Term 3, Week 7  August 25th, 2015

COMING UP:

Wednesday August 26th  Kindergarten Excursion to Billabong Park
Thursday August 27th  Touch Football Gala Day
Friday August 28th  North Coast Athletics Trials
Fri 28th-Mon 31st August  Happy Harold Life Education Van for Infants
Monday August 31st  Timbertown Excursion Year 2
Tuesday September 1st  Book Week Parade
Thursday September 3rd  Whole School Assembly
Friday September 4th  Performance ‘Heave Ho, Off We Go’
Mon Sept 7-Fri Sept 10  Year 6 Excursion

Year 3 & 5 NAPLAN

Year 3 and Year 5 students participated in a National Assessment in May of this year. Individual letters have arrived for parents of students in Year 3 and Year 5 who sat this assessment, and the enclosed report outlines your child/children’s results in Numeracy, Reading, Spelling, Writing and Language Conventions. The NAPLAN Student Report can be picked up from the office. Please take the time to call in and personally receive your child’s report. If, however, you wish your child to bring the report home, a letter from you is required before the report is distributed. If you require support in reading and interpreting the Student Report please feel free to contact the school on 6568 1800.

HAPPY HAROLD IS COMING! ~ Life Education Program (K-2)

The Life Education Program will be visiting Macksville Public School on Friday 28th August and Monday 31st August. Only classes from Kindergarten to Year 2 are timetabled to attend this very important program. The Life Education Program supports the PE/Health/PD syllabus and presents education on ‘Making Healthy Choices’. The cost of visiting the Life Education Van is $6.00. Students will also receive a booklet to accompany the lessons covered in the van so that follow-up lessons may continue in the classroom.

Emerging Into Ladies Program

Mr Rumsey expanded his Transition Into Manhood Program (TIMS) that he ran last year, to include an Emerging Into Ladies Program (EILS). The workshop is being implemented in conjunction with Macksville High School students to build resilience, confidence and self-esteem among our female students. The program also aims to build leadership skills in our senior students as they prepare to move into High School.

Annual Kindergarten Excursion to Billabong Zoo

The Kinder excursion to Billabong Koala Park is one of the most exciting events for our younger students. KR and KM will enjoy a DETECTIVE DAY at the zoo on Wednesday, 26th August. The learning on the day, and following this great experience, is just amazing. I am looking forward to seeing all the great photos and reading the clever writing that our Kinder students produce. Children need to wear full school uniform and bring along their recess, lunch and a water bottle.
**Book Week Parade**

It is time to start thinking about your costumes for our annual Book Week Parade to be held on **Tuesday, September 1st at 9:30am** in the top playground. Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 love to dress up as their favourite book character and entertain parents, family and visitors. We always welcome our local pre-schools to come and join in on the fun. Traditionally it is only the Stage 1 students who participate in the dress up parade, however any Year 3-6 students are most welcome to join the parade.

**Year 2 and 3K Excursion to Timbertown**

Year 2 and 3K will complete a unit of work on ‘Machines and Transport’ with an excursion to **Timbertown in Wauchope on Monday, 31st August**. The cost of the excursion is **$30.00** and all money and permission notes must be sent to your child’s classroom teacher by **Thursday, 27th August**. Children are asked to wear full school uniform and bring recess, lunch, a hat and a water bottle.

**School Performance ‘Heave Ho, Off We Go’**

We have an exciting performance coming up on **Friday 4th September**. “Heave Ho, Off We Go” will challenge our students’ young minds with illusions that will get their brain cells working. There will be magic, juggling and ventriloquist dolls. The cost of the performance is **$4.50 per child, which needs to be paid by the day before the performance, Thursday 3rd September**. Due to administration, **no money will be accepted on the day**.

**Touch Football Gala Day**

The NRL is holding a non-competitive Rugby League boys and girls Touch Football Gala Day on **Thursday, 27th August at the Macksville Sporting Fields**. Students participating, are asked to bring their own lunch, though a canteen will operate on the day. Students will walk to the venue for a **9:30am start**. Please return permission notes to Mr Parker.

**Road Safety Issues**

This is a reminder to parents and students to be extra vigilant when getting off the school bus. There have been reports of some incidences where children are not being careful when crossing the road after getting off the bus. Parents should pick up their children on the same side as the bus-stop. There have also been concerns of children not using their Road Safety Rules when crossing West Street at the back of the school. It is very important to revisit these road safety and bus safety rules regularly with your child.

**Kindergarten Enrolments for 2016**

We are taking enrolments into Kindergarten for 2016 and have been showing many parents our beautiful Kindergarten rooms. Parents who have a pre-school child or a sibling starting Kindergarten in 2016 can enrol now so you don't miss out on information about our transition days. Enrolment forms are available at preschools and at our school office. Please contact the school on 6568 1800. **Transition Days with visits to Kindergarten classrooms will take place on:**

- Wednesday, 28th October 10am-11am;
- Wednesday, 4th November 10am-11am; and
- Wednesday, 11th November 9.30am – 11am.

~ Debbie Grenenger, Relieving Principal

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**Year 6 Excursion Payments:** These need to be finalised by Friday August 28th. The Excursion takes place Monday September 7th, returning Thursday September 10th.

