

Dates for the Diary

Tue 12 Feb

P&C Welcome BBQ
P&C AGM

Wed 13 Feb

Assembly

Wed 27 Feb

Swimming Carnival
Junior Water Fun Day

Reminders

BOOK CLUB

Book Club orders close on
Friday, 22 February.

Save the Date

WEEK 3 (18 February)

Getting to Know you
Interviews

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,

What a wonderful first week back we had. Our new students have settled straight into school and are already developing their independent learning skills. We were fortunate to host the Minister for Education, Yvette Berry MLA, for a visit to one of our kindergarten classes last Monday morning. She read to the class and met a couple of families. You may have seen the coverage on the news on Monday evening.

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Last week we sent home a student information sheet asking for information about your child to assist the class teacher to better understand how to support them at school. We have sent this out in advance of the *getting to know you* interviews to enable the interview times to be most useful.

In addition, this year we would like to use the PTO booking system to schedule interview times. As our school continues to grow, using a web-based booking system means families can make appointments when it suits them, rather than only through the Front Office. We need permission to use this system so please return the note as soon as possible.

The interviews will run across the week commencing 18 February. We look forward to seeing you.

BEFORE SCHOOL

We encourage students to arrive at school no earlier than 8:45am. This is when we have a staff member on duty outside. We ask students to move from the front of the school when they arrive, to the Brindabella or Namadgi spaces to maintain student safety.

Office Hours

Monday — Friday
8.30am — 3.30pm



Macquarie Directory

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From our Principal Continued ...

You may have noticed that teachers are collecting their classes each morning. This helps with smooth transitions into learning time. Each class has selected a meeting point and unless children are accompanied by their parent or carer, they are to wait outside before 9.00am. In the event of very wet weather, students will be able to access their classrooms early. If anyone needs any assistance they are welcome to go to the Front Office where Jess or Leesa will help.

SUSTAINABILITY

This term we are all inquiring into reducing our impact on the earth. Students will be noticing their consumption and investigating what they can do to minimise waste. This links closely with Clean Up Australia Day which occurs on Friday, 1 March for schools. Look out in coming newsletters for what we are doing on that day.

I hope to see many of you at the P&C Welcome BBQ tomorrow evening at 5:30pm.

Danielle

SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATIONS

The nomination period for vacant positions on our School Board opened on **Monday, 4 February 2019**. Our school board provides valuable input into strategic planning and monitoring across many aspects of our school. If you are interested in nominating for a position, or would like to know a little more about the board, please contact our Returning Officer, Ann, or the front office team. Nominations close at **11.00am on Monday, 18 February 2019** and forms are available at the Front Office.

CLASS TIMES

9am	Morning bell (students meet teachers outside)
10am	Fruit break
10.50am	Eating time
11—11.30am	Recess
12.50pm	Eating time
1pm—1.40pm	Lunch
3pm	Home time

WANTED: LEGO

Lego Club will run every Tuesday and Friday at lunchtime in the Library. If you have lego that you would like to donate to the club, please drop it off at the Front Office.

BREAKFAST CLUB

There will be no Breakfast Club this week.

A MESSAGE FROM THE FIRST AID OFFICER

At Macquarie we have a few students who are severely allergic to certain foods. This could result in the students experiencing anaphylaxis which is a sudden, severe allergic reaction that requires immediate medical treatment and is potentially fatal.

We are seeking the support and cooperation of all families to minimise the risk of students coming into contact with specific foods. Therefore, we request you do not pack the following foods in your child's lunchbox: **eggs, all nuts and soft shell crab**.

As an allergy aware school, we work with families to ensure student needs are understood and supported. Medical/Emergency management plans, which are developed by the child's doctor and provided by parents, are essential to risk minimisation and management at Macquarie Primary School.

Thank you for recognising the need for ongoing vigilance to minimise the potential life threatening risk to some of our students. If you have any queries in relation to this matter please contact me in the Front Office.

Jess

Community Liaison & Administration

SUSTAINABILITY SNIPPETS

Get the school newsletter emailed to you.



NOTES HOME

EVENT DETAILS	YR GROUP	DATE DUE BACK
Swimming Carnival	Yr 2—6	Perm & payment ASAP
Swimming Carnival Event Entry Sheet	Yr 2—6	Response as necessary
Student Information Sheet	All students	ASAP
Stationery Packs	All students	Payment ASAP
Information Check Sheet	All students	ASAP
Medical Information Consent Form	All students	ASAP
Known Medical Condition Response Plan	Selected student	ASAP
Third Party Provider Consent form	All students	13 Feb
Bunnings Excursion	Selected students	Perm ASAP
P&C Welcome BBQ & AGM	All families	Invitation
P&C Committee Position descriptions	All families	For information
P&C Nomination letter	All families	For information
P&C nomination form	All families	For necessary action
Stationery Pack	All students	For payment

Community Notices

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GIRLS' BRIGADE
Australian Capital Territory



COACHING SUMMER SEASON

- Starts February 4th, 2019
- Join Anytime
- Kids & Adult Tennis Programs

COMPETITIONS SUMMER SEASON

- Adult Social Doubles
- Adult Social Singles
- Kids Tennis Hot Shots Match Play
- ACT Junior Team Tennis

TENNIS CANBERRA CLUBS

- Barton Tennis Club
- Erindale Active Leisure Centre (Tuggeranong)
- Majura Tennis Club (Dickson)
- Old Parliament House Tennis Club
- Reid Tennis Club
- Turner Tennis Club
- Wesley Tennis Club (adj. Telopea Park School)

Try Hockey for FREE

Come along to Hockey ACT's Come & Try Weekend on February 16 & 17.

Saturday, February 16
9am - 12pm
National Hockey Centre, Lyneham

9am - 11am
Tuggeranong Hockey Park

Visit www.hockeyact.org.au for more information.



Macquarie Primary After School Piano, Guitar & Violin Lessons Term 1 2019

Celtic Arts Agency offers private 1/2 hour after school music lessons at Macquarie Primary School in piano, guitar and violin in the classrooms above the Oasis Room. Lessons are timetabled from 3.05 every half hour on a Tuesday and Wednesday and cost \$306 for a 9 week school term. Lessons are booked on a per term basis.

To see available spots for piano (6) and violin and guitar (2) please see our website
<https://celticartsagency.com/lesson-timetables/macquarie-primary/>



Contact Sharon Casey on
E: musicfun@jocresswell.com or
T: 0404 217 528

More information is available on our website:
www.celticartsagency.com



Primo Learning

Italian classes for Kinder – Year 6 students
Saturdays during school terms
3hr morning or afternoon sessions (9am-12pm, 1pm-4pm)
No prior knowledge of Italian needed to enrol
\$60 per session

ENROLLING NOW FOR TERM 2
For more info contact 0404 698 269
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