

The Gang Gang Gazette

Week 1, Term 1 (9th February, 2018)

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Upcoming Events

5/6 Camp	Monday 12 th February – Wednesday 14 th February
Preschool Information Evening	Wednesday 14 th February
Kinder to Year 6 Information Evening, Welcome and Disco	Monday 19 th February
'Getting to Know You' Interviews (K-6)	Tuesday 20 th February – Friday 23 rd February

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Dear Families and Friends,

Welcome back to school for 2018. You may have noticed we started the year on Monday with lots of extra visitors in the school including the Minister for Education, Yvette Berry, Director of North/Gungahlin, Judy Hamilton and both print and TV media. It was very exciting to have them join our preschool and kindergarten families to showcase the start of the school year and our wonderful school. You can see some of the stories online, at the Directorate's Facebook page and through ABC iview if you missed them. On Tuesday, we had our students from years 1-6 join us for another fun and busy day. The school already feels settled and engaged and ready for a fabulous year of learning.

Board

Next Meeting:
Tuesday 27th Feb 2018,
6.00pm (Library)

P & C

Next Meeting:
Tuesday 27th Feb 2018,
7:30pm (Staff room)

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff, but especially Drago Morarevic for all the work he did to prepare the school for the start of the year. The P and C also did a wonderful job of watering the new plants resulting in the courtyard looking inviting for our first days of 2018.

Information Evenings and Community Welcome

This year our Preschool Information Sessions for 2018 will be on Wednesday 14th February at the preschools. We look forward to meeting parents at these sessions and welcoming them to our school.

The Information Sessions for kindergarten to year 6 will take place in the following week, on Monday, 19th February due to the 5/6 Camp on Monday 12th – Wednesday 14th. All sessions will be held in the Patricia Cooper Library. Please see the note sent home today for session times and further information.

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The evening will include the Community Welcome, our annual picnic/barbecue, and disco to start the year. The P and C will be providing the barbecue as their first fundraiser for the year. As the school turns 60 this year, we are starting our 60th year off with a disco where students are encouraged to dress up in the 50's-60's to celebrate our first decade as a school.

Individual Learning Plans

If your child has an Individual Learning Plan (ILP), we will be running meetings for these in week 7 of this term. This allows the teacher to get to know your child and begin to put the new ILP in place, ready to collaborate with you at the ILP meeting. The current ILP has been given to your child's teacher and the Leadership Team has met with them to discuss individual needs. You are also invited to touch base with your child's teacher before the meeting, and the 'Getting to Know You' interviews will be in week 3, following the Information Sessions.

New phone numbers

Just a reminder the new number for the front office is **6142 0760**. Existing numbers will be re-directed to the new numbers until later in term 1 of 2018.

School Drop-off and Pick-up

As we all head back to school, I would ask you to remember to follow all road rules to ensure our students are safe as they arrive to school and then leave in the afternoon. Here is some advice from the Directorate on ideas to help with the school drop-off and pick-up each day.

Think before you park...and keep our kids safe!

With school now back for the year we are encouraging all parents to make parking safety a priority!

This means:

- keep clear of 'no stopping' and 'no parking' zones
- don't park in bus zones on school crossings, across footpaths or driveways; and
- don't double (or triple) park!

Remember - it's okay to park a little further away from the school and walk the rest of the way!

Consider - having a pre-determined meeting spot agreed with your kids. That way if you are a little late, they know where to wait.

Think – visibility around schools and if your car may be blocking the view of crossings for other motorists. Also be mindful when entering or leaving parking spots – look twice!

Be kind – to other road users and pedestrians and also if you see any parking officers in the area – they are doing their job and working to keep our kids safe!

Note - licence Plate Recognition (or electronic chalking) vans are now actively monitoring schools. Penalties range from \$114 upwards to \$600. Details at www.act.gov.au/accessCBR

School App

The school has an app that can be found in your phone's app store. We use it to provide information on upcoming events at school as well as send reminders to families. We are currently adding in the Term 1 Calendar which can then easily be transferred to your own calendar making it a quick and easy way to see if your child has any events during the term. If you require any further information on how to use the app, we have fact sheets available.

A list of our staff is shown below to help you with finding the right person to assist you. We are delighted to have our returning staff and excited for you to meet the new staff members joining us this year.

We hope you have a wonderful year with us and we are looking forward to our ongoing partnership in your child's learning. Have a wonderful weekend.

