

26 September 2024

A small school achieving BIG  
Things

Dear RPS Families,

Term 3 finishes tomorrow afternoon. I want to thank our students, staff and families for a wonderful term of learning. A reminder that the first Monday back next term is a pupil free day. We look forward to welcoming back our students on Tuesday 15 October.

This week nine of our year 6 students attended Calwell High School for their first transition visit in preparation for high school. The students were given a tour of their new school and met several staff including Mr. Ricky, the therapy dog. The students were involved in several activities including a memory game, a song artist challenge, and the smarty and chopstick game. These were run by the Year 9 student mentors. There are several other visits and events scheduled in term 4. Matt Bradley the Year 7 coordinator will inform families via email when they are occurring.

Preparations for this year's Kakadu Fun Day (KFD) are well underway. The students have been working on their proposals for their stalls, writing risk assessments and applying their mathematical problem-solving skills to work within a budget. They are also designing posters and other means in which to advertise their stalls. KFD will be on Friday November 22, week six. This year's KFD is extra special as we will also be including our school's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations with this event. Stay tuned for more information in term 4.

The ACT Islamic Education Services (ACTIES) will be offering half hour weekly lessons to interested families either next term or term 1, 2025. This will depend on the number of students enrolling and the availability of teachers from ACTIES to deliver the program. If you are interested in your child/ren attending, please email [admin@acties.org.au](mailto:admin@acties.org.au) to register.

Our Community Development Officer, Emma Dryden is organising a number of community engagement initiatives for early next term. The first one is in conjunction with the Physical Activity Foundation. GAME ON is a free, fun family friendly physical activity taking place at our school on Sunday 20 October 10-11.30am. There are three other activities planned that include running, jumping catching and throwing, agility courses and a bikes and drills afternoon (BYO wheels). Please see the attached flyer for specific dates. In additions to these, there will be a Ride or Walk to School Extravaganza for Friday 1 November, week 3, from 8.30-10.30am. Children will be asked to decorate their bikes, helmets or themselves. Decorations will be judged and prizes awarded for creativity. The morning will consist of prizes, games, music, bike activities, art and craft, a coffee van and our Community Breakfast (which is normally held in week 1). We welcome all students and families to attend.

On Wednesday students participated in several arts rotations to celebrate and acknowledge NAIDOC Week and Indigenous Literacy Day. The children particularly enjoyed Larry Brandy's story telling where they were able to use authentic artefacts. Other activities included weaving with Aunty Barb and painting with contemporary Aboriginal artist, Leah Brideson.



Kind regards,  
Anna Wilson  
Principal

# Student Awards

The following students received an award on  
Friday 20 September 2024

NAMES	CLASS
Peyton Flaherty	KT
Katherina Maki	KT
Lara Shepherd	1/2M
Michael Byrne	1/2M
Hayden Ardern	1/2R
Houda Geddawi	1/2R
Riley Caughlan	3/4C
Evie Bosak	3/4C
Noah White	3/4C
Urwah Saeed	3/4C
Mohammed Kafalaj	5/6B
Claudia Stafrace	5/6B
Henri Fitrawan	5/6G
Charley Maroney	5/6G
Samson Marshall	5/6G
DeeJay Kelly-Higgins	2-5Q
Alexander Limphongern	2-5Q

## PBL Awards Assembly

Congratulations to the following students who received their DAB Award at Friday's Assembly. These students have consistently displayed our signature behaviours of being Respectful, Positive Learners and Safe

Silver wristband	Gold wristbands
Tamika	Holly

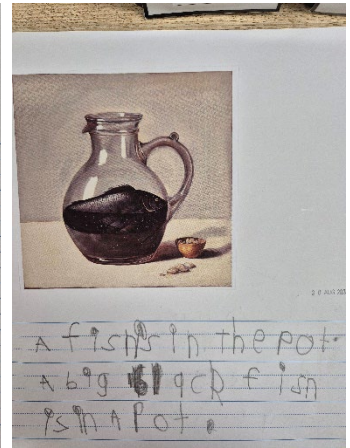
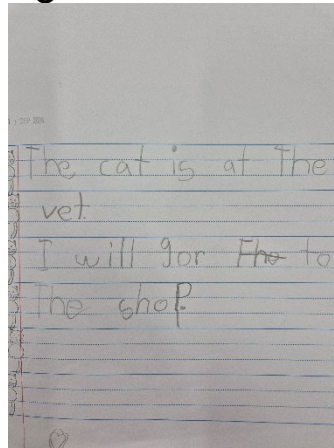
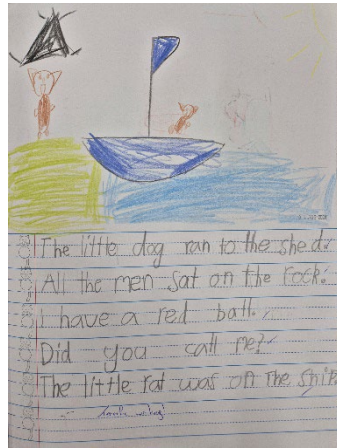
Bronze Cert	Silver Cert	Gold Cert	Rainbow Cert
DeeJay	Chase Alex	Lopi	Chloe Champness Theodore

