



# Macquarie Fields Public School

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## Newsletter

Term 2 Week 2



**Monday, 7th May**  
Swim Scheme Starts

**Tuesday, 15th May -**  
**Thursday 17th May**  
NAPLAN

**Thursday, 24th May**  
Zone Cross Country

**Wednesday, 30th May**  
Athletics Carnival  
Years 3 to 6

**Friday, 1st June**  
GALA Day

**Friday, 8th June**  
Stage 3 Bathurst Excursion

**Every Wednesday**  
9 to 10am Parent Café  
10am to 12pm Playgroup

### Dawn Service for Anzac Day

Thank you to our school leaders, Tanaya Watts, Harrison Berry, Lachlan Maddick, Kailey Speeding and Brooklyn Milford for proudly representing Macquarie Fields Public School at the recent Anzac Dawn Service at the Ingleburn RSL. They were accompanied by Mr Angus and Ms Kessey. Lest we forget the many men and women who have served in our Army, Navy or Air force to protect our country and the many serving today.



**OC Applications** - Applications for Opportunity Classes for Year 5 2019 are now open. You must apply online at

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

The application website closes on Friday, 18th May 2018 and late applications will not be accepted. The OC Placement test will be held on Wednesday, 1st August 2018, with placement outcomes in mid October 2018.

**Uniform Shop** - A reminder that the Uniform Shop is now open on Tuesday mornings 8:30am to 9:30am and Thursday afternoons 2:15pm to 3:15pm.

# What's On in Term 2?

Wk.	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2	7.05.18 Swim Scheme Starts	8.05.18	9.05.18 Parent Café: 9:15am (Staffroom) Playgroup 10am (Hall)	10.05.18 School Banking	11.05.18 Toddler Time 8:30 - 8:50am in the library.
3	14.05.18	15.05.18 NAPLAN Stage 2 Assembly (Item 3 Jade)	16.05.18 NAPLAN Parent Café: 9:15am (Staffroom) Playgroup 10am (Hall)	17.05.18 NAPLAN School Banking Stage 1 Assembly (Item 2 Hematite)	18.05.18 Last Day of Swim Scheme Toddler Time 8:30 - 8:50am in the library.
4	21.05.18	22.05.18 Stage 3 Assembly	23.05.18 Parent Café: 9:15am (Staffroom) Playgroup 10am (Hall)	24.05.18 Zone Cross Country School Banking Kindy Assembly (Item K Salt)	25.05.18 Toddler Time 8:30 - 8:50am in the library.
5	28.05.18	29.05.18	30.05.18 Athletics Carnival Years 3 to 6 Parent Café: 9:15am (Staffroom) Playgroup 10am (Hall)	31.05.18 School Banking Stage 1 Assembly (Item 1 Topaz)	1.06.18 GALA Day Toddler Time 8:30 - 8:50am in the library.
6	4.06.18	5.06.18 Stage 2 Assembly (Item 4 Cinnabar)	6.06.18 Parent Café: 9:15am (Staffroom) Playgroup 10am (Hall)	7.06.18 School Banking Kindy Assembly (Item K Garnet)	8.06.18 Bathurst Excursion Toddler Time 8:30 - 8:50am in the library.
7	11.06.18 Public Holiday	12.06.18 Stage 3 Assembly	13.06.18 Parent Café: 9:15am (Staffroom) Playgroup 10am (Hall)	14.06.18 School Banking Stage 1 Assembly (Item 1 Bedrock)	15.06.18 GALA Day Toddler Time 8:30 - 8:50am in the library.
8	18.06.18	19.06.18	20.06.18 Parent Café: 9:15am (Staffroom) Playgroup 10am (Hall)	21.06.18 School Banking Kindy Assembly (Item K Meteor)	22.06.18 Toddler Time 8:30 - 8:50am in the library.
9	25.06.18	26.06.18 Stage 2 Assembly (Item 4 Bloodstone)	27.06.18 Parent Café: 9:15am (Staffroom) Playgroup 10am (Hall)	28.06.18 School Banking Stage 1 Assembly (Item 2 Larimar)	29.06.18 Toddler Time 8:30 - 8:50am in the library.
10	2.07.18	3.07.18 Kindergarten 2019 Information Night	4.07.18	5.07.18	6.07.18 Toddler Time 8:30 - 8:50am in the library.

**ICAS Exam Dates**– The following dates are for the ICAS Exams. Due to school activities, it may be necessary to change the dates occasionally.

Mathematics - Tuesday, 14th August.

Science - Tuesday, 29th May.

English - Tuesday, 31st July.

Writing - Tuesday, 12th June.

Digital Technologies - Tuesday, 8th May (years 3 & 6).

Spelling - Wednesday, 13th June.

Digital Technologies - Thursday, 10th May (years 4 & 5).

