



MACEDONIAN COMMUNITY LANGUAGE SCHOOL ШКОЛО ЗА МАКЕДОНСКИ ЈАЗИК

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Welcome

Welcome to the third edition of the Macedonian Community Language School Newsletter for 2015. What a long and busy term this has been with 11 school weeks. Next week will be the last week for Term 2 and students and parents can enjoy a well-deserved rest. A big “thank you” to our teachers and students for their inspiration and hard work.

Launch of Community Languages Professional Learning Program



Welcomed News - On 28 May 2015, the Hon Mike Nahan MLA, launched the Community Languages Professional Learning Program. The Program highlights Government’s recognition of the important role that community languages play in language education and cultural maintenance. The Program which was developed in consultation with community language sector representatives included participation and contribution from the Macedonian Community Language School. Kathleen (Kathy) Lazaridis, Director of the Macedonian Community Language School, who spoke at the launch, provided insight into the importance of maintaining language saying “we all know that if languages and cultures are not maintained they can be lost and when they are, it can be permanent”. She provided historical context on the Macedonian language and the Macedonian

Community Language School and the efforts needed to support community language schools. Representing the Macedonian Community of Western Australia Inc. was Mr Peter Vassileff, Chairman of the Macedonian Community Language School Board. It is interesting to know that there are currently 40 community language schools operating across the State providing complimentary language learning to students. The Macedonian Community Language School is one of these and the single largest provider of Macedonian language in Western Australia.

Sveti Kiril & Metodij

On 24 May 2015 students from the language school’s K-12 Class performed in front of Macedonian Community members and friends. The celebration commemorated the establishment of the Slavonic alphabet by Sveti Kiril and Metodij in the 9th Century AD. As part of their dialogue students welcomed guests, performed ‘Welcome to Country’, sang the Australian and Macedonian anthems, recited poetry and sang “Kirilica” by Vlatko Stefanovski. Congratulations to all students on their fine display of language acquisition.



Parent Information Night



Many thanks to the K-12 parents who attended the Parent Information Night on 8 June 2015. We really appreciate you making the time to come. The evening provided opportunity for parents to meet the teachers and other parents and learn more about the school’s processes. Teachers, Breanna Manov, Jovanka Jokovceska and John Ailakis presented on their respective programs and invited parents to participate in some hands on learning with students.



Key Dates

Key dates are: 3 July 2015 - Last day of Term 2 and 20 July 2015 - First day of Term 3

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