

The Gang Gang Gazette

Week 3, Term 3 (9th August, 2019)

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Upcoming Events

NAPS Preschool P & C meeting	Tuesday 13 th August @ 7:30pm
Winter Walk	Friday 16 th August – 8:30am
Senior Assembly hosted by 3/4TW & 3/4CW	Friday 16 th August @ 12pm
Year 1 Swimming and Year 2 Aqua Safe	Week 5
Year 5 Combined Band	Monday 19 th August
Book week	Week 5
Year 6 Exhibition Information Session	Wednesday 21 st August 5 - 6pm
Book Week Parade	Monday 26 th August
Father's Day Stall	Tuesday 27 th August

Notes Home

- Swimming email
- University of New South Wales (ICAS) note
- 3/4 Term 3 Overview
- 2020 Enrolment Offer email
- Year 5 Buddies note
- North Gungahlin Athletics note (selected students)

Board

Next Meeting:
Tuesday 13th August, 6.00 pm

P & C

Next Meeting:
Tuesday, 13th August, 7.00pm
meet & greet for a 7.30pm
meeting

Dear Families and Friends,

Last week we held our SEL Summit for term 3 and celebrated Peer Support for 2019. Our year 6 leaders received certificates of appreciation for their leadership and guidance of our younger students as part of our social and emotional learning program. Once again, our Student Leaders ran the summit, sharing how important all ten of the attributes from the Learner Profile are when you are a Peer Support Leader and how they helped them to develop and grow in this role. A highlight for me was watching excited younger students see their Peer Support Leaders, and wave and congratulate them during the assembly. Thank you to Jayde Condon, Lynda Keane and Rachel Mian who ran the program this year and were fabulous mentors to our year 6 students.



In keeping with our focus on social and emotional wellbeing, you may like to listen to this podcast about the teenage brain and the effects of the iPhone on its development. The podcast is part of the ABC Conversations Series and is by researcher David Gillespie.

<https://www.abc.net.au/radio/programs/conversations/david-gillespie-2019/10986686>

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This week we have been lucky to continue our work on improving student outcomes in literacy through many of our teachers and leaders attending professional learning with Chris Topfer who is an expert in this field. Chris has been sharing the 10 Essential Literacy Practices for all classrooms, based on the research of Nell Duke from the University of Michigan. These practices are research based and have a proven, positive impact on learning outcomes for all students. As we continue to be a part of this project, we will be sharing these practices with you. They fit beautifully with the work we have been doing on improving writing outcomes. Yesterday we were visited by our Director and principals and deputies from other schools in Canberra who worked with the leadership team and walked through our school focusing on our work in this area. They could see that writing is valued and a priority in our school and were impressed with the level of writing and sharing when they talked to our students. We were also able to attend a session with other PYP schools from across the ACT on Monday afternoon with Pak Tee from Singapore. His speech was highly inspirational and focused on engagement with students and set the scene for a fabulous week of learning.

The Beginning of August is Hats On Again For All Of Us!

The beginning of August marks the start of the sun protection period for all of us in Canberra as our UV levels climb to 3 and above every day. Whilst it may not be all day, it will be for part of the day so even though it can still be cold, it is also time for **Hats On Again** for all Canberra primary schools and early childhood services. It is also good to start getting into the habit of applying sunscreen again.

Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club provides breakfast for our children on Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 8.15 until 9am. Unfortunately, due to some volunteers going on holidays to escape Canberra's cold weather, they do have not enough help to continue on every Wednesday. At the moment we are looking for some extra help on August 14, August 28, September 11 and September 25 – every second Wednesday for the rest of this term. If you are able to help us out on any of these mornings before school, please let the front office know. If we get enough help, we can continue to serve breakfast to the children every Wednesday and Thursday morning as usual.

School Photos

School photos will be held on 4th and 5th September for North Ainslie (kindergarten to year 6) and 3rd and 5th September for North Ainslie and Hackett pre-schools. More information will be out in the coming weeks.

Orders will be made via cashless envelopes. All Students will receive an online order form with a unique shoot key, orders are to be placed online through our website www.msp.com.au. Family orders – families will have their photo taken on photo day and will receive a family order form with a unique shoot key which then can be ordered online. Parents can also call our office to place orders or if they have lost their shoot key. A list of shoot keys will be supplied to the school.

