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REMINDER: MAWSON SCHOOL COMMUNITY WELCOME BBQ & CLASS INFORMATION SESSION

TONIGHT Thursday 12 February from 5:30pm

This is a great opportunity to meet other families, catch up with friends and meet staff. We look forward to seeing you there. The Mawson Primary School P&C Association will be providing drinks, vegetarian and beef sausages.

Overview of the evening
5.30-6.00 pm Mawson P&C’s community BBQ
6.00pm Hall to meet the teachers and a few words from the Principal!
6.15-7.00pm Kindergarten, Years 1, 3 & 3/4 classes
7.00-7.45pm Year 2, 4/5 and 5/6 classes

Please note family detail check list may not be available at the information session but will be sent home in a sealed envelope as soon possible.

ACARA Showcasing Australian Curriculum Implementation at Mawson Primary School

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) recently published their interviews of teachers and school leaders at Mawson Primary School about implementing the Australian Curriculum. The interviews can be watched via the following link http://youtu.be/9PyLKGkpUmA and on ACARA's YouTube channel. ACARA is conducting these interviews in schools across Australia to showcase best practice and local experiences in delivering the Australian Curriculum.

WATER STATIONS

We are very excited to have new water refill stations being installed in our playground as part of the ACT Government's objective to provide and promote improved nutritional options in schools. The school is waiting for final approval to commence using these. Students will be provided with a drink bottle and will be encouraged to refill with water at these stations during play times.

Please note: Peter Griffin has observed some children putting sand into the new water stations, plus washing their hands in them and just pushing the button and wasting water. Parents/carers please keep an eye on your children around these stations. Also if your are in the playground after school with your child, please place any items of rubbish in the bin that is now provided. Also please make sure your children are not climbing the rock wall and digging in the sand in front of the library, your assistance in this matter is much appreciated.

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Next week interviews will be offered to give parents/carers the opportunity to share information about their child with the class teacher. More information about these will be available at the information session tonight. These interviews are important as:
They create a strong partnership between the home and the school.
They provide an opportunity for parents and teachers to communicate.
They enable parents to give vital information about their child.
They help support student achievement.

We look forward to seeing you!
STAFF LIST 2015

Amanda Andrews  Principal
Rohan Evans  Deputy Principal
Trish Ghirardello  Literacy & Numeracy Coordinator
Gail Porter  Business Manager
Mary Megic  School Assistant
Peter Griffin  Building Services Officer
Justine Rainey  School Counsellor
Daphne Taylor  Librarian
Amanda Friend  Preschool Teacher
Tanya Waters  Preschool Assistant
Tara Aherne  Kindergarten Teacher
Claire Kerswell  Kindergarten Teacher
Kim Middleton  Kindergarten/Preschool Teacher Friday
Wen Liu  Year 1/MIP Teacher
Jacqui Ingram  Year 1 Teacher
Nicole Parker  Year 1 Teacher
Anna Flutsch  Year 2 Teacher
Lily Ang  Year 2MIP Teacher
Sunny Wang  KMIP, 1MIP & 2MIP Teacher
Gina Nestler  Year 3 Teacher
Kristie Davies  Year 3/4 Mon-Wed
Monica Marsham  Year 4/5 Teacher
Stacey Meyer  Year 5/6 Teacher
Constance Chen  Year 5/6MIP Teacher
Maria Sofo  Learner Support Unit Teacher
Leonie Jenvey  Learner Support Unit Assistant
Kathryn Glanville  Environmental Centre Wed-Fri
Dongmei Yang  Kindergarten MIP and LOTE Teacher
Cissy Lu  LOTE and Year 3 and Year 4 MIP Wed-Fri
Caroline Woolias  English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EALD)
Taneal Proctor  Support Teacher
Julie Lawless  Learning Support Assistant
Each year Board elections are held in February, to elect school community representatives for a two year term. **In February, 2015**, the school will be seeking nominations to fill **four positions** on Mawson Primary School Board. For 2015-2016. These positions are:

- One position for parents and citizens of Mawson School community.
- Two teacher representative position’s.

The Board meets regularly during term time at a time suitable to the Board members. The role of the Board is to set broad policy which reflects departmental policies and initiatives. Setting the school’s annual budget is worked through in co-operation with the Board. Being on the Board is a great opportunity to get to understand how education works in the ACT, as well as in your child’s school. Those who have been on School Boards remark on how much they have learned about what makes it all happen in schools.

If you would like clarification of what the role might entail, please contact **Scott Gurney**, current School Board Chair.

**Nominations open on Thursday 5 February 2015 at 11am** and close on **Thursday 19 February 2015 at 11am**.

The election process will be coordinated by Pam Proud as the assistant returning officer for our school.

See page 5 for a copy the nomination form. A hard copy is also available from the front office.
Mandarin for Kids @ Mawson Primary School
For Preschool, Kindergarten, Year 1 to Year 6

There are still places for Term 1, 2015
Time: 3.15 to 4.15 p.m.
Venue: Environmental Centre, Mawson Primary
Fees: $150 for Term 1
Sibling discounts available
After School Care can also be arranged by Mawson OOSH

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

Free workshop for parents & carers of children with autism!
South Canberra Woden -
March 25
Register your place:
positivepartnerships.com.au
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS

Dear Parents,

Our school has received a request by parents for their children to receive Christian Education (CE) as part of our school curriculum, based on provisions in the Education Act 2004. The Christian Education In Schools (CEIS) project of the ACT Churches’ Council provides a coordinated service to fulfill such requests. This service includes 4 modern and interactive CE sessions each year, prepared professionally and delivered by trained and endorsed volunteers. The one-hour sessions are designed for small groups of students, encouraging them to discuss and explore the topics outlined on the attached postcard.

Parent permission is essential for children to attend CEIS. To assist the CEIS coordination process at our school, please use the section below to indicate your preferred request for your children. Parents requesting ‘yes’ have the option to do this online at www.ceis.org.au/yes (which will be forwarded to the school). Requests will remain in effect while your children attend this school, but can be changed simply by contacting the front office. Each CEIS session will be advertised in the relevant school newsletters.

For further information please contact the school or visit www.ceis.org.au.

Regards,

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

☐ YES, I request that my child/ren listed below participate in the CEIS sessions offered at school.

☐ NO, I do not want my child/ren listed below to participate in CEIS.

CHILD: ________________________________ Class: __________

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