



Newsletter

Week 4 Term 3

DATES TO REMEMBER	
Friday 6 August	SRC & Green Team Badges
Wednesday 11 August	Oz Tag - Selected Students - Boys
Thursday 12 August	Oz Tag - Selected Students - Girls
Tuesday 17 - Thursday 19 August	Concert Week
Friday 20 August	Belconnen Regional Athletics Selected Students
Friday 20 August	Year 2 Assembly - Link to be provided
Friday 27 August	Book Week Parade
Tuesday 31 August	Fathers Day Stall - Yellow and Blue Preschool
Friday 3 September	Fathers Day Stall -K - 6 & Red and Green Preschool
Wednesday 8 September	Great Book Swap

Medical Notes - Please update medical notes and medication with the Front office.

2021 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey

Each year, the Directorate surveys all parents and carers, school staff and students in Years 4 to 12 about their experience of public education. The 2021 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey will be available online from **13 August to 3 September**. The survey results will help us to continue to make quality informed decisions about how to improve our school. No personal identifying information will be provided to any school or college.

For each child in their family who attends an ACT public school, parents and carers will receive:

- A letter about the **student survey** outlining the reasons for collection and privacy provision for the data; and
- An email about the **parent survey**, including a unique link to access the survey. **Genuine survey invitation emails will have the title "The 2021 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey is now open!" and will be sent from EDU Surveys & Evaluation with 'from' address EDU@qualtrics-survey.com.**

If you do not receive the survey invitation, please check your Junk email folder; if it is not there, send your contact details to EDUSurveysandEvaluation@act.gov.au to request a survey invitation. If you do not have an email listed with the school, please contact the front office to add your email address.

The Parents and Carers Survey will be available online in other languages: Arabic, Burmese, Chinese, Hindi, Korean, Urdu, Vietnamese, Punjabi, Bengali, Spanish and Telugu. Respondents can select their preferred language when they start the survey. A shortened paper-version of the Parents and Carers Survey is also available in the following 5 languages: Dari, Dinka, Farsi, Karen and Mon. These surveys are available at the Front Office.

For the results to reflect the opinions of our whole school community, we need as many parents and carers, staff and students as possible to complete the survey. Your feedback is important, and we hope you will take part.

For more information, visit:

<https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/school-satisfaction-and-climate-survey>

Community Sport Programs and Opportunities

SC-ORE School Orienteering - Spring Score Starting Thursday 21st of October for 4 weeks,

SC-ORE heads to Maribyrnong Primary for the start of another exciting series to work those bodies and brains. All Students in years 3 to 6 from Canberra and surrounds are welcome to participate. Get an outdoor, screen free, body and brain workout before hitting the classroom. What better way to start the day!

ENTRIES ARE NOW OPEN

VENUES - ***Note Miles Franklin is a venue below.***

- 21 October Maribyrnong Primary School (Kaleen)
- 28 October St Monica's Primary School (Evatt)
- **4 November Miles Franklin Primary School (Evatt)**
- 11 November Haig Park Visit Orienteering ACT for more information.

Entries close Friday 15th October 2021. **Go to Orienteering ACT to register.**

SC-ORE School Orienteering Continued - Map Mates

The Map Mates coaching program is aimed at junior orienteers (ages 7 to 13) who are just starting or are relatively new to the sport). Entry to the winter 2021 Map Mates program is free. Free event entry is also available for Map Mates participants who do a Very Easy or Easy course at the Metro Series event on the same day. **No registration required** – just turn up on the day. The emphasis is on fun and adventure, while learning to orienteer!

Go to the orienteering website for more information.

Keep our kids safe at sporting events

Play by the rules when parking at ovals and sporting venues.

Parking inspectors will be patrolling local sporting events throughout the year to keep our future athletes and Olympians safe. Break the rules and you risk a fine.

Don't park on footpaths, across driveways, no stopping zones, no parking zones, bus zones or in disabled parking spaces.

Can't find a park? Be a sport, park legally and venture further afield. You'll be keeping us all safe and it will be good for your fitness too!

Please also remember to treat our parking inspectors with respect. Like umpires on the field, they are enforcing the rules to keep us all safe.

To report unsafe and illegal parking call 13 22 81 or visit [Illegal parking](#).

The Great Book Swap Wednesday 8 September (Week 9) 2021



SRC Fundraiser for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation

In week 9 the SRC are holding a fundraiser for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation (ILF). The ILF raises awareness and funds for children in remote Indigenous communities across Australia. The money raised by Miles Franklin students will help to provide books to children in these remote communities.

