



# Turner School News



## Upcoming Events:

- STEAM Festival  
Check tomorrow's email for an important update

Please see Turner School calendar for more events: [https://www.turners.act.edu.au/news\\_and\\_events/calendar](https://www.turners.act.edu.au/news_and_events/calendar)

## Notes to be returned:

- Voluntary Family Contribution
- Preschool Resources Payment
- Library Fund Contribution
- Festival excursion— All Years.

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Dear parents and carers,

**Welcome to our week 3 newsletter!**

**Celebrating students:** Congratulations to our Wednesday Djembe group for their fabulous community performance at the Haig Park Markets on the weekend! Thank you to all the parents who helped with the set up and to the crowd that came along to support!

A special acknowledgement to our year 6 student Sujaan and past Turner students Lilli and Elise whose national achievement was celebrated in the Canberra Times this week!

<https://www.canberratimes.com.au/story/7842085/popping-and-locking-canberra-dance-crew-cleans-up-competition/?cs=14257>



**Special events and the impact from COVID safety plans and Staffing:** Thank you for your ongoing support for our staff planning days this term- our first is tomorrow. You will be aware that we continue to work through potential teacher shortages and COVID safety impacts. While we are going well at the moment, we do anticipate over the coming weeks that regular learning and planned events may be impacted. Of particular mention is that we have a number of excursions and STEAM Festival events planned for our students. We thank you for keeping up to date with any short notice and unavoidable changes that we have to make to learning and events via our emails, newsletters and P&C Facebook posts.



**STEAM Festival:** We will be sending out a STEAM Festival special edition newsletter tomorrow. Please make sure you have a read!

**August 16, 6:30pm-8pm- Pizza and Q&A Panel evening:** We hope that you will sign up to join us at our Pizza and Q&A Panel evening for parents and carers at Turner School. Share a slice or two of pizza and enjoy an opportunity to hear from our special guests as they talk through the role of 'learning how to learn' in education and impact on our Turner learners for a successful future.

*'Students' success relies on how well they grasp the "how" of learning, what it looks like to be a curious, creative, problem solving, team player. To move through life with opportunities to flourish and succeed, young people need to build their social skills, their understanding of others, their ability to adapt and learn from challenges and change.'* (pg 4, The Capable Country, Lucas and Smith). We include all these elements in our Turner Learner Profile. Read further on in the newsletter for more information and come along to the evening and find out why!

Have a great end to the week, **Allison Edmonds | Principal**

## Lines of communication:

- \* Allison Edmonds—Principal
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- \* Emily Gregory —Years 3-4 Team Leader
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## Junior and Senior Assembly Awards



Congratulation to the following Junior students on receiving an award:

Class	Achievement	Achievement	SCARFF
KYL Amazing Aeroplanes	Mehrsa S.	Aarven S	Andy G
KAS Terrific Trains	Dia R	Riley K	Ayansh B
KIJ Lovely Lightbulbs	Arthur B	Vincent W	Remi W
SK/1CP Radiant Robots	Juston J		
1/2AR Lego Masters	Elliott D	Coeus L	Samantha F
1/2SS Saturn V	Wil C	Alexa B	Alexander W
1/2ES Super Smartphones	Maggie K	Reyansh Y	Elodie R
1/2AV Wi-fi Winners	Laurie M	Blake C	Poppy-Rose S
1/2KG & S2/3KF Mighty Machines	Vienna F	Alyssa D	Neisha J

Congratulation to the following Senior students on receiving an award:

Class	Achievement	Achievement	SCARFF
5/6 CW	Eva S	Brayden S	Chloe E
5/6 A-T	James R	Elise N	Emma B
5/6RB	Esha F	Kayla B	Max B
5/6TC	Sadra P	Baani P	Leo O
S5/6FO	Jack A		Annabelle M
S5/6HM	Jakoah P		Lily F
5/6CK	Frankie C	Oscar H	Telmen D
3/4KB	Alvin	Noah	Surya
3/4 AV	Lily Rose W	Astrid H	Yuvi M
3/4 GS	Ethan K	Petra S	Ryan P
S3/4LC	Matt K		Teodora D
3/4 MS	Cianna S	Ghassan A	Emma B
S3/4KH	Jeremy G		James L K
3/4SN	Lucia H	Flynn T	Thea M

**2022 Voluntary Contributions** - Our annual requests for the 2022 Turner School Voluntary Contributions and Tax Deductable Turner School Library Fund contributions. There is also a request for the 2022 Preschool Consumables fee. Please find additional information and the forms on our website: [https://www.turners.act.edu.au/news\\_and\\_events/school\\_notes](https://www.turners.act.edu.au/news_and_events/school_notes) Thank you for your continued support of Turner School.

