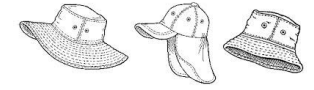




# Preschool, Term 4, 2024



Yuma! Welcome back to our final term of Preschool for 2024. This term we are taking part in the ACT Frogwatch program, which means we will have our very own tadpoles to care for in our classroom! Through this amazing initiative, the children will have opportunities to engage in hands-on learning and explorations about life cycles, what living things need, and our role in caring for the environment. The children will be involved in daily observations of the tadpoles and invited to document and record their ideas and understandings using pictures and symbolic representations (including tally marks, numerals, diagrams, labels and signs). Beginning in Week 5, children will have the opportunity to learn and play in kindergarten as part of our transition program. The purpose of these visits is to support children to feel safe, secure and confident in their next learning environment and to deepen their sense of belonging here at Macgregor Primary School.

### Preschool Learning Program

Our programs will continue to be posted to Seesaw. Photos/videos of learning will also be shared to your child's journal.



### Spare Clothing

Please remember to continue to pack a spare change of clothing, including shirts, pants, socks and underwear.

### Labelling Items

With the weather getting warmer, please make sure that all of your child's belongings are labelled so we can return lost items easily.

### SunSmart

Macgregor is a SunSmart school. We teach sensible sun protection habits from an early age and encourage sun protection measures, aiming to reduce skin cancer risk.

Ways to protect your child:

- clothing that covers shoulders
- apply sunscreen each morning (we prompt children to reapply during the day)
- wear a hat (we provide)
- play in the shade.



### Literacy

This term we will continue to build children's early literacy skills and phonological awareness through quality literature, hands on learning activities and exposure to letter names and sounds.

### Numeracy

Children will continue to have opportunities to develop and consolidate early numeracy skills and explore mathematical concepts including shapes, patterning and measurement.

### Social and Emotional Learning

Our social and emotional learning focus this term is personal safety and protective behaviours. Children will take part in shared learning about feeling and staying safe at home, preschool and in the community.



Everybody has the right to feel safe at all times!

### Student Reports

At the end of this term we will send home a report to celebrate your child's learning during semester two. If you wish to discuss your child's learning, please contact your child's class teacher directly. If you require any additional copies, please contact the front office.

### Transition to Kindergarten

We are currently organising our preschool to kindergarten transition program and will be in contact with our preschool families over the next couple of weeks to confirm arrangements.

#### Details:

**Wednesday 13 November** - Transition visit for Gudamang and Guginya

**Wednesday 20 November** - Transition visit for Buru and Walga

**Wednesday 27 November** - Transition visit for Gudamang and Guginya

**Wednesday 4 December** - Transition visit for Buru and Walga

#### 'Moving Up' Session

**Monday 9th December 11:00 am - 12:30pm**  
Gudamang and Guginya classes will attend with their preschool teachers. Please note that Buru and Walga parents will have to stay with their children as it is a non-attending day for these classes.

#### Contact us:

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### Car Park Safety

Please keep safe in the carpark area by parking in the bays only and always holding the hands of children.

### Healthy Lunchboxes and Allergies

Thank you for continuing to pack a variety of healthy food options in your child's lunchbox each day, and providing a water bottle we can refill with water as needed. There is no need to pack any other drink in their lunch boxes. To keep all students safe, please continue to assist us by not packing any nut products in lunchboxes, including Nutella, loose nuts or bars which contain nuts.



### Illness

**We kindly ask that you keep your child at home if they show any signs of illness. We will make contact with you through the day if your child becomes unwell.**

Kind regards,

Kellie, Melanie, Sophie, Heather, Fozia, Cecilia and Sima.

