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4 July 2019
Week 10, Term 2



Board Chair: Lisa Fior **Board Members:** Parent Reps: Adam Davidson and Kate Baron

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Principal: Kate Smith **Deputy Principals:** Haeley Simms (A/g) & Kylie Moller (A/g)

Executive Teachers: Matt Gowen, Felicity McNeice, Catherine Griffin (A/g)

ASSEMBLY:

5 July Junior - IEC

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- 1-5 July Parent teacher interviews
- 5 July P/S Healthy food challenge
- 5 July P&C Lunch order day
- 5 July P&C Pyjama Day
- 5 July Last day of term 2
- 6 July-
- 21 July School Holidays
- 22 July Term 3 begins

NOTES:

Holiday Happenings- Available in the front office

PRINCIPALS' MESSAGE

Nine weeks into this beautiful school and I have seen the very best of student voice and student leadership this week. Thank you to all students for their participation in the "Dress like a Farmer Day" yesterday! I loved seeing so many farmers and farm animals on the blacktop first thing yesterday morning. A very big congratulations to our two School Captains for their role in initiating the event, and organising with Ms Brailey such a fun morning. To find out we raised nearly \$1100 was amazing! Good on you Palmerston Community for supporting this!

Wearing our PJ's tomorrow will top off a fantastic term – again, join in the fun, hop out of bed and come to school! I am looking forward to wearing my favourite PJ's of all time!

Congratulations to Miles for representing our school at Rostrum – we are very proud of your efforts, it is a wonderful skill to be able to publicly speak with confidence and I am very proud of you!



P&C BOARD NEWS

P&C: 24 June 2019

All P&C activities, meeting agendas and minutes are available from the school website at – [Parent Corner](#)

School Board: 24 June 2019

Our green team are doing wonderful things with Ms Campbell – what a dynamic bunch of environmental lovers you are. Our school is so lucky to have you work the way you do to keep our school looking so good. Today, you look extra fabulous with your new badges. Please wear them with pride each day!

Kay taught me how to floss today in the Gudgenby disco, awarded for having the highest PBL points for the term. Good on you Gudgenby! Thanks Kay, you are an awesome teacher.

Thank you everyone for embracing this term in the manner in which you have. Thank you for making me feel so welcome... I have utterly loved every day back. It does not seem like 25 years ago that I walked through these doors for the first time, on it's opening day. To all staff, parents and students, have a colossal holiday and we will see you back on July 22nd!

Until then – stay warm...and curious!

Kate Smith

Parents and Carers

You may see some media coverage regarding recent incidents where children were approached by a man they did not know. This occurred in the suburbs of Isaacs and Monash. You can access the ACT Policing media release on their website: <https://policenews.act.gov.au/news/media-releases/call-witnesses-following-two-child-approaches-0> .

This is a good reminder to help our children understand the importance of stranger safety and the need to report any unusual incidents or approaches to staff immediately.

As the school holidays will begin soon, we encourage you to have conversations with your children about moving safely in and around the community and what to do if they ever feel unsafe. Doing so will help children understand the importance of stranger safety in and out of school hours, and also the importance of reporting any unusual incidents or approaches to parents/carers or school staff immediately.

Police encourage parents, guardians and teachers to make sure children understand how to keep themselves safe, particularly when walking to and from school, and to teach children about stranger safety. Information on ways to help children to stay safe is available on the <http://www.constablekenny.org.au/>. In addition, the Safety4Kids is a non-government website that has useful information and links.

If you become aware of an incident, or notice anyone acting suspiciously around a school or child, contact police immediately on 131 444 or in the case of an emergency call 000. The quicker police can respond and attend to an incident of this nature, the quicker they can target the area and surrounds.

Thank you

ENROLMENT UPDATES

Just a reminder in regards to enrolling your child, for **Preschool 2020**.....for those families that have not done an online enrolment form yet, to be considered in the 2nd Round of Offers (Applications submitted between 8th June to 13th September) we advise that you jump onto the following link www.education.act.gov.au and complete your applications. As Preschool is not compulsory, there are limited spaces available and we wouldn't want our Palmerston families to miss out!



