Welcome back to all our staff, families and students, I hope all our families have had a wonderful holiday and made the most of the beautiful weather we were blessed with. Term 2 will be just as busy with lots of exciting events and activities scheduled. This is the term for NAPLAN for Years 3 & 5, assessments and Semester 1 Reports and also a lead up to the Cross Country and Athletics Carnivals. I thank everyone in advance for a great term and the support and cooperation of our Community and our families.

ANZAC Day March
The ANZAC Day March will be held this Saturday. Macksville PS will march at Bowraville as part of the 100 year celebration. We would love to see as many students as possible, dressed in school uniform to represent Macksville Public School on the day. We will assemble at Bowraville RSL at 9.30am. Buses will be available to transport children and families to Bowraville, departing Macksville at 8.30am. It is wonderful to see the ongoing support for the tradition and spirit of ANZAC Day. There will not be a march at Macksville this year, though student representatives will be laying a wreath at the Macksville service, and students and their families are welcome to attend.

The Term 1 GOLD DAY and ‘Walkathon’
Students who demonstrated ongoing excellent behaviour throughout Term 1 celebrated GOLD DAY at the end of last term. The children enjoyed movies and a sausage sizzle, watermelon and a drink. Thank you to Woolworths for donating the watermelon for everyone to enjoy. The day ended with a fabulous ‘Walkathon’ organised by our Student Representative Council. What an amazing success for our SRC’s first fundraising effort. Thank you to all our families who sponsored their children to walk the course throughout the afternoon. The SRC raised $2408.80 for the Walkathon which will go towards sports equipment for lunchtime play on the bottom oval. What an amazing effort, well done everyone!! Special effort goes to Delilah Mamone who raised $126.00 and also Montanna and Charlotte Ward who raised $140.00 between them. THANK YOU!
Easter Celebrations ~
The Easter Hat Parade and Monster Easter Raffle was also a huge success. The Stage 1 were just beautiful in their colourfull and creative Easter hats. It is one of my favourite events on the school calendar as it highlights the festive and community spirit that Macksville Public School continues to promote. The streets were lined with well-wishers to help celebrate this wonderful spectacle. It was great to see so many pre-schoolers and toddlers join in on the parade. It is a day that Macksville Pre-school and Alphabet Long Day Care College are excited about and thoroughly enjoy parading for all to see. Thank you also to the Primary students who joined in this year to make it a whole school celebration.
The Monster Easter Raffle was again a mammoth event with 40 prizes. Congratulations to all our winners. This would not be possible without the support of our families in donating the chocolates and Easter eggs and also our wonderful band of P&C helpers wrapping and preparing Easter baskets. Thank you also to the families who sold raffle tickets. Ivy Ellis won the prize for selling the most raffle tickets for the second year in a row. Funds raised will go towards supporting the students.

NAPLAN Assessments
Reminder to students and parents of Year 3 and Year 5 students that NAPLAN assessments will be held 12th, 13th and 14th May. All Year 3 and 5 students are expected to attend on these days and complete assessments in Reading, Writing, Language and Numeracy.

PSSA Cricket Knockout
Congratulations to our Macksville Public School Cricket team who were successful in defeating Urunga Public School. The team has now won the second round of the PSSA Cricket knockout and move on to challenge Toormina Public School this Friday, 24th April.
The team will be travelling to Toormina under the coaching of Mr Matt Clouten. Good luck boys.

School Cross Country
Term 2 is an important time on the sporting calendar. Students will commence Cross Country practice this Friday. Students who are turning 8 years of age and older will need to be organised for sport on Friday with suitable sportswear and suitable joggers. The School Cross Country will be held next Friday, 1st May followed by the District Cross Country on Friday 8th May at Bowraville.

Macksville & District Show
What a fabulous community event. Many of our students have been showing off their various ribbons and awards for their entries at the Macksville Show. We would like to showcase the students who take part in these events so please send them along with their ribbons and awards for photos and recognition for being part of our community. Mrs Knight will be doing a group photo tomorrow, Wednesday 22nd April. Thank you to Mrs Ronan and Mrs Hazelwood for a beautiful Macksville Public School display of students’ work. They always provide a very colourful and creative display that does not disappoint. Brilliant job, everyone.

~ Debbie Grenenger, Relieving Principal
END OF TERM HONEYPOT AWARDS:
These 2 lucky girls above each received a $50 Voucher to be spent at Mega Save Macksville, as part of the Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) Program.

URGENT: Transition forms outstanding - Year 6 to Year 7
There are still some outstanding forms from Year 6 students for Transition into Year 7. It is urgent for these to be handed in to the office this week.

Year 3 Excursion payments: Final date for payments for the Year 3 Excursion to Coffs Coast Beach School is this Friday April 24th. The excursion takes place on May 6th. We are always happy for parents to pay off excursions with small regular payments to the office.

Payments for Excursions: Payments for your child’s excursion can be made to the office (cash or cheque) or online. If paying online, please remember to email us to let us know you have done so.
We need your child’s name as a reference and amount deposited.
Email the school at macksville-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Account Name: MPS Admin Account
Account No: 142920
BSB: 032001
Reference: Your child’s name.