Tania Collis (Principal)

Staff members 2017

Leadership Team

Tania Collis	Principal
Daniel Breen and Rikkie Klootwijk	Deputy Principals
Debbie Lowrey, Kate Stear and Marni Payne	Executive Teachers
Nadia Murad	Business Manager

Preschool (Exec: Debbie Lowrey)

Jillian Burnett - Hackett, beg of week	Classroom Teacher
Hayley Skipper (Fitzpatrick) - Hackett, end of week	Classroom Teacher
Sue Corrigan (North Ainslie)	Classroom Teacher
Dani Neuman (Release across both campuses)	Classroom Teacher

Kindergarten (School Leader: Debbie Lowrey)

Gen Murphy	Classroom Teacher
Leah Frezza	Classroom Teacher
Melissa Halls	Classroom Teacher
Shamus Morton	Classroom Teacher

Year 1/2 (School Leader: Dan Breen)

Tracey Amato	Classroom Teacher
Kate Bush	Classroom Teacher
Karen Green	Classroom Teacher
Fiona Hemmings	Classroom Teacher
Sharon Hickey	Classroom Teacher
Meredith Regan	Classroom Teacher
Megan Mears	Classroom Teacher
Kirsten Waldron	Classroom Teacher

Year 3/4 (School Leader: Kate Stear)

Nada Ninchich	Classroom Teacher
Amanda Collins	Classroom Teacher
Sarah Edwards	Classroom Teacher
Timothy Wedlock	Classroom Teacher
Remana Ashton	Classroom Teacher
Kirsty Miller	Classroom Teacher

Year 5/6 (School Leader: Rikkie Klootwijk)

Rachel Mian	Classroom Teacher
Gemma Duggan	Classroom Teacher
Daniel Madden	Classroom Teacher
Jarryd Heywood	Classroom Teacher
Vanessa Valois	Classroom Teacher

LSUA (School Leader: Rikkie Klootwijk)

Karen Hadobas	Classroom Teacher
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Introductory English Classes – IEC (School Leader: Marni Payne)

Nancy Mendes dos Santos	Classroom Teacher
Rashmi Paneswar	Classroom Teacher
Travis Thurston	Classroom Teacher

Specialist Teachers (School Leader: Dan Breen and Tania Collis)

Kath Bingham
 Sarah Buckley
 Patricia Hamilton
 Rachel Levinson/ Amy Pepper
 Tevi Cory

Performing Arts
 Visual Art
 French
 Personal & Community Health
 Library

Support Team (School Leader: Kate Stear)

Sue Chalmers
 Sonia Howarth and Tevi Cory

K-2
 3-6

Learning Support Assistants

Marie Kuipers
 Karen Merryfull
 Jessica Wilding
 Anna Garvin
 Jane Stainthorpe
 Chris Olsen
 Daisy Singh
 Anna Voudouris
 Penni Watts
 Myles Buckley
 Rodney Cassel

Preschool Assistant
 Preschool Assistant
 LSUA
 IEC
 Student Support
 Student Support
 Student Support
 Student Support
 Student Support
 Student Support
 Student Support

Front Office

Meenakshi Mahajan
 Jo Munoz
 Kathleen Hancock
 Drago Morarevic

Administration
 Workload/Administration
 Student Support and
 Administration
 Building Service Officer

Ashleigh Kinlyside

School Psychologist

P & C NEWS



Each week the P and C has information in the newsletter to keep you up to date. Our first fundraiser is coming up in week 3 at the Information Evening and Community Welcome with our annual barbecue. If you would like to find out more about the P and C, talk to one of our members at the Community Welcome or come to one of our meetings. We would love to see you join us for 2018.

Uniform Store

Thanks for your patience and support this week, as we battled through with cash and cheque sales in our busiest week of the year. We hope to have our new, eagerly anticipated EFTPOS machine up and running by the end of week 2. Thanks to all the volunteers who have given their time to run the uniform store this week. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Frances on 0418 328674.

Opening hours for 2018 are:

Tuesday morning – 8:45-9:15pm (trial of this time slot for Term 1, depending on demand)

Tuesday afternoon – 2:45-3:15pm

Thursday morning – 8:45-9:15pm

Thursday afternoon – 2:45-3:15pm

Please remember that you can get order forms from the front office if you can't make our opening hours.

Welcome to School Banking 2018!

