

# The Gang Gang Gazette

Week 2, Term 1 (14<sup>th</sup> February 2020)

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## Upcoming Events

Kindergarten BASE assessment	Week 3 & Week 4
Getting to know you Interviews	Week 3
Preschool Constable Kenny	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> February & Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February
Kindergarten Reading Information Session	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> February (after Lines)
Assembly hosted by School Leaders	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February @ 12noon
Swimming Carnival	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> February

### Notes Home

- Getting to Know you Interview note (Year 3/4)
- Birragai Camp Refund (email)
- Cancelled Kindergarten Swimming (email)
- Scholastic Catalogue (Due Friday 21<sup>st</sup> Feb)
- Chickenpox (email)
- Swimming Carnival note (Year 1-6)

### Dear Families and Friends,

We hope you have had as great a week 2 as we have. On Wednesday, we had our Information Sessions and this year tried a new format. It was fabulous to see so many of you here and to share what our students will be learning about and involved in over 2020. If you were unable to make the session, please ensure you get a copy of the term overviews which were handed out and each class' Essential Agreement. These agreements have been written under the Enhanced PYP's Approaches to Learning (ATLs) and have five headings which relate to the skills and behaviours modelled and taught through the ATLs. You will hear students and teachers using these headings when discussing how we learn and play together at North Ainslie and we would love for you to discuss your child's class agreement with them. Each heading has a set of sub-skills and they are used across all areas of the IB, from the PYP up to the Diploma. The five main headings are:

- Communication skills
- Self-management skills
- Social skills
- Thinking skills
- Research skills

You should also have received a notification about the *Getting to know you* Interviews next week. These interviews are an important part of our school processes and are a chance for you to talk to your child's teacher about your child and share in setting the scene for their learning for 2020. We really value your input and working together for the best outcomes for your child.

### Board

Next Meeting:  
Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> February: 6.00pm

### P & C

Next Meeting:  
Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> February: 7.30pm

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You will also have seen the scaffolding moving around the school as the roof and insulation are replaced. For an idea of how our new roof will look you can see the areas at the front of the school and the two-storey building which have been completed. They are working through one area at a time and we are ahead of schedule with a completion date at the end of June.



### Class Dojo

We are once again using Class Dojo with all classes having their own page. If you have joined Dojo in previous years, you do not need a new code as teachers are able to transfer your child across to their new class. If you are new to the school and have not yet received a code for your child, or you have misplaced it, please let your child's teacher know and they can provide another one. Also follow our School Dojo page for what's happening here at NAPS and for whole school reminders.

### School Board

Just a reminder that the nominations for the vacant board position closes on Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> February, at 11am. All parents and carers of NAPS students are eligible to nominate, including preschool parents. You can pick up a nomination form from the front office during normal business hours (9am to 3pm, Monday to Friday). Jo Munoz is the Assistant Returning Officer.

### Lunchtime Clubs

Our regular lunchtime clubs are now up and running for the year. You might like to talk about these clubs with your child and encourage them to try any that interest them. Thank you to our teachers for running these clubs for our students to provide a greater range of activities at lunchtimes.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Library Junior Dance Chess Club	Library Senior Dance 1/2 Drawing Club	Library Maths Olympiad (whole lunch)	Library Lego Club Garden Club	Library Garden Club Senior Drawing

### Accessing the building after hours

If you need to access the building after it has been locked, approximately 3.30pm, you are able to ring the front doorbell or access the building through the entrance near the hall. Other doors around the school, including those in the senior courtyard, are locked. We have had some instances of the doors near the kindergarten and library being pulled on and have had to repair damage to them. Could anyone who accesses the bike racks at the front of the school after hours please ensure they close the door to the school when they have finished. When doors are left open it does compromise security for the school. Thank you.

Have a great weekend.

*Tania Collis*  
(Principal)

**Swimming Carnival Volunteer Help**



Our Swimming Carnival is fast approaching and taking place on Friday 28th February (Week 4) at Dickson Pool. We are currently in the organisation stage and are looking for parents to assist us on the day with different jobs. Any help during the morning races would be greatly appreciated. If you can lend a hand, please contact Jarryd Heywood via email ([jarryd.heywood@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:jarryd.heywood@ed.act.edu.au)).

**Parent Reading Information Talk**

There will be a talk for parents on how to help your child with reading.

When: Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> Feb at 9.10 (straight after lines).

Where: Meet in the courtyard at lines

Please come along, meet other parents and get some tips on listening to children read. See you there!