Please make sure your child’s belongings are clearly marked with their name.

Payment options.
Logs on to www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au
Account Name: MPS Admin Account
BSB: 032001
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Reference: Your child’s name.

Phone WENDY 65681800

CANNED HELPERs NEEDED NOW

School Canteen Roster

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Order your child’s lunch through our Online Canteen:
Phone: 1300 116 637
Log on to www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au
Payment options.

Spoon or fork or container: 10c each

MENU ON SCHOOL WEBSITE

Home-made Spag Bol $4
Jelly & Fruit Cup 70c
Dried Fruit
GLUTEN-FREE NUGGETS NOW AVAILABLE

News from the Canteen:
Use our Online Canteen and go into the Draw for Weekly Prizes. See above for details.
If your children are bringing food from home that you need us to heat, you need to supply your own spoon or fork, or they can be purchased for 10c each. Also, if ordering Noodles or bringing noodle cups from home, please be aware we will not send them in lunch boxes. Children will need to come and collect them from the Canteen. Slushies and hot Milos must also be collected from the Canteen. Any children who have ordered food which needs to be picked up from the Canteen will also need to bring their Lunch Bag order up with them.
Out And About At Macksville Public School

ANZAC Day 2015

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Parents are reminded that there will be NO ANZAC March in Macksville this year. However, our students can march in Bowraville. As 2015 is the centenary of ANZAC, all our towns will combine and one major service and march which will be held in Bowraville. Macksville Public School will also have our ANZAC projects on display in Grants Hall Bowraville, please come along and see them.

There are many ways to be involved in ANZAC Day:-

Marching with Macksville Public School
All MPS students are invited to march with us in Bowraville. We will marshal at the Bowraville Ex-Services Club at 9.30am. All students are reminded to please wear FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM.

Marching for a WW1 relative (separate section of the march)
Children, are invited to march on behalf of those being honoured. These marchers will be given a commemorative pack to mark their participation and will wear a badge bearing the name of the person for whom they are marching (to be picked up on the day). Students are to wear medals which are to be worn the right hand side of the chest. If you would prefer you child to march in this section of the march, you must register your child by emailing: anzac2015@yahoo.com.au Please include the students name, contact phone number and contact email address in your registration email. Also those wanting to march with a particular soldiers name tag, please contact the Frank Partridge VC Military Museum (on Fridays) on 6564 7056.

Further information
Transport— there are free buses running to and from Bowraville on ANZAC Day. You must book a seat. Bookings can be made by ringing 6564 7056. All buses arrive at Bowraville at 9.30am and depart Bowraville at 11.30am.

Bus route 1
Departs 8.30am Scott’s Head Bowling Club
Departs 8.45am Stuarts Point Bowling Club
Departs 8.55am Eungai General Store

Bus Route 2
Departs 8.30am Macksville Ex-Services Club

Bus Route 3
Departs 8.30am Nambucca Heads RSL Club

Bus Route 4
Departs 8.30am Nambucca Heads Plaza

Wreaths— Those wanting to lay a wreath need to contact the committee as soon as possible as wreath laying will be conducted in a certain order.

ANZAC Day in Macksville
• 5.30am Dawn Service at the War Memorial on River St, followed by a free breakfast at the Macksville Ex Services Club.
• 8.30am the bus will depart for Bowraville

FOLLOWING THE BOWRAVILLE SERVICE
• 12 noon Macksville Commemoration Service, at the War Memorial on River St
• 1.30pm ANZAC buffet luncheon, Macksville Ex Services Club $20 per person, please book.

Proud to be a part of the Family School
2015 Macksville Show
The Macksville Show was a HUGE success! Thank you to all our families for supporting our show. Not only did many families visit the show to enjoy all the wonderful things on offer but we had many, many students who entered items in to the pavilion, exhibited animals and competed on their horses.

If you entered anything in the Show and/or won a ribbon or award, please bring either your item and/or ribbon or award to school tomorrow, Wednesday 22nd April, and we will take a group photo of all your wonderful achievements.

P&C Mother’s Day Stall
Our Mother’s Day stall will be held on Thursday 7th May. This is a wonderful fundraiser for our P&C and the kids just LOVE picking mum a present from the stall. Please send money in with your child on the day of the stall only. This year gifts will be priced between $4-$10.

Therese will need volunteers to help run the stall which will run from 9am-11.10am. Your help will be very much appreciated so please let us know if you can come. There is morning tea, coffee and a good laugh on offer. The only catch is (if you’re a mum) you have to close your eyes when your child comes through the stall!

We hope you all have a wonderful Mother’s Day.
Anyone wishing to have Music Lessons please fill in the note below and send into the school office.

**PERMISSION NOTE FOR MUSIC LESSONS**

Name: _____________________________________________ Class: __________________

I would like to learn ______________________________________________________________________

Signed: ______________________________________  (Parent) Phone No. ______________________