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NEWSLETTER

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"Have a safe and happy holiday"

IMPORTANT DATES

Sept	
24-05	Spring Holidays
Oct	
08	First Day Term 4
15-8	Higher School Certificate Exams
17	Cattle Nationals - Lismore
23-26	TAFE Quad Bike Training
23	Term 4 - Major Assembly
23	P & C Meeting, 6.30pm - Hosp. T12
29-02	Year 10 Exams
Nov	
05-09	Year 7 & 8 Exams
06	Zone Girls Cricket - Laurieton
09	NCCHS Surf Life Saving
12-06	Year 9 Exams
12-16	Year 10 Swim & Survive

Absentee Letters

Students are now to bring these letters and place them in a box located on the student counter at the front office.

Please do not hand them to roll call Teachers. Letters should include the students first, last name, roll call class and the dates that the student is absent.

Year 12 Farewell Assembly

Yesterday, Macksville High School said goodbye to the class of Year 12, 2012 at their Final Assembly. The ceremony was full of emotion and pride for the hard work and determination shown by all in Year 12 to complete their high school education.

Jodie Collits, the Year 12, Year Adviser was very proud of them and although she will miss them was excited for their future in what ever path they choose to take - "Stay Gold Year 12".



CANTEEN ROSTER - OCTOBER		
Monday	8	S Compton - R Smith
Tuesday	9	R Wood
Wednesday	10	R Wood
Thursday	11	Helper needed
Friday	12	G Welsh
Monday	15	S Compton - R Smith
Tuesday	16	R Wood
Wednesday	17	R Wood
Thursday	18	D Jackson

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From our Principal

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our Year 9 students who have participated in the reading with Kindergarten, Years 1 & 2 program at Macksville Public School. Throughout the course of term 3, a selected group of students have been visiting the Primary School to both listen to and assist students with their reading. This concept known as 'The Blain Project' was the birth child of Ian Blain, a former MHS teacher whose passion was engaging children in reading. Year 9 students have thoroughly enjoyed the experience this term; attaining a richly deserved sense of importance and achievement from being of benefit to students younger than themselves. Ms Eagan, the supervising teacher, has been extremely proud of the students conduct and enthusiasm at all times during these visits and remarked how lovely it has been to see such a tender side come out in all of the students as they mentor the MPS little ones with their reading....



"I was really surprised at their level of reading. I'm sure I didn't read as well as that when I was in kindergarten"
– Maddi Mason. The program is continuing in term 4.

On Tuesday, I had the pleasure of hosting the 4 Star Principal's party for 22 students from across a range of year groups with their year advisers. As part of the Merit Scheme when students have received 15 merits from their teachers, they are issued with a certificate and an invitation to a party in my office. They also qualify for a place on the end of year reward excursion to "The Worlds".

Thursday was a big day for our school community being the last day of school for our year 12 students. Mrs Collits their year adviser hosted a breakfast for them along with staff to start the day together on an informal note followed by the formal farewell assembly. I spent the morning with my Year 12 son at his school and was very pleased to hear of the large number of parents and family members present to share the celebration and the acknowledgement by our student body of the great contribution to school life and for the achievements of our Year 12. Thanks to Mr Vernon, who relieved as Principal for the past 12 months for his attendance and kind words. The bell resinated throughout the stadium signalling the end of school, next is the HSC. Good luck to every student. I hope you leave us satisfied, enthusiastic and ready to take on the challenges ahead.

I would like to thank Karolyn Laverty for her work over the last 3 terms in the music department following the vacancy created by Judith Herivel's retirement. Karolyn has taken the Year 12 class through to the HSC, engaged the Year 7, many surprising themselves of their music ability and inspired the elective students. The time she has put into band and rehearsals has been appreciated by many students. Also, congratulations to Alan Battery who has been permanently appointed as our new music teacher. Alan has been at our school for a number of years as a computing/music teacher and is looking forward to the opportunity to concentrate on music.



