

## Dates for the Diary

### Monday 9 March

Canberra Day Public Holiday

### Tuesday 10 March

Swimming Carnival  
Water Fun Day

### Wednesday 11 March

Wonderbook 8:30am  
Assembly hosted by Desert Roses

### Tuesday 17 March

Preschool photo day

### Wednesday 18 March

Harmony Day

### Thursday 19 March

Whole school photo day

### Friday 20 March

Bullying No Way Day

### Wednesday 25 March

Assembly hosted by Lemon Myrtle

### Tuesday 7 April

Acacias Mt Painter excursion

### Wednesday 8 April

Assembly hosted by Waratahs

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## From our Principal

Dear Families and Friends,

Gosh haven't the heavens opened? We have had quite a bit of rain over the last couple of days. It certainly has been weather of extremes this summer, and autumn looks like bringing more. It was unfortunate we have had to postpone the swimming carnival, don't forget it is now on **TUESDAY 10 MARCH** – next week. We will meet all the students from years 2 to 6 at Big Splash at Jamison. If you don't intend for your child to attend that day please call the school or email to let us know of your child's absence. Please make sure your child has everything needed for the day including food and water, hat, swimmers, rash top or t-shirt for water activities and sunscreen. There will be no access to the pool's canteen, and normal school expectations for food and drink apply.

Our junior students will be participating in water and fun activities here at school. There is no need for a change of clothes as they will not be getting that wet on the day.

This year we are promoting Wonder Book mornings each term. This term's session will be on Wednesday 11 March from 8:30am in the library. Come along and read with your child and take part in a snack and coffee and tea. We love to share our love of reading with our students and build our community of readers.

Friday of next week we are hosting Kenny Koala for students in the primary school. Each cohort will be participating in presentations designed to discuss decisions that they have to make at each stage of life, and how their decisions can have positive and negative consequences.

Don't forget next Monday is the Canberra Day public holiday. Looking forward to seeing all our swimmers on Tuesday at the pool, and our little people having fun at school.

Have a great week,

Danielle

## BULLYING NO WAY DAY

On **Friday 20 March** we will be acknowledging Bullying No Way day at school. You are an important part of our work to prevent bullying and to respond effectively if it happens. Stopping bullying involves everyone.

### If your child talks to you about bullying:

- **Listen** calmly and get the full story
- **Reassure** your child that they are not to blame
- **Visit** [www.bullyingnoway.gov.au](http://www.bullyingnoway.gov.au) to find some strategies
- **Contact** the school
- **Check in** regularly with your child



# NEWS FROM THE P&C

Did you know ... that in 2020 P&Cs in the ACT raised over \$1.3 million in resources for ACT Public Schools? Now that's a value add.

## Meet Your P&C

Each week we will be bringing to you a feature article on the members of your P&C. This week in *Meet Your P&C*, hear from our 2020 President, Brendan Ding.

Brendan is a local born in the old Canberra Hospital in 1973. His daughter is in Year 2. He works as a solicitor for the Territory in planning, development and land



In his spare time, Brendan enjoys boxing, raising dogs and spending time with his daughter, Samara. His favourite bands are Midnight Oil, Garbage and Pink Floyd. Brendan has a surprisingly detailed knowledge of Disney princess movies and will willingly argue the case that Frozen II is better than the

## P&C meeting report from the President

It was a busy week for your P&C. Naomi Sheehan and I attended the P&C Association general meeting to meet with fellow representatives from P&Cs across Canberra. We learned that several grants are to be announced in the coming weeks that we will apply for to improve the school. We'll keep you posted.

We also held the first meeting of the new P&C. It was nice to see so many parents and carers drop in to share ideas and hear what's going on. I encourage anyone interested to attend, whether you are thinking of joining or not.

We enjoyed listening to our Principal, Danielle Porter, present the master plan for the school oval and grounds, including the exciting first stage: the adventure playground. Look for work to commence next month.

## Next P&C meeting

The next P&C meeting is scheduled for **19 March 2020 at 6pm**. It's an open invitation to all parents/carers, so please join us in the Library.

## Your P&C needs you

A big shout out to the wonderful people who have filled vacant P&C roles in the last week. Thank you.

## P&C Secretary

The P&C still needs one fabulous person to take on the role of Secretary. The role doesn't take a lot of time—just a little each week to help keep our P&C working well. For more information, contact us at [macquariepandc@gmail.com](mailto:macquariepandc@gmail.com)

## Casual volunteers

Want to help your P&C but are time poor? Why not sign up to become a casual volunteer? You could do a shift on an ad hoc basis. Even volunteering for your P&C once a year for a few hours is a huge help to your school and the Macquarie community. If you'd like to find out more about casual volunteering opportunities, sign up to the P&C mailing list at [coms.macquariepandc@gmail.com](mailto:coms.macquariepandc@gmail.com)

## Uniform Shop opening hours

The Uniform Shop is open at:

8:45–9:15am Monday and Friday

3–3:30pm on Wednesday.

