



Turner School News



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Dear Turner families and community,

- A reminder that reports are going home at the end of week 9. This year we are sending reports home electronically rather than sending a paper copy. You should have received a 'test report email' this past week. If you did not receive an email, or require a paper copy, please contact the front office on 61422430.

Congratulations to our Year 6 students who performed at their band graduation event, *Bandstravaganza* on Wednesday evening last week! It has been wonderful to see how far you have come and many thanks to Grace for conducting the band and to the parents who are always so supportive, encouraging your child to practice, to provide transport for rehearsals and as an audience member on the night!



Speaking of all things musical- next week on Thursday night we have our End of Year Celebration Concert. The big idea for our concert is centred on '*Story, Connection and the Passing of Wisdom*'. This is related to our learning across the year as part of our Artists' and Writers' festival and we look forward to sharing with you our understanding of culture, the passing of traditions and history; and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders perspectives of connection to Country, self and others.

The P&C are hosting a soup and sausage sizzle for the **End of Year Concert** as a service to the community – which will be held on Thursday 5 December from 5:30pm to 6:20pm. Bring along your picnic items, enjoy the barbeque and great company before the concert! Please remember that this is an Alcohol Free event. We look forward to seeing you all there and ask that all children not involved in concert performances stay under your supervision in the audience area.

It has come to that time of year where we begin the bittersweet farewell of some of our incredible staff as they take the next step in their careers or move to other adventures. We share best wishes as our Preschool teacher Liga Ailte takes maternity leave next year and look forward to meeting her baby when it arrives! We also say congratulations and extend big appreciation to our wonderful Sandy Home who will be expanding her influence in her next school. Sandy has provided an engaging and friendly start for our youngest students at Turner, has made exceptional connections with families and been an expert in setting our students up for success in learning! Congratulations and many thanks to Leanne Oxley who has been a leader in early childhood education with particular strengths in literacy, developing a growth mindset in young children and this year, has led the implementation of the 'SOLO Taxonomy' as a learning thinking tool for all students in our school. We acknowledge the work of Michelle Wilson who has taught in year 1/2 and has been a dedicated numeracy coach, leading the 1/2 in their teaching and data analysis of their numeracy practice. Clive Beecham has been a member of the Turner community for many years and has made a significant contribution to chess, Tournament of the Mind competition and sports opportunities for our students. He has particular strengths in linguistics and has been an influential voice in developing our year 5/6 students and supporting the year 6 students' transition into high school. Elizabeth Hook has been a leader in celebrating diversity across the school as the EALD specialist teacher. She has further developed teacher's capability in teaching functional grammar and working with families to support their child in developing their English speaking skills. David Conley has been an entertaining actor and voice in our Read Alouds and moving from a classroom teacher to Arts specialist teacher. This has meant that he has been teaching students right across our junior area of the school! We are so thankful for the enormous contribution our leaving teachers have given to Turner and look forward to hearing about them shining across our Public Schools system.



Kind regards, Allison



Turner Ukulele: Wednesdays 8:15 - 9am
School Board Meeting—End of year celebration: 5:30pm
Turner School Notes due back: Year 6 Celebration Day



Years P-K:

Preschool Walk to Wetlands—Tuesday 3 December (M--W)
Junior SRC—Wednesday 4 December 2:10pm
Preschool Walk to Wetlands—Thursday 5 December (W-F)
Preschool to Kindergarten Transition visit—Friday 6 December
 2pm— 3pm (W-F)
Preschool to Kindergarten Transition visit — Monday 9 December
 2pm—3pm (M-W)

Years 1/2:

Junior SRC—Wednesday 4 December 2:10pm

Years 3/4:

Senior Assembly—Wednesday 4 December 2:10pm

Years 5/6:

Senior Assembly—Wednesday 4 December 2:10pm **Yr 6 Celebration Day** —Friday 6 December , all day.

WHOLE SCHOOL:

End of Year Concert Thursday 5 December 6:30pm
Dress Rehearsal Concert— 9:15am-10:50am Wednesday
 4 December

Whole school transition day K to 6 — Friday 13
 December 12:30pm - 1:30pm

Whole School End of Year Assembly —Tuesday 17
 December 9:20am

Last Day of Term 4—Thursday 19 December



2020 Transition Information
(for families that are new to Turner School)



Preschool 2020 Groups—Getting to know you interview—Interviews will be held during Week 9 of this term for 2020 preschool families to meet with their preschool teacher. Interviews are held in the David Street Meeting rooms and are half an hour in length. All families will be contacted in the near future to arrange a time.

