

The Gang Gang Gazette

Week 2, Term 3 (31st July, 2020)

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Upcoming Events

Preschool NGA Excursion: Group 1	Tuesday 4 th August
Group 2	Friday 7 th August
Year 3/4 Day Trip to Birragi: Group 1	Tuesday 25 th August
Group 2	Thursday 27 th August

Notes Home

- Preschool NGA Excursion
- 2012 P - 6 Enrolment offer letters
- Preschool Nutrition Magician Payment (email)
- 2021 Kindergarten Intention (email)
- ICAS assessment (email, years 3 -6)
- 3/4 Camp Note
- Head Lice notification (1/2 & 5/6)

Board

Next Meeting:
Tuesday, 11th August, 6 pm

P & C

Next Meeting:
Tuesday, 11th August, 6.30pm (in the school hall)

Dear families and friends,

We are only two weeks into this term and already have lots of wonderful student achievements to share.

Chief Minister's Reading Challenge

We continue to have many of students participating in the Chief Minister's Reading Challenge. We are proud to have so many of our students enjoying reading and being a part of this annual showcase of the joys you can find by losing yourself in a good book. Congratulations to Victoria T-L, Cassandra T-L, Ivan P, An T-L, Amisha D- J, Nima C, Thalia V, Zach H, Hana V, Kobe V and Yidou Z. The Chief Minister's Reading Challenge finishes on the 31 July, 2020. So, completed sheets need to be given to Rebecca by Wednesday, 5th August, 2020.



We would also like to congratulate and showcase two of our students on their creativity and problem-solving abilities. They put these attributes to good use during online learning. Clovis R and Alex P, both in year 4, won the 1st round of the ANU College of Engineering "Rube Goldberg Machine" Competition. Their amazing entry was showcased on the ANU Engineering Facebook page from [May 14](#). Click on the link in the date to see the video which includes their very own bloopers! Well done to both boys who won an Uber Eats voucher for their fantastic machine.

I would like to thank Jarryd Heywood, Melissa Datson and Jayde Condon for the wonderful online presentation they gave to year 6 parents about the upcoming Exhibition. It is wonderful to see the way we are all adapting and still coming together in these times across our community.

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Last week we told you about the ACT Education Directorate visiting us to learn more about our new Possum Houses. If you didn't see them on Class Dojo, they have a great video they have shared through social media which can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/ACTPublicSchools/videos/2688610224750072/?extid=ieF4KtuT51OxGrHO> The story they wrote for their website can be found here: <https://www.education.act.gov.au/about-us/all-news-and-news-alerts/news-items/july-2020/possums-have-a-safe-home-at-north-ainslie-primary-school>

Kindergarten UOI Provocation

This week Kindergarten began their new Unit of inquiry with a very entertaining provocation. Fiona Hemmings, a fantastic former NAPS teacher and current relief teacher, came in and performed the well-known poem *The Owl and the Pussy Cat* to great delight. Kindergarten's new UOI transdisciplinary theme is *How we express ourselves*, with the central idea 'Poetry expresses ideas and connects people'. After enjoying Fiona's performance, the students were able to discuss their learning and what they had learnt about poetry. Some of the interesting responses students gave during our discussions afterwards about poetry are below:

- A poem is like a little tiny story.
- You say a poem in a special way.
- They can be short or long.
- It's a song without music.
- The performance was a story in a poem.
- It has special words.
- It was lovely.



Ch ch ch chickens!

We also had some other visitors this week as we were learning about the ch sound as a part of our letters and sounds program. Some Kindergarten students brought in their pet chickens to show their class and lots of students asked many interesting questions to learn more about chickens.

COVID-19 and travelling

As part of the Directorate's COVID response and management plans, we are asking families who have been interstate to consider the current health advice and see if they need to quarantine upon returning. If families are returning and/or need to quarantine, we do need to let the Education Directorate know and together we will support you, your family and your child's learning. Can you please let us know through the front office if you are returning from travelling interstate and any advice you have had from ACT Health so we can follow our COVID response plans.

Please also remember to continue with social distancing and hygiene protocols when you are at school.

