

Dates for the Diary

Tue 3 Sept

UNSW ICAS — Digital Technologies

Wed 4 Sept

UNSW ICAS—Science

Thur 5 Sept

Theatre Excursion

Friday 6 Sept

Theatre excursion

Tuesday 10 Sept

Arboretum excursion

Wednesday 11 Sept

UNSW ICAS—Writing
Assembly

Thursday 12 Sept

UNSW ICAS—Spelling
Arboretum excursion
Values Review

Uniform Shop — Opening Hours

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



From our Principal

Dear families and friends,

I had a wonderful experience at Limelight on Friday night. What talent there is in the ACT. We are so lucky to be part of the extravaganza. I was very proud of our students being part of the northside massed choir.

I hope you took the opportunity to participate in this year's satisfaction survey. I will feed back information through the newsletter when the information is released. The survey closes today, if you still want to complete the survey please do so today.

Over the past couple of weeks staff have discussed some topics, including singing the National Anthem at assemblies and the purpose of assemblies. We have set upon a version of the Anthem which we will play each assembly to support all our students learning the words. We have committed to investigating the language of the Anthem and exploring its history and developing our understanding of why some people choose not to participate in singing the Anthem. Our discussion about assemblies identified that there are a few main purposes, one to showcase student learning, two to build public speaking and performance skills and three to develop appropriate audience skills and stamina. We talked about the educators' role in this process and are actively working to develop our learning in this area. We would love to hear your feedback in these areas.

EVENT DETAILS

Canberra Theatre
Canberra Theatre
National Arboretum
National Arboretum
Camp Warrambui

Language Perfect
Class Dojo
Third party provider
consent forms

(Class creator & ACER)
Band payment
Voluntary contributions

NOTES HOME

YR GROUP

Kindergarten
Yr 1/2
Preschool Gurrani
Preschool Durrum
Year 3/4

Yrs 3—6
All families

All families
Members of band
All families

DATE DUE BACK

Perm & payment by 29/8
Perm & payment by 29/8
Perm & payment by 3/9
Perm & payment by 5/9
Expression of interest &
deposit by 6/9
Perm note ASAP
Response ASAP

Response ASAP
Payment when possible
Payment when possible

Library

Open for families
Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri
8.30am—9.00am

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)

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From our Principal continued ...

On Wednesday evening we hosted camp information sessions for families. It was great to see people come in and ask questions about what their children will engage in during the camp experiences. If you have any questions about camps please see your child's teacher or Veronique.

This week we have a number of things happening. Our 3/4 girls Oz Tag team participated in the finals this morning. They had an impressive couple of games and conducted themselves well. Thanks to Mick for his coaching during the morning. ICAS assessments start this week for those students participating in them and excursions to the Canberra Theatre to see Possum Magic for our kindergarten and year one and two students.

As we have begun forward planning for 2020 please let us know if you will not be returning to Macquarie next year or if you know of anyone moving into the area who should be enrolling.

Have a lovely week,

Danielle

PBL UPDATE—VALUES REVIEW

Thursday 12th September, 3:30pm—4:30pm in the staffroom.

See attached invitation for further information.

ATHLETICS NEWS

We had a really successful trip to the Belconnen Athletics Carnival two weeks ago. All of our participants should be congratulated on not just putting in some terrific athletic performances, but also on their behaviour across the day. Special congratulations goes to three of our year 6 students for performances so good they have qualified for the ACT Athletics carnival. In the girls 12 years discuss, Bella from Ohana came 2nd while Sahara from Daramoolen finished 4th. In the Boys 11 years long jump, Anderson, also from Ohana, finished 3rd. Congratulations to all three.

Macquarie Primary is coordinating the ACT Athletics carnival this year and we are looking for volunteers to help out on the day. It is Tuesday 10 September at the AIS, and goes from 8am through to 3pm. Anyone interested please email Ross Dennis at ross.dennis@ed.act.edu.au



SUSTAINABILITY SNIPPETS

Though coat hangers are metal and technically recyclable, they cause problems in the recycling machines and are sent to landfill.



LIBRARY NEWS



Reading is my secret power!

Reading is knowledge. Readers are lifelong learners who gain new knowledge from each new book they read.

Book Club

The next issue for Book Club has been distributed to students. Orders are due in by this **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**. The very short turnaround is due to some widespread delays Scholastic has experienced lately, and I'm being cautious to ensure orders are filled before the school holidays. Orders can be completed online at www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP or with cash, returned to school in a labelled envelope. Please email me if you have any queries about gift orders – pamela.gaukroger@ed.act.edu.au

ICAS Competitions this week

ICAS Competitions start this week. Below are the dates and times for each competition. If your child is away on the day of the competition they may not get to participate as there are strict rules around when tests can be administered. We also will not be able to refund for tests due to absence as the tests have been pre-ordered.

Subject	Sitting Date and Time
ICAS Digital Technologies	Tuesday 3 Sept 9.15am-10.15am
ICAS Science	Wednesday 4 Sept 1.50pm – 2.50pm
ICAS Writing	Wednesday 11 Sept 1.40pm - 2.40pm
ICAS Spelling Bee	Thursday 12 September 10.00am -11.00am
ICAS English	Wednesday 18 September 1.40pm - 2.40pm
ICAS Mathematics	Thursday 19 September 10.00am -11.00am

REMINDER

A reminder for years 3—6 students to return the Language Perfect permission note **as soon as possible**. Please see the Front Office if you require another note.

NEWS FROM THE P&C

Thank you!

