



Macquarie Fields Public School Newsletter

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Save The Date - Showcase 29th November 2019



Showcase is back for 2019!

Showcase is a wonderful evening to celebrate the performing arts talents of our school.

After the success of the 2018 Showcase, Macquarie Fields PS students and teachers have been working hard to produce a great show for this year.

Showcase will be on **Friday 29th November, 2019** at James Meehan High School. Further details to follow in a note.

Tickets will be available shortly for \$3.00 per ticket. Each family will be able to purchase 2 tickets until the 15th November, when any remaining unsold tickets will be available.

There will be food available for sale prior to the show and at intermission. This catering will be done by the James Meehan High School catering team.

A DVD of Showcase will be available for purchase in the weeks after the event. Come to Showcase 2019 and support Performing Arts at Macquarie Fields PS. Would love to see you!



2019 Term 4 - Week 2

Upcoming Activities

Week 2

Wednesday, 23rd October

Parent Cafe - Diwali Celebration
Kindergarten Assembly - 2pm

Thursday, 24th October

Stage 3 Assembly - 2pm

Week 3

Tuesday, 29th October

Grandparents Day

Wednesday, 30th October

Tae Kwon Do - Stage 3
(Please wear sports uniform)

Friday, 1st November

GALA Day

Uniform Shop Opening Times

Every Tuesday morning 8:30am
to 9:30am

Every Tuesday afternoon
2:30pm to 3:15pm

**Please Note: there is no
EFTPOS after 2pm in both the
Uniform Shop and the Office**

The Rotary Club of Ingleburn has been supporting the community, including many schools with Youth programs, for over 42 years and is seeking like-minded people to join us in our volunteer service work. We are holding an Information Night on Tuesday 12 November 2019 at 6:00 for 6:30 pm start, as an initial overview of what Rotary is about, and what Rotary does.



Registration, with dietary requirement, by Monday 4 November, is essential for catering purposes.

Contact either Drew Percival drewipercival@gmail.com (m) 0416 111 881 or Bill Salter on wtsalter@bigpond.com (m) 0418 220 920.

What's On In Term Four?

Wk	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2	21.10.19	22.10.19	23.10.19 <i>Parent Cafe 9:15am (Diwali Celebration)</i> Playgroup 10am (Hall) Kindergarten Assembly 2pm	24.10.19 Stage 3 Assembly 2pm	25.10.19 Diwali Celebration
3	28.10.19 Stage 2 Assembly 2pm	29.10.19 Grandparents Day Stage 1 Assembly 2pm	30.10.19 <i>Parent Cafe 9:15am</i> Playgroup 10am (Hall) Tae Kwon Do - Stage 3	31.10.19	1.11.19 GALA DAY
4	4.11.19	5.11.19 Rabbitohs School Visit - Stage 2 & Stage 3	6.11.19 <i>Parent Cafe 9:15am</i> Playgroup 10am (Hall) Kindergarten Assembly 2pm Think U Know Parent Information Session - 5:30pm	7.11.19 Kindergarten 2020 Orientation 1	8.11.19
5	11.11.19 Remembrance Day	12.11.19 Stage 1 Assembly 2pm	13.11.19 <i>Parent Cafe 9:15am</i> Playgroup 10am (Hall) Weet Bix Triathlon Talk at Assembly Year 2 to Year 6	14.11.19 Kindergarten 2020 Orientation 2 Stage 3 Assembly 2pm	15.11.19 GALA DAY
6	18.11.19 Stage 2 Assembly 2pm	19.11.19	20.11.19 <i>Parent Cafe 9:15am</i> Playgroup 10am (Hall) Kindergarten Assembly 2pm	21.11.19 Kindergarten 2020 Orientation 3	22.11.19 Bike Education Excursion K/1 Kuranya (year 1 only) & 2 Elanora
7	25.11.19	26.11.19 Stage 1 Assembly 2pm	27.11.19 Swimming Carnival Year 3 - Year 5	28.11.19	29.11.19 Showcase 2019
8	2.12.19 Year 3 to Year 6 Presentation Day at MFHS 9:30am - 11:00am	3.12.19 Kindergarten to Year 2 Presentation Day From 9:30am	4.12.19 <i>Parent Cafe 9:15am</i> Playgroup 10am (Hall)	5.12.19	6.12.19
9	9.12.19 Year 6 Farewell	10.12.19	11.12.19 <i>Parent Cafe 9:15am</i> Playgroup 10am (Hall) Party Day	12.12.19 Carols by Candlelight	13.12.19
10	16.12.19	17.12.19	18.12.19 Year 6 Party Day, Farewell Assembly and Tunnel Last Day For Students	19.12.19	20.12.19

Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome back!

