

From our Principal

Dear Families and Friends

We have really settled back into the swing of school at school this week. Our bush tucker students were pleased to have Birrigai educators come to school on Wednesday and run them through a variety of outdoor activities including team building challenges, nature art and building the tallest tower they could – 1.9m was the winner. It was a lovely day of learning in the outdoor classroom, and nice that even though camp hasn't been able to go ahead we can still experience some of those types of activities.

Teachers have been busy writing semester 1 reports. Due to the unprecedented times this semester your child's report will reflect their progress in Mathematics and English. Your child's report will be coming home in the last week of the term, Monday 29 June for preschool (Snugglepots)- year 6 students and Thursday 2 July for preschool (Cuddlepies). We will be holding parent teacher interview opportunities early next term, please keep an eye out for that information.

One of the strategies we teach students is how to select a 'good fit' book. This means that the child can independently access the text, it is the right book or text for the purpose, it is interesting and the child can understand what they are reading. We teach the acronym, I PICK. Which prompts the reader to look for the following when choosing a book;

I – I choose a book (look at it inside and out)

P – Purpose (why do I want to read it?)

I – Interest (does it interest me?)

C – Comprehend (do I understand what I am reading?)

K – Know the words (do I know most of the words?)

We now offer family memberships to our library, have you considered joining so the whole family can borrow, not just your primary aged children? We love to build our community of readers, and Pamela loves to meet new families.

Have a great week,

Danielle

Friday 12 June

Bookclub orders due

Wednesday 24 June

P&C meeting 6:30pm

Wednesday 1 July

Cross Country

Friday 3 July

End of Term 2

Monday 20 July

First day of Term 3

Thursday 30 July

Board meeting 4:30pm

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SCHOOL CAPTAINS 2020

We are delighted to formally introduce the school leaders for 2020: James B, Nina V, Rhys P and Julia D. As we all know it has been a very different school year so far and now that students have returned to school the four school leaders are eager to work with the staff and SRC to support our school community. We congratulate them and look forward to their leadership of the school throughout the remainder of the year.



NEWS FROM THE P&C

Did you know ... outcomes for children are the best when families, schools, communities and governments work together?

Source: [ACT Council of Parents and Citizens Associations](#)

Next P&C meeting

The next P&C will be held on Wednesday, 24 June 2020 at 6.30pm in the school staff room. The P&C will be following the COVID-19 social distancing guidelines until further notice and physical places will be limited to 10 people. So that everyone can participate, the school will also be hosting the meeting by video call. Please email Danielle to RSVP to the meeting at Danielle.Porter@ed.act.edu.au

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

Breakfast Club is back!

Our much-loved Breakfast Club has returned and is now available Friday mornings between 8:45 - 9:00am. We hope to see student's happy faces there!

Uniform Shop

Scarves and beanies are now available for purchase via [flexischools](https://flexischools.com.au).

Until restrictions ease further, the uniform shop will continue to operate on an order only basis.

Families can purchase new uniforms online via flexischools.com.au or by placing cash and an order form (available at the front office) in the P&C mailbox at the office. Items will be sent home with students.

Second-hand items are available for purchase in the front office for \$2 or \$5.

For any enquiries please contact the uniform shop coordinator uniforms.mps@gmail.com

Class Representatives

Thanks to the parents and carers that have volunteered their time to be a class representative in 2020. There are classes that still need a representative. Please consider volunteering if you have children in:

Rainbow Gums, Waratahs and Winter Cress.

It will not be much work and will help build a sense of community at Macquarie.

If your class already has a Class Representative, please email or text them with your email address so that they can add you to their class contact list and start helping to build a sense of community at Macquarie. If you don't know who your Class Representative is, just ask your teacher, they will be able to put you into contact with them.

For more information about becoming a MPS Class Representative, please email your friendly P&C at mpspandc@gmail.com

Community partnerships

Remember that when you dine at the **Canberra Southern Cross Club (Jamison, Tuggeranong, Woden or the Yacht Club)**, 7.5% of your meal and beverage value is donated back to Macquarie Primary. Link your membership card to our school at your local Club or use the link below to sign up online: <https://cscmarketing.wufoo.com/forms/z1yqzsjq0orxe0g/>

LIBRARY NEWS

Book Club

Issue 4 Book Club orders are due in by tomorrow, Friday June 12. You can pay either online via www.scholastic.com.au/loop or with cash in a labelled envelope to the front office (exact change please).

