

Dates for the Diary

Wed 28 Nov
Assembly

Fri 7 Dec
50th Birthday Arts Showcase &
Book Launch

50th Birthday Celebrations Friday, 7 December 2018

Bring a picnic dinner, or buy a sausage and dessert from the P&C BBQ and dessert bar
50th Anniversary Book Launch
Roaming Arts Showcase: across the whole school grounds
Year 6 raffle drawn followed by time capsule re-sealing



From our Principal

Dear Families and Friends,

It really is kicking into that busy time of year again. School is no different. There are lots of things going on here too. Last week saw our year 6 band students perform in Bandstravaganza on Tuesday night. We held kindergarten transition visits to prepare our preschoolers for next year and rugby league clinics for Year 6.

ARRIVAL AT SCHOOL

We have an increasing number of students arriving at school very early in the morning. Arriving from 8:45am gives just enough time to catch up with friends and be ready for the day. Teachers use this time before school to prepare lessons and get their learning environments set up. We have supervision on the playground from 8:45am each morning.

END OF YEAR EVENTS

We are busily getting ready for the Arts Showcase which will be held on Friday, 7 December for a picnic or sausage sizzle dinner and dessert from the P&C. Followed by the 50th anniversary commemorative book launch, the showcase and closing with the year 6 raffle draw and time capsule resealing.

The other big event we are hosting is the Talent Show. Classes will hold their heats over the next 2 weeks ahead of the school final on Friday, 14 December. Please feel welcome to attend if you are able.

ORIENTATION EVENTS

Last Wednesday afternoon we had our well attended preschool and kindergarten information sessions. I would like to thank the small band of hard-working P&C parents who provided a free sausage for our transitioning families.

FORWARD PLANNING

Just a reminder to let us know if your family is not returning to Macquarie in 2019, as this helps us in forming classes for next year.

Have a great week.

Danielle



Office Hours

Monday — Friday
8.30am — 3.30pm

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SCHOOL BOARD UPDATE

The School Board met in November for the final time for the 2018 school year. At the meeting, the Board received an update from Danielle on the development of the next 5 year plan for the school. Staff, students and community members are being consulted in the development of the plan following the recently completed school review. The Board reviewed the proposed class structures and approved the draft budget for 2019.

The Board next meets in February 2019. If you have any questions about the work of the Board please feel free to contact me.

Mark
School Board Chair

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Families are reminded to contact the school office team should changes to your child's emergency contacts emerge. Currency of this information supports safety and wellbeing practices at Macquarie.

PLEASE WELCOME ...

... Jameel who recently commenced in 4/5D.

RECONCILIATION CHALLENGE AWARDS

Recently 6 members of Year 6 were invited to attend the Reconciliation Challenge Awards. As Ella, Brayden, Daniel, Jake, Shalom and Jane collaborated with Wynetta to create a written piece during Term 3 that represented reconciliation and ways we can support reconciliation. The piece they created was in the form of a comic book and it was awarded highly commended. At the ceremony the comic book they created called "Reconciliation Warriors" was framed and presented for all to see. A big congratulations to all of these students for creating such an engaging and important piece of work.

Andrea
Year 6 team

Uniform Shop — Opening Hours

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

P&C NEWS

A huge thank you to our fantastic volunteers for their work at the open day last week. All families had a lovely afternoon to welcome their little ones into Preschool and Kindy for 2019!

The Macquarie Primary School P&C Facebook Page:
<https://www.facebook.com/macquarieprimary/>

MERIT AWARDS

Please congratulate the following students who will receive merit awards at Assembly on Wednesday, 28 November.

Maisey & Hamzah (KD); Anika (KF); Abbygail, Joshua & Isobel(1/2S); Siale (1/2Ca); Hamish & Ethan (1/2Co); Sobaan & Claire (1/2GM); Ryan, Hassaan & Tristan (1/2T); Matthew & Holly (3B); Maryam & Ngang (3S); Xavier & Ellie (3V); Samuel & Alex (4/5D); Areebah (4/5F); Jeremy (4/5K); Helena & Keito (4/5L); Minthy & Viet (6B); Tista & Jethro (6GW); Hannan & Chloe (6R).

Please also congratulate the following students who will receive certificates for their participation in the UNSW ICAS Mathematics Assessment.

Lan, Rebekah, Zhuang Zhuang, Husayn, Kuhen, Vikram, Oliver, Samantha and Meutia (Participation); Dexter, James, Rhys, Tom and Tista (Merit); Kiara, Matthew, Amelia and Lucy (Credit); and Jeremy and Reuben (Distinction).

KEEPING STUDENTS SAFE

In keeping with ACT Government Policy, **we remind families who walk their dogs to school to arrange a meeting and drop off spot outside of the school boundary.** For more information, go to http://www.tams.act.gov.au/city-services/pets/keeping_dogs_in_the_act/where_can_i_take_my_dog

SUSTAINABILITY SNIPPETS

Stop using paper serviettes.



NOTES HOME

EVENT DETAILS	YR GROUP	DATE DUE BACK
Camp Birrigai	Year 4/5	Perm & payment ASAP
2019 Hand	K—Yr 5	ASAP
Graduation Day— Lunch & Flipout	Year 6	Perm note & payment by 7/12
Graduation Disco	Year 5	Invitation