



Newsletter

Week 10 Term 4

DATES TO REMEMBER

| | |
|---------------------|--|
| Friday 16 December | Talent Show 12:00pm-1:00pm |
| Friday 2 February | Meet the Teacher 8:30am-10:30am |
| Monday 5 February | Kindergarten and Preschool Blue and Yellow groups first day of school for Term 1 2018 |
| Monday 5 February | Nominations for School Board - Open |
| Tuesday 6 February | All students Years 1- 6 return to school 2018 at 9.00am on the Blacktop |
| Thursday 8 February | Preschool Red and Green groups first day of school for Term 1 2018 |
| Monday 19 February | Nominations for School Board - Close |

UPCOMING EVENTS - 2018

Term 1 Week 2 Parent Evening

Term 1 Week 3 Swimming Carnival



**Wishing you and your family a
safe and happy holiday season**



Message from the Principal

2017

It has been another wonderful year! Thank you for everything you do! You, our parents, are amazing and we truly love working with your children. Whilst I could easily write pages, notable high points have been our continued close collaboration between the school Board and P&C which has resulted in the Hall sound system being upgraded, the COLA being approved in unison with the Directorate and the scoping works for a building extension due to our increased enrolments. We had a wonderful concert week, the fete was amazing and the last few weeks have been busy but joyful with the Market Day, Year Six French Afternoon Tea and Fun Day last week to name a few things.

Staffing

I am delighted to announce Nicole Jagers won the recent parallel Deputy Principal position. It has been amazing working with Nicole over the last three years- she has brought so much to the school and I know we will work closely for the next few years together to bring the best outcomes for your children. This has resulted in a vacancy for Nicole's job which will need to be advertised next year but in the meantime Georgina Sofatzis will remain in the role and Tony Merritt is also retained for the start of the year. We have a new Business Manager, Sumana Sen, who joins us from a secondary Catholic College in Darwin and have appointed Ash Watson to work in Preschool alongside Lalangi and Sarah Lawson to work as an LSA in K-6 classes where support is required for children with diverse needs. Mikko Agil was offered a role at Ngunnawal Primary and we are working hard to find a replacement for Year Three next year; we will let families know as soon as we know!

Generosity

Thank you for your cards and gifts that you are sending in to the staff. On behalf of everyone we are deeply humbled by this and feel privileged to be working in such a great staff with a supportive parent community!

Year Six

It is with a tear in our eye that we farewell to Year Six this week. Without question they have had an excellent education and are ready for High School and any challenges that may arise. When I came to Miles your children were just starting in Kindergarten, as was my daughter. I have my daughter's graduation on this morning and then rush across town to ours. Hopefully this stress will keep the tears away! To all of our families who are farewelling the school community now that their youngest is leaving I would like to thank you for all your help and support over the last seven years- I have enjoyed every minute with them (yes, even those difficult moments- that's part of the job and I love my job!).

Talent Show

Talent show letters came out this week for children who have consistently come to our practises and have repeatedly demonstrated they have a rehearsed act. The Talent Show is on Friday from 12.00pm and all are welcome to join us for this final assembly of the year. In this assembly we will be recognising one of our children who received a Mura Indigenous Leadership Award, our staff who were nominated as Public Education Awards nominees (Nicole Jagers, Jenny Hudson, Megan Beit, Eliza Bensley, Kaili Witherdin, Luned Scholfield and our P&C) and doing a farewell arch for our Year Six children.

Thank you once again for entrusting us with your child's education. It is an important responsibility and one we take seriously. It is an honour to be the Principal of our wonderful school, working with gorgeous children, amazing staff and supportive parents. I am incredibly proud and look forward to another exciting year ahead in our IB World School. On behalf of the staff at Miles Franklin I would like to wish you all a happy Christmas and a joyful New Year!

Chris

MILES FRANKLIN PRIMARY SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS 2018

If you're keen to contribute to Miles Franklin Primary school, you should nominate for a position on the Miles Franklin Primary School Board! No prior experience is necessary.

The following position is vacant:

One Parent Position

Nominations must be submitted to the front office between

11am, Monday 5 February 2018

And

11am, Monday 19 February 2018

You can submit your nomination by:

- Hand delivery to the front office
- Email to info@mfps.act.edu.au

For more information, contact the Assistant Returning Officer, Kirstie Jozing on 6205 7530

Canteen

Dear Families

Please be advised of the Canteen/Uniform Shop hours of operation this week and reopening 2018:

Canteen / Uniform Shop is open Wednesday and Thursday Week 10. It will be closed Friday 15th Dec for stocktake and cleaning.

The Uniform Shop will open on meet the Teacher day 2nd Feb 2018 8.30am to 10.15am.

The Canteen and Uniform Shop will reopen for 2018 on Wednesday 7th February 2018.

Have a lovely Christmas and holiday period. Thank you for your support in 2017. We look forward to seeing all the children back next year.

Kind Regards

Canteen Staff and Volunteers

Miles Franklin Primary
Canteen/Uniform Shop
Ph: 02 62051775

Library News

THANK YOU

Thank you to all the parents who have shared the load by helping in the library this year. Your assistance has been sincerely appreciated.

A very huge thank you to the parents who have helped with stocktake this year.