Wear It Purple Day

Wear It Purple Day is coming up on the 28 August and is our school's opportunity to show our LGBTIQ+ children and families that we support them and they are valued members of our school community. To show your support on the day, you can either wear purple or rainbow colours to school on Friday 28 August and we will share photos of the day with you through our Gang Gang Gazette.

Hats back on from August 1st

The beginning of August marks the start of the sun protection period for Canberra primary schools due to the UV levels climbing to 3 and above every day. Whilst we do know it is still cold in Canberra, the advice from the ACT Cancer Council is that wearing hats from 1st August is important to keep us safe and healthy. Please remind your child to bring their hat to school each day for PE and play times.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Tania Collis (Principal)

Compost Bays- Check them out!



A huge thank you to parent volunteer, Ciaran Maccana, for completing our Hehub compost bays. Ciaran worked through freezing weather to complete the project and the compost bays look fantastic (plus functional and durable!). Our Green Team are finalising preparations so that NAPS can recommence composting as soon as possible. Many thanks. Watch out worms, here we come.

2020 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey

Each year, the Directorate surveys all parents, school staff and students in Years 4 to 12 about their satisfaction with public education. The *2020 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey* will be available online from 10 to 31 August. The survey results will help us to continue to make quality informed decisions about how to improve our school. No personal identifying information will be provided to any school or college.

An email about the staff survey, including a unique link to access the survey, will be sent to all school staff via the email address they have nominated for their payslips; staff who do not receive the email may contact EDUSurveys@act.gov.au to request a survey invitation.

For each child in their family who attends an ACT public school, parents will receive:

- ☑ A letter about the student survey asking whether their child may participate during class time; and
- ☑ An email about the parent survey, including a unique link to access the survey; parents who do not receive the email may contact EDUSurveys@act.gov.au to request a survey invitation.

A shortened paper-version of the parent survey is also available in the following 12 languages: Arabic, Burmese, Chinese, Dari, Dinka, Farsi, Hindi, Karen, Korean, Mon, Urdu and Vietnamese; email EDUSurveys@act.gov.au to request a copy.

For the results to reflect the opinions of our whole school community, we need as many parents, 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>

TERM 3 HEHUB CANTEEN MENU (Open Wednesday and Friday)**Healthy Eating Canteen Menu: Term 3**

We are open for recess and lunch on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays

ALL WEEK RECESS	
NOTE: not for lunch orders, counter orders only	
Yoghurt	\$2.50
Frozen Peas 'n' Corn cup	\$1.00
Fruit of the day	\$1.00
Frozen fruit cup	\$1.00
Cheesey corn fritters	\$1.00
Pikelets, popcorn	\$0.50
Toasties	\$1.00
Muffins	\$0.50
ALL WEEK LUNCH	
Vegie sticks – from the counter	Free
Fruit of the day	\$1.00
Sausage Roll (homemade)	\$4.00
Sandwiches (Ham, chicken, tuna or cheese)	\$4.00
-Add salad (lettuce, tomato, carrot and cucumber)	\$0.50
-Make it a wrap	\$0.50
-Toast it	\$0.50
Vegemite sandwich	\$3.00
Honey sandwich	\$3.00
Salad bowl with either chicken or tuna	\$4.00
Yoghurt	\$2.00
DRINKS	
Milk bottle (150ml)	\$1.50
Soy milk	\$2.50
Smoothie (collect from canteen)	\$3.00
Juice Box	\$2.50
LUNCH PACKS	
Toasted chicken/cheese + milk + fruit	\$7.00
Toasted tuna/cheese + milk + fruit	\$7.00
Toasted chicken/cheese + juice + yoghurt	\$7.00
Toasted tuna/cheese + juice + yoghurt	\$7.00

DAILY LUNCH SPECIALS – ALL \$4.00 EACH				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Closed	Closed	Mini Quiche	Spaghetti Bolognese	Pizza Margherita or Ham/Cheese

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How do I make a lunch order?

Lunch orders are available to all children and are for lunch, lunch pack and drink items only.

They need to be received by the canteen by 9.30am.