## ***Principal's Report***

Welcome back to Term 2. I would like to thank everyone for your kind words, thoughts and prayers for the Harfouch family following the death of their daughter Elissa. The family were very pleased to see the special garden that was planted on the day of our school working bee. I really appreciate the hard work carried out by children, parents and teachers on that day.

Students in Years 3 and 5 will be sitting the NAPLAN tests next week. These tests assess the students' learning in Literacy and Numeracy. Please just re-assure your child that all we want is for them to do their best. Please do not put pressure on your child as they do not do as well if they are anxious. Make sure they go to bed early before the tests and that they eat a good healthy breakfast. If you would like to know more there is an information session at our Parent Café tomorrow at 9.15 in the staffroom. Everyone is welcome.

Swimming Scheme has started well. Please make sure your child has warm clothes to put on after swimming as the weather is getting cooler. The first Stage 1 classes that went to the bike track excursion had a wonderful time. Many children still need training wheels so that is another skill for home learning– riding a two wheel bike.

Reminders-

- **Please label your child's belongings especially hats and jumpers.**
- **You must make sure your child does not arrive at school before 8.30am and all children MUST be picked up by 3.15.**
- **If you have changed details such as an address or new phone number you must let the office know so these details can be updated on our computer system.**
- **Did you return the white information card? Did you return walk-a-thon money?**

I hope all the mothers enjoy their special day next Sunday!

*Kerrie Hayman*

## **Rule of the Week: Be Kind!**

Congratulations to the playground canteen voucher winners over the past two weeks.

Teachers are looking out for students who are being kind to each other in the playground and classroom.

***Think about what you can do in the classroom, in the playground and at home to show kindness to others.***

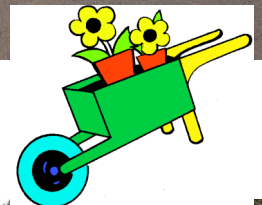
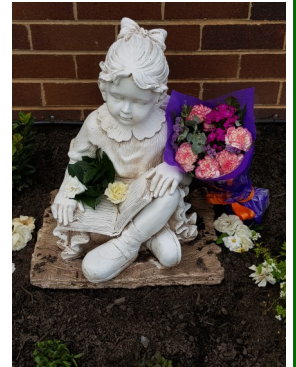




## School Working Bee.

On Friday 27 th April a working bee was conducted by a group of volunteers with amazing results. Mulch was spread in Area A, synthetic grass was laid in particular areas, gardens were tidied up and topped up with new garden soil, tyres were painted. A special memorial garden was also created for our student Elissa Harfouch called Elissa's Garden. The day was very productive and could only happen because of our volunteers. A very big thankyou to:

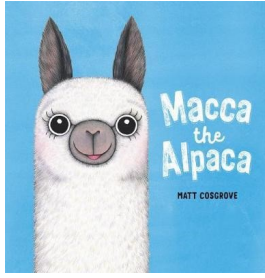
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Harrison Jarman	Ambika Ashokaba	Ben Kessey	Samantha Bowman
Abbey Jarman	Santhamaler Ashoka-	Ben Angus	Jamie Hooke
Daniel Milford	balan	Lina Darney	Emily - Rose Hook
Brooklyn Milford	Nazmul Haque	Bronte Darney	Minadi Water
Jyai Milford	Rida Haque	Isacc Darney	Tobin Fletcher
Aaliyah Milford	Rayan Haque	Wayne Darney	Mark Fletcher
Kalargiea Ashokabalan	Chenadi Garusinghe	Cathie Cheney	Chumale





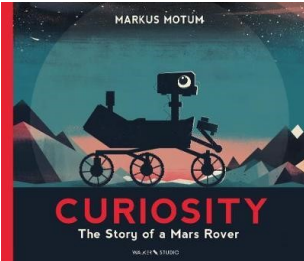
# New Book Alerts

What's New at the Library



Macca the Alpaca is small, kind and friendly. His days are easy and carefree until he accidentally bumps head-first into Harmer the Llama. Harmer is big, unkind and never, ever friendly . . . Can little Macca find a way to teach Harmer a lesson he'll never forget?

A great read aloud story that touches on bullying and accepting each other. Find Macca in our Junior Fiction section.



Discover the incredible story of the search for life on Mars, told from the unique perspective of Curiosity, the Mars Rover sent to explore the red planet. Markus Motum's stylish illustrations and diagrams reveal how a robot travelled 350,000,000 miles to explore a planet where no human has been before. Find Curiosity in our Non Fiction section

From the Library Team

## Colour Run 6th April 2018!





### Stage 2 Public Speaking Finals

At the end of Term 1, Stage 2 had their public speaking finals. The two winners of this stage were Krisha Chand, from 3 Amber, who spoke about "Games bring us together" and Matilda Dunn, from 3 Opal, with her speech "What Australia Day means to me". Congratulations to the winners and we wish them good luck at the Zone competition.