GALA DAY A GREAT SUCCESS!

Friday 7th September saw hot and blustery conditions at Kempsey for the Year 7 Sports Gala Day. Unlike the weather, Macksville High School students stayed cool and calm as they participated in Tee-Ball, Soccer, Netball and Touch Football.

All our students showed outstanding sportsmanship, fairness and team spirit. This was particularly admirable as many of our students had returned at midnight from the Zoosnooze excursion at Taronga Zoo. Special thanks must go to the Year 11 Sports Coaching students - Daneil, Shannon, Nick, Chris, Keith and Kade - who assisted on the day.

Congratulations to all students who participated. You made all your coaches proud and showed yourself to be wonderful ambassadors for our school.Mrs Hill, Year 7, Year Adviser



Community Notices:

Health Matters for Men

Free Event

All men, from across the Nambucca Valley, are invited to an entertaining morning with Men's Health Specialist, Stephen Carroll

**Tuesday 9 October 2012
11.00am start
Lunch provided**

**Nambucca Valley Community Men's Shed,
Centra Park St, Macksville Industrial Area, Macksville**

For catering purposes please RSVP by 3rd October 2012 to:
Darcy Budden
Mid North Coast Local Health District
0439882830, 02 65882987
Darcy.Budden@ncahs.health.nsw.gov.au
or
Stuart Holmes
Nambucca Valley Community Men's Shed
02 65684009

STEPHEN CARROLL is coming to your area. He has spoken to thousands of men across Australia about how to make changes that seem small but pay huge dividends to their health. And this advice works, no gimmicks, just good solid information that means better health and a few handy hints on what to change and how to do it.



Health
Mid North Coast
Local Health District

MACKSVILLE & DISTRICT POULTRY CLUB INC

Will be holding an Exhibition & Sale
At Garden Gala 29 September 2012
Sales start at 9am
Call the secretary for details on
02 6568 3221 or 0401 500 840

MACKSVILLE & DISTRICT POULTRY CLUB INC IN CONJUNCTION WITH PRO AG 2012

Date 5th & 6th October 2012
Featuring a Junior Show
Will be Exhibition & Sales each day
Ring the secretary for further details on
02 6568 3221 or 0401 500 840



COFFS HARBOUR BUSKER'S FESTIVAL—WEDNESDAY 26 SEPTEMBER

Would you like to see some great street acts? Come along to the Busker's Festival in Coffs Harbour where all the entertainment is free and on the street for one day only. Bring some lunch or money to buy some and don't forget some \$ for the hat that is passed around by the acts performing....!

Travel will be by Busway's on the 7.13 am bus from Bowraville PO, 7.38am Macksville PO and 7.53am Nambucca Heads (police station) pick up and returning at 2pm from Coffs Harbour. Bus fare will be provided. (full times of departure and arrivals on permission slip)

NAMBUCCA VALLEY AMAZING RACE—WEDNESDAY 3 OCTOBER

Are you good at solving mysteries, puzzles etc? The Amazing Race will feature 2 Scavenger Hunts, 2 Treasure Hunt and clues to solve for points, and win prizes, throughout the day. So come along, join a team or bring your own team, and have fun in the Nambucca Valley! Bring lunch with you. Bus fare, water and snack will be provided. Bus times will be with permission slip.

MOVIES—MADAGASCAR 3 3D—FRIDAY 5 OCTOBER

Catch the bus to the movies.....and watch Madagascar 3 in 3D. Bus fare, ticket, glasses, small popcorn and a drink will be supplied! (Session time has not been set as yet, by the Cinema, so participants will be contacted the week before)

Bookings are essential for these activities!!

Bus fares for the above activities will be subsidised and participants will be given the bus fare money required for the activities. Permission slips and bookings are required to attend all activities. Please contact 6568 0254 to book a place for activity. Permission slips available at Bowraville CTC, Nambucca & Macksville Libraries, Nambucca Youth Services Centre, Nambucca Shire Council and its website: www.nambucca.nsw.gov.au.