Orders can also be made through the *Flexischools* app. Contact the Front Office if you would like more information about *Flexischools*.

## Canteen service

The canteen is open for Friday orders. Be sure to get your orders in via *Flexischools* before the strict cut-off time of **8.30am each Friday morning**.

Orders are accepted via *Flexischools* only (no cash orders). Information about *Flexischools* and the canteen, including the menu, is available from the front office.

And do remember, if your child is going on an excursion on a Friday, **please do not place an order with the canteen**.

## Community partnerships

When you dine at the **Canberra Southern Cross Club (Jamison, Tuggeranong, Woden or the Yacht Club)**, 7.5% of your meal and beverage value will be donated back to Macquarie Primary. Please pop in to one of the clubs to link your membership card to our school, or use the link below if you are already a member: <https://cscmarketing.wufoo.com/forms/z1yqzsjq0orxe0g/>

Thanks for your support in 2020. It's going to be a great year for Macquarie.

*Brendan Ding*

*P&C President*

# Why is learning about the past important?



Learning about items from the olden days.



Playing games from the past.



The blackboard from a classroom over 100 years ago.



What is the past?

## The Eucalypts' excursion back in time to The Hall School Museum.



# NEWS FROM EUCALYPTS CONTINUED

How has school life changed over time?



Exploring household items and how they have changed over time.



We got to experience what school life was like in a classroom over 100 years ago.



Movies in the past were quite different than they are today.



# CELEBRATE HARMONY DAY

To celebrate Harmony Day 2020 everyone is encouraged to wear something orange on **Wednesday, 18 March**. The P&C is selling orange polo shirts.

If you would like to order a polo shirt for your child/ren, please use the *Flexischools app* (once logged in, go to the Uniform Shop).

Orders for polo shirts must be in by **Friday, 6 March 2020** to allow for shipping.

T-shirt (sizes 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14Y and 16Y available).	\$12.00	
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\* Image supplied is a sample and provides an indication only.

## Size guide

To Fit	4	6	8	10	12	14Y	16Y
Height (cm)	108	120	130	140	150	160	170
Chest (cm)	60	64	68	72	76	80	86

**THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT. ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS  
COMMUNITY SELECTED PROJECTS WITHIN THE SCHOOL.**

## MERIT AWARDS

Please congratulate the following students who will receive merit awards at Assembly on Wednesday 12 March:

Silky Wattles	Rachael & Olivia	Blue Gums	Aidan & Heidi
Golden Wattles	Laura & Aaron	Waratahs	Alewynn & Lucas
Silver Dollar Gums	Arlo & Olivia	Royal Bluebells	Ali & Ling
Red Gums	Elizabeth & Nima	Desert Roses	Finley & Asher
Snow Gums	Andaru & Tila	Winter Cress	Riley & Ilan
Scribbly Gums	Arya & Max	Grevillia	Dylan
Rainbow Gums	Hamzah & Dan	Lemon Myrtle	Mica & Umar
Bottle brushes	Benny	Chocolate Lilies	Camron & Razzaq

## NETBALL

We would love two more children for the MacHeroes Netball team please. If your child is in year 2, 3 or 4 and would like to play Saturday morning netball, please complete a form at the Front Office.



# NOTES HOME & REMINDERS

All notes are available on our school [website](#)

EVENT DETAILS	YEAR GROUP	DATE DUE BACK
2020 Stationery supplies	All year levels	Payments welcome anytime
Kindergarten health check	Kindergarten	ASAP
Student information check sheet	All students	ASAP
Medical Information and consent form	All students	ASAP
Mt Painter excursion	Acacias	Tuesday 24 March
Year 6 shirt orders	Year 6 students only	Friday 20 March

## PAYMENT OPTIONS

### Option1: Electronic Funds transfer

Account Name:	Macquarie Primary School Management Account
BSB Number:	032 777
Account Number:	001586
Use reference:	<i>Child's Surname</i> EXCURSION NAME

### Option 2: Quickweb

Go to our school website and follow the prompts on the payment page	
Use reference:	<i>Child's Surname</i> EXCURSION NAME