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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, Popcorn (VG)	\$0.50	Toasties	\$1.00
Frozen fruit cup	\$1.00	Vanilla Yogurt (V,GF)	\$2.00
Banana muffin (v, DF)	\$1.00	Cheesy Corn Fritters	\$0.50

**Lunch**

Vegie sticks	Free	Fruit of the day	\$0.50
Vegemite sandwich(VG)	\$2.00	Vanilla Yogurt (V,GF)	\$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
Smoothies \$2.00 (collect from canteen)			

**Daily Lunch Special- \$3.50****Wednesday:**

*Pizza(V)*

**Thursday:**

Italian chicken toasted sandwich (DF)

**Friday:**

*Veg Sushi(VG),  
Tuna Sushi (GF)*

**P & C NEWS**

Welcome to Term 1 2020! The P&C have a great year planned and we are very excited about some exciting new projects in the works. It's a wonderful time to get involved.

Did you know all NAPS parents and carers (including preschool parents) are automatically members of the P&C? Everyone is welcome to attend any of our meetings, hear about what is happening around the school, propose ideas and participate. You can reach us via email anytime [napscommunity@gmail.com](mailto:napscommunity@gmail.com) or join the closed Facebook page [North Ainslie Primary School Parents' and Carers' Group \(private\)](#).

We have a website in development, which has info on out of hours activities, info about events throughout the year, and our ONLINE UNIFORM SHOP!

[www.naspc.com.au](http://www.naspc.com.au)

**AGM - Week 4 - Tuesday 25th February - 7pm-9pm**

Meeting 1 for 2020 (and our AGM) will be held in week 4, term 1, Tuesday 25th February 7-9pm at Polo Restaurant at the Polish Club, 37 David St O'Connor (nibbles provided). Following on from our very constructive Parent Forum in June last year, we will be chatting about the **master plan** process, the **senior oval**, the **canteen** and the **uniform shop**.

Come along, meet some people, hear from the committee and have your say in our direction for the year. If you can only make one P&C meeting this year, make it this one!

Please RSVP for catering purposes by Friday Feb 21st. If you need a lift, email [napscommunity@gmail.com](mailto:napscommunity@gmail.com) and we can organise a car pool.

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### Our P&C

North Ainslie Primary School P&C run a range of social, community building and fundraising events throughout the year, including Trivia Night, working bees, Movie Night and Fiesta. If you are interested in helping to organise any of these events, we would love to hear from you, and online sign-up sheets are also published so you can volunteer to help out at the event.

We also operate the canteen and uniform shop as a service to parents and students, with any profits spent on improving our school. We always need volunteers to ensure these valuable services can continue. You can volunteer once a week, once a term, or once in a blue moon! email [naps.canteen@gmail.com](mailto:naps.canteen@gmail.com) or [napscommunity@gmail.com](mailto:napscommunity@gmail.com) for more info, or drop in during our opening hours.

#### Uniform Shop

**The Uniform Shop** is open 8:45-9:15am and 2:45-3:15pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. You can also order through our online store, and we will send the order home with your child. Just go to our website to order. We have been very busy lately, apologies if we are out of stock - we are getting more in ASAP!

### Scholastic Book Club

The first catalogue for the year has been sent home this week. Orders are due by Friday of Week 3, the 21st of February.

There are 8 catalogues a year, 2 each term. You can order using the on-line LOOP system and nothing needs to be returned to school. It is still possible to order using the paper order form in the catalogue. Please ensure that your child's name and class are written on the paper order form and enclose the cash payment for the correct amount as change can't be given.

If you miss the cut off date for the school order you can still obtain a book but you will need to pay postage to your home address.

The school earns reward points for every dollar spent, the points are used by the librarian to purchase books for the school library

### Happy Reading

### Canteen



[www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au)

**The canteen** has moved to Flexischools Online ordering this year.

School24 ordering will not be available after Week 3. Any remaining credit can be refunded. Please email [napstreasury@gmail.com](mailto:napstreasury@gmail.com) with your bank details if you would like a refund.

The Canteen is open for recess and lunch on **Wednesday, Thursday** and **Friday** most weeks. Online orders are available for lunch through Flexischools, go online to register and download the app.

You can also send a brown paper bag with your child's name, class and order written clearly, and cash in the bag. The menu for the term is published in the school newsletter and on the P&C website.

In other news, Heather will be pursuing a different path this year, and we thank her for the amazing contribution she has made to the school over the last 6 years. Best wishes from all of us!

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## Fiesta 2020

Fiesta is back in 2020! **Saturday March 14th, 3pm-7pm, on the Junior Oval.**

This is our first major event for the year, and we need your help. We will have a volunteer sign-up sheet available soon for jobs on the day.