Please keep payments coming in for all other excursions. We are quite happy if you wish to make numerous small payments to make paying your child’s excursion easier. **If you pay online it is essential to email us on the address below, in order for us to process your payment correctly.**

**PAYMENTS for Excursions, Textbooks, School Contribution:** Payments 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, amount deposited and the reference for the payment.**

Email the school at macksville-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Account Name: MPS Admin Account

Acct No: 142920

BSB: 032001

Reference: Your child’s name and activity.

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**CAFE MENU**

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Phone our Canteen Manager Wendy on 6568 1800

**GREAT HOT FOOD**

- Slushies will be back in Term 4.
- Corn cobs $1
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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. _______________

Assembly Awards Weeks 5 and 6:

Kinder: Shaylah Apps, Harper Payne, Jakei Ritchie, Tristan Longobardi

Year 1: Nathan Ritchie, Jayden Sparks

Year 2: Toby Dwyer, Ella Hazelwood, Millie Edwards, Zoe Sills, Clarence Green, Ella Honnery

Year 3: Alison Flack, Aimee Robinson, Justus Kyle, Tyler Field, Charlie McKay

Year 4: Chloe Waddell, Jasper Goldthorpe, Cameron Adair, Ashlee Carter, Taylah Jury, Taya Welsh, Jett Lynch, Benjamin McNally

Year 5: Ares Toth, Troy Yardy, Nash Banks, Celeste Cameron, Luka Quinn, Joshua Callaway

From the Library: The theme for the annual Book Week this year is ‘Books Light Up Your World’. The Book Week Parade will take place on Tuesday September 1st, 9.30am under the COLA on the top playground. This year the whole school can dress up and participate in the Parade. So get your thinking caps on and get dressed up as your favourite book character. I can’t wait to see what fabulous costumes our students wear to school!!

~ Sarah Pade Teacher/Librarian

Home Reading Awards — Infants:

Jayden Sparks 75; Orin Richards 50; Amelia Keen 75; Noah Lockyer 50; Rorie Cameron 125; Koby Book Hicklin 75; Kaleah Benson 50; Toby Dwyer 150; Ella Hazelwood 75; Clarence Green 75 and 100; Luke Jefferson 25 and 50; Lenci Walker 50; Thomas Boys 50 and 75; Yvon Grace 75; Ryan Guy 25; Ellah Jarrett 50; Crystal Berrell 50 and 75; Lachlan Crossingham 75; Jemilah Booth 75; Brooklyn Stokes 75; Charlotte Ward 75; Riley Ferguson 75.

IAN FLARRETY—MUSIC TEACHER      PHONE 6568 3921

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Name: ________________________________ Class: __________________

I would like to learn ________________________________

Signed: ____________________________________ (Parent) Phone No. _______________
Parents please be aware that if you require our staff to administer medication of any kind to your child, the correct form needs to be filled in and signed prior to the administration of any medication. Unfortunately a note from home will not suffice.

This form can be picked up from our front office or you can download one from our school website: www.macksville-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Click on:
⇒ Permission Notes tab
⇒ then Medical Notes
⇒ then Medication Request

You can find these recipes on our website if you would like to try them at home:-

- head to our website at www.macksville-p.school.nsw.edu.au
- then click on the ‘Curriculum and Activities’ tab on the home page
- Follow the red tabs on the left and click on ‘Stephanie Alexander Kitchen’
- You can then choose to view photos or recipes.

The Healthy Kids Bus Stop will be at Macksville Public School Hall between Tuesday 15th–Thursday 17th September. It is a whole-of-child screening, assessment and pathway to care program for children turning 4, or those that have turned 4 or 5 during 2015. Led by Royal Far West, this program is supported by our local health networks and Aboriginal medical services.

The program delivers a comprehensive health assessment in line with the NSW Health ‘Blue Book’. It is designed to be a fun and interactive program where children progress through health stations known as ‘bus stops’, hopping on and off at each ‘station’ in order to complete their health check. The children will receive a bus pass stamp at each station along the way. Checks include:

- Vision
- Oral health
- Dietetics
- Speech
- Health Promotion
- Fine and gross motor skills
- Hearing
- Immunisation Status

YOU MUST REGISTER TO TAKE PART. Registration forms can be picked up at our front office.

Why are there 5 syllables in the word ‘monosyllabic’?
GRANDPARENTS, PARENTS, FAMILIES
ALL WELCOME TO WATCH THE
PARADE ON THE PRIMARY PLAYGROUND

BOOK WEEK PARADE 2015

Come dressed up as your favourite book character

Tues Sept 1st 9.30am

Books Light Up Our World
Community News:
**Macksville Ex-Services Junior Cricket Club season:** Milo In2cricket - Tuesday October 13th at Thistle Park Macksville. U10s - Saturday 10th October 9am at Macksville Park, Willis St. U12s and U14s - training after school Tuesday 8th September at Donnelly Welsh Playing Fields, Macksville. Registrations at training. See our facebook page for more info or contact Tom Mann 0417 497 001.

**‘Joeys’:** for girls and boys aged 6-8 yrs. Indoor/outdoor games, traditional scout skills, civic activities. **Information Session** at Macksville Scout Hall, Partridge Street, Macksville, Thurs 3 Sept. 6pm. Initial deposit $30 required. **If you are unable to attend, but would like more information, please contact Group Leader Anissa Ruitenberg on 6569 6157 (ah) or 0417 448 204.**