



Turner School News



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Hello Turner Community,

Welcome to our week 9 newsletter! A couple of things to highlight coming up for families over the next two weeks:

- Online Singalong Concert: Next Thursday evening (9 December)
- Year 6 Graduation: Tuesday and Thursday in week 11 (14 and 16 December)
- End of Year Assembly: Wednesday week 11 (15 December)
- Reports emailed home during week 11.

To meet covid requirements for the events at school you will have to register prior to the event and sign in on arrival. At all these events, we ask that you arrive close to the starting time and move directly to seating (1.5m apart from adults not in your family). We are aiming to minimise contact between families. I know it's a little different from our Turner ways- hopefully we won't be working with restrictions such as these for too much longer. We thank you for your patience and kindness as we work together to maintain a COVID-safe community.

Year 6 families would have already received QR codes to register for the graduation events. Parents and Carers are welcome to register for the End of term assembly for their child's/children's cohort at the following codes: **Wednesday 15 December**

K-2 Assembly – 2:20pm-3:00pm



<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeReKfybOVO55yfPJJaVCnb5Rzs3-S6D1Fr8QWpOQXNuko9IQ/viewform>

3/4 Assembly – 1:25pm-2:10pm



https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSegn1sUEdQo9crB4NgMTaCDnBEajoGVpnB0_WIXIGYgo4S33g/viewform

5/6 Assembly – 11:45am-1:15pm



<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScQDfvZnPGJGoJnALd0UtVTC6aQHbL7hB694dnuOM2EfWsO5A/viewform>

If you have any trouble registering, please contact the Condamine St front office on 61422430.

Important Information concerning the assemblies:

- ⇒ All parents and carers will need to enter the school from the gate at the top of the hill on Hartley Street.
- ⇒ Must wear a mask and hand sanitise.
- ⇒ Sign in with the COVID app.
- ⇒ Socially distance in seating.
- ⇒ Leave directly after the assembly through the library gate, this will minimise contact and assist with a quick transition for the next cohort's assembly.

It has come to that time of year to farewell some of our amazing staff members as they take the next step in their career, accept promotions across our system or adjust to change their circumstances for their family. I acknowledge the contribution the following staff members have made to Turner School during their time here. We wish them all the best and look forward to seeing some of them back at Turner again in following years.

- Iesha Siotis
- Ali Aedy
- Murray Hodge-Neil
- Candace Goffin
- Taneal Proctor
- Heather Walker
- Rhiannon Call
- Sofia Ritman
- Sally Visser Marchant
- Amanda Usher
- Melanie Akhurst
- Eddie Jenkins
- Chelsea McKenzie
- Effie Logan
- Josie Milne

We also congratulate the following staff who will be retiring and we acknowledge the significant contribution they have made to our system during their time at Turner and their time working in schools prior to coming to Turner:

- Robyn Watson
- Roger Rosser
- Cathy Kolobaric
- Sally Higginson
- Judith Rouch

With every farewell, we welcome new and returning staff to our team for 2021. We can't wait to see what they have to offer our students—we know it will be amazing!

- Salma Khan
- Tracey-Anne Leahey
- Laura Robinson
- Lauren Callahan
- Donna Briggs
- Anna Sanders
- Anna Przybylski
- Sarah Scotland
- Micha Scott
- Eleanor Stuart
- Keryn Freeland

We welcome Heather Hill who will be our new Deputy Principal. I look forward to you meeting them all in 2022!

Have a great week. **Allison Edmonds | Principal, Turner School**

PUBLIC EDUCATION EXCELLENCE AWARDS for 2021



We have a whole school of incredible teachers, LSAs, admin staff and leaders and it was a special opportunity last week to celebrate some of our staff who were nominated for an Excellence in Public Education Award!

Congratulations to the following nominees:

- * Anna and Chris from 1/2 small group - Excellence in Teaching Support
- * Josie, Harry, Hamish and Annie from 1/2 small group - Excellence in Teaching Support
- * Meena and Barb from 3/4small group - Excellence in Teaching Support
- * Di and Clem from our P&C Executive Committee - as Volunteers of the Year
- * Kayla - Teacher of the Year
- * Ryan - New Educator of the Year.

Congratulations to the following staff who were selected the panel as finalists across our system:

- * Georgia Stephens - Teacher of the Year
- * Nick Collins - Teacher of the Year
- * Katrina, Sammy, Tilly, Kayla and Allison - Leadership in Inclusion and Diversity.

Library Happenings



The end of Term 4 is fast approaching!

So, ALL library books, Ipads and chrome books are due back to school. This **INCLUDES ALL CORDS** please- every device was handed out with a charging cord, and they all need to come back with one

Overdue notices will be sent home next week (Week 10). **Jayne Murray | Teacher Librarian**

Leaving Turner School in 2021? 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.act.edu.au) to the Front Office.

K-6 Stationery Requirements 2021 (Book Packs)

Please follow the link to the school website https://www.turners.act.edu.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0006/533436/Bookpack_2022.pdf for information on ordering stationery requirements for 2022.

Please read the information from the school and when ready to order follow the instructions on the next page from our supplier COS

All packs will be delivered to the school. Orders placed by 9 January 2022 will be delivered direct to the school prior to Term 1, 2022. All orders after that date will arrive at the school a few weeks into Term 1, 2022.



The advertisement features a blue background with the COS.net.au logo at the top left. The main headline reads 'Back to School' in large yellow letters, followed by 'Find and order your child's school pack in less than 4 minutes!'. Below this is a row of school-related icons: a pencil case, a globe, a calculator, a microscope, a beaker, and a laptop. A young girl is shown sitting at a desk using a laptop. On the right side, there is a yellow box with the text 'Order now!' and a login form with fields for 'Username:' (lumerprimary@cos.net.au) and 'Password:' (Parents-22). At the bottom, there is a dark blue bar with the COS logo, a phone icon and the number '1300 79 27 85', and an email icon and the address 'parentportal@cos.net.au'. A small logo on the right says 'A family owned Australian business'.

