		19 MARCH		20 MARCH		21 MARCH		22 MARCH	
09:15 AM - CU Y3(6)									
09:15 AM - CU Y5(7)									
12:00 PM - CU Y3(6)									
12:00 PM - CU Y5(7)									

### ATTENDANCE

We are beginning to see some of our students arrive at school between 9.10 and 9.30. We can't stress enough how valuable the first 30 minutes of our day is. This is when all classrooms are completing Sounds-Write, the sounds that are taught during this time are directly linked to the decodable texts that are being sent home. If there is anything the school can do to assist families in getting students to school on time, please let us know.

### OSHC UPDATE

Our students have been having a great time at after school care. There has been lots of yummy snacks eaten, and games being played. It's been wonderful to see our students so excited to be with Lachlan after school. If you have any questions about enrolling your child into after school care, please come to the office and speak to BJ or I.

### UNIFORM

There have been numerous questions about the Uniform Policy with students not wearing leggings under the Summer dress. Navy tights/stockings (these are lighter/ see through material) can be worn, but NOT the thicker cotton material leggings.

Have a great long weekend!

Mr Anthony Cross — Principal

## JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES 2024



Abigail



Aleah



Brooklyn



Dimitrii



Estela



Ethan



Hailie



Josie



Mikayla



Ruby

# F O U N D A T I O N N E W S

The last week and a half in foundation has been nothing short of amazing! Students are demonstrating outstanding classroom behaviours and showing a real interest in their learning. We are working really hard at understanding new letters and sounds each week, and have been practicing blending our sounds to say words.

In Numeracy, students have been thinking really hard about what they do at different times in their day, and then sequencing these events in order.



Mrs Burns

## GRADE 1/2 NEWS

The Grade 1/2s were lucky earlier this week to have a visit from Peter who works for Central Highlands Water. Peter talked about how we collect and share water in the Ballarat area through a 2000km long pipeline! Students also learnt how fortunate they are to have access to fresh drinking water, and the importance of drinking water for our bodies.

*Did you know that 70% of our bodies are made of water? and that we should be drinking 6-8 glasses of water each day (that's 1.2L).*



***Pictured:*** Astrid squeezing through the pipeline that shares water around Ballarat.

Miss Eustice



# GRADE 3/4 News

This week in the 3/4 class we have been delving into some data collection and representation.

Throughout the week we have collected a range of data in various forms, including categorical data in a survey, transferring this into a data table (using tally marks), and have also explored the use of graphs. We know that data is another word for information, and there can be different reasons and methods for collecting data.

The photos show us surveying our classmates based on a question we formulated with two possible responses.



Mr Goodson



Happy Birthday to the following students who have celebrated their birthday over the last week or will celebrate it in the coming days.

**Mason**  
**Haidyn**  
**Betsy**  
**Serenity**  
**Kayla**

## Student of the Week

For showing the school value of 'Responsibility'.

<b>FB</b>	Aeryn
<b>1/2E</b>	Thomas
<b>3/4G</b>	Macey
<b>5/6S</b>	Kenzie
<b>Principal</b>	Daisy



# 5-6 News

Another awesome session of golf was had by the grade 5/6s!!  
We all had a go at hitting with chippers and drivers.  
The girls won the competition where we played against  
the boys getting the most balls in the hoop.  
Our chipping skills obviously on 'par' with the best of the best!!!



Mrs Seff

# Auslan News

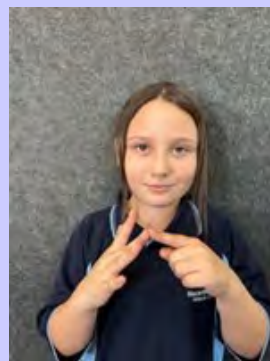
The last fortnight in Auslan, all students completed a mid-term assessment.  
I would like to congratulate all students on excellent achievement.  
This week we revised fingerspelling with a particular focus on vowel letters.  
Have a go at home!



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# MACARTHUR STREET HOUSE

## ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

**Thursday 28th March 2024**, will be holding our House Athletics Carnival. Throughout the day Students will compete in events to obtain points for their house, and hopefully a ribbon for themselves. At the end of the day a house cup is awarded to the house with the most points. **Students will finish at 2.00pm on this day.**

Our school houses are **Armstrong**, **Doveton** and **Clarendon**.

You will notice that each house has a representative colour. We ask students to support their house by wearing clothing, ribbons or zinc in the appropriate colour. This gives the students a sense of belonging and teamwork, and a message that all efforts are valued and important.