### Kindergarten Dance Morning - 11th April



### *Parent Café*

Parent Café will be discussing the following topics in the coming weeks -

**Week 2** - NAPLAN

**Week 6** - 3 to 6 Classroom Visits

**Week 3** - School Plan

**Week 7 - Week 10** - Working Bee in Staffroom.

**Week 4** - K to 2 Classroom Visits

*Please come and join us at Parent Café*

**Week 5** - TEN Presentation





# Brooke's CANTEEN



## WEEKLY SPECIAL DISH

Keep an eye out on the Brooke's Canteen Facebook page and the board outside of the canteen for the special dish of the week!



## Sandwiches And Wraps

Vegemite, Jam or Honey	\$1.00
Cheese Sandwich V	\$2.00
Cheese + Tomato Sandwich V	\$2.50
Ham + Cheese Sandwich	\$3.50
Tuna Sandwich	\$3.50
Salad Sandwich V	\$3.50
Ham + Salad Roll	\$4.00
Egg + Lettuce Sandwich V	\$4.50
Chicken + Salad Wrap	\$5.00
Sweet Chilli Chicken Wrap	\$5.00

## Fresh Cold Food



Garden Salad Box GF V H	\$3.50
Fruit Salad Box GF	\$4.00
3 X Fish Fingers with salad	\$4.00
Teriyaki Chicken salad	\$5.00
Ham or Tuna salad Box	\$5.00
Greek Salad V	\$4.50
Moroccan Chicken + salad	\$5.00

## Quesadillas



Cheese + Tomato H V	\$4.00
Spinach + Feta H V	\$4.00
Ham + Cheese	\$4.50
BBA Chicken H	\$4.50
(or design your own)	

## Snack Food

Popcorn GF V	\$1.00	Corn Cobette H V GF	\$1.50
Banana Bread V	\$1.00	2 X Vegemite Saos V	\$1.00
Piece of Fruit GF V	\$1.00	2 X Cheese + Tomato Saos V	\$2.50
Carrot sticks GF V	\$1.50	Watermelon cup GF V	\$2.00
Yoghurt Tub or Custard cup V	\$2.00	Ice blocks V	50c to \$2.50
Frozen Grapes Bag GF V	\$2.00	Potato Crisps V	\$1.00 to \$2.00
Pancakes + Berries V	\$4.00		



## Thirst Avenchers

Oak Milk Lite	\$2.50
Water	\$2.00
Avench	\$2.00
Popper	\$1.50



All lunch orders must be placed by 4:00pm. Sauces and salad dressings are available for 30c each, hot food and salads do not come with them. Sandwiches can be toasted upon request for an extra 50c and can also be changed to a wrap or bread roll for \$1.00 extra. Add cheese and any other extras for 50c each. Extra spoons and forks are 10c each. Healthy mini snacks are available daily and range from 50c to \$2.00, these will be displayed on the bench at lunch and recess. All Halal options have NON-halal alternatives.

If making a halal or gluten free order please write halal or gluten free clearly on the lunch bag.

H = Halal, GF = Gluten Free, V = Vegetarian.



## Weekly Special - Starts Week 2 and Ends Week 9 of Term

**Week 2:** Italian Beef Sausage Pasta (halal) \$4.50

**Week 3:** Lime Tuna Cakes & Salad \$5.00

**Week 4:** Ham, Cheese and Spinach Pastry Pockets \$4.00

**Week 5:** Beef Chow Mein Noodles \$4.50

**Week 6:** Chicken Fajita (halal) \$5.00

**Week 7:** Potato & Leek Soup (halal and vegetarian) Cup \$2.50 or bowl for \$4.50. Buttered Bread Roll \$1.00

**Week 8:** Honey Garlic Chicken Stir fry (halal) \$5.50



## Talented Teachers!

In the first week of the school holidays, four of our teachers competed in a surfing competition. Mr Sherlock, Mr Tasker, Mr Musgrave and Mr Symington entered the competition, with Mr Symington placing 4th overall. Mr Sherlock was the winner of the competition on the day! Well done to our awesome teachers!

## School Banking

Natalie from the Commonwealth Bank will be here on Thursday from 8:30am until 9:30 am for an account opening morning. If anyone who would like to open a new Dollarmite account come see us at the Banking Table on Thursday morning.

## **LIBRARY BAGS**

Every student in our school has the opportunity to borrow library books as a part of their weekly library lesson. To help look after our books it is necessary for each child to have a library bag which they must bring to school each time their class has library.

If you would like to purchase a library bag for your child they are available from the school library for \$3 each. Exact money can be handed to the library or you can make payment through the school's silver box system.

*The School Library Team*



## **\$500 to help with education costs for you or your children**

Join Saver Plus and we'll match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for education costs.

-  laptops & tablets
-  uniforms & shoes
-  vocational education
-  lessons & activities

To join Saver Plus you must meet all of the below criteria:

- have a Centrelink Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- be at least 18 years old
- have some regular income from work (you or your partner)
- have a child at school or attend vocational education yourself.

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**Some action photos of our outstanding Rugby players!**

