

Dates for the Diary

Wed 1 May
Assembly

Fri 3 May
Canteen Day (orders by 8.30am)

Fri 10 May
Mothers' Day Stall
Cross Country Carnival

Reminders

P&C Walk-a-thon pledges by 3 May.
Language Perfect permission notes to be returned ASAP from years 3—6 students.
Mothers' Day Stall volunteers required — contact the Front Office.

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,

Welcome back to term 2 — I hope everyone had an enjoyable and restful break. Danielle has extended her break, taking 3 weeks long service leave to do some travelling in America. While she is away I'll be acting as Principal and Stacey will act as Deputy Principal. Melanie will be acting Executive Teacher (P—2) and her class will be taught by Mary.

As you would expect we have many things planned for term 2. Please keep checking our school calendar for events (copy attached). One exciting event that is occurring early in the term is the Cross Country Carnival. Please come along on Friday, 10 May and cheer for our students.

Each term we analyse attendance data across the school. We ask that parents call or email when a child is not attending school as we are obligated to record reasons for absences on our system. We now use the text message system, so you will receive a message on days your child is not at school if you've not provided a reason. Please use this as a reminder to advise of absences.

The morning is a vital part of the day for our students. Teachers use this time to set students up for a successful day. Teachers check-in with students, go through what the day will look like and start the day's routines. Being part of this helps your child feel ready for learning and connected to their class. The ideal time to arrive at school is between 8.45-9.00am.

We have been watering our new plants in the sculpture garden over the break and the plants are growing well. It will be a lovely place for students to enjoy and soon we will have our musical instruments installed.

Also over the break we had the hall floor rejuvenated. There are some new line markings to support games in the hall. We hope to see you at the 3/4KA and 3/4AG assembly on Wednesday and you can see the hard work that's gone into the renovation.

Have a great week.

Jodie



Office Hours

Monday — Friday
8.30am — 3.30pm

Macquarie Directory

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NEWS FROM THE P&C

CANTEEN

Don't forget that canteen starts this Friday so be sure to get your orders in via Flexischools before the strict cut-off time of **8.30am each Friday morning**.

Orders are accepted via Flexischools only (sorry, no cash orders). Information about Flexischools and the canteen, including the menu, is available from the Front Office.

BREAKFAST CLUB IS BACK

Breakfast Club returns this Friday morning from 8:45 – 9am. Come to **Oasis** (Cynan's music/drama room) for some extra breakfast before school starts for the day. All welcome.

** If you'd like to help with either canteen or Breakfast Club please contact canteen.mpspandc@gmail.com. All of our P&C activities depend on volunteers so we'd love to have you involved!

MOTHERS' DAY STALL

The P&C will host a Mothers' Day stall on Tuesday, 7 May for Preschool and Friday, 10 May for the rest of the school. Items will range from \$1—\$10 and will include some lovely homemade gifts. If you are able to help at the stall please send an email to events.mpspandc@gmail.com or complete a volunteers form at the office.

UNIFORM SHOP – VOLUNTEER NEEDED

The Uniform Shop is looking for a volunteer who can work in the shop on Monday mornings from 8:45 – 9:15am once a fortnight. If you are interested, please email Stephanie, the shop co-ordinator: uniforms.mps@gmail.com

ELECTION DAY STALL AT MACQUARIE

Macquarie Primary School will be a polling place for the upcoming Federal Election on Saturday, 18 May and we'll be hosting Election Day stalls to raise money for the school. We will be offering a BBQ, cake stall and book stall. If you are able to help out on the day, please click on the following link and add your name to the appropriate time slot(s): <https://signup.zone/dDwZiQZNf2Lhb8oTp>

If you don't have access to a computer, please complete a volunteers form found at the office and place it in the P&C box.

A plate will be sent home for each family on Friday, 10 May for the cake stall. If you are able to make some goodies to sell at the stall they can be dropped off at school on Friday, 17 May between 8.30 – 9.00am or 2.45 – 3.15pm. Items can also be dropped off on the morning of the Election. Please remember not to use any cream or custard in your baking.

Save the date: our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 21 May at 6:30pm.

Sheree Murray
President

ENROLMENTS

Enrolments for our 2020 Preschool groups are now open. Families with children who turn four before 30 April next year are invited to apply.

There is an on-line enrolment process and the form can be found at education.act.gov.au

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 or contact the Front Office.



SUSTAINABILITY SNIPPETS

Stop using bleach – try healthier alternatives.

TRANSPORT CANBERRA'S NEW PUBLIC TRANSPORT NETWORK STARTS

WE'RE CONNECTING CANBERRA

From Monday 29 April 2019 our transport network will be transformed.

Routes and timetables will change to deliver a better, more connected transport network by having light rail and more buses, more often, 7 days a week.

To find out how Canberra's network is changing or to plan your future trip, visit transport.act.gov.au

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NOTES HOME

EVENT DETAILS	YR GROUP	DATE DUE BACK
Language Perfect	Yrs 3—6	Perm note ASAP
Band payment	Members of band	Payment when possible
National Zoo & Aquarium Excursion	Kinder & LSU	Perm & payment by 10/5
Mothers' Day Stall— Volunteers needed	All families	Action as necessary
P&C Walkathon— Payment options	All families	Action as necessary by 3/5
NAPLAN	Yrs 3 & 5	Information
Class Dojo	All families	Response ASAP
Voluntary contribution	All families	Payment when possible

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION — BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS AT MACQUARIE PRIMARY SCHOOL

As a school we continue to explore what we value and the expectations we have of each other and our community. This week we are sharing the expectations for TOILETS, SANDPITS, BUS STOP, BRINDABELLA AND NAMADGI BLACKTOPS, PRESCHOOL PLAYGROUND and THE SCULPTURE GARDEN. Please provide any feedback or ideas via the display in the entry foyer or you can email admin@macquarieps.act.edu.au.

Expectations	Settings					
	Toilets	Sandpits	Bus Stop	Brindabella Blacktop/ Namadgi Blacktop	Preschool Playground	Sculpture Garden
Be Respectful	We keep toilets clean for others. We care for property. We respect others privacy.	We keep sand in the sandpit. We leave the sandpit tidy. We respect others' creations.	We listen to the teacher on duty. We wait patiently for the bus.	We support others in their play. We put rubbish in the bins. We care for nature. We respect the space of others.	We respect the space of others. We care for nature.	We clean up after ourselves.
Be Safe	We wait for our friends outside. We are hygienic. We walk. We wear shoes. We eat and play outside.	We keep sticks on the ground in break times.	We keep ourselves and others safe. We are road safe. We keep sticks on the ground.	We stay where a teacher can see us. We use safe hands and feet. We are Sunsmart. At break times we keep sticks on the ground.	We play safely. At break times we keep sticks on the ground.	We use the rocks appropriately. We stay off the rails. We care for each other. We keep sticks on the ground.
Be a Learner	We use materials appropriately. We use the bathrooms appropriately.	We clean off.	We get to the bus on time.	We dress appropriately for the weather.	We support others in their play.	