

# The Gang Gang Gazette

Week 3, Term 4 (2<sup>nd</sup> november, 2018)

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## Upcoming Events

Northside Spectacular	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> November
Year 6 Kids Helpline Session	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> November
Remembrance Day assembly by Student Leaders	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> November
Indigenous Cluster Celebration	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> November
Jnr assembly hosted by KSM and KMH	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> November
P & C Flix Night	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> November
Year 6 Bandstrav Rehearsal	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> November and Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November
Whole School 60 <sup>th</sup> Open Day	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> November

### Notes Home

- Head lice notification
- Northside Spectacular (selected students)
- Reconciliation invitation (selected students)

### Board

Next Meeting:  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> Nov 2018, 6.00pm  
**P & C**  
Next Meeting:  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> Nov 2018, 7:30pm

### Dear Families and Friends,

It is lovely to be back at school and to see the wonderful learning that has taken place in the first two weeks of school. I read the newsletters while I was away, and it was great to see the photos and events that were happening around the school. I would like to thank all the staff for everything they did during that time, particularly supporting the leadership team whilst both Dan and I were not here. Thanks to the leadership team for all their efforts during that time also.

Northside Spectacular is in full swing as we prepare for next week. If you have not yet bought tickets, please do so as soon as possible as they are selling fast. We look forward to seeing you there on Wednesday and Thursday.

This week has also been busy with our Mini Olympics which is part of our 60<sup>th</sup> celebrations and excursions across the school. We had a fantastic day from preschool to year 6 participating in a range of sporting activities with all of our students demonstrating their risk-taking, confidence and enthusiasm. Our principled actions were also shown in the way we co-operated and were fair sportspeople.



### A to E Reports

If you have a student in years 1 through 6, and you do not want to receive an A to E Report for them, please contact the school on [admin@nthainslieps.act.edu.au](mailto:admin@nthainslieps.act.edu.au) or call Rikkie Klootwijk.

### Leaving NAPS for 2019

If you know that you will be leaving NAPS for the 2019 school year, please let us know by emailing [admin@nthainslieps.act.edu.au](mailto:admin@nthainslieps.act.edu.au) (rather than letting this year's teacher know) as this will also help us when setting up classes and helps to keep all the information in one place.

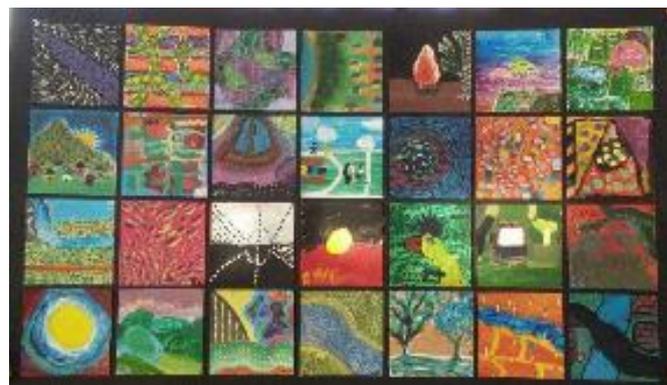
## Artwork Title - Our Reconciliation Stories

Our artwork tells stories about our homes, special places and other things we care for. It represents our voices and what we want to look after for the future. It is made up of many individual artworks. We live on Ngunnawal land and pay our respects to the elders past, present and future. We respect how Ngunnawal people are custodians of the land. Our artwork is about reconciliation and shows how we were inspired by artists from many different lands. Reconciliation includes acknowledging the diversity and richness of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures. Each square represents a different style we learnt about. We also learnt that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists have been telling stories through their art for more than 60 thousand years!

Reconciliation means many things: it means learning about and acknowledging horrible things like the stolen generations when children were taken from families and culture; it means learning about good things like Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages, rich and diverse cultures and people being custodians of the land; it also means finding out about how all of our lives can be better if we learn about how to care for country and for each other for now and for the future. We hope you like our artwork and can see our pride in our learning about Reconciliation and in how to tell stories!

Have a great weekend.