If you are unsure which house your child is in please check Compass or check out one of the posters around the school. Please see your classroom teacher as soon as possible.

**Please remember that sensible, SunSmart clothing and running footwear is still required for the day.**

Parents/carers are more than welcome to come along and cheer on the athletes.



# Getting to know our new staff...

## Ms Tamara Sheward - Librarian

### Describe your perfect day?

Travelling abroad with my 10-year-old daughter and my husband. Trying new foods, wandering off the beaten track, getting hilariously (in hindsight) lost. Ending the day on an overnight train bound for more adventures!

### What's a movie you could watch every day?

The Godfather, Stand By Me, Raiders of the Lost Ark, Breakfast Club... if I play them back to back without pausing, that counts as one movie, right?

### What is your favourite food?

Anything spicy... I even put chili in my coffee!

### If you were to have a superpower, what would it be and why?

Omniscience, so I could be a literal know-it-all. With all the knowledge in the universe up my sleeve, I would know how to unlock all the \*other\* superpowers!

### What's one thing about you that you think would surprise people?

I don't just shelve books: I write them too! I was a travel writer with Lonely Planet for more than a decade. I have a Ballarat-centric kids' book coming out this year... watch this space!



# VILLAGE OSHC IS HERE !!!

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### Ultimate Flexibility

Book online up to one minute in advance, access fees and service times, update your details, and more! Your bookings and updates are recorded instantaneously!



## Operating Hours and Fees:

Programs operate Monday - Friday as detailed below:

Programs	Times	Fees*	After CCS^
After School Care	3:15 PM - 6:00 PM	\$35.00	\$3.50

## Bookings

- Book up to one minute in advance online 24 hours a day.
- Access fees and service times, update your details, and more.
- You're in control of your information, and your changes, bookings and cancellations are recorded instantaneously. It couldn't be easier!
- No sign-up, membership or administration fees.

## Fees\*

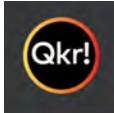
- Fees listed are per child per session before CCS.
- Booking 24 hours or more in advance will give you access to the lowest fees!
- For a full list of fees and charges including late notice and walk-ins, see our "Terms and Conditions" page at [villageoshc.com.au](http://villageoshc.com.au).

## Child Care Subsidy^

- Based on a maximum possible entitlement of the Child Care Subsidy (CCS.)
- To find out what level of CCS you are entitled to, visit [www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/child-care-subsidy](http://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/child-care-subsidy) or call 13 61 50.

Scan the QR Code and Book Today!





# Lunch Menu 2024

Available every Wednesday - Order via QKR!  
Orders close at 7:30am each Wednesday morning.  
NO CASH orders, only QKR orders.

Hot Food	Price
Meat Pie	\$5.00
GF Meat Pie (GF)	\$5.80
Vegie Pastie (V)	\$5.00
Party Pie	\$1.30
Party Sausage Roll	\$1.40
Tomato Sauce	\$0.50

Lunches Off the Grill	Price
Chicken Snitzel Burger, Letuce, cheese, mayo	\$6.35
BBQ Beef, cheese and bacon Roll	\$6.10
Cheeseburger	\$5.95
Chicken Parma Roll	\$6.20
Other Hot Options	
Pizza - Hawaiian	\$3.80
Pizza - Cheese	\$3.60
GF Pizza (Cheese)	\$4.50
Dim Sim 2 Pack	\$2.80
Toastie - Cheese / Ham & Cheese	\$4.10
Toastie - Ham, Cheese, Tomato / Chicken & Avo	\$4.30

Choose a Wrap, Sandwich or Roll	Price
Salad (V)	\$5.10
Ham and Salad	\$5.30
Chicken and Avo	\$5.50
Chicken and Salad	\$5.50
<b>Note Rolls or Wraps Extra</b>	\$1.00
Chicken Caesar Wrap	\$5.50
Fruit	
Fruit Salad (V) (GF)	\$3.00
Sushi Twin Packs (Crispy Chicken, Salmon, califonia, Tuna, Vegetarian, Teriyaki Chicken)	\$6.95

home made Sweet Treats	Price
Hedgehog/Peppermint Slice	\$3.40
Large Chocolate Chip Cookie	\$2.90
Mini Muffin - Choc Chip, Blueberry, Banana (V)	\$2.90
Drinks	
Fruit Box - Apple, Apple&Raspberry, Tropical	\$2.20
Small Flavoured Milk - Chocolate, Strawberry	\$3.20
Bottled water	\$1.50