On **Wednesday 8 September** the SRC will be holding a 'Great Book Swap' in the library. Students are encouraged to choose a book from home that is in excellent condition to donate to the Book Swap. Please bring your donations to the library as soon as possible. The books will then be ready to display in the library on **Wednesday 8 September**. On the day classes will come through the Book Swap and buy a book for a \$2 donation. If students would like to donate more than one book, that would be wonderful (but please check with parents first).

Students are encouraged to:

- Choose a book (or books) from home to donate to the Book Swap. **Bring them in ASAP** to the library.
- Bring at least \$2 on **Wednesday 8 September** to buy a pre-loved book.

Any questions email Vicki Nunn- vicki.nunn@ed.act.edu.au



GREAT NEWS

We've just been awarded
a Woolworths Junior
Landcare Grant!



We've been successful with our application for a 2021 Woolworths Junior Landcare Grant for our project, **Worms are the Way!**

It was in fact one Green Team Leader, Zara M. from 4MH, who initiated this application process by wanting to take action to increase student access to nature at school.

With the funding, our school will purchase 2x compost worm habitats. Each habitat has the potential to house up to 28,000 worms and process the daily food scraps of one year level. The expected environmental outcome of this project will be a significant reduction of our school's organic waste ending up in landfill.

This project will link to the IB transdisciplinary themes: 'Sharing the Planet' and 'How the world works'. As part of different year levels' units of inquiry, students will be able to experience hands-on learning when inquiring into the needs of living things, ecosystems, natural and built environments, and how humans interact with the environment.

We have been fortunate as well to receive the extra **bee bonus** funding which we will use to restore our school's front garden. The Green Team will re-design the garden and select Native flowering plants that will attract pollinators and increase biodiversity at our school. This grant will provide students with increased opportunities to interact with, care for and learn about the natural environment. As a whole school, each year level will take on the responsibility of planting and providing ongoing care of the plants selected.

Miles Franklin Primary School is one of 1,609 primary schools and early learning centres throughout Australia receiving a Woolworths Junior Landcare grant to help grow our next generation of environmental champions. The grants are being funded with a 10c contribution from each sale of the Woolworths Bag for Good at full price, which was launched in 2018 when Woolworths went single-use plastic bag free. The children and teachers are looking forward to working and learning from this project and we'll keep you updated on the results.

[Click on](https://juniorlandcare.org.au/woolworthsgrants/map/index.php/grant-round-3/worms-are-the-way/) the Woolworths Junior Landcare Grant map to read about our project and others. Here is our project link: <https://juniorlandcare.org.au/woolworthsgrants/map/index.php/grant-round-3/worms-are-the-way/>

P&C News

To our Miles Franklin families,

Fathers day is right around the corner and the stall will be held on Friday the 3rd September (K-6 red and green preschool) and Tuesday the 31st August (yellow and blue preschool groups).

We would really appreciate any donations, they can be left in the tubs outside of your children's classroom as of this Monday the 9th of August.

Donation suggestions for each year group are as follows...

Preschool -Mugs

Kindergarten -Socks,belts,hats etc

Year 1 -Stationary

Year 2 -Small bars/packets of Chocolates

Year 3 -Gardening/fishing

Year 4 -Homeware

Year 5 -Sports (balls included)

Year 6 -Chocolates blocks

But please feel free to donate anything as this is only a suggestion.

Thankyou for your support

P&C



»—————> *The Miles Franklin Primary School* <—————«

Father's Day Stall



★ **TUESDAY 3¹ST AUGUST** ★

FOR PRE-SCHOOL (MON-TUE)

★ **FRIDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER** ★

FOR PRE-SCHOOL (THU-FRI), K-6

Lots of great gifts for Dad, Grandad or anyone special!

Gifts priced from \$1-\$5

The stall is a fun way for the kids to get something rad for Dad
and raise money for the P&C. But we need your help!

Please donate a Dad-friendly, low-cost item (\$5 or less).

Principals' Day 2021



**Join us on Friday 6 August 2021 and say
THANK YOU to your school's Principal.**

Principals' responsibilities are vast - their contribution to their schools is immeasurable - and their leadership is central to building a strong sense of community in every school.

A small word of thanks and a simple acknowledgement of their unique role is all that is needed to celebrate Principals' Day.

Principals are motivated by genuine concern for the students in their care, their teachers and staff. They want to make a lasting difference in the lives and learning of every child.



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