*Tania Collis*  
Principal



**Artists** – left to right

**Top Row:** Omar S, Leo H, Kaylee R, Alyson , Alcyon D, Blake G, Evie S-C

**Second Row:** Ariella G, Jasper C, Nic A, Katherine M, Sam T, Arun J, William M

**Third Row:** Niamh B, Rebecca I, Boua T, Romella W-G, Ned C, Tom J, Sophea C

**Bottom Row:** Arak A, Josephine H, Mirrin G-Mitchell, Ingrid S A, Saskia S, EhEh G

## PACH news

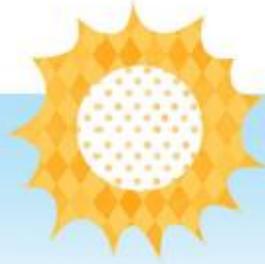
A huge thank you to all those people who have donated fabric for wax wraps! We are still looking for volunteers to help us cut the fabric. If you are able to help please email Rachel or Amy to organise a time to pick up some fabric and pinking shears.

At Flix on the Grass, PACH will be holding a stall to raise money for the garden. If you have any seedlings or seeds to donate to the stall they can be dropped off in the garden or to the Front Office. Please email Rachel and Amy.

[Rachel.levinson@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:Rachel.levinson@ed.act.edu.au) or [amy.pepper@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:amy.pepper@ed.act.edu.au)



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# Come to our 60th Anniversary!

Please join us to celebrate 60 years of North  
Ainslie Primary School!

We look forward to sharing the morning with  
friends old and new.

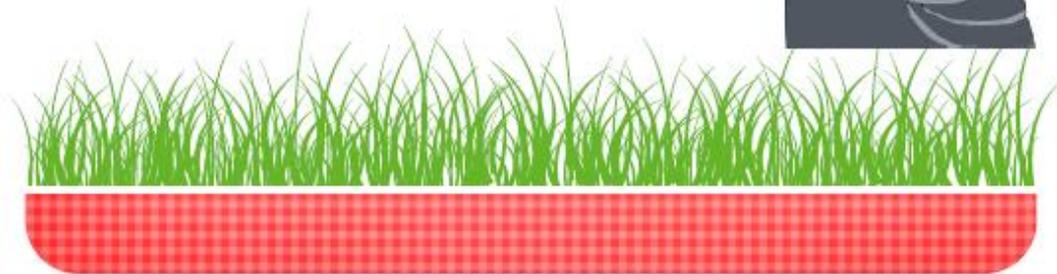
Where: North Ainslie Primary

When: 21st November 2018

9:15am Assembly

Followed by school tours and morning tea

Please RSVP—6142 0760—[admin@nthainslieps.act.edu.au](mailto:admin@nthainslieps.act.edu.au)



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## Blast from the past

As part of our 60<sup>th</sup> celebrations we will be sharing some insights from past students and staff. Below are some memories from our IEC students.



### From Joe Heya

Hello. I'm Joe. I studied English at IEC for about 7 months. I studied at IEC from May 2017 to December. When I came to the IEC I didn't understand how to read but by the time I left the IEC I understood English sentences. One thing I remember about IEC study is phonics.

### From Yugoh Heya

I had really good time with teachers and international students in the IEC. I think it was a great experience spending time with friends from different cultures. I could study English with interesting games that encouraged me to know and understand English. I remember Quizlet which was really fun.



### Nadiyah Ghina Shabrina (20 years old) and Farhan Ariq Muhammad (18 years old).

I am the father of Nadiyah Ghina Shabrina (20 years old) and Farhan Ariq Muhammad (18 years old). Nadiyah was in year 3 and Farhan was in preschool when they went to NAPS in June 2006 – July 2007. We live in Indonesia now. Currently, Nadiyah is a student of engineering faculty of Brawijaya University in Malang City, East Java Province, Indonesia. She is in her final year majoring in industrial technology. Her brother Farhan is a 12th grade high school student in South Jakarta, Indonesia.