Years K-6 Turner School transition day - Friday 13 December, 12:30 –1:30pm

All Turner children and new children attending Turner in 2020 spend the middle session of the day with their 2019 peers. Please come to the school office on Condamine Street at 12:15pm. Parents accompany children on this day.

Please RSVP to the transition sessions by following this link: <https://forms.gle/eo2ndJpAVb6er4Mq8>. If you have any issues in accessing the Google Form, please contact the school on 6142 2430.

Additional support—If you think your child requires additional support in transitioning to Turner School, please let us know so that we can support them in making a successful start to the school.

Setting Your Child up for Success in Kindergarten for 2020.

Starting full-time school is a big step for many children. One of the ways we work with families to build school readiness and to support children transition well is to offer our 2019 kindergarten families this workshop. This will cover some aspects of learning in kindergarten and how families can support their children. We will also provide some tips on ways that families can support their child in developing independence, promoting physical activity and wellbeing, and to develop social and emotional skills, language, communication and thinking. This workshop will be held on Thursday 28 November 2019, evening session at 5:30-6:30pm. Please RSVP on <https://forms.gle/9j7cGYM8nKAmJw7f7> . **As bookings are essential.**

Library Happening

The library will officially close at the end of Week 7 – Friday 29 November and the annual stocktake will begin. Outstanding borrowing notices will be sent home to students on Friday 29 November.

I want to thank you for your assistance with returning books and look forward to an exciting year of learning again in 2020. Remember to read over the school holidays.

Jayne Murray | Teacher Librarian



Reminder—2019 Voluntary Contributions

Thank you to all Turner families who have already paid their voluntary contributions this year. Now is the perfect time to pay your contributions for 2019, as it will allow the purchasing of equipment and facilities for 2020 to be adequately prioritised and budgeted for. Please find additional information and the forms on our website:

http://www.turners.act.edu.au/for_parents/carers/voluntary_contributions. Thank you for your continued support of Turner School.

Leaving Turner School?

If your preschool to year 5 child is leaving Turner School at the end of the year (or before) please notify us as soon as possible by letter or [email](mailto:turners@turners.act.edu.au) to the Front Office.

Actsmart Awards

On the 20 November, Neil attended the actsmart awards for outstanding sustainable practices within the school and local community. Neil was nominated for his efforts with the Re-Turn it program, recycling 10c cannisters at Turner School as well as around the Canberra community. Well done Neil on representing Turner School, and continually doing your best to help the community sustainably!

Laura Langston | Year 3/4 Classroom Teacher



Turner School Giving Tree

Turner School is supporting The Salvation Army Christmas Gift Appeal this Christmas by placing Giving Trees in our Condamine St and David St offices.



Please place new toys or books under the trees that are age appropriate for primary school children by Monday 16 December, Week 10.

The Salvation Army has requested no toy guns or video games.

Your support and generosity is appreciated, thank you.



Community Notices

Canberra's biggest family picnic, with all your favourites. November 30, 6pm. Book online at cso.org.au/actsm

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6PM ON THE LAWN
OF GOV'TMENT HOUSE
NOVEMBER 30 2019
GATES OPEN AT 4.45
CSO SEASON 2019 =)

WHICH STORE IS TAKING
20% OFF
SCHOOL UNIFORMS?

20% OFF SCHOOL UNIFORMS IN DECEMBER

Majura: Shop 19 Majura Park, Shopping Centre, Canberra Airport, 2601 Tel: 02 6262 7867

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 Saturday: 9 am - 5 pm
 Sunday: 10 am - 4 pm
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Game Safe 2019 – Keeping your child safe online

Active Gamers will be hosting a free event for parents on Wednesday 4th December at the AFL HQ, Spoering Street, Philip (the same venue as our Active Gamers program).

A representative from cyber safety education program 'ThinkUKnow Australia' will discuss the challenges kids may face online, and how to help them overcome these in a safe and ethical way. ThinkUKnow Australia is a partnership between the Australian Federal Police, Microsoft Australia, Datacom and the Commonwealth Bank.

The presentation covers issues relating to children and young peoples' privacy and security online, their relationships with other users, and their online reputation. It provides insight into the devices young people are using, as well as the popular websites, apps and social networking sites they're accessing.

Active Gamer's head of games, Jim Andrew will also speak about safe gaming and suggest game titles that your child might enjoy. The event will start at 6pm and go for about 90 minutes.

