

## Dates for the Diary

### Mon 26 Feb—Fri 2 Mar

PIPS Testing continues  
(Kindergarten)  
Parent/Teacher interviews continue

### Wed 28 Feb

Uniform Shop closed  
Swimming Carnival  
Junior Water Fun Day

### Thur 1 Mar

Tuggeranong School House  
Excursion

### Fri 2 Mar

Clean Up Australia Day  
Volunteers Information &  
Induction Session  
Tuggeranong School House  
Excursion

## Reminders



### LIBRARY

Students can visit the library with parents  
Monday – Friday from 8.30am – 8.45am and  
3pm – 3.30pm to share and exchange books.



## From our Principal

Dear Families and Friends,

We are looking forward to Wednesday's Swimming Carnival, with the forecast of a sunny day. With preparations well underway, our House Captains have already stepped up to the challenge of motivating teams with chants and cheers. Please remember that students from Years 2–6 will be meeting teachers at the front of Big Splash in Jamison for roll call before the fun begins. Everyone is encouraged to wear their house colours on the day, keeping in mind the need for clothing to provide adequate sun protection.

*Bennelong - Blue*

*Redfern- Red*

*Lachlan - Yellow*

I know that our students from Kindergarten and Year 1 will enjoy the water play activities their teachers have in store at school on Wednesday. Spectators, supporters and volunteers are very welcome at both of these events. Please contact your child's teacher, or the front office team if you would like to lend a hand.

### STEWARDSHIP OF OUR WORLD

In order to build on the success of the Macquarie Waste Warriors in 2017 we have continued to review and enhance our waste management systems. Students have enjoyed developing waste sorting systems in their classrooms and we are looking forward to the establishment of permanent waste stations in our outdoor learning environment.

Clean Up Australia Day this Friday, 2 March will provide us with an excellent opportunity to test our sorting systems and celebrate all of the work we do keeping our outdoor learning spaces waste free. Families are encouraged to collect any waste they may find on the way to and from school and are welcome to come in on the day to see our classroom sorting stations in action.



### Office Hours

Monday — Friday  
8.30am — 3.30pm

### Macquarie Directory

K-6 Site Ph: 6142 1550 Fax: 6142 1571

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Email: [admin@macquarieps.act.edu.au](mailto:admin@macquarieps.act.edu.au)

Website: [www.macquarieps.act.edu.au](http://www.macquarieps.act.edu.au)

Facebook Page: <http://www.facebook.com/macquarieprimary>

School Mobile Phone: 0434 751 607

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Board Chair: Emily Ashcroft

### School Contacts:

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## From our Principal Continued ...

### COMMUNITY LANGUAGES PROGRAM

Our Community Languages Program continues this year with students developing skills and cultural understandings of a variety of languages, supported by our families. We look forward to engaging students in this important aspect of the curriculum, as they connect with communities and communicate with them for authentic purposes.

Further information about the initiative can be found in the How it Works document attached and by contacting your child's classroom teacher.

Looking forward to the week ahead.

*Sophie  
Principal*

### Last week we saw examples of special efforts from:

Mica	Using his creative thinking skills to build a flying car
Matthew	Using his knowledge and skills to create a water feature during a Loose Parts session
Matthew	Developing a modified school timetable that would meet the needs of the learners in his classroom

## CONGRATULATIONS ...

... to our Sports Captains for 2018.

Bennelong Captains:	Yoonie & Jorja
Bennelong Vice Captains:	Joey & Matilda
Lachlan Captains:	Dylan & Yasmin
Lachlan Vice Captains:	Issy & Matthew
Redfern Captains:	Alex & Aleyna
Redfern Vice Captains:	Anderson & Karla

### NOTES HOME

EVENT DETAILS	YR GROUP	DATE DUE BACK
Swimming Carnival	Yr 2—6	Payment & perm ASAP
Tuggeranong School House	Yr 1/2	Perm & payment by 28/2
Teddy Bears' Picnic	P—Yr 2	Invitation
Voluntary Contributions	All families	Action as necessary
Curriculum Resources (student stationary)	All families	Payment ASAP
Student Information & Check Sheet	All students	ASAP
Known Medical Response Plan	Identified students	ASAP
Medical Information & Consent Form	All students	ASAP

## P&C NEWS

The P&C would like to welcome Jason to the team as our new Fundraising and Events Coordinator for 2018. We are super excited to have Jason as part of our committee and look forward to a fantastic year of events ahead.

