



## FROM THE JUNIOR SCHOOL DIRECTOR OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

## Year 6 Canberra Trip

"Your footprint is the mark of your presence in my country. The decisions you make in my country will also leave an imprint." Aunty Matilda House, Ngambri Elder

Reflecting on these words, Year 6 headed off to Canberra last week. Wanting to leave a positive footprint in every place we ventured was a goal, and it was a privilege to see this goal being met. The students listened to stories about the formation of Canberra as our country's capital, as well as deepening their learning around democracy, science, history, geography and laser tag!

Travelling in a group teaches students so many other skills as well – patience, kindness, listening, turn-taking, sharing. The teachers on the trip saw countless examples of our students developing these essential life-skills, and modelling this for their friends. We were so proud when members of the general public came up to praise our students' behaviour and knowledge at a number of the venues we visited.

There are so many wonderful places to visit in our capital city. Please consider travelling there as a family. You may be fortunate to have a Year 6 student who could be your tour guide.



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