PBL at Palmerston



Our whole school focus, for recognising positive behaviours outside the classroom, for

weeks 9 and 10 (term 2) are....

- We follow what signs say
- We show we are learners throughout the day

UPCOMING EVENTS

P&C Lunch Order Day

Date: Friday 5 July 2019

Location: PDPS



P&C Pyjama Day

Date: Friday 5 July 2019

Location: PDPS



YEAR ONE NEWS

In year one, we have been learning about 'Light and Sound'. We have explored the different sources of natural and artificial light. Students created a chalk shadow on the blacktop and discovered that shadows were made when a solid object blocks light from the sun. They noticed that their shadows move based on the position of the sun in the sky.



During our 'sound' lessons, students learnt about how sounds are made through waves or vibrations that travel through the air. They made and decorated their maracas, which they then used to create sounds. After further exploration of sound and music, students were given the opportunity to design, make and appraise their musical instruments from recycled materials.



DEFENCE NEWS

Defence Kids – End of Term Party

During Defence Club on Friday, 5th July, we will be having a party and I will be providing some hot chips during the lunch break. All Defence students are invited to attend and a note will be going home today regarding this event.

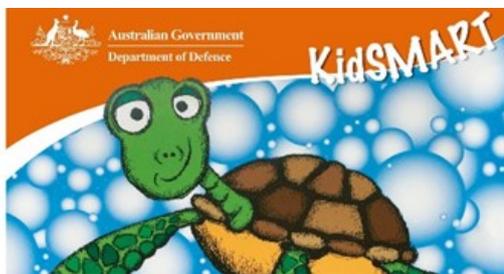
POSTINGS

As posting orders arrive please keep me updated with your family's plans for relocation or absences e.g. deployment or courses. Then I can best support your child/ren at school. Please contact kristy.retzlaff@ed.act.edu.au or Ph: 6142 1440.

Thank-you,

Kristy Retzlaff

Defence School Mentor



DCO KidSMART Program

Commences Thursday 8th August, 3:30 – 5:00pm

Defence Community Organisation

Ground Floor, 8 Thesiger Crt, Deakin

Details: This event is only for the children of Australian Defence Force members.

The KidSMART program is designed to help primary school aged children manage issues arising from parent deployment and absence from home. It helps children to learn how to manage change, stay connected with friends, meet new people, and coping strategies when they are feeling stressed or anxious and handling different situations.

DCO is offering a four-week program for children aged from 7-10, running on consecutive Thursdays during August for one and a half hours each week (8,15,22,29 August).

Children will be provided with afternoon tea upon arrival. Parents do not need to stay for the sessions, but if you would like to remain close by the Mint Café is located across from DCO and is open until 5pm, also Deakin shops are nearby.

When registering, ensure your contact details are accurate. You will receive a booking confirmation via email, and you will be contacted to provide further registration details before the start of the program.

Please head to the Defence Community Organisation Facebook Page for booking information or alternatively contact Defence Family Helpline on 1800 624 608. I can also assist you with further information if you require assistance with bookings at kristy.retzlaff@ed.act.edu.au

P&C NEWS

P&C PJ DAY

On Friday 5th July, there will be whole school PJ dress up day. Students can wear appropriate pyjamas and footwear and bring in a gold coin donation to start fundraising for the twilight fair.

Your help is very much appreciated to support this upcoming spectacular event.

Many Thanks

P&C



The P&C are fundraising with the Entertainment book. The Entertainment™ Book is a local restaurant and activity guide which provides hundreds of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers from the finest restaurants, cafes, attractions, activities, retailers and hotel accommodation. The Membership entitles buyers to exclusive offers that are virtually restriction-free, and is valid through to 1 June 2020!

The Entertainment™ Digital Membership (app) puts all of the value of the Entertainment™ Book into the customer's smartphone. With 'near me' technology and the ability to show and save using a phone, this is perfect for the person on-the-go, with no card or voucher to present.

