

Step Up

Bounce Back

Take Care

Be Kind

PRINCIPAL: Matt Currie

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL: Amanda Hetherton

2018 CALENDAR



Term 3

July

Monday 30th Grade 5/6 Hooptime

August

Friday 3rd Grade 3/4 Hooptime

Wednesday 8th Three Way Conferences

Tuesday 28th Sale & District Athletics

Thursday 30th Father's Day Stall

Friday 31st Father's Day Breakfast

September

Tuesday 4th 2019 Prep Transition Visit (1)

Thursday 13th SCHOOL PRODUCTION

Friday 14th School Production Post Party

Friday 21st Last Day of Term 3 – 2.30pm

Principals Report

Change of Day for Newsletter

Welcome back to all our families for the beginning of Term 3. No, you haven't got your days mixed up, we are moving our Newsletter day to Tuesday. The Newsletter will still be distributed to the youngest child in each family, and will still be available on our Skoolbag App and via e-mail.

I have included all the key dates for the Term in the column above. Please note these in your diary, paying particular attention to our Three Way Conference day on Wednesday 8th August and our School Production on Thursday 13th August. This is in the second last week of Term, with the

Friday 14th being our first post production party for the whole school, with all students expected to attend.

Work done over the holidays

It was very exciting walking around the school this morning and listening to families comment on the improvements made over the holidays to our buildings and grounds. These include:



Verandah's

Our eastern and western ends of our Prep building now have Verandah's over the decking outside the classroom entrances. The builders have done a terrific job with the new construction looking like it was built along with the rest of the building. Thanks to Jessica Northway for her huge efforts in overseeing this project and ensuring it was completed over the holidays.

Air Conditioning

The gym now has two split system air conditioners installed and we look forward to them receiving plenty of use over the cooler mornings when our breakfast club program is running. During the hot summer days they will also be extremely beneficial when the gym is used for PE or other events where we can keep it at a comfortable temperature for those inside.



Ga-Ga Pit

This has already proved to be a huge hit with our students and Mr Ray has been explaining the rules of the ga-ga pit as part of his PE program this week. I'm not even going to try and explain them here, think of it like a big game of poison ball combined with squash. I look forward to learning the rules and joining in several games with the students over the coming days.

Landscaping

Our friends at George Grey have done a lot of landscaping around the school with the grass shrubs around the 1/2 Building and Sandpit being pruned back. This has certainly tidied up these two areas as well as providing the school with around 50 assorted balls and various uniform items that were discovered.

Reading PD

Yesterday all Maffra Primary staff were at school participating in professional development on reading. This was run by Carol Hodgson who is one of the Wellington Network leaders in reading development. Carol's passion for literacy success is evident in everything she does at Maffra Primary and we are very fortunate to have her working at our school.

One of Carol's strengths is her ability to purchase lots of great books for our students. We have over 1,000 new books that will be distributed through the school for our students to enjoy at the start of the Term. Happy Reading!

Matt Currie – Principal

2019 Enrolments

If you are intending to enrol a child at Maffra Primary School for 2019, we would appreciate it if you could drop into the office and complete an enrolment form.



NetSetGo at Maffra Primary School

We are pleased to confirm that the NetSetGo junior netball program will be going ahead for Maffra Primary School students in grades Prep, 1 and 2 beginning this week.

NetSetGo is a program which focuses on basic netball skills, ball skills, coordination, running and agility games in a fun & interactive environment. Parents are welcome to help out and join in the fun. All children are expected to have a responsible adult present during the sessions.

The program will be run on the school netball courts from 3:30 to 4:30 on Fridays in Term 3.

Kerri Goode has volunteered to coach and organise the program. For more information please contact her at netsetgomaffra@gmail.com or on 0407 524 323.

To register visit netsetgo.asn.au and search Maffra under the 'find a centre' tab.

Cost: \$25 (includes Netball & T-shirt)

Please note: The registration process states the cost is \$60. This is a mistake with Netball Victoria's system. No payment is required over the internet. Please bring \$25 cash to the first session on Friday 20th July.

The Uniform Shop is available Monday and Friday from 8.45am – 9.15am.

We have a large number of second hand uniform items available



Download from Dreamstime.com

Bully Stoppers

This week all classes will be doing some specific learning about ways to prevent bullying at school and to promote friendship and positive social behaviours. Most students do not want bullying to occur, but often don't know how to stop it. We have been encouraged this year by our student surveys which have indicated students are feeling that bullying has decreased. This is great news, but we remain committed to ongoing work in this area.

We encourage students to look out for each other and to seek help from teachers. Research shows that the important skills of getting along with others can be improved with practice. These skills are taught and practised in every classroom weekly under the heading of 'Respectful Relationships'.

As we focus on bullying this week we will look at what bullying is:

Bullying is REPEATED behaviour intended to cause HARM, DISTRESS or FEAR by a person or group towards a LESS POWERFUL person or group.

Sometimes other behaviours, which are **still unpleasant and need dealing with**, are identified as bullying when they are not. This can take away from the seriousness of bullying. Behaviours that are **not bullying** include:

- Someone being mean in a one off incident.
- Anger or aggression towards many different people.
- A fight between students.
- Someone not wanting to play with you.

