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Dear Parents and Carers,

Macquarie Primary School have been successful in winning a sizeable grant to implement a 3 year program focused on increasing social and emotional wellbeing in students. We aim to deliver a range of programs across the school to support the development of social and emotional skills. Some of these include an art therapy program, an African drumming program, a circus skills program, and Cool Little Kids/Cool Kids programs. These programs will be offered to students who meet criteria.

In order to determine student eligibility we will be conducting a Social Emotional Wellbeing survey with all students in kindergarten to year 6 across the next 3 weeks. Students in years 1 to 6 will complete this survey online with teacher support, whilst the kindergarten teachers will complete it on behalf of the students in that cohort.

The Social Emotional Wellbeing survey has been developed and will be administered through the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER). This is the same third party who provides the PAT Maths assessment we currently complete in term 3 of each year. Information about ACER can be found at <https://www.acer.org/au/>. The majority of families have previously provided consent for their child’s information to be entered on the ACER website, therefore we will complete the Social Emotional Wellbeing survey with all students unless we receive the below opt out option from your family. Please return the opt out option by **Friday 7 May 2021**.

Once the survey has been completed across the school, we will be in contact with you if your child/children qualify to participate in any of the associated programs. You may also choose to refer your child for a program. A referral form can be emailed to you or collected from the office.

If you have any questions please contact Jodie Rowell to discuss.

Kind regards
The Macquarie Primary School team.

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I, _____, would like to remove my child,
_____, in class, _____ from the
Social Emotional Wellbeing survey being conducted at Macquarie Primary School.

Signature: _____

Date: _____