Any questions, please contact the Condamine St front office on 61422430.



Congratulations to Poppy-Rose

A big congratulations to Poppy-Rose (1/2MA) for her exceptional golfing achievements. Poppy-Rose was invited to play in the South East junior tournament in Cooma and won best score in her age group. She also played in the Jack Newton Junior Golf Tournament and got runner up against the whole field. This was an amazing result given she was playing against children twice her age. We wish her the best of luck in her upcoming Golf Australia Scholarship interview.

More Congratulations.....

Congratulations to the following Year 6 students who have gained a place in the ACT Junior Concert Band:

Noman V	Thomas E	Cinbi J
Somon V	Ani B.	

Well Done!



A thank you....

Joshua from KSJ came into sick bay and as usual we gave him our much loved sick bay bear to cuddle. He wasn't very impressed with the state of our very tired looking bear and told us that his grandmother makes them.

The next afternoon Joshua's Grandma, Margaret brought in 2 bears for our junior sick bay.

Thank you so much Margaret and Joshua, the bears will be loved.



Chromebooks and Chargers

NOW is the time for all students who have borrowed a chrome book to return it to school. Also, please ensure that you return the charger cord that came with your device. Plus, if you borrowed a dongle for internet support, please return it to the Condamine St front office.



Ukulele Collective Reminder

Next week is our last online Ukulele session for 2021—if you have borrowed a ukulele from the school can you please return it as soon as possible after the final session. Thank you!



Board Report

Last Wednesday we held our final Board catch-up for the year. It was fantastic to meet and hear how Term 4 has been progressing, and how well students have embraced being back in the classroom. With only a few weeks left of the year, preparations are well and truly underway for the online concert, as well as the all important end of year awards and celebrations! I'm looking forward to taking part in many of these and sharing them with you in person as well as via the P&C Facebook Page and Turner School Learner Hub.

We have also finalised the review of the Staff-Parent Communication Guidelines, which describe in detail the four main aspects of communication between families and the school, namely:

- Direct communication between the school and families;
- Whole school general communication practices;
- Wellbeing and community celebrations; and
- Communication around learning priorities.

The Guidelines are now available on the school website, so please take a look at them if you have any questions about school communications.

Wishing everyone a fun few remaining weeks of school!

Aarthi Ayyar-Biddle | Board Chair

HATS and DRINK BOTTLES

A reminder hats **MUST** be worn whenever students are outside. Due to COVID -19 restrictions more time will be outside. Some lessons will be outside under the pergola or a shady area.

Peaked caps / hoods do not count as a hat. ACT policy requires a bucket hat (one that has a brim all the way around). **No hat, play in the shade.** Condamine St Front Office sells a limited amount of green hats for \$8.25.



COVID Health requirements stipulate that all bubblers must be turned off. Having a full water bottle at school for your child everyday is a **MUST**.

Please label all your child's belongings.

Community Notices



www.artkidscanberra.com

After-school 3 - 5 pm art and drawing class held at Turner Baptist Hall on Monday, for K*-2 and Yrs 3-6. Not sure? Paid Trial class available. *Kindy kids must do Trial class first.

- Our classes build creative confidence: learn skills and techniques in drawing, cartooning, anime, painting, sculpting, collage and more.
- We provide a fun, supportive environment: "There are no mistakes or flops in art, only flopportunities!"
- Fee: \$38/session, payable by term. Includes all materials - kids don't need to bring anything.

Book www.enrolmy.com/artkids
admin@artkidscanberra.com
 0405 014 180

Kids collected at school!



NORTH CANBERRA BAPTIST CHURCH
 PRESENTS

Carols On CONDAMINE

SUNDAY 5 DECEMBER, 5 PM
 17 CONDAMINE ST, TURNER

- Free BBQ & Drinks
- Carols & Readings
- Kids Entertainment
- Christmas Message

Our Christmas services:
 12 December @ 10 am
 19 December @ 10 am
 25 December @ 9 am

BYO PICNIC RUG/CHAIR



MORE INFO AT: WWW.NCBC.ORG.AU

COME RING THE BELLS FOR CHRISTMAS

COME SEE OUR CHRISTMAS LIGHTS AND LIFE SIZE NATIVITY SCENE, ENJOY FAMILY ACTIVITIES AND RINGING CHRISTMAS CAROLS ON OUR CHURCH BELLS

Any night between
 15 to 24 December | 7:30pm - 10:00pm

St Andrew's Presbyterian Church
 1 State Circle | Forrest
 (Opposite Parliament House)

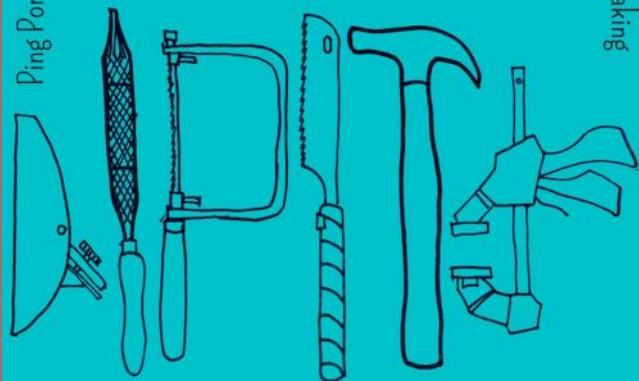



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