Welcome back to another great term of learning. I hope that all of our Macquarie Fields families had a relaxing and happy spring break. We look forward to the busy term ahead, filled with lots of exciting learning experiences and opportunities!

Happy Diwali! I would like to extend warm wishes to our Hindu families as they spend this time of joy celebrating with their loved ones.

I have had a lovely start to the term with a visit from Phoenix in 3 Lutana with his wonderful 'growing sentences' writing activity. His class had been focussing on how to make their sentences more interesting by adding adjectives and adverbs, the result being some very descriptive sentences! Well done.

Representing her family, culture and school with pride Congratulations Destiny!

Destiny B is a proud Aboriginal student from our school. She is very talented and is a highly motivated and dedicated learner. Destiny's public speaking abilities and her deep connection to her family and culture was recognised at the 'Yarn Up' Public Speaking Showcase at the NSW State Parliament – an opportunity our Stage 3 Aboriginal students were involved in this year between April and August. This recognition has involved Destiny being invited to deliver the Acknowledgement of Country at a number of recent important events, including the 'Every child is known, valued and cared for' Teach Meet at the Parramatta state office hosted by the Department's Secretary, Mark Scott; opening the professional learning conference for the Department's Directors; and next week, doing the Acknowledgement of Country for the Aboriginal Student Achievement Awards and then another professional learning activity at Teachers' Federation House. Congratulations Destiny on this wonderful achievement, your family, friends, teachers and school are all very proud of you!



*Destiny with her Nan, and Murat Dizdar,
Deputy Secretary.*



Destiny delivering the Acknowledgement of Country

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Principal's Report Continued

Learning outside the classroom

Return of permission note and money for excursions

There are a number of excursions and extra activities planned for this term. These are valuable experiences for students as they enhance and support classroom programs. As part of school procedures, each excursion or special activity note has a due date for return to school. This procedure is to ensure the smooth organisation of the event including student attendance, transport, finance and health and safety risk assessment. These due dates must be enforced. Unfortunately, we will not be able to accept late notes / payments. Any concerns regarding the due date of activities should be discussed with your child's class teacher, the Assistant or Deputy Principals or myself, prior to the last day for permission / payment. With prior notice, special arrangements can be made. Please note, student assistance is also available for excursions and special activities. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Tell Them From Me Survey

Closing this Friday 25 October

Our school is taking part in the Tell Them From Me surveys. We would greatly appreciate your feedback about our school. This information forms part of the decision making processes of the school and we use this data to inform future directions. The survey is completed online and is run by an independent research company, The Learning Bar, which specialises in school-based surveys. Staff in schools will not be able to identify individual parents from their responses. Thus far we have had 101 families complete this survey – this is fantastic. Thank you! If you have not already done so, please complete the survey online by Friday 25 October at the latest. Thank you for helping us work towards the best outcome for MFPS!

The link for the Tell Them From Me survey is:

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/macfields4064>

Application for Year 7 Selective High School Placement in 2021

Applications for Year 7 Selective High School placement in 2021 are now open. No paper application forms are printed for this process as applications are online only. Parents must apply online at:-

<https://schoolsequella.det.nsw.edu.au/file/eafa8804-3a28-4730-9fc0-0ee49dd90f83/1/SHS-application-information.pdf> by Monday 11 November 2019. No late applications are accepted.

All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on **Thursday 12 March 2020**. Information booklets to assist with the application process are available from Mrs Egan upon request.

Ms Vicki Craze
R/Principal

Positive Playground Voucher Winners

Congratulations to all our Positive Playground Behaviour voucher winners from Week 1.

Areeba 2 Elanora

Isaac 3/4 Coolaroo

Mohamed 3 Lutana

Hafsah 2/3 Mulluna

Aleera 3 Kalana

Kashmira 3/4 Coolaroo



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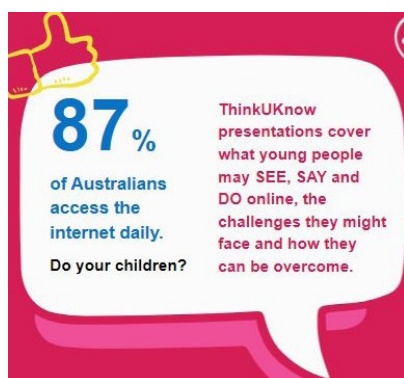
ThinkUKnow Presentation - 6th November 2019



Our school will be hosting a ThinkUKnow presentation on Wednesday 6th November, at 5:30pm and all parents, carers and teachers are encouraged to attend.

