



MAJURA PRIMARY SCHOOL Newsletter

27 May 2022
Week 5 Term 2

A message from the Principal



Good afternoon Majura community.

This week we have completed the first of our two scheduled planning days for Term 2. Thankyou to everyone in the community for their support around these days and informing us if students needed to attend the school. In response to feedback we will provide text message notifications prior to the second of the two days on June 16, as well as newsletter, SeeSaw and email, so hopefully no surprises! Our teachers used this opportunity to complete moderation, plan for the remainder of the term and term 3 and complete some learning conversations. The time was invaluable in supporting work that has been impacted by COVID restrictions and illness.

If you've not had the chance to log onto PTO to book a learning conversation with your child's teacher please do so.

Six students from year four to six presented to the senior school their rostrum speeches today. Each of them was a fantastic example of Majura's school value of excellence, they spoke clearly, with passion, humour and great eloquence. The winner Emily Camilleri will represent the school ably at the quarter finals (Bruce will share details later in the newsletter), with our runner up Rachel Giason available for support.

The school has seen varying numbers of staff and student absences, but at this time we are tracking well with the help of our wonderful team of relief staff and the flexibility of teachers. Flu seems to be having an impact on school communities across Canberra, I will keep you informed as we move into the colder months.

Yesterday was National Sorry Day and I would like to use this opportunity to acknowledge the contribution of first nations members of our school community past and present and their ongoing traditions. Monday is the Reconciliation Day public holiday, I hope each of you has a safe and happy long weekend.

Warm Regards,

Jacob Bindley

Principal a/g

MAJURA MARVELS

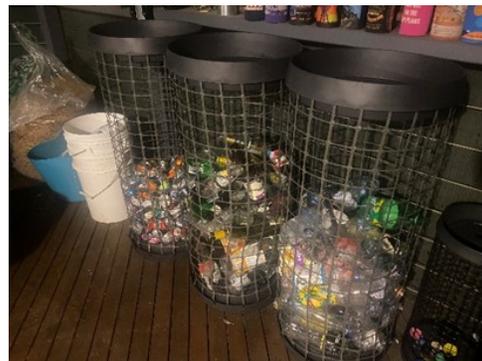
MAJURA MARVELS

A marvellous Majura student has actively been involved in an incredibly worthy pursuit outside of school time.

Noah in 1LN

Noah has been busy recycling cans and bottles at home. In the past four months he has exchanged bottles and cans to the value of \$85! He has also grown potatoes very successfully!

What a terrific Sustainability example you are providing us all with Noah! Well done!



WHAT A WONDERFUL ACHIEVEMENT!

Respect, Excellence and Responsibility

Building resilience in children

Children learn resilience through experience.

Each time your child overcomes a problem, it builds their confidence in their ability to handle the next challenge.

Here are some ways you can build your child's resilience:

- Support your child but try not to solve every minor problem or disappointment. For example, if your child doesn't get invited to a birthday party or didn't get what they want for their birthday, you could talk about how they feel instead of trying to fix the problem.
- Avoid predicting and preventing problems for your child. This might mean letting your child hand in homework that's wrong or not replacing a broken toy. Overcoming small challenges builds your child's resilience for bigger setbacks.
- Help your child to identify and manage strong emotions. For example, your child might be worried about a family member who's sick. You could say, 'I can see you're really worried about Grandpa. It's OK to be worried. But remember we're doing everything we can to help him get better'.
- Encourage your child to have another go when things don't work out the first time they try something. Praise your child for trying, no matter the result. You could say 'I'm proud of you for finishing the race' or 'Well done for giving it another go'.

Build your child's [self-compassion](#). Self-compassion helps your child deal with disappointment, failures or mistakes by being kind to themselves. In turn, this helps them to move on from difficult experiences.

- Make it a habit to recognise and acknowledge when things are going well. For example, during family meals you could each share one positive thing from your day.
- Help your child to develop problem-solving skills in an age-appropriate way. For example, if a child at school says or does something unkind to your child, brainstorm how your child might respond next time. Find a positive role model who has experienced similar challenges to your child. For example, your child might find support in an older friend whose parents have separated or who has lost a family member.

Children develop resilience over time, so try to be patient and supportive while your child works out how to respond to challenges. You might want to make everything all right for your child, but sometimes your child has to go through uncomfortable feelings so they can work things out for themselves.

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WORLD BEE DAY

SPECIAL MENTION

Thankyou to Arlo Rose for taking such an amazing image!

'Blue Banded Bees'

Photo taken by Arlo Rose
Year 6, The Clams



WORLD BEE DAY IN KINDY

Kindergarten investigations for 'World Bee Day'

We brainstormed all of the things we knew about Bees and we made "honey Joy's".