You can purchase a book through the front office or download the app via this link

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/2487s6>

P&C UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Did you know?

The uniform shop has lots of plain navy jumpers and jackets available – a cheap alternative for anyone who regularly loses jumpers!

We also have new reusable sandwich/roll wraps and snack bags for sale. Great for Waste Free Wednesdays.



Donations to the 2nd hand Uniform Shop are always welcome and can be left at the front office any time.

**Regards,
Kate and Franki**

Uniform Shop Price List

New Merchandise

Polar Fleece Beanies (with logo)	\$10
Dresses (Winter Navy)	\$30
Library Bags (with logo)	\$15
Round Palmerston logo Sew-on Badges (Small)	\$2.50
Round Palmerston logo Sew-on Badges (Large)	\$3.50
Palmerston Teaspoons	\$5
Palmerston Coffee Mugs	\$10
Palmerston Travel Mugs	\$15
Sandwich/Roll Wrap	\$8
Snack Bags	\$8
Sandwich wrap and snack bag combo	\$15

Second Hand Items

Hats	\$2
Palmerston Polo Shirts	\$2
Palmerston Long Sleeve Shirts	\$3
Skivvies	\$2
Jumpers – No Logo	\$2
Jumpers - Logo	\$5
Vest – Logo	\$3
Trousers/Trackpants	\$3
Shorts	\$2
Skorts	\$2
Sports Skirts	\$2
Girls Bike Pants	\$2
Dresses (navy winter and checked summer)	\$5
School Bag with Logo	\$10

P&C Uniform Shop is located just inside the Hall Entrance

Contact the Front Office, or P&C contact below, to make an appointment outside of standard opening hours.

Kate: 0404 675 508

Franki: 0431 675 725

Opening Times:

Tuesday 2:45 - 3:15pm

Friday 8:45 – 9:15am

THE ADDAMS FAMILY
SCHOOL EDITION

7.30PM, 7-10 AUGUST 2019
WATSON THEATRE
UGSSG LAKE GINNINDERRA COLLEGE
\$15 ADULT, \$10 CONCESSION
TICKETS AVAILABLE THROUGH EVENTBRITE AND AT THE DOOR
bit.ly/LGNCaddams

THE ADDAMS FAMILY A NEW MUSICAL
BOOK BY MARSHALL BRICKMAN AND RICK ELICE
MUSIC AND LYRICS BY ANDREW LIPA
BASED ON CHARACTERS CREATED BY CHARLES ADDAMS
BY ARRANGEMENT WITH ORIGIN THEATRICAL
ON BEHALF OF THEATRICAL RIGHTS WORLDWIDE, NEW YORK

Together, we learn from each other



With winter upon us, it's important to remember that Canberra has lots of health options that don't involve a trip to a hospital emergency department. Many of these are free and available after hours.

Walk-in Centres provide free, one-off treatment of minor injury and illness, including colds and flu. They're a great choice for children over 2 years of age – children under 2 should see their GP.

Walk-in Centres are open from 7.30am to 10pm, every day of the year. They are staffed by highly skilled nurses who can provide you with a sick certificate and in some cases, medication, saving you time and money.

The service is free and no appointments are necessary.

Walk-in Centres are located in Tuggeranong, Belconnen and Gungahlin.

To find out more about getting the right health care for your symptoms, visit

www.act.gov.au/yourhealthoptions



COMMUNITIES @ WORK

Communities@Work

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM
8-19 JULY**Holiday fun
starts here!****PALMERSTON**For more information visit commsatwork.org/enrolPhone **1300 212 273** or email enrolments@commsatwork.org**Please bring:** Morning tea, lunch, hat, and a drink bottle

*Limited places available, book early to reserve



Monday 8 July

Mini Cities

Today we're staying at service and using all sorts of materials to create our own mini city. We might use recyclables, the natural environment, or craft materials. If you think of a way to make a city, we'll try it.

