MacKillop Makeover!

Over the past few week Steve our school maintenance man has been working on the MacKillop Village. The Village was looking tired and needed a fresh coat of paint. While working on the Village Steve was able to make some changes to this popular area of the playground. Steve said “The Village was looking tired and I will be putting a see through roof on one area.”

When Steve has finished the MacKillop Village he will be helping to replant the garden beds around the school. To keep our school looking so wonderful is a tough job – luckily we have Steve on the job!

By PawngPawng and Sabrina

Steve hard at work on the MacKillop Village
Thumbs turn green at Our Lady’s

Article written by Ben Mois and Natalie Janius

5C are planting at least 4 garden beds in the school. They are going to be behind the Foundation classrooms and the Grade Three rooms. Also we are going to plant an orchard of fruit trees along the fence. In the garden beds we will plant some vegetables and herbs.

The reason Grade 5C is doing this is because the students will develop and learn focus and patience, cooperation, teamwork and social skills. The program will also encourage children to speak up and share their ideas. The school garden will also provide healthier living spaces for the entire community. And also don’t forget the FUN!

We are going to cut these trees down and put more garden beds in this area.
Who discovered Australia?

Who discovered Australia? How you answer depends on history and which history you read and believe. It depends on if you are Dutch, British or Aborigine.

Captain Cook discovered a part of Australia in 1770 and called it New South Wales. In 1642 Abel Tasman also discovered the bottom part of Australia and named it Van Diemen’s Land which was later named Tasmania. Dutch traders also discovered Australia. The Dutch traders discovered parts of Western Australia in the 1600’s. So there is not just one person who discovered Australia.

The Aborigines also discovered Australia because they were in Australia before anyone else. Also the aborigines know most about Australia. The Aborigines have been in Australia for at least 60,000 years. That is a massive 59757 years before Captain Cook!!

By Sabrina and Sandy 5C

Captain James Cook

Abel Tasman
Riddle & Jokes

Riddle:
What kind of music does a balloon hate?
A: Pop music!

Joke:
Mary's father has 5 daughters - Nana, Yone, Mini, Nono. What is the fifth daughter's name?
A: If you answered 'Nu', you are wrong. It's Mary!

Joke:
What travels around the world but stays in one spot?
A: A stamp!

Q: What has hands but can not clap?
A: A clock

Q: What can you catch but not throw?
A: A cold.

Q: What starts with the letter "t", is filled with "t" and ends in "t"?
A: A teapot!

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Puzzle Page

Find these Words:
Lemon, Lime, Carrot, Strawberry, Orange, Can, Fruit, Seed, Apple, Tomato, Potatoes, Dirt

Spot the difference

Make as many words as you can with these letters:

1. 
2. 
3. 
4. 
5. 

By: Alannah, Rachael, Lily, Priya, Sandy
Television Review:

Star Wars

Star Wars is a cartoon for children aged seven and up on Channel 23. Star Wars is interesting cartoon on TV, because it makes you think about the future. Star Wars is based on the original movies made from 1983 up to 1999.

We think Star Wars is a cool cartoon that tells us about the future. We also think that Star Wars is fabulous because it has a lot of features from the future.

Star Wars is also about space ships and good humans and aliens trying to win the War. Evil Sith tries to take over the universe. Star Wars is set mostly in space.

Star Wars is funny because they have really funny voices and also funny characters. The TV cartoon is more for children as adults will probably like the movies better.

Written by Keegan, Dominic, Eric and Long.
Book Review

Title: Boy Overboard

Author: Morris Gleitzman

This brilliant story is about two children who escape Afghanistan which is controlled by the Taliban, they show true courage and determination during their journey.

When I read the title of the book, I thought it was going to be more for boys than girls but as we read the book, I found out that it was for everyone.

Jamal and Bibi are two children who live in an unsafe and terrible country, Afghanistan. In Afghanistan, girls can’t go to school or go outside without a parent. The population cannot listen to music, watch TV or have fun.

From the start, it was very interesting and there was a lot of drama. For instance, when Bibi was playing her favourite sport soccer, she accidently kicked into the war zone area which had dozens of landmines around. When she went to go fetch the ball she steps on one. You wonder, how he is going to get out of this situation.

Jamal’s mother owns an illegal school to teach children the things that are not allowed to be taught. His father is a baker and also a taxi driver.

There are some parts in the book that are really sad but that’s almost the best part of the book to read. The best part of the book for me is on the ship where Jamal and Bibi sail together without their parents, meet a new friend and when the pirates take all the people’s valuable things. These parts make me feel excited because at the end of every chapter you just want to read more to find out what happens next.

In the books Once, Then, Now and After, you will find the connection between Zelda and Bibi. They are both very stubborn characters but if you read the books, you can understand why. Bibi and Zelda are very alike because of their stubbornness and mean insults. For instance using expressions like “A big pile of Camel Snot” or “Don’t you know anything?”

I think the theme of the story is to experience the difficult journey the refugees from Afghanistan might have gone through while traveling to a different country like Australia.

I would rate this story an 8/10 for the magnificent settings and the great storyline.

By Mikaela Franze
M & L's Interesting Facts

Did you know there is a group of countries called the Stans, they are Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan.

Did you know dynamite was invented by Alfred Nobel? He also started the Noble Peace Prize.

Did you know the countries Hong Kong, Singapore, South Korea and Taiwan are known as the Asian Tigers?

Mount Everest is the tallest mountain on earth... no it's not, it is only 8,848 metres tall. The tallest mountain on earth is the massive Mauna Kea, which is 10,203 metres tall from base to tip, but... the base is under water...