ThinkUKnow Australia is a cyber safety education program that educates parents, carers and teachers of how people are using technology, the challenges they may face online, and how to help them overcome these in a safe and ethical way.

ThinkUKnow Australia is a partnership between the Australian Federal Police, Microsoft Australia, Datacom and the Commonwealth Bank. The program is delivered in collaboration with policing partners New South Wales Police Force, Northern Territory Police, Queensland Police, South Australia Police, Tasmania Police, Western Australia Police, as well as Neighbourhood Watch Australasia.



The presentation will be delivered by a local law enforcement member and an industry volunteer. The presentation covers issues relating to children and young peoples' privacy and security online, their relationships with other users and their online reputation. It provides insight into the devices young people are using, as well as the popular websites, apps and social networking sites they're accessing.

This is a fantastic opportunity for you to learn more about young people and the online environment, and how you can help them to be safe and responsible users of technology. For more information, you can visit www.thinkuknow.org.au.

Public Speaking Competition Local Finals

On Wednesday 25th September, Taheeya (K/1 Kuranya), Avni (2 Jenolan), Ada (4 Wahroonga) and Lamees (5 Gamarada) attended the St Andrews Network Public Speaking Competition Local Finals held at Sarah Redfern Public School. It was a very tough competition with so many intelligent, creative and well-spoken students from different schools in the local area.

All four of our students represented our school with pride and should be congratulated on their achievements. Taheeya was awarded First Place in the Kindergarten competition and was chosen to go through to the Grand Final. Avni was awarded 2nd Place and received the Highly Commended Award for Stage 1. Even though Lamees and Ada were not awarded a place on the day, they both delivered excellent speeches.

All students should be congratulated on their fantastic Public Speaking skills.

Mini Fete

The Mini Fete on Wednesday 25th September was great fun for students, teachers and families. Thank you to all of the families who donated items to the Mini Fete stalls and a big thank you to everyone who came to support the Mini Fete.



Well Done Imogen!

Imogen (6 Cooinda) represented Macquarie Fields PS at the State Softball Championship as part of the Sydney South West 2019 Girls Softball Team. The team is made up of selected students from different schools in our region and after weeks of training together they competed in the State Championships, held over three days in September (Week 10). The team played well, coming 5th out of the 13 teams in the championship and SSW schools are proud of your commitment. Well done Imogen on such a great result, your sporting achievements and for being selected for the State Softball Championship.



Mini Fete Thank You!

A big thank you to the following businesses who have donated to our 2019 Mini Fete. Your generous donations are greatly appreciated.

Pancakes on the Rocks

Gloria Jeans

Monkey Mania

Karmapeutics

La Rose

Mezzapica Gregory Hills

Ziggety Snips Gregory Hills

Wicked Sister

Glenquarie Town Centre

Anytime Fitness Macquarie Fields

Venus Nails

Ingleburn Shopping Village

Event Cinemas

Scenic World - Blue Mountains

Max Perram's Funeral Service

Ingleburn RSL - Salut  Restaurant

Cricket Australia

Jack Singh & Co.

Alkaliser Cafe

Mo's Beauty Salon

Mistic Hair

Wave Learning

Ingleburn Rotary Club

Suzie Dukes

Loulou's hairdressing

Hi-Iq Training

Ingleburn Meats

Natalie Millard



A big thank you to Natalie Millard for letting the school use her scary props for the Haunted House! Without those props the Haunted House would not have been so scary!

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GYMNASTICS

Fun activities for kids



Every Tuesday from 15 October to 17 December

Morning and afternoon classes available.
A range of programs for children aged 18 months to 12 years.

Taking term 4 enrolments now.

Contact Macquarie Fields Fitness and Indoor Sports Centre
4645 4020



Get Active with Scouts!

Scouts welcomes children and young people from Kindy to Year 12, offering a safe and supportive environment where your child can make new friends, learn life skills and embark on new adventures!

Your local Scout Group is: 1st Ingleburn
Westland Memorial Park Kings rd Ingleburn
Contact Tim Kayess
PH 0412611798



Scouts is an eligible provider of the NSW Government's Active Kids Program. Scan the QR code to claim your child's Active Kids voucher and SAVE \$100 on joining and membership fees!