Please kindly find some photos attached of Nadiyah and Farhan during their school period in NAPS in 2006 – 2007 and the latest photos of them during our nice visit to NAPS in June 2018.

We had a good short time in Canberra and in particular can visit NASP after we left Australia 11 years ago. I thank you for your hospitality to take us around the school and met again Nadiyah and Farhan's former teachers.

THEN	NOW
<b>Farhan Ariq Muhammad (2006)</b> 	<b>Farhan Ariq Muhammad (2006)</b> 
<b>Nadiyah Ghina Shabrina(2007)</b> 	<b>Nadiyah Ghina Shabrina(2018)</b> 

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### Annie Vella – IEC Teacher who worked at NAPS for 10 years 1997 – 2007

Regarding working at the IEC, I found it both challenging and rewarding and the best part has been the friendships I have made and continue to enjoy despite being away from the Centre for so long and when I do go back as a relief teacher I love the way I am welcomed. As far as the children go, I do hope that I have made a positive difference in their lives and hope that they are living happy and fulfilled lives.

I know that the Centre continues to make a huge positive impact on children who are vulnerable and often have emotional problems or are traumatised but the greatest resource that the Centre has is the staff who are compassionate, competent and well suited to the work they have to do to not only prepare the children for mainstream school but also to make their first school experience such a pleasant and fulfilling one. And I admit that I learnt heaps too; on my first day there I went out to get the children who were in line and told them to follow me. I turned and walked to the classroom and when I got there realized that no one was following me! Why did I think they would understand???? Another time I told a student who was being silly to cut it out; when I went back to his desk he had cut his worksheet into tiny pieces (and probably wondered why his silly teacher asked him to cut up his worksheet!)

A past student that I have kept in contact with is Sister Kim. I was teaching years 5/6 at the time and she would sit at the back of the class, then at recess, when I was looking forward to my break, she would want to go over the work and insist on a pronunciation lesson!!! She went on to university and is now working as a Social Worker working mainly with the Vietnamese community. Sister Kim has also been very active in fund raising and sends the money to the mother house in Vietnam where she has established a facility for disabled children (this was due to her interaction with my son Alexander and seeing what facilities were available here).

#### Mrs Kay (or Mrs Cake as I was often called :)



What a privilege it was to be a relief teacher on the IEC staff for over a decade. It was for me the most enjoyable time of my 45 years teaching career. A wonderful experience to be able to help students from all over the world to learn not only English but to help them understand and learn more about the new country they had come to live in (even if only for a short while for some). And for all it was a chance to learn about other members of the class and places they had come from.

Our classes in the IEC often had Australian Flora and Fauna names such as the Rosellas, the Possums, the Magpies, the Grevilleas etc and I loved helping them to learn English through practical, fun experiences such as making music and singing together.

We learned language through cooking, exploring our surroundings on excursions. We problem solved by making jigsaws, grasshogs and stick insects out of actual sticks and growing seeds. We enjoyed having real animals in our classes such as puppies, lizards, turtles and tadpoles to inspire us in art, reading and science vocabulary. We used real hens eggs to learn about fractions.

We visited my cattle property near Canberra and enjoyed re- enacting a favourite book Charlotte's Web in a real Australian hay shed, complete with real life book characters of sheep, cows, insects and Charlotte the spider.

We explored, we questioned, we created, laughed and sang. We learnt to be respectful of our classmates with all our different cultures and backgrounds.

By having all these experiences the IEC prepared our children for their new schools in our country and I wouldn't have missed those 10 yrs or more for anything .

THANK YOU children of the IEC!

## P & C NEW

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### P&C Meeting

The P&C meet this coming **Tuesday, 6 November, at Polo Restaurant, 38 David St, Turner**. We will start with a casual meet and greet from 7pm, followed by a short meeting, from around 7:45pm. We will be discussing our plans for 2019, including our events and spending priorities. Please join us, the company is always great and the delicious pierogi an extra bonus!

### Flix 'n the Grass

The three North Ainslie P&C's are joining together on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November for a movie night. Bring your picnic rug and settle in under the stars to watch *My Neighbour Totoro*. The movie will start when it is dark, but the night will kick off around 5:30pm. Entertainment will include side-show alley and our talent show, North Ainslie's Got Talent.