2019 School Satisfaction Surveys

Next week, parents and carers, school staff and students (in years 4 to 12) will be asked to participate in the annual School Satisfaction Survey. These important surveys will be emailed out to one person per family with a code to give you access to the survey. If both parents would like to complete the survey, please contact the front office staff for your child's code. The survey results will contribute to school research and improvement processes. Although the survey is voluntary, we hope you will want to participate. It won't take much of your time and will help us improve our school for your child and future students. A letter or email about the parent and carer survey will be sent to you in August. The key ACT results from the 2018 School Satisfaction Surveys have been published on the Education Directorate website (www.education.act.gov.au) and a summary of our school results is provided in our 2018 School Board Report.

Next week we have our Winter Walk so I am hoping you can join us for our early morning walk to the Dickson Wetlands. Further information is below. Have a great weekend.

Tania Collis (Principal)

North Ainslie Winter Walk

Winter Walk to School Week (12-16 August) is an ACT-based initiative to encourage students to enjoy walking and riding to school through the colder months in Canberra. We are celebrating it with a morning walk. Everyone welcome!

When: Friday 16th August

Time: 8:15 am

Where: Senior courtyard at North Ainslie Primary School

What: Walk to the wetlands and back to school

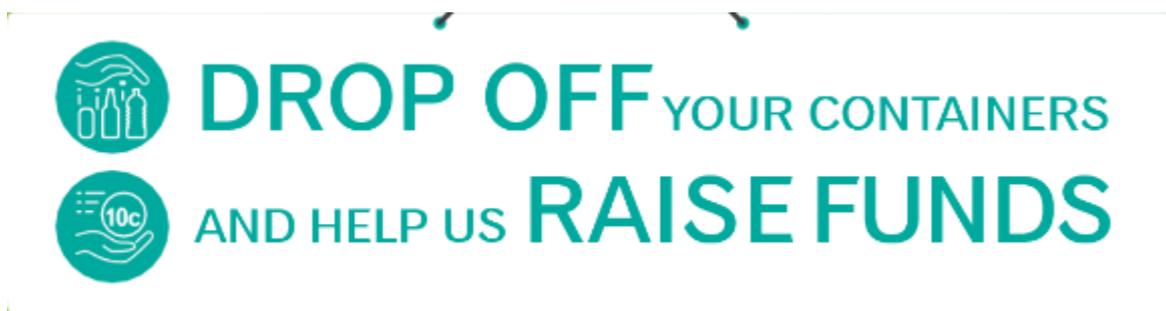
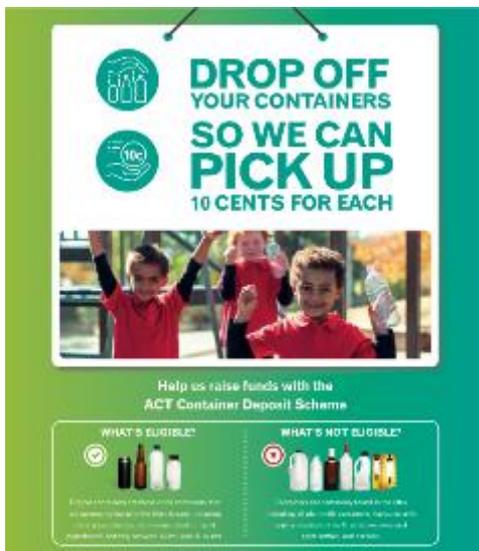
Who: Tania Collis, Rachel Levinson and other North Ainslie Primary school staff

Why: To encourage physical activity during the colder months in Canberra

Bring the whole family for this fun community event. We will finish our walk with hot chocolate from the canteen.

**RIDE or
WALK
to school**

Cash for Containers Program



We will soon be collecting eligible drink containers to redeem for a 10c refund each under the ACT Container Deposit Scheme. It's a great way for students to get involved in recycling, help reduce litter and raise money for school programs.

