

## Dates for the Diary

### Tue 20 Nov

Kinder transition visits  
Bandstravaganza Performance

### Wed 21 Nov

2019 Preschool & Kindergarten  
Open Evening

### Thur 22 Nov

Kinder transition visits

### Wed 28 Nov

Assembly

### BOOK CLUB

Book club orders will close on Friday,  
23 November. Final one for the year!

## From our Principal

Dear Families and Friends,

### BIKE WORKSHOP

What a great turnout we had last Thursday afternoon for the family bike workshop. It was wonderful to see many of our students and their parents participating in safety awareness around bikes and riding. A form can be collected from the Front Office if participants would like to give any feedback to the company about the workshop. A special thanks to Faith for facilitating the session.

### MUSICAL PERFORMANCE

This week our Year 6 band will perform in *Bandstravaganza* with all the public school bands from across Canberra. This is a major performance for students and in addition to playing in a combined ensemble, they will hear the high school concert band, filled with members who began playing just as our students did.

### FORWARD PLANNING

As I mentioned last week in the newsletter, we have developed the class structure for 2019. We will be using the placement hands to support creating class groupings. If you have any information that will help us to support your child please let one of the executive team know. If you know that your child will not be returning to Macquarie next year, please let the Front Office know by phone on 6142 1550 or via email at [admin@macquarieps.act.edu.au](mailto:admin@macquarieps.act.edu.au). This information helps us to form classes.

### GETTING READY FOR SCHOOL

On Wednesday we will host our transition to Preschool and Kindergarten sessions for families. I hope to see many of you there. The preschool and kindergarten classrooms will be open, from 4:30pm (the P&C uniform shop will be open then), with the information sessions running concurrently at 5:00pm and finishing with a P&C sponsored sausage sizzle at 5:30pm.

### ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES

Thanks to everyone who has used the text message as a prompt to let us know when your child is absent from school. Providing an explanation for your child's absence is required under the Education Act. We will be sending out the text messages at 10am each day.

Have a wonderful week.

*Danielle*



### Office Hours

Monday — Friday  
8.30am — 3.30pm

### Macquarie Directory

K—6 Site Ph: 6142 1550 Fax: 6142 1571

Preschool Site 6142 1570 After School Care: 0451 681 604 (Huw)

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>

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Board Chair: Mark Roddam  
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## Community Notices



Craig Mewett. Piano tuition.  
All ages and all styles.  
Beginners welcome.  
Ph (02) 6278 7382 Mob 0409 151 887

Forrest Primary School  
**60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

# Official Assembly

12:15pm Senior Hall

# Family Fair

3pm - 7pm

Free Entry • Food • Entertainment

Unlimited ride passes  
available for purchase via  
[trybooking.com/ZAWV](http://trybooking.com/ZAWV)

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> Nov**

Early Bird Tickets  
on sale until 9.11.18

See our Facebook page  
for more information.



### YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL

**Venue:** Hall Showgrounds  
**Time:** 10.30am to 2.30pm  
**Date:** Saturday, 1 December 2018  
**Why:** To have a great time with friends!  
**Cost:** \$100 per family (up to 2 adults and 4 children under 18) or \$40 per individual

*Please see the Front Office for more information.*

### 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.

### Uniform Shop — Opening Hours

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

### REFUGEE MARATHON PROJECT - RUNNERS NEEDED

Are you, or do you know, someone who has arrived in Australia as a refugee or asylum seeker in the last ten years and would be interested in running a marathon? The Refugee Marathon Project is a new program training people of refugee or asylum seeker backgrounds to run a major Australian marathon. The Program pilot will be based in Canberra with participants preparing to run the Canberra Marathon (as part of the Australian Running Festival) on Sunday 14 April 2019.

The project is searching for the first cohort of runners. To be eligible participants also need to be able to attend training sessions in central Canberra at least 2-3 times per week until April 2019. No minimum fitness requirements.

To apply email Cassie at [refugeemarathonproject@gmail.com](mailto:refugeemarathonproject@gmail.com) with your name, age and a few sentences explaining why you'd be a good fit for the program. Applications close late November 2018.

If you'd like to help support the program in other ways (eg moral support, donations) please also get in touch with Cassie.