### 3/4 Girls Basketball

Our 3/4 girls basketball team played on the 28th July at Belconnen Sports and Basketball Centre in the Northside Sue Geh Competition. The girls displayed their SCARFF values and teamwork to work together during the games. We didn't come away with a win, but we are all proud and happy at the huge effort we put in!

Laura Langston | Year 3/4 Teacher



### 5/6 Boys Basketball

Last Tuesday a group of our 5/6 boys took to the courts to represent Turner in the Jamie Pearlman Basketball Competition. Full of confidence and excitement, our boys got off to a great start downing Aranda by 10 points. Unfortunately, this joy was short lived, as a narrow defeat by only 2 points to Florey followed. Our final round game saw us up against Charnwood-Dunlop B and the boys come out firing and came away with a 20 point win. This left us well poised and atop our pool, meaning we would be heading into the semi-finals against Charnwood-Dunlop A. To say the game was tightly contested and tense one would be an understatement. The boys left everything out on the court and fell short by only 1 point! They represented Turner exceptionally well and we couldn't be prouder of the efforts they put into the day! Nick Collins | Year 5/6 Teacher



### Musica Viva—Incursion

On Thursday 21 July, we were privileged to have a Musica Viva performance by Wynsis, a song and dance group from the Torres Strait Islands. From spinning tops to string figures, this wildly entertaining and colourfully costumed ensemble showed us how culture and history are passed on through singing, dancing and games. Our students were delighted by the rich singing and strong rhythms, and learnt some language from the Torres Strait Islands. Childhood games such as spinning tops and acting out fishing were presented in engaging songs with movement and fun. A great opportunity to learn about connection to country and culture! Jocelyn James | Preschool & Kinder team leader



## Great Thinkers in STEAM "Building our together FUTURE"

We are still seeking donations of clean recycled materials for our 'Sculptures by Our School' Creat-a-thon, including boxes, bottles, lids, containers, wire, CDs, DVDs, newspaper, chicken wire, foil etc. All donations can be sent to school with your child and stored by our child's teacher.

**A separate email will be sent home tomorrow with a few changes to the STEAM Festival.**

## P&C Report

A warm welcome back to Term 3 for all of our Turner families. The Turner P&C were delighted to make a \$2,500 contribution towards this year's STEAM Festival. The STEAM festival is a fun filled and fantastic part of the Turner School's calendar.

As part of the Festival, we warmly welcome parents to attend a **Pizza Panel Evening on Tuesday 16th August from 6pm for a 6.30pm start**. The Turner P&C Committee will be donating pizza's and Committee members will be on deck to answer any P&C related questions that you might have. The P&C are also delighted to provide a Coffee Cart for the STEAM festival.

Please note that the Pizza Panel evening replaces our scheduled P&C Meeting on the 16th August. Our next Turner P&C Meeting will be conducted on Tuesday 13th September at 7pm. We warmly welcome members of the Turner School Community to attend our meeting. In the interim, we regularly monitor our gmail account should you wish to email us on [turnerprimarypandc@gmail.com](mailto:turnerprimarypandc@gmail.com)

**Nicola Gibson | P&C President**

## August means 'Hats On' for ACT schools despite the cold weather!

The beginning of August is 'Hats On' for Canberra primary schools and early childhood services as ultraviolet (UV) levels begin to rise above 3.

Hats can be purchased at Condamine St front office for \$8.25. Just a gentle reminder to label everything, this way we know who to return lost items to.



## ACT Instrumental Music Program

### Secondary Student Extension Ensembles - 2023

The ACT Instrumental Music Program is seeking students who will be in Year 7 to Year 12 in ACT public schools in 2023 to audition for secondary extension ensembles.

**Current Year 6 students continuing to a public secondary school in 2023 can apply for:**

Junior Concert Band: Years 7-8 students in ACT public schools in 2023

Percussion Ensemble: Years 7-12 students in ACT public schools in 2023

Senior Concert Choir: Years 7-12 students in ACT public schools in 2023

Auditions will be held online in Term 4 (31 October – 4 November).