School Holiday Activities are funded by Transport for NSW and Community Builders



SCHOOL HOLIDAYS CIRCUS WORKSHOP

Come learn circus with us these school holidays! Try your skills on the silks, trapeze, or maybe mini tramp, juggling or hula hooping is your thing!

For ages 5 and up.

Each workshop runs for 2 days. \$60 per day or both days for \$110

Time 10am-3pm

You need to bring your own lunch, water bottle, A sense of humour and adventure. Fruit & water provided..

Come try something different, learn new skills, make new friends and have fun these holidays.

Grafton Monday 24th & Tuesday 25th

Bellingen Thursday 4th & Friday 5th October

Bookings essential please Contact

Danielle on 0413604759



THE MACKSVILLE MARLINS AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB

Is a family friendly club for swimmers of all ages and abilities.

We would like to invite you to our EnergyAustralia GO Swim Day to celebrate everything great about swimming.

This will be an opportunity to have some fun racing with your friends and against the clock.

Get involved in Australia's most popular Olympic and Paralympic sport!

Date: Wednesday 10th October 2012

Time: Registrations from 3.30pm, Club night starts 5.30pm

Location: Macksville Memorial Aquatic Centre

Contact: Lyndel Sutton macksvillemarlins@gmail.com or 0409 681207

Visit goswim.org.au for more details

Stuarts Point Players



PRESENTS TWO PLAYS

Dear Edwina Junior

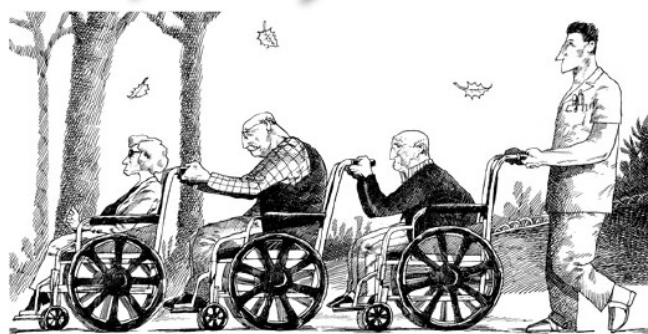
MUSIC BY **ZINA GOLDRICH** BOOK AND LYRICS BY **MARCY HEISLER**

by arrangement with Hal Leonard Australia Pty Ltd
Exclusive agent for Music Theatre International (NY)

SUPPER SHOW, 7PM FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19 @ STUARTS POINT
DINNER SHOW, 6PM SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20 @ STUARTS POINT
MATINEE, 2PM SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21 @ NAMBUCCA HEADS
DINNER SHOW, 6PM FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26 @ GLADSTONE
SUPPER SHOW, 7PM SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27 @ GLADSTONE
MATINEE, 2PM SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28 @ KEMPSEY

Supported by Macleay Valley Communities for Children Plus
(Communities for Children is supported by the Australian Government)

DINNER \$30 CONC \$25 CHILD \$20 SUPPER \$20 CONC \$15 CHILD \$10 MATINEE \$15 CONC \$10 CHILD \$5



THE GREAT NURSING HOME ESCAPE BY NATHAN HARTSWICK

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM
THE POINT CAFÉ - STUARTS POINT
CASCADE GARDEN CENTRE - GLADSTONE
WONDERLAND FRAMING & ART - KEMPSEY
HARVEY WORLD TRAVEL - NAMBUCCA HEADS
PHONE BOOKINGS - 6569 0210
ONLINE - WWW.TICKETHOST.COM.AU



Macksville Scotts Head Junior Surf Life Saving Club

Macksville Scotts Head Nippers - Nippers 2012/13 Season!!