Students will be brainstorming and encouraging one another in their lessons this week about how they can be **Bully Stoppers**. Children can stand up for each other with comments such as, 'don't be mean' or 'come on, you're a better friend than that'. They will also be encouraged to tell a teacher or an adult. Dobbing is when you tell tales to get someone else into trouble. Telling an adult about bullying behaviour is not dobbing – it is getting help to stop bullying. **Bully Stoppers** are powerful and help change schools for the better.

Please come and talk with your child's teacher, Matt, Amanda or Jane if you have any concerns regarding behaviour. We all – families, teachers and students – have a part to play in making our school a safe and friendly place in which to learn.

Jane Macqueen
Student Wellbeing

GUMNUTS

Early Learning Centre



Is now providing
 Before School Care & After School Care
 From the Maffra Primary School
 For bookings: phone 5144 6952, or email
gumnutsel@netspace.net.au or gumnutsmaffra@gmail.com
 Vacation Care is available from the Sale 545 Primary school
 (Currently seeking expressions of interest for Vacation Care at Gumnuts Maffra Site but need to get before and after school care numbers up before we can run it.)

Maffra Outside School Hours Care Fees
 Before School Care Daily Fee \$17 without Child Care Rebate
 After School Care Daily Fee \$22 without Child Care Rebate
 Vacation Care Daily Fee \$70 without childcare rebate (run from Sale site)
 The above prices are **WITHOUT** Child Care Rebate. (for eligible working, studying, training or volunteering families).
PLEASE NOTE; SOME FAMILIES MAY PAY AS LITTLE AS \$2-\$3 PER MORNING SESSION and \$3-\$4 PER AFTERNOON SESSION WITH CHILDCARE SUBSIDY
 • Families may also be eligible for Child Care Benefit (CCB).
Maffra Outside School Hours Care Times
 Before School Care: 6:30am-8:45am
 After School Care: 3:20pm-6:00pm
 Vacation Care at sale site: 8:00am-6:00pm (545 PS)

Examples of pricing:	Child care subsidy will be:
Combined family income;	
\$0-\$66,958	85%
More than \$66,958 to under \$171,958	Between 85% - 50% (goes down 1% every \$3000 of income earned)
\$171,958 to under \$251,248	50%
\$251,248 to under \$341,248	Between 50% - 20% (goes down 1% every \$3000 of income earned)
\$341,248 to under \$351,248	20%
\$351,248 or more	0%
Hours of activity per fortnight	Maximum number of hours of subsidy per fortnight
Less than 8 hours	0 hours
8-16 hours	56 hours
More than 16 hours	72 hours
More than 48 hours	100 hours
Outside School Hours Care before, after and vacation care	Maximum hourly rate cap- \$10.29

For further information on costs or general enquiries, please contact Kaitly and Liz on 0402 477 708 or come in and say hello!

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 CALL 1300 884 733
 SMS 'HOST' TO 0420 246 633

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 Nicole, three-time host mum.

WEP IS LOOKING FOR FAMILIES TO JOIN OUR COMMUNITY OF WONDERFUL VOLUNTEER HOST FAMILIES.

HOST A HIGH SCHOOL EXCHANGE STUDENT!

IF YOU HAVE AN INTEREST IN OTHER CULTURES, WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU! REMEMBER, SOMETIMES THE GREATEST REWARDS IN LIFE COME FROM DOING THINGS YOU NEVER THOUGHT YOU WOULD!

CONTACT WEP ON 1300 884 733 FOR MORE INFORMATION OR EMAIL INFO@WEP.ORG.AU.

ALESSIA B

Ciao from Italy! **17 from Italy**
 My fascination with other cultures led me to enroll into a school focused on foreign languages. I like to keep active and I have also been practising artistic gymnastics for over ten years.
 I can't wait to immerse myself into the Australian culture and I am very grateful to you for giving me the opportunity to do so.

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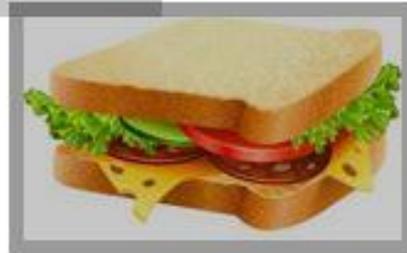


Maffra Primary School Lunch Order List 2018

Lunch orders are available on Mondays & Fridays

Sandwiches – Rolls - Wraps

	Sandwich \$	Rolls \$	Wraps \$
Ham & salad	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$7.00
Chicken & Salad	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$7.00
Salad	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.50
Ham	\$3.00	\$3.50	
Curried Egg	\$3.00	\$3.50	
Cheese	\$2.50	\$3.00	
Vegemite	\$2.50	\$3.00	



Fruit Salad (small container) \$3.50

Hot food

Chicken Chilli Tender Wrap ½ \$4.00 Full size \$8.00

Scallop Potatoes \$5.00

Aussie Baked Potato \$5.00

Sausage Roll \$3.00

Pies \$4.00

Party Pies \$1.50

Steamed Dim Sims \$1.00

Hot Dog (with or without sauce) \$3.50

Hot Dog with Cheese \$3.70

(no charge for sauce)



Drinks

Fruit Box - orange \$2.00

- apple

- blackcurrant

Flavoured Milk - chocolate \$2.00

- Strawberry

Please write child's NAME, ORDER and ROOM NUMBER clearly on a paper bag with CORRECT MONEY securely enclosed (remember to check your additions).

Please do not order any item that is not on the price list, as Jo Jo's will be unable to supply it!

THANKYOU 😊