Cash orders: Should be written on a brown paper bag with your name and class, what you'd like to order and the correct money. Lunch or drinks items only please.

Online orders: [Flexischools App](#) or www.flexischools.com.au. Online orders close 9.30am on the same day as you are ordering for.

If you have a problem with your order, please call/text the manager, not the school front office.

Canteen manager: Karen 0406 937 139
naps.canteen@gmail.com

After School activities

APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN!

**COERVER® COACHING ACT
PERFORMANCE ACADEMY TRIALS
UNIVERSITY OF CANBERRA
SUNDAY AUGUST 30 2020**

REGISTER NOW:

coerveract.com.au/performance-academy-programs

admin@coerveract.com.au

0422420383

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Senior Oval Workshop 1

We need to hear from YOU.

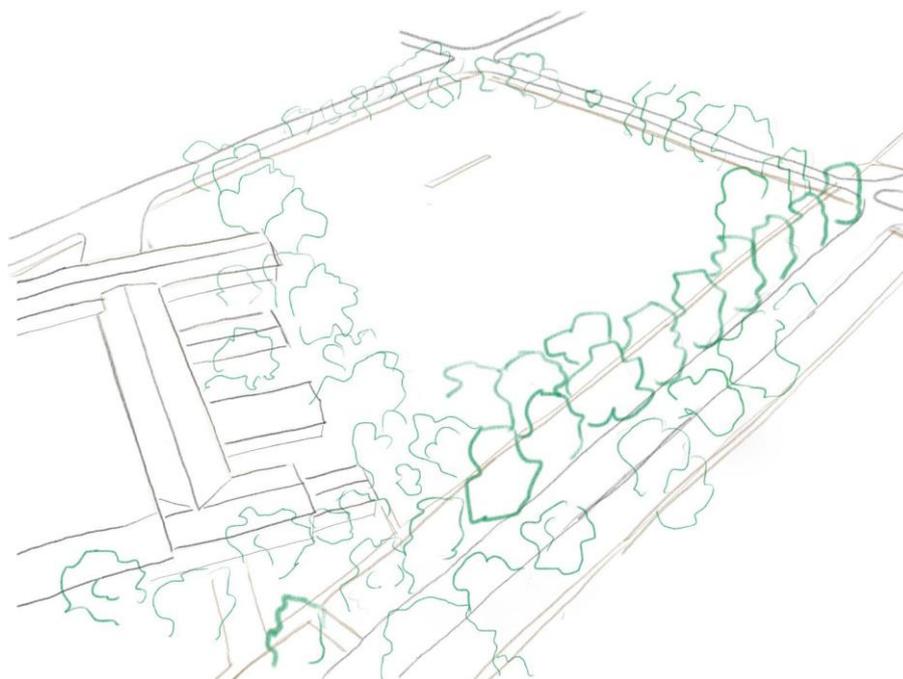
The Senior Oval is getting a whole new look - and we need your input to make it great. Come along and meet our design team, explore some innovative ways to approach this project, and let us know what's important to you and your family.

Tuesday 11th August
6pm for a 6:30 start

NAPS Hall - in-person places strictly limited
This event will also be live-streamed

RSVP by Monday 10th August

napscommunity@gmail.com



Go to the new P&C website to read about the timelines, the project outline,
and get inspired!

www.napspc.com.au

Uniform Shop

New items in the uniform shop are:

- Sports microfibre jacket
- Sports t-shirt
- Sport cotton short
- Fleece straight leg 'trackpant'
- Reversible microfibre toggle hat
- Black opaque tights



P&C Raffle

We are currently putting together the prizes for this year's raffle.

With so many of our usual supporters doing it tough this year, we will be doing things a little differently. We will be paying it 'backwards' and purchasing prizes from some of our most regular supporters who aren't able to donate this year. If you have a favourite local business that you would like to support by purchasing a prize on the P&C's behalf, please get in touch.

Of course, if you are connected by a business and are fortunate enough to be in a position to donate a prize, we would love to hear from you.

If you would like to discuss donating a prize (or help organise the raffle) please email napsfundraising@gmail.com or call/message Trudy Green on 0427539525.