



Mac Valley Views

Newsletter - Week 4, Term 4 2025

Principal: Sarah Allen



Mr Hughes explains to the children about a very special addition to our 180th Commemorative Garden...



UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 4 2025

7 Nov - Swimming & Water Safety excursion
13 Nov - Tennis lessons
14 Nov - 180th Celebrations at MVPS
17 Nov - Gymnastics lessons
20 Nov - Swimming & Water Safety Excurs.
27 Nov - Tennis lessons
28 Nov - School Spectacular
12 Dec - Presentation Day Assembly
19 Dec - End of year Movie Day

Principal's Report

We are so excited that our 180th school celebration is almost here! All the hard work, planning, and creativity are coming together beautifully as we prepare for this special milestone.

We're certain you'll be thoroughly delighted by the wonderful displays that have been thoughtfully created by Ms Mulic using the photos and information you've shared with us.

Our huge venture of creating 180 videos about why we love our school is nearly complete — a true labour of love that has brought together students, staff, families, and friends. With just one week to go, we invite you to enjoy watching the final videos as they are released this week. Please send us a like or a message of support - your encouragement means so much!

A huge thank you goes to Mrs Stafford, who has been the driving force behind this project, always ready with her camera and enthusiasm. The result is a wonderful record of our school community, people from all walks of life sharing what makes this place so special.

We also want to thank everyone who stood in front of the camera - we know it's not easy, and we appreciate your courage and positivity.

Finally, a quick reminder for celebration day: please leave home with enough time to park and walk up to the school for a 1:30pm start.

We can't wait to celebrate 180 incredible years together!

Kind regards Sarah



November Birthdays

Elza - 5th Evie - 15th

Thank you to Elza's family for the yummy cupcakes!

Inspiring Joyful Learning

Year 4/5 students have been learning about the history of Macdonald Valley Public School. They were asked to write down twelve interesting things that they have learnt about our school!

- It's 180 years old
- The school was named Macdonald Valley Public School in 1981.
- The school was originally named Macdonald River School.
- The School was down by the river but it kept getting flooded.
- The school was moved because of the floods - it's hard to teach when it's flooding!
- The building was moved up to its current site in 1956.
- The school bell is the original 1845 bell saved by former principal Robert Harbin and Les Thompson and his family from the floods.
- The school has had as few as 4 students and up to 40 students.
- Over the years we have been on TV, in the newspapers, won international art awards, had art camps and sleepovers...
- The principal, in the old days used to live in a school residence next to the school because it's so far away from anywhere. Now the principal's house is our Day Care.
- The Year 6 boys used to mow the grounds every Friday afternoon.
- A principal in the 60's used to enjoy golf so would practice his chipping and the children had to collect his golf balls from the hill!



A big thank you to the following businesses/individuals for their generous support for our 180th Commemorative Birthday!

A huge THANK YOU to:

Bendigo Bank
The Settlers Arms
Tony Simpson and Co Law Firm
Magic Metal Motoring Club
Kim Schumacher

Your support of our school is very much appreciated.



8

DAYS
TO GO!



1845-2025
Celebrating 180 years!



Thank you to Kim Schumacher for offering to run horse and carriage rides at our 180th Ceremony!

Fully enclosed shoes and helmets (provided) to be worn by all under 18 participants!

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at our 180th Community Celebrations next Friday, 14th November 2025.

The ceremony will commence at 1:30pm sharp.

Please allow plenty of time to park your vehicle (out the front of the school or in the property across the road) and walk up to the school.

There will be no parking onsite, however, there will be a driver to assist those who require it.



Macdonald Valley Public School is willing to support advertisements for local businesses and community functions for our youth, however parents will need to assess for themselves the quality of products and services advertised and the suitable management of functions attended by their children.

MAC VALLEY STARS!

We are very proud of our students' achievements in external events and competitions and are committed to recognising their achievements, however, this cannot happen unless we are informed.

Please ring us or send us something in writing if your child or a group of students achieve success in external events so we can recognise their achievements in our weekly newsletters.

Mrs Stafford
School Administrative Manager



P&C NOTICEBOARD

Our P&C meetings are generally held once per term
(at a time to be advised).

ALL WELCOME!

P&C Committee

President: Emily Streckfuss

Vice Presidents: Susan Walker & Ieva Aboltins

Secretary: Fiona Kelly

Treasurer: Tanya O'Neill

Uniform Coordinator: Ieva Aboltins

VELLAIVERSON

Big Agency Results, Boutique Agency Service



Paul Vella | Trent Iverson

Sell or Lease Your Home With Confidence.

 **4566 8383**

VELLAIVERSON
REAL ESTATE