



Newsletter No. 1, April 2014

## MACEDONIAN COMMUNITY LANGUAGE SCHOOL ŠKOLO ZA MAKEDONSKI JAZIK

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#### Welcome

Welcome to the first edition of the Macedonian Community Language School Newsletter for 2014. It is hard to believe that we are at the end of Term 1 already. We have had a great start to the New Year and classes are well established and in operation.

#### K-12 Class

This year with have merged our junior and middle classes to form one K-12 class. The benefits of this initiative are already being seen, constructive skills, positive social interaction, appropriate behaviour and good progress in class work. All very positive outcomes for our students.

## **Senior Classes**

As in previous years our Senior Classes continue to be well supported. It is great to see so many of our previous year's students back again and persisting with their language studies - Congratulations. We are also thrilled to have an individual class of newly enrolled senior students for 2014. Welcome to all new students and best of luck with your language studies.

## **Summer Classes**

Summer Classes are well underway. Students are enjoying brushing up on their language skills as well as catching up with old friends. John Ailakis and Feni Bembridge are leading these sessions. There are two sessions remaining from this course, 2nd and 16th May. If you are interested in learning the Cyrillic alphabet, having some fun and a glass of wine and supper please come along. The cost per session is \$20.00 and all are welcome.

#### Staffing

This year we welcome back Mr John Ailakis. John has been teaching at our school since its establishment and provides instruction to our two senior classes. Thank you John for your commitment to our School and in particular for the opportunity you provide our students to learn the Macedonian language. The School Board welcomes Ms Breanna Manov who is teaching the junior students in our K-12 Class. Breanna brings a wealth of teaching knowledge to our School and we look forward to a great association.

## **Cultural Traditions at Our School**

Our language program helps students develop a connection between culture and language, gain awareness of how culture influences their life and develops an openness to values, practices and knowledge of the diversity of cultural traditions. Recently, our K-12 students learnt about Macedonian Easter traditions and dyed red eggs.



#### **Fund Raiser**

On 29 March 2014, the Macedonian Community Language School held a fund raiser at Bunnings, Balcatta. The day resulted in a very successful contribution to our school. The School Board would like to thank everyone who assisted on the day to make it such a success. Special thanks go to our sponsors, Princi Butchers, Barbaro Brothers, Woolworths (Kingsway), Woolworths (Subiaco), Roads 2000, Mr Peter Vassileff, IGA (Stirling), Stirling Butchers, Bicton Pharmacy and Bunnings, Balcatta for their generous contributions.

## **Beyond the Mountains**



On 28 February 2014, the Macedonian Community Language School held a special function honouring two long standing members of our Community, former President Mr Vasil Radis and Mrs Elena Radis to acknowledge their donation of Beyond the Mountains, the story of two partisans, Vasil and Elena Radis. Special guests included Mr Nick Catania and Mr Tony Velalonga. Mr Philip Paioff who launched the book also chaired the event. Thank you Mr and Mrs Radis for your valued contribution to our School.

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