



The Macquarie Memo

Issue 9: 1 April 2021

From our Principal

Dear families and friends,

Gosh hasn't term 1 just flown by! It has been lovely to have school somewhat back to normal and we have all enjoyed greater contact with families this term. Even in such a short amount of time we have achieved lots of things this term.

During term 1 we participated in the Welcome BBQ, parent teacher getting to know you interviews, school swimming carnival and water fun day, whole school, junior and senior assemblies, parent reading workshop, Wonder Book, Harmony Day, National Day of Action against Bullying, Clean Up Australia Day, senior camp, netball gala days, aqua safe sessions, a garden working bee, hockey and gymnastic clinics, enrichment began and school photos. Gosh no wonder we need a break.

We hope that students participating in a couple of their enrichment sessions before the school holiday break may inspire them to do some inquiring of their own into their area during the break. Please take photos of what you get up to during the holidays to share back at the beginning of next term.

Next term also has lots planned for both students and the community – keep an eye on coming newsletters to see what is on. It is lovely to see so many people attending our assemblies. We will continue to run them as junior and senior assemblies to enable more indoor capacity for audience members. You are all welcome, please remember that you must check in using the app whenever you are onsite.

Have a lovely autumn break, we look forward to seeing you all on Monday 19 April.

Danielle

Thursday 1 April

Last day of term 1

Monday 19 April

First day of term 2

Friday 23 April

Year 3/4 endeavour excursion

Monday 26 April

ANZAC day public holiday

Tuesday 11—Friday 21 May

NAPLAN

Wednesday 26 May

Rostrum finals

Wednesday 9 June

Year 5/6 democracy excursion

MACQUARIE PRIMARY SCHOOL SRC PYJAMA DAY

The SRC hosted a Pyjama Day today. Students (and staff) raised funds to go towards various equipment for our school such as sandpit toys etc. Check out Class Dojo for some fun photos of the day.

Thank you for your support.

Veronique Canellas, Cynan Brace and MPS SRC

GRIP LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Yesterday our School Captains attended the GRIP Leadership conference at EPIC. Throughout the day we learned that:

- Good leaders share their talents, interests and experiences with others to make a difference.
- Good leaders follow through on promises, do what is right, and put others first.
- Good leaders identify areas to improve, design and implement a plan.

We had plenty of laughs throughout the day whilst we engaged in games and connected with student leaders from a range of schools.

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We can't wait to use our refined leadership skills to make MPS a better place for everyone.

For the latest information regarding COVID-19 in the ACT visit <https://www.covid19.act.gov.au/home>



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NEWS FROM THE P&C

We've had some changes in the P&C, and the following positions are currently vacant:

President

Vice President

Secretary

Fundraising/Events



We really need some enthusiastic people to join the team. If you have any interest in joining the committee please email macquariepandc@gmail.com for job descriptions or further information.

Uniform Shop: The P&C Uniform Shop is open Mondays 8:45 - 9:15, Wednesdays 3:00 - 3:30 and Fridays 8:45 - 9:15. Purchase at the shop or order online at www.flexischools.com.au

Fundraising and Events: Don't forget to mention 'Macquarie Primary School' at the Canberra Southern Cross Club reception area when you dine at the club. They are offering double rewards until the end of June, which means the school will receive 15 cents for every dollar you spend on meals!

Parent Class Representatives: We still need a parent representative for **Les Fruit de Dragons** and one for **Les Cucamelons**. Please email classparentrepsmps@gmail.com if you are able to volunteer. It really is only 3 minutes of your time every week or so ☺

NOTES HOME & REMINDERS

All notes are available on our school [website](#)

EVENT DETAILS	YEAR GROUP	DATE DUE BACK
2021 Stationery supplies	All year levels	Payments welcome anytime
Endeavour Voyage Discovery	Les Legumes	Tuesday 20 April
Canberra Museum and Gallery	Preschool	Thursday 30 April
Cross Country Information	Year 2-6	Friday 23 April

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.

For noting - ambulance

ACT School students who are injured or become ill at school or during approved school excursions within the ACT are entitled to free emergency ambulance services that includes medical treatment and ambulance transport.

SUSTAINABILITY TIPS

Greening your laundry is as easy as hitting the cold water button and drying your clothes on a rack instead of in a clothes drier. You'll save money on electric bills too.

SCHOOL CONTACT DETAILS

Office hours: Monday — Friday 8.30am — 3.30pm

Macquarie Primary is an
ANAPHYLAXIS AWARE SCHOOL

Avoiding all nuts.

Phone K-6 site:	02 6142 1550	Principal	Danielle Porter	danielle.porter@ed.act.edu.au
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Website:	www.macquarieps.act.edu.au	Executive (Yr3-6)	Veronique Canellas	veronique.canellas@ed.act.edu.au
Facebook:	http://www.facebook.com/macquarieprimary	Business Manager	Ann Walker	ann.walker@ed.act.edu.au
P&C President	macquariepandc@gmail.com	Board Chair	Amy McGuire	

COMMUNITY NOTICES



United Taekwondo Macquarie Primary

Taekwondo is an effective and fun martial art that can build confidence, coordination and respect for yourself and others. Students who participate in the Macquarie dojang taekwondo program will improve strength, flexibility and discipline in a safe and friendly environment.

Classes are conducted by
Chief Instructor Brett, 5th degree black belt

TAEKWONDO on MONDAYS

Starting from Term 2 2021

6.15pm – 7.15pm in the school hall

Children and adults welcome!

SPECIAL JOINING FEE - \$180

(normally \$220)

This includes membership, insurance, a full uniform and unlimited training at any of our dojangs in Canberra for the first term. Family discounts apply.

Try your first class for FREE!



To book in for your FREE CLASS, please contact Instructor Sharon at utkdcanberra@outlook.com

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