



# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

**FRIDAY, 31 MAY 2024**

The long weekend was an additional blessing for our year 3 – 6 campers who returned on Friday from the Jindabyne Sport and Recreation Camp. This was an amazing opportunity for our students to participate in a wide variety of Outdoor Education Programs, enabling our students to continue to build their team building and problem-solving skills within a different environment. It is a big event in the year, and we thank our parents for their support along with our dedicated staff for the extra efforts and hours.



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### STAYING HEALTHY IN THE WINTER MONTHS

As we head into the winter months, I would like to remind everyone about the importance of our children's health and hygiene practices. We have an on-going focus on basic hygiene practices at school so we can combat the added germs and virus that appear more during this time of the year. If you child has flu like symptoms or are unwell at all we urge you to keep them at home.

# WINTER ILLNESS

**Colds, flu and other respiratory illness are common in schools during winter. Here are some simple tips to prevent the spread of illness:**



- Wash and dry hands regularly, especially after blowing your nose, coughing, sneezing, and using the toilet.
- Cough and sneeze into a tissue or your elbow, not your hand.
- Regularly clean high touch surfaces – door handles, taps, table tops, phones, computer keyboards, etc.
- If unwell, stay at home until 48 hours after symptoms have gone.



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## SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos are booked in for Week 8 – Monday, 17 Wednesday, 19 and Friday, 21 June. This year we will be having the traditional class photos taken, with all of the students photographed together, as well as individual portraits of the students. Photo envelopes have been sent home this week. If you have not received one for your child, please check in with their teacher or the front office. Sibling photo envelopes are available from the front office if you would like to purchase a sibling photo of your children.

All students in K-6 will be photographed on Monday, 17 June, early week preschool classes, including Tharwa will be photographed on Wednesday, 19 June and late week preschool students will have their photos taken on Friday, 21 June.

Sibling photos will be taken on Monday, and families with children in preschool classes will have their sibling photos taken on the preschool photo day that their child attends.

## K-2 AFTERSCHOOL MULTISPORT PROGRAM

Notes have been sent home today to families with students in K-2 advertising the next Active Afters School Program with Gecko Sports which is available for students in Kindergarten to Year 2 this term.

There will be a program offered for students in Years 3-6 in Term 3.

## 2025 ENROLMENTS

A reminder that 2025 school year enrolments are open now. Enrolments for the 2025 school year are now open for students starting at a new school. Visit [education.act.gov.au](https://education.act.gov.au) for the online application link and information about the school in your child's Priority Enrolment Area. You may wish to visit our school website to find out more or contact the school directly. Applications received by Friday, 7 June will receive an offer from Monday, 29 July 2024.

## P&C UNIFORM SHOP

There are a great range of uniforms available from the front office with EFTPOS or exact cash for payment. Second hand uniforms are available for purchase by a gold coin donation. Please see the price list attached.



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**MAJEDA BEATTY INCURSION**

## Majeda Beatty Murri Island Girl

Taking you on a journey of Australia's First Nation dreamtime through an interactive and vibrant experience, Majeda Beatty presents both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island cultures as well as sharing her perspective on being an indigenous millennial woman. She believes in the importance of cultural pride and carrying on past traditions as well as moving forward in a modern world.

**Performing at Charles Conder  
Primary on Monday 3rd June**

**10am: preschool - year 2  
11.30am years 3-6**



The richness of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island cultures will be shared in this two part, immersive performance which is tailored to the age groups of the audience through song, dance, stories and language, all with high levels of participation. The flags will be discussed and Majeda will present and demonstrate various instruments, artifacts and costumes specific to each culture as well as the importance of ochre and the significance of the body paint designs in aboriginal culture. She will perform and teach dances for audience participation.

**Jason Walmsley**  
Principal

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