



Turner School News



2021 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey

Each year, the Directorate surveys all parents and carers, school staff and students in Years 4 to 12 about their ACT public school experience. The 2021 School Satisfaction and Climate Survey was scheduled to start on 13 August 2021 but was postponed due to the ACT COVID-19 lockdown. This will now be available online from **18 October to 12 November 2021**. We are choosing to run the survey, even though we are in transition from lockdown, because it provides extremely valuable data that will be used to inform government policy and underpins school improvement practices. This information helps us to identify what we do well as a school and where we can improve.

Wellbeing data for both students and staff collected in this year's survey will assist us to understand the impact of lockdown on emotional wellbeing, relationships, engagement and other factors that contribute to good learning and developmental outcomes. This will enable the Education Directorate to support staff and students more effectively in the event of future lockdowns and will contribute to further research.

The Parents and Carers survey was emailed out on Monday 18th October, which included a unique link to access the survey. One email has been sent to each household, using the email address of the highest priority person listed in your school contact details. Genuine survey invitation emails will have the title "The 2021 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey is now open!" and will be sent from EDU Surveys & Evaluation with the 'from' address EDU@qualtrics-survey.com. If you have not received the survey invitation, please check your Junk email folder. If it is not there, send your contact details to EDUSurveysandEvaluation@act.gov.au to request a survey invitation.

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>

P&C and Turner School Board Report

Turner School Board Report

The Turner School Board met on Wednesday 13 October, with a fabulous opening Acknowledgement of Country from Aarthi Ayyar-Biddle (the Board Chair) in Ngunnawal language.

The Board was pleased to hear the return to school arrangements that are being put into place as students gradually recommence in their class-rooms, with consideration being given to the wide range of student needs across the School.

The Board noted the proposal of 3 cohorts (Kindergarten/Year 1/ Year 2; Year 3/ Year 4 and Year 5/ Year 6) when school restarts on site and efforts made to maximise air flow in rooms and use of outdoor spaces for learning.

Allison shared the superbly named "Turner Learner" profile with the Board, emphasising the wonderful contributions made by the students.

The Board discussed the Turner School Satisfaction Survey which is currently open for comment, the Board encourages ALL Turner families to complete the survey – if you've not yet responded, please check your email inbox for the title "*The 2021 School Satisfaction and Climate Survey is now open*".

And, lastly, the Board reviewed the [Schools Communication Guidelines](#), noting the improved structure, the renewed and improved focus on electronic communications (e.g. have you checked out the new School website – it's so much easier to navigate). All feedback is welcome on the Communication guidelines – please direct your feedback to the board or Allison Edmonds/Robyn Watson by 29 October 2021.

Turner School Parents and Citizens Association Update

The Turner School P&C met on Tuesday 19th October and discussed a range of Turner School community issues.

Issues discussed included the P&C budget, return to school arrangements, Turner School community events (or lack thereof in the current climate), recommendations for School improvements and the Crazy Camel Art fundraiser.

A reminder that orders for the Crazy Camel art fundraiser close on **Friday 22 October**. The students have prepared some special art works at school which families can choose to have reproduced on products such as calendars, pillow cases, greeting cards, tote bags, notebooks... These make great gifts and mementos reminding you of how talented and creative your children are. You can view the art, place your order and make the payment all online at <https://www.crazycamel.com.au/20195>.

The next P&C meeting is on 16th November 2021 – if you are interested in participating, please email: turnerprimarypandc@gmail.com for the link to the videoconference.

And, lastly, the P&C is looking forward to, and hoping for greater opportunities for Turner School community engagement in 2022.

Regards, **Dale Todling | Deputy Chair – Turner School Board | Class Parent Contact Coordinator – Turner School P&C**

Year 6 Graduation Photo

Wednesday 27th October

12pm

Full school uniform please!



Kindergarten Health Checks

Will take place at school on:
8th and 9th of November

Anxiety and Returning to School video series for parents and carers

Is your child feeling anxious and worried about returning to school? The ACT Education psychology service have produced three short videos to help you support your child as they return to school in the next couple of weeks. The videos are on YouTube and are titled:

- ⇒ [Understanding Anxiety](#)
- ⇒ [Responding to Your Child's Anxiety](#)
- ⇒ [Return to School Plan](#)

Contact Clinical Practice on 02 620 59555 or EDUClinicalPractice@act.gov.au.

ACT Instrumental Music Program

Each year the ACT Instrumental Music Program holds auditions for the IMP's extension ensembles – both Choir and Band.

Due to the disruptions to the Instrumental Band Program in schools this year the Auditions for the **ACT Primary Concert Band** have been postponed to early 2022. Students in Year 6 in 2022 will be able to apply to audition for the PCB.