Drink Bottle	Principal Awards
Lucas Fleming Urwah	Estelle Isabel B-C Lawson Tyler

Junior class award	Senior class award
KT	3/4C

## What have we been doing in Kindergarten this term?

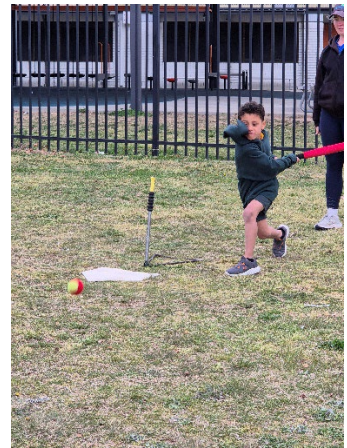
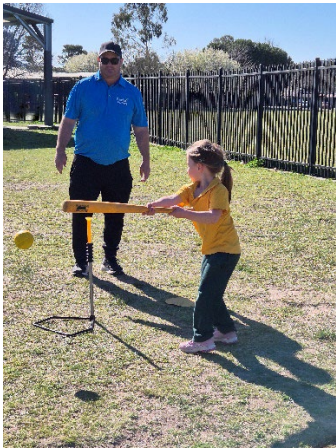
We have had such a busy term in kindergarten! We have been reading and writing ...



inquiring into things that move,



and learning how to play softball!



We have even celebrated being at school for 100 days!



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## Spring is in the Air

Whether it be the smell of wattle and blossoms, bees buzzing around our lavender or the much-anticipated pollen tickling our noses! At preschool we have been observing the change of seasons. Our Koori classes have been following the Ngunnawal Seasons and found that we have changed from late winter to early spring. One of the signs of early spring for the Ngunnawal people is seeing the early wattle bloom.

Looking around our own environment we have noticed both the wattles and blossoms in bloom. We've had fun creating our own renderings with paint and other craft materials.



Another sign of spring is the magpies making their nests, so we made our own magpie nests with clay, sticks and pine needles for the grass. Of course, first we had to pretend to be magpies so we went outside to collect our sticks and other pieces for our nests.



# Help a Child Get a Bike!



## Have a used bike to donate?

Richardson Primary School is looking for bike donations so that every child can have one.

If you'd like to donate or request a bike for your child, please contact Emma at 0408 739 020 or email [wellbeing@communityservices1.org](mailto:wellbeing@communityservices1.org).

Your generosity can make a big difference!

# GAME ON

Richardson

Richardson Primary School

Fun, Free, Family Friendly Physical Activity in your neighbourhood. All welcome!

Walk, Talk and Workout  
Sunday 20th October 10-11.30am

FREE COFFEE & FRUIT

Run, Jump, Catch and Throw  
Wednesday 23rd Oct 3-4.30pm

FREE FRUIT

Navigate and Agility  
Thursday 31st Oct 3-4.30pm

FREE FRUIT

Bike Skills and Drills (BYO wheels)  
Thursday 7th Nov 3-4.30pm

FREE FRUIT



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# HOLIDAY CAMPS

## SPRING 2024

- Camps for juniors aged 3+ and all standards
- Technical, tactical and point-play
- All equipment provided
- Tennis Australia qualified coaches

**WEEK 1: MON 30 SEP - FRI 4 OCT**  
**WEEK 2: TUE 8 OCT - FRI 11 OCT**

Location: Weston Creek Tennis Club  
 Dillon Close, off Namatjira Dr

**ENQUIRIES**  
 Email: [info@csot.com.au](mailto:info@csot.com.au)  
 Phone : 0432 118 204  
 Head Coach - Robert Jamieson

**SCAN THE QR CODE TO BOOK NOW!**



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# ICTeach School Holiday Programs

SEP 30 - OCT 3

AGES 8-16

**WHAT'S ON**

- 30/09 MONDAY**  
Build a game In Scratch
- 01/10 TUESDAY**  
Movie Making and Film Tricks
- 02/10 WEDNESDAY**  
Introduction to Python - Canberra
- 02/10 WEDNESDAY**  
Introduction to Python - Cooma
- 03/10 THURSDAY**  
Build a Game In Scratch

Registrations are open!  
 For more information and to register, visit our website:  
[www.icteach.com](http://www.icteach.com)

## Karate School Holiday Program

### Great for Beginners

When: 30th of September to 11th of October  
 Monday to Friday, 10.30-11.30am

Where: Woden Prime Dojo  
 1st floor, 101 Hindmarsh Drive  
 Phillip, ACT 2606

Cost: \$105, includes  
 Up to 10 Karate Classes  
 Lifetime Membership  
 Free Uniform



Register early to secure your spot.  
 Limited student numbers.

Contact to register: Sensei Ashleigh  
 Phone, 0413 442 171  
 Email, [amorris@gkrkarate.com](mailto:amorris@gkrkarate.com)




## Tiny Tots

### U6- U17

Come & try days available



**CALWELL FLAMES**

Calwell Little Athletics Club invites you to  
**Join us for the 2024/25 Season**

Discounts apply for multiple registrations per family.

