Dear Parents/Carers,

ANZAC DAY ceremony tomorrow at 12.45pm and we farewell Rohan. 11 will be hosting this week’s assembly that will include a short ANZAC Day ceremony and a farewell to our deputy principal, Rohan Evans, who is taking up a position at Hughes Primary School. You are very welcome to come along and join us.

Executive structure changes for Term 2.
Trish Ghirardello will be the deputy principal while the process of selecting Rohan’s replacement takes place. This term, Caroline Woolias has been the executive teacher for Years 3-6, following Sharon Fellows’ move to Garran Primary School. Thank you Caroline for your commitment to our school and the support you have given teachers, students and families this term.

Next term Stacey Meyer will take on the Executive teacher role for Years 3-6, while the process to select Sharon’s replacement takes place.

Learning Journeys
Learning journeys are an excellent opportunity for our students to share the successes they are having in their learning at school. It was wonderful to see so many of our Kindergarten to Year 2 families able to come along yesterday. If you were unable to be here, please contact your child’s teacher to make another time.

Congratulations to our preschool groups Possums and Koalas who also have held Learning Journeys this week.

Helping your child at home with literacy and numeracy.
Following the Learning Journeys yesterday, an information session was held for families by Trish Ghirardello and Caroline Woolias. During this session Trish and Caroline talked about some strategies for supporting your child with reading and number work at home.

If you were unable to come along but are interested in finding out about the session, please contact Trish on 62058033.

School Board appointments.
The 2015 School Board election process has been completed with Scott Gurney re-elected, as school community representative, and Monica Marsham and Claire Kerswell the teacher representatives. Thank you to Donna Theron, Nicole Haugheie and Patricia Stewart for nominating for the position.

On behalf of the 2014 School Board, I would like to thank Stacey Meyer for her role as a teacher representative during the past two years.

Year 4-6 Camp
The teachers and students who attended the very successful, three day camp at Borambolla, returned this afternoon with many stories to share with families and classmates. Our thanks go to Constance Chen, Stacey Meyers, Monica Marsham and Rohan Evans for supporting our students during their time away from home.

It has been a busy and productive first term of learning at Mawson Primary School. My thanks go to our teachers and administration staff for their commitment to providing our students with high quality learning opportunities, in a well maintained school environment.

I would like to wish our students and families all the very best for a safe and relaxing break from the routines of school life. As you are aware, Monday 27 April 2015 is a day in lieu for ACT public servants, including teachers and other employees working in ACT public schools, due to ANZAC Day falling on a Saturday.

Families are reminded that the first day of the Term 2 is Tuesday 28 April. Families are also reminded that ACTION will be operating on a Saturday bus timetable.

Warmest regards,

Amanda Andrews

WHO IS GOING TO COOK OUR BBQ’S NOW.
Cross Country will be held on the first Thursday Term 2, 30 April 9:15-11AM

If rain has been forecast for Thursday the cross country will be held on another date to be announced. If you are able to help please complete the form below and return to your child’s teacher.

Cross Country Thursday 30 April 2015 – 9:15 – 11am

Parent/Carer help - to be returned to your child’s teacher.

Please note that as a parent helper you will be positioned around the course to help guide all children and encourage them as they run.

Are you able to help:  Yes

Name:……………………………… Child’s Name:…………………………….Class:……………………….
The P&C are grateful for the kind words expressed by Mr Evans in last week’s Schoolweek. The feelings are certainly mutual. We have been fortunate to have had such an active member of staff as our Deputy Principal. The children look to you for support and guidance which is always freely given. The guitar program has been a hit and has helped some students express themselves through music which may be unavailable outside of school. The active life you lead has been a wonderful influence and your presence at school camps will be difficult to replace. Your next school will reap the rewards that you offer in your professional leadership, commitment and compassion: you leave big shoes to fill at Mawson Primary. We wish you all the best...onward and upward!

Mawson Primary P&C Committee

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Mandarin for Kids @ Mawson Primary School
For Kindergarten, Year 1 to Year 6

Term 2 Registration Starts Now!
4th May - 29th June
Mondays, 3.15 – 4.15 p.m.
Venue: Environment Centre, Mawson Primary

Term 2 Fees: $150 per student
Sibling discounts available
After School Care can also be arranged by Mawson OOSH after the class.

For enrolment and information, contact Sarah Mak @0431252768 or email to sarah.mak@lcfclubs.com.au
and visit our LCF website www.lcfclubs.com.au

Please note: Preschool classes may also commence in term 2.

SERVICE UPDATE

Reminder: Changes to ACTION School Services from Monday 18 May 2015

Following our notification to schools yesterday, we would like to advise that the upcoming changes were formally announced by Minister Rattenbury today, Thursday 2 April, and full details are now available on the ACTION website.

Since the launch of the new schools network in September 2014, we have been continually monitoring the network using performance data and identifying areas for improvement. For dedicated school services these include:

• the addition of six new services
• directional and stop changes for 21 school services
• changed start times for 68 school services
• and just 1 school service will no longer be in operation.

Other school services may have slight timing changes or no changes.
ACTION would appreciate your assistance in circulating this to assist schools, students and parents to plan travel from Monday 18 May. We encourage parents to also view the changes to the normal weekday network also taking effect on Monday 18 May, as connection times with dedicated school services may have changed.

For more information please visit action.act.gov.au or call 13 17 10.
Public Consultation - draft Reporting Student Achievement (Preschool to Year 12) Policy and draft common report templates

Opening Date: Monday 23 March 2015
Closing Date: Friday 15 May 2015

The ACT Education and Training Directorate is seeking public comment on the draft Reporting Student Achievement (Preschool to Year 12) Policy and draft common report templates for ACT public primary and high schools.

The draft Policy and draft common templates are designed to ensure parents receive consistent information about their child’s achievement regardless of which ACT public school their child attends.


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INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS)

Permission slip and entry fees need to be in by FRIDAY 10 APRIL, week 10 term 1. Late entries cannot be accepted.

2015 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS) PERMISSION SLIP

I give permission for my child ______________________ to participate in the following 2015 ICAS Competitions

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