The P&C are extremely keen to run the school canteen for our children during 2018, but WE NEED YOUR HELP! We are open to your suggestions on how the canteen should be run and welcome your input into this activity. If you would like to be part of the canteen team this year, or have suggestions on what kind of canteen we should provide, please send an email to [canteen.mpspandc@gmail.com](mailto:canteen.mpspandc@gmail.com). Let's make this happen!

### UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

NOW AVAILABLE

Sport Skort \$16 Cotton backed, built in shorts Sizes 4 - 16

### CLOSURE

The shop will be closed on Wednesday, 28 February.

## CLASS TIMES

8.55am	Morning bell
10am	Fruit break
11—11.30am	Recess
12.50pm	Eating time
1pm—1.40pm	Lunch
3pm	Home time

Macquarie Primary is an  
ANAPHYLAXIS AWARE SCHOOL

*Avoiding eggs, all nuts, kiwi fruit  
and all seafood.*

## RECEIVE THE MACQUARIE MEMO VIA E-MAIL

In working towards environmentally sustainable habits, we would love to be able to email our newsletter to you each week as a pdf document. If you are happy to receive the Macquarie Memo this way, please email [leesa.frame@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:leesa.frame@ed.act.edu.au) or contact the Front Office.

## SUSTAINABILITY SNIPPETS



Turn lights off when not in the room.

### Uniform Shop — Opening Hours

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

## Notices



### NAPLAN will be online from **15-25 May 2018.**



#### NAPLAN Online:

- is more engaging and adjusts questions to meet your child's achievement level.
- delivers more precise literacy and numeracy achievement results to schools and parents more quickly.
- supports school improvement by enabling teachers to monitor student progress over time and to identify areas of strength and development.

Our school encourages all eligible students to participate in NAPLAN. Visit [www.nap.edu.au](http://www.nap.edu.au) to see how the test works and for more information.

### BELSOUTH FOOTBALL PLAYER REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

General information: [www.belsouthfootball.club](http://www.belsouthfootball.club)

2018 Registration Fees (Enquiries; [belsouthregistrar@gmail.com](mailto:belsouthregistrar@gmail.com))

Peewees - \$110 U6/7-U9 - \$160 U10-U18 - \$180

(Family Discount refunds for 3+ children are available)

**Grading** - Hawker Fields (Murrnaji St; only registered players will be graded)

Open U10: 5:30 – 6:45 pm Wed Feb 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 – 10:30 am Sat March 3<sup>rd</sup>

U10 girls: 5:30 – 6:45 pm Wed Feb 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>

Open U11: 6:45 – 8:00 pm Wed Feb 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 – 10:30 am Sat March 3<sup>rd</sup>

U10 girls: 6:45 – 8:00 pm Wed Feb 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>

Open U12: 9:00 – 10:30 am Sun Feb 18<sup>th</sup> (Walhallow St fields), 10:30 – 12:00 pm Sat March 3<sup>rd</sup>

U12 girls: 9:00 – 10:30 am Sun Feb 18<sup>th</sup> (Walhallow St fields), 10:30 – 12:00 pm Sat March 3<sup>rd</sup>

Open U13&U14: 12:30 – 2:00 pm Sat March 3<sup>rd</sup>

Grading for other age groups is dependent on registration numbers. Players will be notified of grading details, time & location updates by email and at [belsouthfootball.club/grading/](http://belsouthfootball.club/grading/)

**Mini Gala Day** (for U7 – U9 players) Friday 6th April, Hawker Fields (Murrnaji St)

U7's – 5:00 - 6:00 pm U8's and U9's – 6:15 - 7:15 pm

**Season kick off**

Sat 5<sup>th</sup> May (U6/7 to U18), Sat 29<sup>th</sup> May (Peewees)



### 2018 Term 1 at Macquarie Primary School

#### Week 5 – Week 10

Tuesdays 3:00pm – 4:00pm Kinder – Yr 2

Wednesdays 3:15pm – 4:15pm Yr 3 – Yr 6

Thursdays 3:00pm – 4:00pm Beginners

Book now for term 1 by calling

**Georgia on 0403 800 877**

**\$50 for the 5 week program**

Groups are limited to 10 students

To secure your child's place

**Payment must be received by Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**