ROSTRUM SPEECHES

2022 Rostrum Public Speaking Competition

Over the last couple of weeks students in year 4 to year 6 have been busy researching and preparing a speech to be presented to their class. The children had the opportunity to choose from a variety of topics ranging from 'Drones' to 'Being Organised' (unlike their bedrooms)!

The competition was fierce this year within the classrooms where the students vied for a coveted position in the Majura Rostrum Final. Finally, with significant consideration and deliberation, in the year group finals two students were selected to represent their cohort.

The six finalists and their topics were:

Year 4

Grace Thornton: My Least Favourite Thing

Annika Back: Being Organised

Year 5

Rachel Giason: Every Little Bit Helps

Edith Reid: The Right Note

Year 6

Isobel Groenhout: What Next?

Emily Camilleri: My Least Favourite Thing.

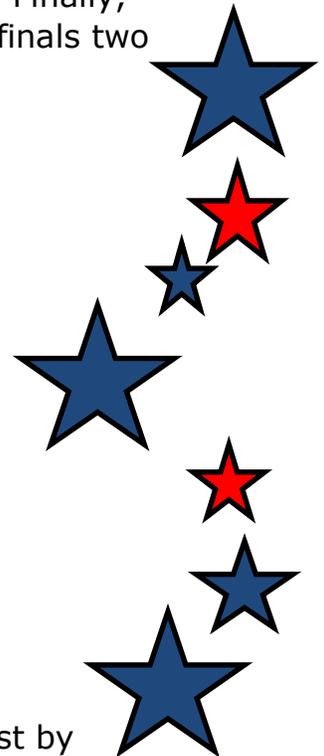
On the day of the competition all the competitors gave it their best by presenting a well-articulated, emotive and at times hilarious speech. All of the students should be congratulated for their outstanding effort in this area of their studies and their ability to present with such confidence to their peers.

However, at the end of the Majura Rostrum Final there was a winner.

Congratulations goes to Emily Camilleri who will be representing Majura Primary School at the district finals and to Rachel Giason as runner up.

On behalf of Amanda and myself we would like to thank all the students, teachers and parents who helped get the kids across the line for this years 2022 Rostrum Public Speaking Competition.

Bruce Goodfellow





MAJURA MARKET DAY

THURSDAY 2 JUNE

Year 6 fundraiser for end of year graduation celebrations

Tickets

\$2.50

\$5.00

NO MORE THAN **\$7.50**



baked goods | drinks | obstacle courses/races
nerf shooting range | sponge toss
chocolate wheel | lucky dip

Year 6

COLLECTING MONEY FROM CLASSROOMS NOW

Tickets to be delivered to classes in time for Market Day



NATIONAL SORRY DAY

Today is National Sorry Day, a day when we acknowledge The Stolen Generations– Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who were forcibly removed from their families and communities.

WE acknowledge all of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander colleagues and the significant contribution they make to our service.

National Sorry Day marks the beginning of [National Reconciliation Week](#)

Which is being held from 27 May 2022 to June 3 2022. the theme for National Reconciliation Week 2022 is Be Brave, Make a Change.



KITCHEN GARDEN

MAJURA PRIMARY'S FLORIADÉ BULB PLANTING

When: **10am-12pm, Sunday 5 June**

Sign up at: <https://signup.com/go/MuGmHqy>

We are very excited to be participating in the **ACT Floriade Community Program** for the 3rd year in a row! We have been donated a large mix of bulbs and annuals to plant at a chosen site at the school where the local school and wider community can enjoy the beautiful spring flowers.

The volunteers in the Kitchen Garden are organising a working bee to plant the bulbs on Sunday 5th June 10am-12pm - please join us! Sign up <https://signup.com/go/MuGmHqy> to help dig, add compost and plant bulbs. All ages welcome! Parents, family, students and staff are all welcome to join in.

Bring: gardening gloves, hat, trowel (we have trowels if you don't have one)

Venue: Meet at the Majura Primary Kitchen Garden gates

More information:

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Philippa Lawrence (Majura Primary garden) philippa.lawrence@ed.act.edu.au



HIGH SCHOOL ENROLMENTS

Highschool Enrolments

Just a reminder that enrolments for ACT Public High schools in 2023 are now open.
Apply to enrol online by 3 June 2022 to receive an offer from 25 July.
Applications made after 3 June will receive an offer later in the year.

For more information or to enrol your child visit:

<https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/enrolling-in-a-public-school>



UNIFORM SHOP



The uniform shop is open 8:30-9:30am
every Wednesday

New and second hand uniforms available
EFTPOS payment and online orders only

<https://jurapandc.square.site/s/order>



If you have any donations of second hand uniforms
please ask your child to take it to the front office or bring in straight
to us at the uniform shop on Wednesdays.



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