For those fish lovers, believe it or not, there was a rain of fish when Mount Tungurahua erupted. The fish were thought to come from a lake in the crater. Luckily it wasn’t whales.

When a tree crashes down to the forest floor, it’s bad news for the little plants, but this does not stop the ingenious bloomer sprouts that sprouts out stilt like roots and walks away from the mess. Now this is a plant that you can really take a walk.

The fastest ever lava flow leaked out of a lake on Nyirangongo volcano in Zaire in 1977. It raced at a stunning speed of 100km an hour.

The loudest eruption is not a teacher telling you off when you are in trouble nor is it your big sister when she yells at you, it was the eruption of Krakatoa which woke up people in Australia 3,200 kilometres away.

In an earth shattering earthquake that hit Turkey in August 1999, 5 men had a very close shave, trapped in a basement of a crushed building. They managed to call the rescue team by their mobile phone. They were lucky to get out alive.

Facts by Matthew Hayes & Lucas Pham
Interview with our School Captains: Aaron and Jacinda

1. What type of leadership skills do you need to become a School Captain?

   Aaron:
   
   - To be able to speak in large crowds and to always be confident.

   Jacinda:
   
   - Confidence, courage, justice, compassion, hope, love, passion and patience

2. How did it feel when you were announced School Captains?

   Aaron:
   I felt a great sense of relief and when I got the award I knew I had to be serious about it. The job is something that you need to be serious about.

   Jacinda:
   Surprised because I didn’t expect it because as there are so many other great leaders in year six, I of course was excited to be leading Our Lady’s.

3. Do you have any advice for the future School Captains?

   Aaron:
   Yes, always be confident in what you do and to believe strongly in what you believe in.

   Jacinda:
   Always try your best but don’t overdo it. If you don’t succeed always keep trying because there is always going to be a second chance.

4. Do you ever get nervous when you’re opening an assembly?

   Aaron:
   No, not really. To be able to not get nervous is a big trait of mine.

   Jacinda:
   Yes all the time. When you stand up there and everyone is looking at you, then you start getting shaky. But after all, it’s fun.

5. What are the most challenging things that you have ever taken on as School Captain?

   Aaron:
   Having to disagree with things like ideas from the school and losing things through ‘majority rules.’

   Jacinda:
   Organising events because you want to make sure everyone is involved and everyone has a say.

6. What things don’t you like about being School Captain?

   Aaron:
NOTHING! I love my job there is nothing I would change about it.

**Jacinda:**
Sometimes meetings because they are very confusing when you are organising them to suit me and the others.

7. **When you are older, would you like to become a principal of a school?**

**Aaron:**
Yes, Mrs Bertani has inspired me that the principal role is a great job.

**Jacinda:**
Not really because I am not really interested in becoming a teacher because I have another interest in mind.

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Interviewed by:

Elizabeth Mikaela

Truc and Kylie
How to Survive NAPLAN

• Pretend to be sick or seriously ill or injured on the morning of the NAPLAN test
• Make some fake vomit and then use it at home or school if you’re serious about this!
• Get a red marker and use it to put dots on yourself and then pretend you have the measles or chicken pox.
• Get the answer sheet if you are desperate.
• Bribe a teacher to give you a copy of the test early. Cash only, no credit cards or cheque or I.O.U’s

NOTE: This has been a joke; do not do any of the following to get out of NAPLAN. You will do ok just try your best.

How to REALLY Survive NAPLAN

• Read the questions carefully
• Go over something twice if it does not make sense
• Try your hardest
• Check your work if you are done
• Use scrap paper for working out
• Stay calm

By Rachael, Alannah, Sandy, Lily and Priya.
SPORTS NEWS

Ms McManus to be the new coach for Melbourne?

We spoke to Ms McManus, our sport teacher to see what the classes are doing for the next few weeks. Each class will spend their sport time learning how to play A.F.L. football. The children should have a lot of fun for the next few weeks. The children will be having a lot of fun learning how to handball, kick a football and how to play a game of football. If she is very good at coaching here she should be the next coach for Melbourne. When asked about coaching Melbourne Ms MacManus just laughed and said, “Anything is possible.” This just added our belief that Ms MacManus is moving to the big time in sports coaching.

Second Term means another round of Inter School Sport for Grades Five and Six. The winter sports are football, T ball, Newcomb and netball

Inter school sport is when teams compete in the region to try and end up top of the ladder. It is a time that all children become excited about.

TERM TWO INTER SCHOOL SPORT DRAW

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Inter School Sport is about having fun; it is not about always winning. And it does not matter if you are very good at the sport or your ability to play sports, it is about your attitude and your sportsmanship that makes a good player. Don’t worry if you do not make it in in the first term because you will make it in at least once in Grade Five or Grade Six.

Kyle and Bol
TREAT DAY

Treat day is coming up soon on Tuesday, 21st May 2013. Treat day is a fun filled day when Our Lady’s becomes a sweet and sour chocolaty, scrumptious, melt in your mouth, crazy LAND!!! Delicious and tasty runaway treats are on their so come and get them!

DISCO

The second disco is coming up on Thursday, 8th August. So get ready, get dressed and have fun with your friends.

A parent is required to stay at the Mariana Hall and have a cup of tea or coffee while waiting for their child or children.

6:30 pm – 7:30pm

Parish Mass Times

Saturday: 6:00pm
Sunday: 9.00am, 10:30am and 5:30pm

Parish Movie

The Parish Movie is on Friday, 14th June. It will be held in the auditorium. After the parish movie there will be an afternoon tea held in the Mary MacKillop library.

It will begin at 12:30am