For further information please contact Ravi Sharma on 0456077942 or www.activegamers.com.au

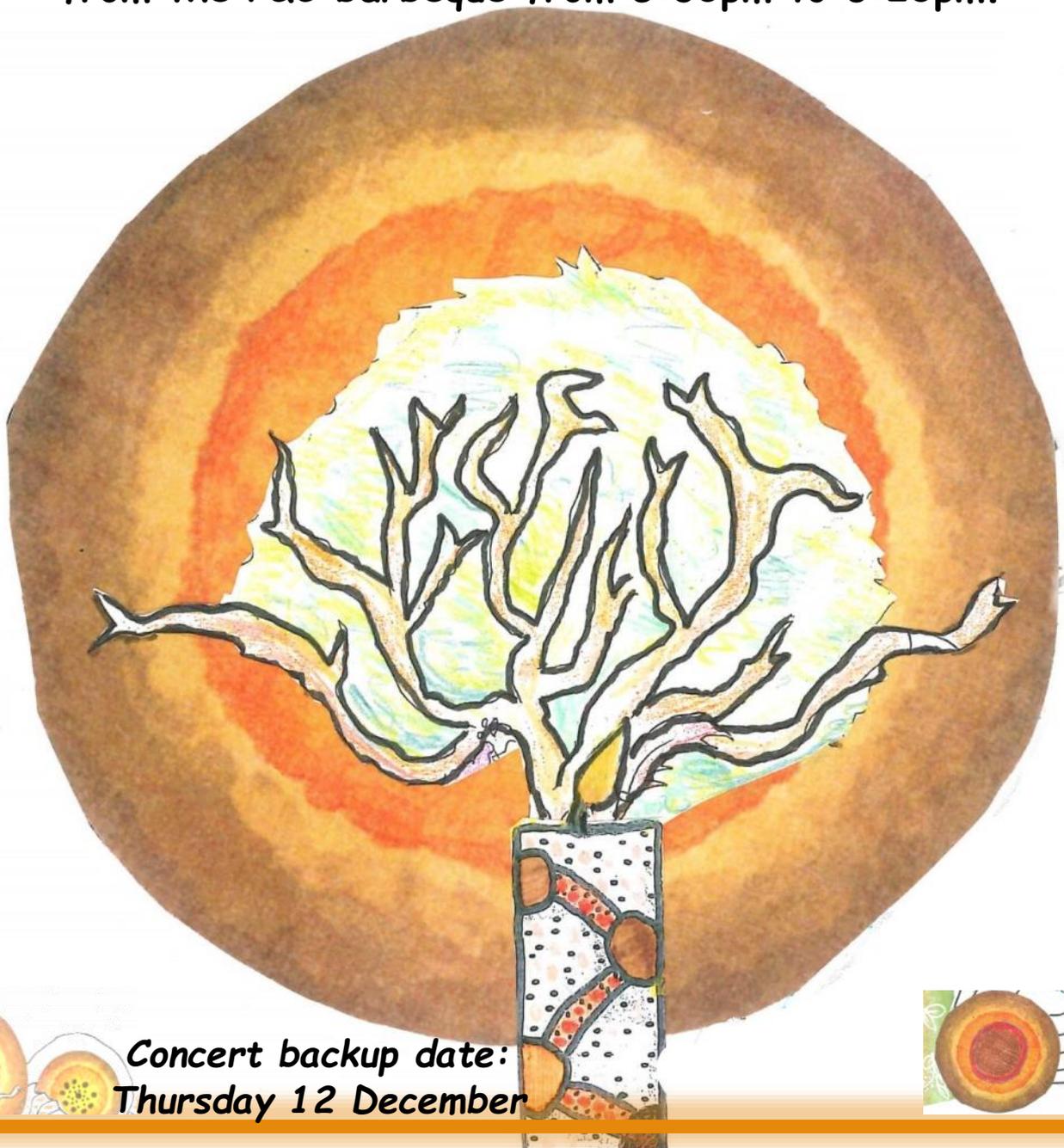


2019 End of Year Concert

Story, Connection and the Passing of Wisdom

We would like to invite the Turner School community to join us in celebrating at our End Of Year Concert 2019 on
Thursday 5 December at 6:30pm
at the outdoor stage area.

Bring a blanket and picnic or enjoy soup and sausage sizzle from the P&C barbeque from 5:30pm to 6:20pm.



Concert backup date:
Thursday 12 December