I look forward to your support next year.

Enjoy the festive season, stay safe and have fun.

Transport Canberra

Route: 691

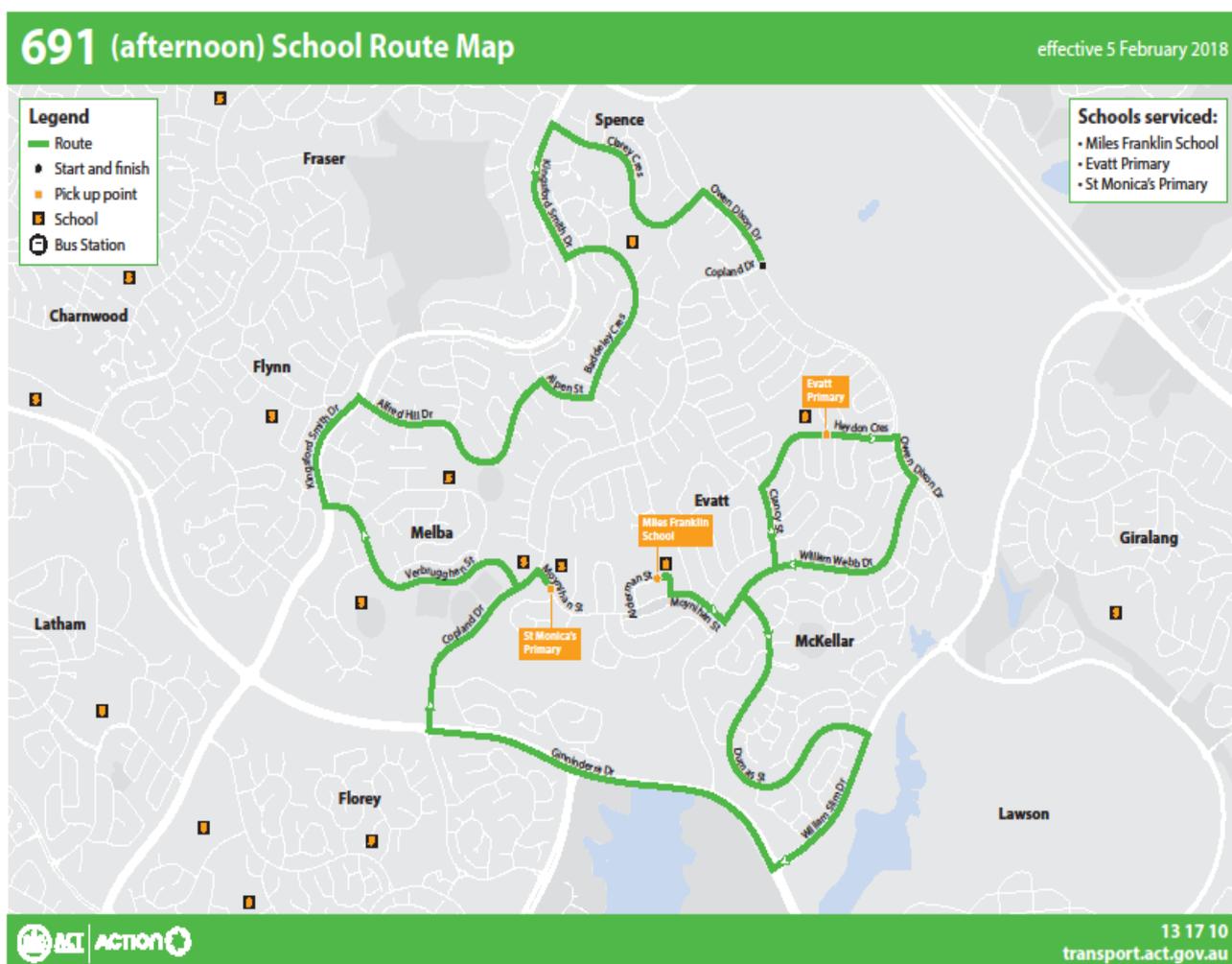
Commencing: Term 1, 2018 – 5 February 2018

Change: No longer travelling via Norton Street Evatt.
Redirected to, travel via William Web Drive.

The attached maps are available on the [Transport Canberra website](#). We would further appreciate your assistance in circulating this information using your existing communications channels, such as school emails, newsletters or notices so students and parents can plan their travel during this time.

We further advise that parents and students are able to use our [NXTBUS](#) system to view live bus information for selected stops or stations.

Regards,
Transport Canberra



2018 SINGING SUMMER SCHOOL

HARMONIES
SINGING WITH AN INSTRUMENT
SONG WRITING
MUSICAL THEATRE
MODERN POP SINGING
DANCE
DRAMA
SINGING TECHNIQUE
PERFORMANCE



WORKSHOPS AND PROGRAMS TO SUIT ALL INTERESTS AND LEVELS FROM AGES 8-18

15 – 19 JANUARY 2018 - 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM DAILY

FINAL CONCERT FRIDAY EVENING

COST IS \$395.00 PER STUDENT - PAY IN FULL BY 3 JANUARY 2018 AND RECEIVE 10% DISCOUNT

CONTACT ADMIN@CANBERRAVOCALDEVELOPMENT.COM.AU