Packing

I have included below a recommended packing list. It might help some children to have the clothes for each day packed inside separate plastic bags so they don't have to hunt each morning for socks, underwear, shirts etc. Spare plastic bags will be needed to store wet or dirty shoes.

The children will have to carry their own bag / suitcase and backpack, so it is important that they don't over pack. Jeans/ tracksuits, jumpers, jackets can be worn more than once so the children do not need a complete change of clothing for each day.

Backpacks must be small enough to take as carry on luggage on the plane and to fit under the seats or in the luggage racks on the coaches. It is important that the children pack their backpacks carefully for the first day, as we won't have access to our other luggage until we arrive in Canberra on Sunday night at about 7pm.

Tying a piece of coloured ribbon to your child's bag will help to make it more easily identifiable. Please make sure the bag is discretely labelled with your child's name, Marymount Primary School and the phone number [07] 5535 1803. Please adhere to regular airline baggage rules for Virgin Australia.

Packing Checklist

(Doesn't include outfit for first day - something comfortable to wear on the plane and in the coach for the trip to Canberra. Layers of clothing that can be put on or taken off to suit the weather are recommended.)

- Warm socks (don't pack ankle socks - it will be too cold)
- Underwear
- Pyjamas (a warm tracksuit is ideal)
- 2-3 pairs of trousers (warm)
- Jacket
- Jumper
- 4 - 5 T-shirts
- Gloves, scarf, beanie and hat
- Plastic bags for wet clothes etc
- Toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, sunscreen, hairbrush, lip balm, moisturiser, book, cards, travel game, pen, pencil, wallet, watch, sunglasses
- Water bottle (just a small one)
- Wet weather gear (disposable rain poncho is a great idea)
- NO Ugg Boots (these tend to get wet and therefore can't be worn)

In your Backpack put:
- Water bottle (full), Food for breakfast/snack on Day 1, book, hat, sunscreen, beanie, wool gloves, pen, wallet, rain gear, sunglasses, lip balm, cards or game. It is essential that sharp objects such as tweezers, scissors etc are not packed in this backpack as they will be confiscated at the airport.