Thanks to everyone who helped out at the Father's Day Stall on Friday – it was lovely to see so many excited and happy little people choosing something for the special man in their lives.

It's our fantastic parent and carer volunteers who make it possible for us to organise things like the welcome BBQ in Term 1, the Mother's and Father's Day stalls, the disco, weekly canteen and breakfast club.

Your P&C needs you

The P&C is about people just like you who want to enhance their children's primary school experience and help their school. We work very closely with Macquarie's staff, building a stronger school community where all our children benefit.

We do lots of activities throughout the year and are grateful for the support and involvement of many families that make them happen.

Here are just some of the ways you can be a part of our P&C:

- 1) Volunteer to help at **Breakfast Club** which takes place every Friday morning at 8:45am in Oasis and provides milo and toast for anyone who would like it.
- 2) Join one of our **sub committees** – there are sub-committee for gardens, events and fundraising
- 3) Talk to your children about their **ideas** for things they would like the P&C to support and send those suggestions through.
- 4) Attend our **next meeting** in Week 3 of Term 4 on Wednesday 30 October

Please email president.mpsandc@gmail.com to get involved or for more information.

Uniform shop

The P&C Uniform Shop is run by volunteers and offers a range of school wear as close to cost price as possible. It also has quality second-hand items for sale, three days a week. To order, pick up a blue order form from the office, stop by the shop or place an order online at <https://www.flexischools.com.au/>

We also need volunteers for the shop on Monday and Friday mornings from 8:45 – 9:15am. Please contact uniforms.mps@gmail.com if you can lend a hand.

Anxiety workshop: Thursday 12 September at 6.30pm

Ainslie School P&C has organised a workshop on Dealing with Childhood Anxiety with guest presenter Kieran Vaughan and have opened it up to parents from other schools. The workshop will clarify what anxiety is and where it fits in relation to stress and trauma. At the end of the session you will come away with some strategies which could help your loved one/s and yourself. A supervised movie will run next door for kids of parents attending.

RSVP via https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfwWeUKDZiRo1iEQYscBZimJe54W4EznnOcf58jCuC_9bfIQ/viewform or read all about it in the ACT Council of Parents & Citizens Associations (ParentACTion) latest e-magazine <https://www.actparents.org.au/index.php/parentaction-magazine>

Sheree Murray, P&C President

Congratulations

Congratulations to Anika who represented Macquarie Primary School at the ACT Schools Cup snow sports race at Perisher on Sunday.

It was a close competition with Anika placing 4th in the division 6 alpine race.



Community Notices

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN




Registrations are now open for the upcoming Little Athletics season. Come and join the fun at the reigning ACT Little Athletics Club of the Year. Athletes are supported in a fun and friendly atmosphere at Charnwood Oval each Saturday morning where they will earn new skills and make new friends. Ginninderra Athletics caters for all ages from 3 year olds (Tiny Tots) through to Opens and Masters with events for all ages and abilities.

SEASON COMMENCES 19 OCTOBER 2019
AT CHARNWOOD OVAL

TINY TOTS TO UNDER 8's - 8.30am
UNDER 9 TO UNDER 11's - 9.30am
UNDER 12 TO OPENS - 10.00am

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER VISIT
GINNINDERRA.COM

Registration now open at **WESTON INDOOR SPORTS** westonis.com.au

2019-20 SUMMER REBOUND SOCCER

FOR KIDS AGED 5 TO 18

Season Starts: Sat 26 Oct 2019
Season Ends: late Mar/early Apr
Played: Saturdays - (break over school holidays and long weekends)

- * boys, girls and mixed teams
- * divisions for players of all skill levels
- * register as an individual or as a team (we will find you a team for you and your friends)

WHAT IS REBOUND SOCCER?

- * five-a-side game
- * played with a futsal ball
- * played on indoor courts with nets (more play time - the ball doesn't go out)

APPROXIMATE AGE GROUPS & KICK-OFF TIMES

Division	Age Group	Kick-off Times
Rooball Divisions	5 to 8 years	1:00pm - 4:00pm
Junior Divisions	9 to 12 years	8:00am - 12:00pm
Youth Divisions	12 to 18 years	9:30am to 1:30pm
Girls Divisions	8 to 18 years	10:00am - 2:00pm

Fees: \$180 per player (\$175 if paid by 12 September)
(Discount of \$5 per child for 2 or more from the same family)

What to Wear? Shin pads, runners/futsal boots, long socks and team shirt.

Pre-season Training will be available. See westonis.com.au for more information.

REGISTER AT: westonis.com.au. Register online or download a form and email it to soccer@westonis.com.au or drop it in to Weston Indoor Sports, 45 Liardet St Weston.

Further Information - Contact Weston Indoor Sports
Phone: 6288 0444 Email: soccer@westonis.com.au Website: westonis.com.au

University of Canberra Great Book Swap

Wednesday the 4th of September, 2019 is [Indigenous Literacy Day](#) and the University of Canberra Library and the Office of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Leadership and Strategy are hosting their third Great Book Swap for Indigenous Literacy.

The Great Book Swap supports the Indigenous Literacy foundation (ILF) helping to raise funds for new books going to schools and service organisations in remote Indigenous communities.

The Book Swap will be held at the University of Canberra Library foyer and exhibition space from 10.00am - 3.00pm.

You are welcome to support the ILF by bringing any pre-loved books to swap or buy a book and make a donation.

This year, Dr Paul Collis and other University of Canberra authors will give readings from their recently published works.

greatbookswap.org.au



The Great Book Swap

Indigenous Literacy Foundation

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Every Tuesday & Thursday at 6:30pm

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