This event is open to the wider community, so invite your friends, family and neighbours and lets kick off the year with a huge party!



**Fiesta**  
2020  
**SAVE THE DATE**

**Saturday March 14th**  
**3pm – 7pm**

**North Ainslie Primary ~ Junior Oval**

**~ ALL WELCOME ~**

**Food & Drinks**  
**Music & Entertainment**  
**Sideshow Alley**

**This is a ZERO WASTE event**  
**BYO cup, plate, etc**

**Can you help?**  
We need volunteers to help us get organised! Please get in touch with the P&C ASAP to help make Fiesta 2020 awesome!

**North Ainslie Primary School**  
**PnC Fundraiser**




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**napscommunity@gmail.com**

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## After School Activities



AFTER-SCHOOL ART WORKSHOPS  
www.artkidscanberra.com

*"My children get so much out of the class – they have assembled a beautiful collection of work on their bedroom doors. We really appreciate the way the class gives them new techniques as well as inspiration."*


**NEW! artKids Preschoolers 3 - 5 yrs at Turner Baptist Hall 2020.  
Also Saturday classes K - Yr 7**

**After-school art workshop for K\* – 6**  
Enrolling now for North Ainslie! Our **artKids** classes develops your child's creativity through learning drawing skills, art techniques and exploring different mediums. We operate in a fun, supportive environment where there are no such things as mistakes or 'flops' in art, only 'flopportunities'!

Classes run on **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in the art room from 3 - 5 pm**. Please note we are currently fully booked for Thursday only. The children are met near the play equipment, fed and walked to the art room. Parents can collect children from the art room at 5 pm sharp. Cost for the workshop is \$35/session, payable by term, and includes afternoon tea, materials and GST.

admin@artkidscanberra.com  
Robyn Thurecht — 0405 014 180

\* Kindergarten children will be considered after a trial session.



### 2020 ACT Junior Lightning Chess Championships

Lightning Chess is just what you think - *it's chess played at lightning speed!* Each player has only 5 minutes on the clock to complete all moves. It makes Lightning Chess fast, fun, and not for the faint-hearted! Most normal rules of chess apply however if a King is left in check at the conclusion of a move (ie once a clock has been pressed) an opponent may claim a win as a consequence of an "illegal move." Games can then be won on time, by checkmate, and as a consequence of an illegal move **but not by capturing the king!**

When: Sunday 16th February 2020. Registration opens 12.45 pm. Players should be registered and ready to play from 1pm. We welcome all players including new players to come along to this event and hope to see you there. Check out our website here: <http://www.actjcl.org.au/actjcl/index.php>



**Inner North Netball Club is looking for you!**  
Interested in playing  
netball in 2020?

We are a community-minded club that plays on Saturdays in the North Canberra Netball Competition (NCNC) and are always looking for new players!

Boys and girls are eligible to play in junior and set teams until they are 12 years old and this year there will be a mixed competition for 13 to 15 year olds in which we plan to enter teams.

NCNC grading games will commence 14 March with competition games starting in April. We had a hugely successful year in 2019 and are looking forward to maintaining the momentum!

For more information contact us at: [innetball.register@gmail.com](mailto:innetball.register@gmail.com) or [www.innc.asn.au](http://www.innc.asn.au)

[facebook.com/innernorthnetballclub](https://www.facebook.com/innernorthnetballclub)

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— ACT —

Give your kids a **REAL** Challenge!

**School Orienteering**

**SC-ORE**

## **SC-ORE School Orienteering**

### **2020 Term 1**

A before school body and brain work out.  
4-week Challenge for Primary School Children

**Teams 2 girls and 2 boys**

Thursday 5 March	St Monica's Primary School
Thursday 12 March	Lyneham Primary School
Thursday 19 March	Maribyrnong Primary School
Thursday 26 March	Majura Primary School

**SC-ORE online [registration NOW OPEN](#)**

more information visit <http://act.orienteering.asn.au/juniors/blue-sparks/sc-ore/>

Or call 0484 649 186



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Hi everyone, my name is Kathleen and I have been the Saver Plus Coordinator in your community for the last 3 years.

Saver Plus is a free program that helps people with a Centrelink concession card pay for education costs. We have provided almost \$100k toward school costs in ACT since 2017.

Participants save \$25/fortnight for 10 months and attend 4 financial skills workshops. At the end of the program, we will match your savings with up to \$500 that can be used towards uniforms and shoes, extra-curricular sports, camps and excursions and other school supplies.

Eligibility criteria applies.

Visit [saverplus.org.au](http://saverplus.org.au) or contact me on 0448 730 305 to find out more!



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