**To Register** please visit  
<http://littleaclac.wixsite.com/athletics>

Season starts **19th October 2024**  
 Saturdays 8.00am - Calwell Playing Fields, Were St, Calwell

# MINECRAFT

## Social Skills Group

Buzz Speech Pathology is running online Minecraft social skills groups this school holidays for students in years 3 to 6.

Groups are small (4 students per group). Students work together to complete building projects in a dedicated Minecraft world, while learning and practising social skills with a Speech Pathologist.

Groups run for 5 sessions. Each session targets a different skill, such as, understanding different points of view, problem solving, asking for help and learning how our choices impact others.



For more details, get in touch  
[hello@buzzspeech.com.au](mailto:hello@buzzspeech.com.au)

**BUZZ**  
Speech Pathology

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMPS

SEPT/OCT 2024



## TUGGERANONG

2-4 OCT 2024

9.00AM-12.00PM - U9'S  
1.00PM - 4.00PM - U13'S  
COST - \$180 P/P  
(INC GST) - PLAY HQ FEE

## BELCONNEN

8-9 OCT 2024

9.00AM-12.00PM - U9'S  
1.00PM - 4.00PM - U13'S  
COST - \$150 P/P  
(INC GST) - PLAY HQ FEE

## REGISTER

SCAN QR CODE



FURTHER DETAILS ABOUT DATES, COSTS AND REGISTRATION AT  
[WWW.BASKETBALLACT.COM.AU](http://WWW.BASKETBALLACT.COM.AU)

# Sustainable Steps Poster Competition

Win a book prize

Create a poster to show Canberrans what they can do to be more sustainable!

Open to ACT school students from preschool to year 8.



Everyday climate choices

Entries close 11 October 2024

Find out more



Small Steps. Smart Choices.



Produced by Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate



# KELLY SPORTS WEEKENDER



BOOK ONLINE NOW AT

[KELLYSPORTS.COM.AU](http://KELLYSPORTS.COM.AU)

**D-N-Y CANBERRA**

## FAMILY SAVER OFFER



**\$6\*** **KIDS TICKETS**  
FOR CLUB DENDY MEMBERS  
\$8 FOR NON-MEMBERS

**\$15\*** **PREMIUM LOUNGE  
KIDS TICKETS**  
FOR CLUB DENDY MEMBERS  
\$20 FOR NON-MEMBERS

**THURSDAY SEP 12 - SUNDAY OCT 13**

\*ONLY VALID TO FAMILY SAVER SESSIONS BEFORE 5PM  
Premium Lounge is a licensed venue; anyone under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.  
Booking fees apply for online bookings. Not valid for special events, public holidays, or in conjunction with any other offer. Kids tickets are applicable for children 14 years and under. Offer ends OCT 13.



### LEARN TO SWIM WITH US!

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**Build the skills, safety and confidence to enjoy the water everywhere.**

FAMILY, FUN AND FITNESS



REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

2024 - 2025 SEASON

FREE 'COME & TRY' DAYS

Under 6 to Under 17 age groups:  
19th and 26th of October at 8:45am  
Tilly Tots (born 2020-2021):  
26th October and 2nd of November at 8:45am

2024 - 2025 SEASON

Starts Saturday 19th October 2024 for Under 6 - Under 17 Age Groups at 8:45am  
and Saturday 26th October for Tilly Tots at 8:45am

KAMBAH OVAL NO.3 KETT STREET, KAMBAH

For more information and to Register visit

WWW.TLAA.ORG.AU

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This exciting and **free annual event**, organised in collaboration with the Vikings Affiliate Sports Club, offers a wide range of activities for all ages, with over 20 sporting clubs participating including rugby union, tennis, athletics, gymnastics, water polo, lawn bowls, and more. There will be something for everyone.

**Event Details:**

- **Date:** Sunday 20 October 2024
- **Time:** 10:00AM – 2:00PM
- **Location:** Viking Park, 4 Amsinck Street, Wanniasa



**IS YOUR 5 - 9 YEAR OLD LOOKING TO START TEAM SPORTS?**



**T BALL IS FUN FOR ALL**

PLAYERS AGED 5 - 9 WANTED TO FILL THE FINAL 4 PLACES ON OUR T-BALL TEAMS. SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER TODAY & DISCOVER WHY T-BALL WITH HURRICANES IS CANBERRA'S BEST INTRODUCTION TO TEAM SPORTS!



**Tuggeranong Southern Cross Basketball Club**

 Summer 24-25 season 

Looking for players for our under 10 and 12 teams

Summer junior registrations have closed, and junior teams will be finalised soon. If you have registered, you'll be contacted by email once team lists are available.

You can still register for the season but only if there is a place in a team. Please contact us on [info@southerncrossbasketball.net](mailto:info@southerncrossbasketball.net) to check.

We are particularly interested in new players born 2016-2017 for our under 10 teams (girls and boys) and girls born 2014-2015 for our under 12 teams. No experience necessary – we teach you everything you need to know!

More information about the season is available on our [website](#) and particularly on our [FAQ page](#). But if you have any further questions,