REGISTRATION DAYS:

Sunday 23/9/12 at Scotts Head Surf Club, 9 – 11 am
Sunday 07/10/12 at Scott's Head Surf Club, 9 – 11 am
Saturday 13/10/12, Macksville Pool, 11- 1pm

Children must be 5 years of age and one parent must join. Membership is \$45 for Nippers (which includes a Club Shirt) and \$26 for non-competitive adults.

Pool Swim Proficiencies, Macksville Pool, Saturday 13/10/12, 11- 1pm.

First Nippers day is on 21st October starting at 9:15 am
and will include open water swim proficiencies.

We encourage new and existing members between 5 and 14 years of age to join.

For any additional information please call:
David Brunson (02) 6568 2530

THE VALLEY COMMUNITY ARTS GROUP

Is located in "The Gallery" on Bowra Street, Nambucca Heads, is planning a Craft and Hobby Expo to be held in the Nambucca Entertainment Centre.

When: Labour Day long weekend, Saturday 29 September (from 10am to 4pm) and Sunday 30 September 2012 from 10am to 3pm.

Admission: will be \$5 per adult (children under 12 years free), \$3 for pensioners and concession card holders and \$10 per family.

If you are interested in learning a craft or hobby, workshops will be conducted and these can be booked at the Expo.

Any craft traders or hobby groups wishing to participate should contact the organisers, Liz Kiley on 6568 2961 or Lyn Huggins on 6568 1604.



NAMBUCCA STRIKERS FC - PRESENTATION DAY/NIGHT IS ON:

SATURDAY 13TH OCTOBER, 2012

TIME: 4PM

WHERE: CORONATION PARK THEN ONTO LEAGUES & SPORTS CLUB.

FORMAT: 4PM - CORONATION PARK SOCCER GAMES HALF FIELD SIZE,
(MUMS, DADS, ADULTS V'S "THE JUNIORS")

6PM - DINNER & PRESENTATIONS AT BBQ AREA, LEAGUES & SPORTS CLUB.

7PM - DISCO IN AUDITORIUM.

NAMBUCCA STRIKERS FOOTBALL CLUB
NAMBUCCAFC@YAHOO.COM

School Notices:

Attention: Parents and Carers

If you have a new email address
or have changed your old one please let us know
via macksville-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

CANTEEN HELPERS NEEDED

CAN YOU SPARE A FEW HOURS BETWEEN 9.00AM – 2.00PM ONCE A FORTNIGHT, MONTHLY
OR EVEN OCCASIONALLY WHEN NEEDED (LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED).

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS ARE GIVEN A \$7 VOUCHER PER CHILD/GRANDCHILD
WHENEVER THEY VOLUNTEER TO BE VALID FOR THAT DAY.

IF YOU CAN HELP OUT PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT ROZ IN THE CANTEEN ON 65681066.

For Sale - MACKSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL 16GIG THUMB DRIVES ONLY \$15.00. SEE DESLIE HOWE.

SCHOOL FEES

Just a reminder that school fees can be paid at the front office between 8.30am and 3.30pm and can be paid by either cheque or eftpos. Voluntary Contributions are voluntary and payment is a matter for decision by parents/guardians.

We do point out that these voluntary contributions enhance the schools' educational and sporting programs and are greatly appreciated. Any problems with payments please phone the front office on 65681066.

If parents/guardians are having difficulty paying school fees, Student Assistance is available. Please collect a form from the school office.

NOTE TO PARENTS

It would be appreciated when writing notes for your students, e.g. passouts or absentee, that you write your student's full name, year they are in and the date. Thank you for your co-operation in this regard.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON HOMEWORK CENTRE IS OPEN!

Don't forget Homework Centre will continue this year; it operates every Tuesday afternoon in C1. Teachers will be in attendance to assist with all homework/assignments or any tutoring needs.

No need to make a booking just bring your work and get a head start 3.15pm - 5.00pm. Please see Mrs Mendham (Maths) if you have any enquiries.

Please notify staff in the
school office (6568 1066) of any changes to your contact details or to the contact
details of other people nominated as emergency contacts