In-Service

Monday 15 July

The King & Queen of Green

We're treated to a show from Eaton Gorge Theatre Company about the Rubbish Realm. The show deals with environmental issues including pollution, packaging, and landfill and how we can reduce our negative impact on our environment.

12:00pm-1:00pm Incursion

Tuesday 9 July

Movie: Toy Story 4

Today going to see Toy Story 4! Woody, Buzz and the rest of the gang embark on a road trip with Bonnie and a new toy named Forky. We'll join them as their adventure turns into an unexpected reunion.

9:00am-12:30pm Excursion

Tuesday 16 July

Movie: The Secret Life of Pets 2

Today we head to Hoyts to see The Secret Life of Pets 2. We join Max and Duke as they encounter canine-intolerant cows, hostile foxes, and a terrifying turkey, all while Max learns how to deal with his anxiety.

9:00am-12:30pm Excursion

Wednesday 10 July

Insane Impro

Children will be mesmerised by this special workshop. Self-expression, public speaking, lateral thinking and cooperation are all taught through wild and wacky activities. Test the boundaries of your imagination with us today!

1:30pm-3:30pm Incursion

Wednesday 17 July

Into the Wild

Today we turn our service into the great outdoors. We will create makeshift tents and eat camping foods as we imagine our way into the wild! If the weather is nice we can do an outdoor scavenger hunt as well.

In-Service

Thursday 11 July

Ice Skating

Ice Skating is a staple activity for our Winter School Holiday Program so today that's exactly where we're heading. Bring your beanie and mittens because it's going to be awfully cold on the ice!

9:00am-12:30pm Excursion

Thursday 18 July

Connect to My Country

Today we celebrate our connection to country through embracing our Aboriginal past and present. Children will develop their understanding of bush survival, bush tucker, dance, and art through our presenters and throughout the day.

1:30pm-3:30pm Incursion

Friday 12 July

Kids Love to Cook

Last time we invited KLTC to our service we had such a fantastic time that we've invited them again. This time we will be preparing a completely different meal that we can eat for afternoon tea.

1:30pm-3:30pm Incursion

Friday 19 July

Inflatable World

Get ready to bounce, jump, and slide as we visit inflatable world in Kambah today! There are obstacle courses, battle arenas, and slides galore but remember; no socks, no play so bring your socks to avoid disappointment!

9:00am-12:30pm Excursion

HIRERS NEWS

Taekwondo Kids Classes

Palmerston District Primary School- Hall

Thursday Nights (incl holidays)

5 to 8 years – 6.30pm to 7.15

9 years plus – 6.30pm to 8pm

Special Offer for Palmerston Students:

4 weeks of unlimited classes (includes other branches)

plus FREE uniform (you keep even if you don't continue)

Only \$19 (normally \$49)



Contact Information:

Hwaju Daniel Perez

7th degree International Instructor

Hwarang Taekwon-do Canberra

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<https://taekwondo-canberra.com.au>

<https://www.facebook.com/taekwondocanberra/>



ParentLink

ParentLink provides parenting education to the community, from birth to teenage years. It is available for parents, carers, kin, teachers, and the broader community, providing information and links to local resources and services.

The ParentLink website provides links to all ParentLink guides including a variety of topics - *Starting School, More than Reading and Writing, Optimism and Cyber Safety.*

The ParentLink suite of resources includes guides specifically for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families, and access to resources for diverse cultural groups.

ParentLink guides are available to view and order via the website at, <https://www.parentlink.act.gov.au/>

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

CANBERRA IS BETTER CONNECTED

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PARKING AROUND SCHOOLS



As we drive and park our cars around schools we all need to ensure the safety of school students is our priority. Parking illegally and unsafely across pedestrian crossings, corners and verges puts children at risk. We all need to help keep our children safe. Here is a short video demonstration: <https://youtu.be/AsIMVXpA9Zc>

Access Canberra inspectors will be patrolling our school zones to help us ensure drivers do the right thing.