

# The Macquarie Memo

46 Bennelong Crescent, Macquarie ACT 2614

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## Dates for the Diary

### Wednesday 25 September

Assembly including Citizenship awards

### Friday 27 September

Last day of Term 3  
Pyjama day—SRC fundraiser

### Monday 14 October

First day of Term 4

### Wednesday 16 October

Assembly

### Wednesday 23 October

Depart to Camp Cooba

### Friday 25 October

Return from Camp Cooba  
Grandfriends Day

### Monday 28 October

Super Funky Artist Workshop

## From the Principal

Dear Families and Friends

I hope you had the opportunity to attend our Learning Journey last Thursday. It was wonderful to see our students sharing all their wonderings, discoveries and learning with family and friends. I feel so proud of our amazing students when they describe what they can now do and where their next steps in learning are.

We also participated in our first book swap last week. Students were invited to bring in books they no longer read and swap them for a new book. There were hundred of swaps that happened during the shopping window on Thursday. What a wonderful way to revamp your home library and build competent, capable readers.

We also held the official opening of the sculpture garden on Thursday afternoon. It was the official unveiling of the fixed musical instruments, which many students use each day and the P&C have fundraised for. It is nice to have such a beautiful area for students to engage in the outdoor environment and we are hoping to be able to progress the next phase of the landscaping soon. We are getting quotes and applying for funding grants to enable this to occur.

Students in years three and five received the NAPLAN reports at the end of last week. This gave families some information about where students knowledge was in mid May this year. If you have any questions please see your child's teacher or a member of the executive team.

We have had a busy term, and hosted lots of events, participated in many learning experiences and survived another Canberra winter. Don't forget your pyjamas on Friday, with a gold coin to support our farmers experiencing drought. Next term we are looking forward to meeting lots of Grandfriends on Friday 25 October when we will be celebrating Grandfriends' Day.

I hope everyone has a lovely break and I look forward to seeing everyone on Monday 14 October at morning lines.

Have a great week

Danielle

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## NOTES HOME

These notes can be found on our school website

EVENT DETAILS	YR GROUP	DATE DUE BACK
Camp Warrambui	Year 3/4	Final payment due 18 October
Camp Cooba	Year 5/6	Final payment due 27 September
Super Funky Artist Workshop	Kindergarten	14 October
Language Perfect	Yrs 3—6	Perm note ASAP
Class Dojo	All families	Response ASAP
Third party provider consent forms		
(Class creator & ACER)	All families	Response ASAP
Band payment	Members of band	Payment when possible
Voluntary contributions	All families	Payment when possible



## LIBRARY NEWS

Reading is my secret power!

**Reading exercises the imagination.** It provides the mind with the opportunity to create visuals that are unique to the reader.

*(Powerful readers. Ipswich District Teacher-Librarian Network, 2019)*

### Book Swap

Thank you so much to all the children and families who participated in our first book swap last week. It was just amazing to see our readers bring in the books they have finished with and walk away with armfuls of new books to read! They were very excited.

### E-Books and audio-books

Students will be reminded and encouraged this week to borrow books from the library to read over the holidays. It's also a great time to explore our digital collection using Sora – see instructions or contact [pame-la.gaukroger@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:pame-la.gaukroger@ed.act.edu.au) if you have any questions.

**Sora**  
The student reading app

**Borrowing e-books and audio books**

Visit <https://soraapp.com> or download the free Sora app for android or IOS.

To access click on **Find My School** and select **ACT Education and Training Directorate**, then sign in using your school credentials.

Once logged in you can access 100s of e-books and audiobooks on almost any device.

Borrow eBooks & audiobooks from our school collection

## CAMP REMINDER

### Year 5/6 Camp Cooba

Thank you to the parents/carers who have indicated that their child/children will be attending Camp Cooba from Wednesday 23 October to Friday 25 October. A reminder that final payments are due by Friday 27 September, unless a payment plan has been arranged. This will assist in confirming final numbers for the camp.

### Year 3/4 Camp Warrambui

A reminder that expressions of interest and deposits were due Friday 6 September. Final payments are due on Friday 18 October. If you would like to arrange a payment plan please see Ann Walker, Business Manager.

## NEWS FROM THE P&C

### Uniform shop – end of term sale

Buy an item from our second-hand rail and get another item free!

### Breakfast Club

Join us for the last Breakfast Club of term 3 this Friday morning from 8:45 am—9:00am. Free toast and weetbix for all students and friends of MPS. Breakfast Club is subsidised by the P&C.

### Save the date: next meeting on Wednesday 30 October

Sheree Murray  
P&C President

# Congratulations

Congratulations to **Hayley, Joey and Reuben** who auditioned for the ACT Instrumental Music Program's Extension Ensemble and were successful in winning a place in the ACT Primary Concert Band. These students performed at three ACT public schools on Wednesday 18 September as part of a day tour building their performance skills and sharing their music. Well done Hayley, Joey and Reuben!

## SRC Fundraiser - Friday 27 September 2019 Pyjama Day for Buy-a-Bale



*'Our school is turning gold coins into hay for our drought affected farmers'*

Our school is turning gold coins into hay for our drought affected farmers through

Buy a BALE

OUR SCHOOL CARES

We challenge you to have a gold coin donation day too. Visit: [buyabale.com.au](http://buyabale.com.au) RURAL AID INITIATIVE

As a School Representative Council (SRC) we have chosen to hold a fundraiser on **Friday 27 September** to support our drought affected farmers.

All money raised will go towards Buy-a-Bale which is a registered drought relief organisation that delivers truck loads of hay around Australia. Our donations will help the farmers and their livestock.

**What do you need to do?** Wear your pyjamas to school on Friday 27 September and bring along a gold coin.

## Community Notices

Systemic Innovations are a provider of LEGO® Programs in the ACT and Southern NSW.

We are running the following workshops in the upcoming school holidays.

Program	Age	Date	Time	Location
<b>WeDo 2.0- \$45</b> In this program, students will construct computer programs to control LEGO® models with motors and sensors. The program will allow the children the opportunity to create systems that can control the behavior of the robots.	7-11 years (please no younger children)	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	9-12 noon (drop off from 8:45)	Emmaus Christian School 73 Davenport St, Dickson
To book: <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/BFLWG">https://www.trybooking.com/BFLWG</a> Please send your child with morning tea and a drink bottle.				
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### October School Holiday Program

Juggling, Tumbling, Aerials, Games and more!

Week-long Sessions from 30th September - 11th October

Enrol Now!  
Phone: (02) 6260 3626  
[www.warehousecircus.org.au](http://www.warehousecircus.org.au)

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## VERTIKAL SNOW SPORTS HOLIDAY CAMP

Join us for a 2-day intensive programme of skill development, new friends, and snow sports fun.



Contact us to book now limited spaces available

Camp dates: October 9-10  
Do just one day, or both!

One day - \$150 | Two days - \$285  
ages between 6-12

9:30AM-2:00PM daily  
Equipment included

## HOLIDAY WORKSHOP

# OUT OF THIS WORLD

GORMAN ARTS CENTRE  
30 September - 4 October

9.00am - 3.00pm each day  
For more information, visit  
[www.cytc.net](http://www.cytc.net)

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