### Food

We had hoped to have several food vans at the event, but unfortunately we're not a big enough event to attract them.

There will be a sausage sizzle, cake stall, drinks and popcorn available but food options will be limited, so please **bring along a picnic!**

### North Ainslie's Got Talent.

Budding entertainers are encouraged to register for our much loved talent show, North Ainslie's Got Talent. Places are limited. To reserve your spot send an email to [napscommunity@gmail.com](mailto:napscommunity@gmail.com) with the following details:

- Act name
- Names of the performers
- Approximate length of the act
- Type of act (dance, song, comedy etc)

Performers will need to provide a copy of any music they need before the night. Best formats are: MP3, MP4, VLC and M4W.

### Help needed

We need a few more helping hands to make the night a success. If you can spare an hour to help set up, cook the BBQ, look after the waste or help out on the He-hub stall please sign-up at [www.volunteersignup.org/TLDQH](http://www.volunteersignup.org/TLDQH)

If you cannot help out on the night, we're selling raffle tickets at the Ainslie Shops on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> November (10am-2pm). The raffle is our biggest fundraiser. If you can spare some time, contact Rachael via [napscommunity@gmail.com](mailto:napscommunity@gmail.com)

### Spread the word

Don't forget about the night - stick the attached flyer on your fridge. The more the merrier, please distribute to fellow movie lovers.

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**Flix 'n THE grass**

North Ainslie Primary School Fundraiser  
**Movie Night!**

friday  
**16**  
NOV  
2018

BYO BLANKET AND ENJOY LIVE ENTERTAINMENT AND A MOVIE!  
SCREENING: 'My Neighbor Totoro'  
*(Please be considerate and only bring a picnic blanket or festival chair)*  
GOLD COIN DONATION  
FOOD VANS, BBQ, DESSERT STALL AND MORE!

**TERM 4 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
Fruit Yogurt	\$2.00	Banana muffin (v, DF)	\$1.00

**Lunch**

Vegie sticks	Free	Fruit of the day	\$0.50
Vegemite sandwich (VG)	\$2.00	Baked Potato with Salsa and Cheese (GF, V)	\$3.50
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:**

Potato wedges (GF, VG)

Smoothies \$2.00

**Friday:**

Chicken burger (DF)

Smoothies \$2.



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## After School Programs

### Two piano lesson places available

I'm very pleased to have been able to bring on board a new associate piano teacher, Nancy Ma. Nancy is an experienced performer who is about to graduate with a Bachelor of Music in classical piano performance. She is currently teaching piano lessons at NAPS on Thursdays and, as of week 6, will also be teaching on Wednesdays. Nancy has been able to take on many students who have patiently stayed on the waiting list for lessons for a long time and we are very grateful to have her.

We even have two places available for 30 minute private piano lessons on Wednesdays during school hours starting from week 6 (November 21). If you are interested in securing one of these places or would like further information, please email us at [amberspianostudio@gmail.com](mailto:amberspianostudio@gmail.com)

If you have been on the waiting list for lessons but missed my emails about these places opening up, do get in touch ASAP.

We realise that those who start in week 6 will only receive 5 lessons this year, but it means they will be able to begin playing piano over the summer and will have a lesson spot already guaranteed for 2019 and beyond.

Kind regards,  
Amber Harnisch



The graphic features a central image of a paint palette with various colors. Overlaid on this is a large red splatter shape containing the text 'MESSY Church' in white and yellow. To the right, there is a photograph of several colorful crayons. Below the crayons are two small splatters: an orange one with the word 'songs' and a blue one with the word 'dinner'. At the bottom left, there is a green splatter with the word 'craft' and a red one with 'Bible story'. A large green box at the bottom right contains the following text:

**4.00 - 6.00pm**  
**first Sunday**  
**of each month**

All Saints' Anglican Church  
9 Cowper St, Ainslie

**ALL AGES WELCOME!**

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