The Auditions for the **ACT Primary Concert Choir** will go ahead as planned this year. Students who will be in **Years 4-6 in 2022** are eligible to apply.

We appreciate your assistance in sharing the information about the choir auditions with eligible students and their families.

Applications for auditions are **now open** for the following ensemble:

ACT Primary Concert Choir – Vocalists in **Years 4-6 in ACT public schools in 2022**

Auditions for the following ensemble have been **postponed**:

ACT Primary Concert Band – Woodwind, brass and percussion players in **Year 6 IMP Band Classes in ACT public schools in 2022**.

The online application can be accessed in the following three ways:

- <https://forms.gle/Ttwe2EBZNcqG6ZZy6>
- http://www.imp.act.edu.au/our_ensembles/auditions
- QR code



Applications for the ACT Primary Concert Choir will close Monday 8 November 2021.

HATS and DRINK BOTTLES

A reminder Term 4 can be hot and sunny and due to COVID-19 restrictions more time will be outside. Some lessons will be outside under the pergola or a shady area. So we need all students to have hats!

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.



Having a full water bottle at school for your child everyday is a **MUST**. We do not supply plastic cups or drink bottles. Please label the drink bottle with your child's name.

Please remember to let the front office staff know immediately if your address, phone numbers, email address or any other contact details have changed. Our email address is tnrp@turners.act.edu.au or phone Condamine St Front Office on 61422430 or 61422431 or David St Front Office 61422436.

It is essential that all details are up to date.

Community Notices

Free Rangers- Kids who Can

Enrolments now open for the rest of Term 4, 2021

Learn practical skills and get your hands dirty, outdoors in the fresh air.

Play in **nature**.

Grow your own produce to **cook**.

Care for **animals**.



Mondays & Thursdays, 3-6pm.

\$232 for the term.

At The Friends Meeting House.

We collect the kids from school. Kindergarten to year 6.

Places limited, bookings ow open.

<https://freerangerskids.wordpress.com/daniellekcook@live.com.au>, Ph: 0405467173

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PLAY

LEAGUE STARS

The League Stars program appeals to the true nature of kids, in all their messy, high energy, love of fun and play. Each week, your child will participate in specially designed games that get them smiling and sweating.

League Stars kids have loads of fun with their friends, old and new, but the program delivers so much more. Each week they'll unlock more of their unique strengths, building physical, cognitive, social and emotional skills that will help them take on challenges big and small, now and in the future.

REGISTER FOR LEAGUE STARS
LEAGUESTARS.COM

WHEN: 2/11/2021 - 7/12/2021
TIME: Tuesday 4.00pm - 5.00pm
LENGTH: 6 sessions
AGE: 5-12
COST: \$79

WHERE:
NSWRL HQ
2 Eade Street
Bruce
ACT 2617

YOUR LEAGUE STARS COACH IS:

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JINDABYNE | LANYON | MURRUMBATEMAN | QUEANBEYAN
SOUTHERN TABLELANDS | TUGGERANONG | WESTON CREEK | WODEN



REGISTER NOW



ARE YOUR KIDS INSPIRED BY THE OLYMPIANS? MAYBE THEY COULD WEAR THE GREEN AND GOLD IN 2032!



LEARN THE FUNDAMENTALS OF RUNNING, JUMPING AND THROWING IN A FUN AND FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT.

FOR KIDS FROM 5 TO 16 YEARS WITH CENTRES ACROSS THE ACT AND SURROUNDING REGIONS.

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TERM 4 VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

LEARN PROGRAMMING

Follow the link to see more details and book your place. Limited places available.

- Scratch - Beginner (Digital Art, Animation, Coding & Game Development)**
Year 3 to 6
 Tuesday - <https://www.trybooking.com/BUPRP>
 Wednesday - <https://www.trybooking.com/BUPRR>
 Thursday - <https://www.trybooking.com/BUNZH>
- Scratch - Advance Animation & Coding**
Year 4 to 6 with previous Scratch and coding Experience
 Tuesday - <https://www.trybooking.com/BUNJZ>
 Wednesday - <https://www.trybooking.com/BUOJH>
 Thursday - <https://www.trybooking.com/BUOJI>
- Web-based Programming - Beginner (HTML, CSS, JavaScript)**
Year 6, 7, 8
 Monday - <https://www.trybooking.com/BULVY>
 Friday - <https://www.trybooking.com/BUOBE>

Weekly After-school virtual classes from 3.30pm tp 4.30pm
Starting from 25th October onwards. Project -based 6 weeks courses



WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

- Learn different tools in digital art, animation and web-based programming languages.
- Explore how algorithmic thinking is applied in designing and software engineering process.
- Enrich students' critical thinking and problem-solving skills using our inquiry-based learning approach.
- Overall improve the digital literacy of the students.

Young Engineers - Canberra
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21st Century Skills