Overdue Library Books

Please help your child remember to bring in any library books that they have finished reading. Reminder notes will be sent out next Monday. We still have well over 700 overdue loans, mostly from our time of remote learning, so if you would like to see your child's current loans BEFORE the overdue notes are printed, you can access Oliver (library catalogue) from the Digital Backpack. Your child's name is in the top right corner; hover over it for the 'Loans' option. Alternatively you can email me with your queries, pamela.gaukroger@ed.act.edu.au

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
2020 Voluntary contributions	All year levels	Payments welcome anytime
ICAS competitions	Years 3—6	Thursday 2 July
2020 Band	Year 5 & 6 band members	Payments due now

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Option 1: Electronic Funds transfer

Account name: Macquarie Primary School Management Account

BSB: 032 777 **Account number:** 001586

Use reference Child's Surname EXCURSION NAME

Option 2: Quickweb

Go to <http://www.macquarieps.act.edu.au/payment> and follow the prompts.

Use reference Child's Surname EXCURSION NAME

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

MEDICATIONS

In the interests of keeping all students safe, **medication that your child requires during the school day must be stored in the front office.** Macquarie's school office team manages first aid, emergency medical plans and medications for students. Please contact the front office team if you have any changes to your child's medical treatment plan.

CARBON DIET

Act on climate change - cut carbon now

If you put paper or cardboard in the household rubbish bin, it ends up in landfill and releases carbon emissions. Use less paper.

Recycle clean paper. If it's larger than a credit card, put it in your yellow recycling bin. If it's smaller than a credit card, compost it.

These tips have been sourced from Jo Clay's website The Carbon Diet. Jo is a member of our school community who has been running this ACT Government sponsored project on cutting carbon for the past two years.

For more information on the project go to <https://www.carbondiet.com.au/>.

SCHOOL CONTACT DETAILS

Office hours: Monday — Friday 8.30am — 3.30pm

**Macquarie Primary is an
ANAPHYLAXIS AWARE SCHOOL**

Avoiding all nuts.

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COMMUNITY NOTICES



The landscape around COVID-19 is changing daily however we will be strictly keeping in line with the current ACT/NSW Government Guidelines and the Cricket ACT & NSW training protocols.



CANBERRA CRICKET CAMPS & T20S

ACT T10 SMASH CUP

6th - 8th July
Dickson Oval, Antill St, Dickson

ACT CRICKET CAMP & T10S

13th - 15th July
Weetangera Oval, Southwell St, Weetangera

TIMES: 9AM - 3PM EACH DAY
(8:30am early drop off, pick up no later than 3:30pm please).



\$295 FOR 3 DAYS
\$110 PER DAY

Catering for ages 7-15 we offer intensive individual and group skill development for all ages and stages across all facets of the game. With an excellent coach to player ratio and incorporating current and former first class cricketers it's the perfect environment for the kids to have heaps of fun, make new friends and take their gameto a new level.

PHILOSOPHY

We are passionate about helping each and every player achieve their goals and reach their potential through expert coaching in a fun, challenging, positive and professional environment. Through the game of cricket we ultimately aim to help our players learn, grow and develop into becoming better people.

Our camps include T20 games and high-quality coaching with specialists in batting, bowling, fielding & wicketkeeping focusing on the specific technical, tactical, psychological & physical skills required in each discipline. Players will be exposed to a variety of games and drills designed to improve confidence, self belief, concentration, team work and leadership skills all while having a ball with their friends.

SPECIAL GUEST COACHES HAVE INCLUDED:

- Steve Smith
- Peter Neville
- Daniel Christian
- Trent Copeland
- Geoff Lawson
- Pat Cummins
- Chris Tremain
- Scott Henry
- Ben Rohrer
- Kurtis Patterson
- Josh Lalor
- Jono Dean



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CANBERRA WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

FREE telephone counselling sessions Monday to Friday 9am-5pm

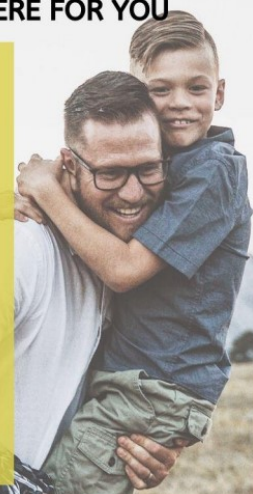
Sessions via Zoom or Skype
Limited availability for FREE face-to-face counselling sessions

Sadly our groups and training are temporarily suspended

Contact us for a FREE confidential chat

6287 3833

parentline@parentlineact.org.au



Piano Lessons

Piano teacher in the local Belconnen area.

Craig Mewett

All ages and all styles.

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