### Option 3: Cash or cheque paid directly to the Front Office in a sealed envelope labelled with your family name.

**Macquarie Primary is an  
ANAPHYLAXIS AWARE SCHOOL**

*Avoiding all nuts and soft shell crab.*

## SCHOOL CONTACT DETAILS

**Office hours:** Monday — Friday 8.30am — 3.30pm

### Uniform Shop — Opening Hours

Monday: 8.45am—9.15am  
Wednesday: 3.00pm—3.30pm  
Friday: 8.45am—9.15am

### **Library**

Open for families  
Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri  
8.30am—9.00am

<b>Phone K-6 site:</b>	02 6142 1550	<b>Principal</b>	Danielle Porter	danielle.porter@ed.act.edu.au
<b>Phone preschool:</b>	02 6142 1570	<b>Deputy Principal</b>	Jodie Rowell	jodie.rowell@ed.act.edu.au
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	macquariepandc@gmail.com			

# After School Club Term 1 2020



Belconnen  
Community  
Service

*Engaging and fun after school classes for children*



## FunART

Forget the screens, this is a creative hands-on workshop to inspire imagination and creativity for children aged 8-12 years

**Dates:** 04/03/20 to 08/04/2020 (6 weeks)

**Day & Time:** Wednesdays, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm

**Cost:** \$210.00 per child (includes all materials)

## Music Maker

Build instruments, create music and explore sound in a friendly environment for children aged 6-12 years

**Dates:** 03/03/20 to 07/04/20 (6 weeks)

**Day & Time:** Tuesdays, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm

**Cost:** \$180.00 per child (includes all materials)

## Junior Gym

Have fun and get fit in this specially tailored (no weights) gym program for children aged 8-12 years

**Dates:** 05/03/20 to 09/04/20 (6 weeks)

**Day & Time:** Thursdays, 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

**Cost:** \$90.00 per child

## Music and Movement

Build social skills and confidence in this fun non-competitive dance program for children aged 8-12 years

**Dates:** 05/03/20 to 09/04/20 (6 weeks)

**Day & Time:** Thursdays, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm

**Cost:** \$150.00 per child

An Application to Enrol form must be completed to register your interest for this program.

Payment must be received in full prior to attending the first session. Pay at Reception or by phone 6264 0200.



**Belconnen Community Service** | Swanson Court, Belconnen

02 6264 0200 | [bcs@bcsact.com.au](mailto:bcs@bcsact.com.au) | [www.bcsact.com.au](http://www.bcsact.com.au) | [f/bcsact](https://www.facebook.com/bcsact) | [@bcsact](https://twitter.com/bcsact)

Enrolment forms  
are available at the  
front office



## Office Administrator – AFP Legacy

The Office Administrator (OA) is a revised position on-staff at Australian Federal Police Legacy (AFP Legacy).

The OA will be responsible for the management of the AFP Legacy office location and utilities, financial and administrative duties, and business planning. The role is designed to assist the AFP Legacy Board of Management and staff with the day to day running of the AFP Legacy office.

This position requires a high degree of confidentiality, self-motivation and flexibility in terms of time management and commitment.

The OA works alongside and in conjunction with the Event and Marketing Coordinator and the Family Liaison Officer, with all positions working in support of each other and collectively supporting the Board of Management. The OA position reports to the AFP Legacy Staff Team Leader.

**Please Note:** This is **not** an AFP position; this is a part-time role with a not-for-profit charitable organisation and comes with an individual employment agreement.

### Applications are to be submitted as follows:

- EOI letter addressing essential and desirable requirements, listed in the below job description (max 3 pages)
- CV (max 3 pages), inclusive of three Referees with contact details

Submit to [afplegacy@afp.gov.au](mailto:afplegacy@afp.gov.au)

**Closing 0900hrs (AEDT) Wednesday 18 March 2020**

For all inquiries and to obtain the Job Description please email [afplegacy@afp.gov.au](mailto:afplegacy@afp.gov.au)



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Our President Andrew Sutton is always available on:  
0412 618 975 / [President@unijuniors Hockey.com.au](mailto:President@unijuniors Hockey.com.au)

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## INNER NORTH PLAYSCHOOL

Enrolments are now **OPEN**

**Inner North Playschool** is a licensed Playschool which provides exceptional early childhood education for **3-4 year olds in Canberra**. Our aim is to enrich the child's development in a safe and nurturing environment while having fun and making friends. There is plenty of opportunity for parents to be involved too. To enquire about vacancies contact us today.



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### FREE KIDS BUSH DANCE - SATURDAY 28 MARCH

The Monaro Folk Society is celebrating its 50th Anniversary  
of musical events in Canberra

We are hosting a special free day at Yarralumla  
Woolshed showcasing our activities.

This includes a Kids Bush Dance between 12.30 and 2.00pm

For info see: [www.monarofolk.org.au/kids-bush-dances](http://www.monarofolk.org.au/kids-bush-dances)