All audition requirements and pieces will be available on the IMP website by the end of Term 3.

The ensembles are an excellent opportunity for hard-working, skilled and committed young musicians to work together in an enriching environment. The groups are active performance ensembles and the families of students auditioning will need to be prepared to make a strong commitment to rehearsal and performance attendance for the year.

Further details and information about how to apply for an audition are available from the Instrumental Music Program website at [http://www.imp.act.edu.au/our\\_ensembles/auditions](http://www.imp.act.edu.au/our_ensembles/auditions)

**Complete your online application at** <https://forms.gle/dyQw7nsevxQHALxNA>

**or scan the QR code for a direct link.**



**Applications close Monday 17 October.**



**Parking safely and legally around school** — Please help to keep our students safe by parking only in designated parking spots. **Please do not** use your vehicle to **mount the kerb and access any grass areas** around the school. During drop off and pick up please **do not leave your car unattended, directly in front of the sidewalk and kerb ramp area on David Street**. This blocks access to the sidewalk for pedestrian traffic, especially bicycles and strollers who need the ramp.

## Launch of augmented reality road safety activities for children



Kidsafe ACT and CreativiTek have collaborated to create augmented reality road safety learning experiences and games for ACT kids. Mobile users can scan QR codes to try the augmented reality activities.

To read more about the project and augmented reality, go to [Augmented Reality Children's Activities - KIDSAFE ACT](#).

Contact Jes Rylen-James on 0411 433 965 or [jes@kidsafeact.com.au](mailto:jes@kidsafeact.com.au).

Transition planning information sessions for parents of children with developmental delay and disability

Please share with your school community the upcoming transition planning information sessions for parents and carers of children with developmental delay and disability. The sessions will give parents practical suggestions of how they can support their child's transition and begin to develop a relationship with their child's next school.

**Transition to Preschool for children with developmental delay and disability** on Monday 15 August from 10:00 am to 11:30 am at Hall Hedley Beare Centre for Teaching and Learning or Wednesday 24 August 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm online. RSVP to [preschoolpathways@act.gov.au](mailto:preschoolpathways@act.gov.au).

**Transition to Primary School for children with developmental delay and disability** on Tuesday 16 August from 10:00 am to 11.30 am at Hall Hedley Beare Centre for Teaching and Learning or Thursday 25 August from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm online. RSVP to [EDUCommunityPartner@act.gov.au](mailto:EDUCommunityPartner@act.gov.au).

**Transition to High School and College for children with disability** on Thursday 11 August from 10:00 am to 11:30 am at Hall Hedley Beare Centre for Teaching and Learning or Tuesday 16 August 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm online. RSVP to [EDUCommunityPartner@act.gov.au](mailto:EDUCommunityPartner@act.gov.au).

For more information, contact Jean Walker on [jean.walker@act.gov.au](mailto:jean.walker@act.gov.au).

### 2022 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey

Each year, the Directorate surveys all parents and carers, school staff and students in Years 4 to 12 about their experience of public education. The 2022 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey will be available online from **19 August to 9 September**. The survey results will help us to continue to make quality informed decisions about how to improve our school. No personal identifying information will be provided to any school or college.

For each child in their family who attends an ACT public school, parents and carers will receive:

- An email about the parent survey, including a link to access the survey; and
- A letter about the student survey outlining the reasons for collection and privacy provision for the data

If you do not receive the survey invitation, please check your Junk email folder; if it is not there, contact the school and you will be provided a survey link. If you do not have an email listed with the school, please contact the front office on 6142 2430.

The Parents and Carers Survey will be available online in other languages: Arabic, Burmese, Chinese, Hindi, Korean, Urdu, Vietnamese, Punjabi, Bengali, Spanish, Telugu, French and Italian. Respondents can select their preferred language when they start the survey. A shortened paper-version of the Parents and Carers Survey is also available in the following 5 languages: Dari, Dinka, Farsi, Karen and Mon. These surveys are available at the Front Office.

For the results to reflect the opinions of our whole school community, we need as many parents and carers, staff and students as possible to complete the survey. Your feedback is important, and we hope you will take part. For more information, visit: <https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/school-satisfaction-and-climate-survey>

## Community Notices



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