Welcome back to all families, and a warm welcome to new North Ainslie families! A little reminder that school banking starts again next MONDAY and will continue on Mondays throughout the term. Please don't forget to update the cover of your child's bankbook with new class details so that books can be returned to them. There are new prizes on offer in 2018 (after making 10 deposits), including a handball, scratch pad, glow light, flying disc, glitter pens, heat-reactive pencils and a slushie maker cup. There's also a grand prize in 2018 for all eligible bankers (15 deposits or more by the end of Term 3) for a family holiday to Hawaii. You may not know that North Ainslie Primary receives funding from the Commonwealth Bank based on the number of students involved in school banking and the number of deposits made, so your involvement also contributes to resources for the school! For students who don't already have a Youthsaver account, these can be set up at any Branch of the Commonwealth Bank, or online at commbank.com.au/schoolbanking. School banking is administered by North Ainslie parents on a volunteer basis, so if you would like to help out (even just occasionally) with collecting or returning bank books from/to the school, or processing the online payments, I would love to hear from you! (stephaniequispes@yahoo.com.au or 0405089823).

Have a wonderful 2018. (**Stephanie Quispes (NAPS School Banking Co-ordinator)**)

Code Club(Mondays after school 3:30-4:30)

Code Club introduces kids of all years to programming. We begin with fun and simple Beebots, then move to real programming with Scratch, which allows kids to design their own animations or games. The advanced group will use python and -- NEW THIS YEAR -- Robotics!

We are very keen to hear from parents who would like to help out: no coding experience required :)

Please email if you'd like to join in or to hear more: northainsliecodeclub@gmail.com

Parents or carers are required to sign their children in at 3:30pm and sign them out at 4:30pm (children cannot be left unsupervised between 3pm and 3:30pm please)

After School Programs

Day	Activity	Provider
MONDAY	Music Instruments	Jordan London(Wood Wind Instruments) u4840563@gmail.com 0415 373 371
TUESDAY	Mandarin Club	LCF Languages- Sarah Mak 0431 252 768 sarah.mak@lcclubs.com.au
	Drama Classes	Canberra Youth Theatre Workshops@cytc.net 6248 5057
	Piano Lessons	Amber Robertson amberspianostudio@gmail.com
	Guitar Lessons	Mojo Guitars Teacher Guitar Lessons Coordinator 0431 550 005 lessons@mojoguitarteachers.com Cameron
	Piano Lessons	Amber Robertson amberspianostudio@gmail.com 0417 478 205
WEDNESDAY	French Club	LCF Languages - Sarah Mak 0431 252 768 sarah.mak@lcclubs.com.au
	Guitar Lessons	Mojo Guitars Cameron 0431 550 005 lessons@mojoguitarteachers.com
	Piano Lessons	Laura Baumeister 0439 641 368 lpevey18@hotmail.com
THURSDAY	Guitar Lessons	Mojo Guitars Cameron 0431 550 005 lessons@mojoguitarteachers.com
	Piano Lessons	Laura Baumeister 0439 641 368 lpevey18@hotmail.com
	Martial Arts	Rodney Walsh 0402 381 909 rodneyleewalsh@gmail.com
FRIDAY	Dance Classes	Elite Dance Studio 0422 985 438 elitedancestudiocanberra@hotmail.com
	Piano Lessons	Amber Robertson amberspianostudio@gmail.com
	Guitar Lessons	Mojo Guitars Cameron 0431 550 005 lessons@mojoguitarteachers.com

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TERM 1 HEHUB CANTEEN MENU (Open Wednesday, Thursday Friday)**Recess**

A selection from the following:

Frozen Peas 'n' corn cup	\$1.00	Fruit of the day / Apple slinky	\$0.50 / \$1.00
Pikelets(VG)	\$0.50	Toasties	\$1.00
Frozen fruit cup	\$1.00		
Banana muffin (v, DF)	\$1.00		

Lunch

Vegie sticks	Free	Fruit of the day	\$0.50
Vegemite sandwich(VG)	\$2.00	Corn on the Cob 1/2	\$2.00
Tex Mex toasted wrap(V)	\$2.50	Milk bottle (150ml)	\$1.50
Soy milk (VG)	\$2.50	Tuna & cheese toasted sandwich	\$3.50

Daily Lunch Special- \$3.50**Wednesday:***Pizza(V)*

Smoothies \$2.00

Thursday:

Italian chicken toasted sandwich(DF)

Smoothies \$2.00

Friday:*Veg Sushi(VG),**Chicken Sushi(GF)**Tuna Sushi (GF)*

Smoothies \$2.00