To find out more about the scheme and see which containers are eligible, **visit www.actcds.com.au**

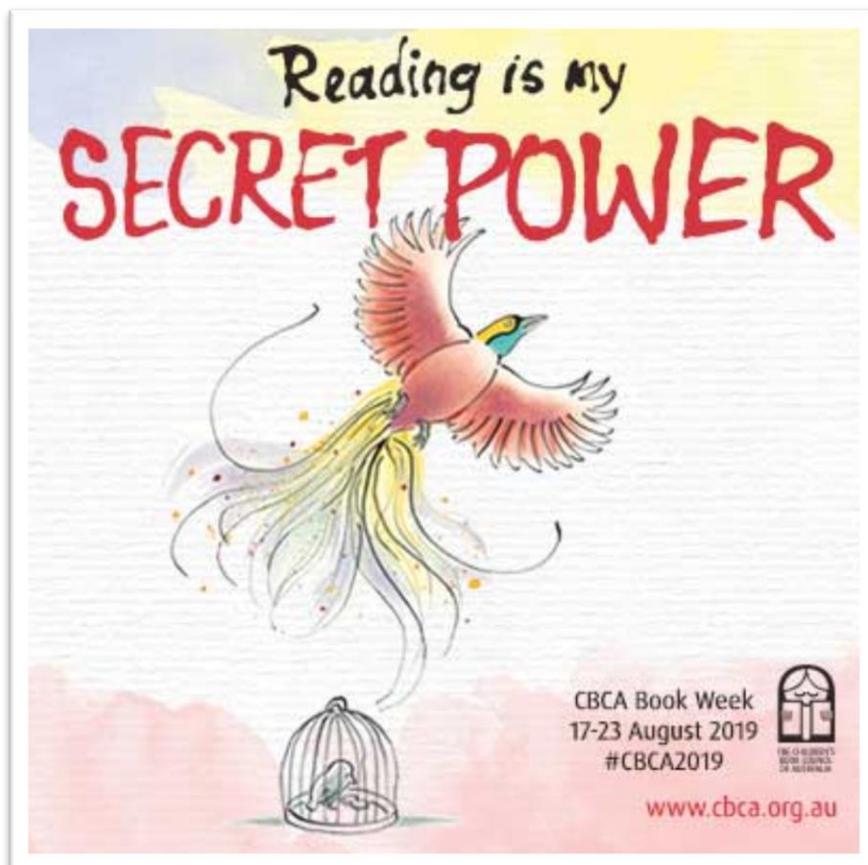
Our **Green Team** is able to set up all the processes for collecting the containers at school, we just need help with taking them out to the centre. If that is something you feel you can help us with, please let us know by emailing:

Front Office admin@nthainslieps.act.edu.au

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Book week

Book Week is coming up in Week 5. Due to the Winter Walk, we will be having the Book Week Parade on Monday, 26th August 2019 (Week 6). We can't wait to see all the fabulous costumes again this year and to find out who your favourite book character is!



P & C NEWS

Get ready for NAPS Trivia Night 2019! We're heading **Back to the 80s** so you've got a couple of weeks to cultivate that mullet, dig out your over-sized tshirt and flouro leg warmers and get that Cindi Lauper playlist cranking!

There's room for up to ten people on a table, so gather up some 80s tragnics and book your table. If you're keen to come but will be flying solo or if there are just a few of you please let us know and we'll find you a spot on a table, or put together a table for you.

Details:

Date: Friday 30 August

Time: 6:30 for a 7pm start

Entry fee: \$20 per person, to be paid at the door. This includes a snack platter for your table.

Vegetarian nachos will be available for purchase.

BYO drinks, cutlery and everything else!

To book, email napsfundraising@gmail.com Please let us know the expected number of people on your table and an approximate nachos order.



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P & C Meeting



P&C Meeting - Tuesday 13th August

7pm in the Library for
7:30pm meeting start
Wrapping up at 8:30pm
Light snacks provided

Film Screening for the kids!



Topics Include:

Trivia Night

Halloween

Gardens Working Bee

Spending Initiatives

Our new website - content

RSVP napscommunity@gmail.com
by Monday, for catering

National Science Week Film Screening

August 10-18th is National Science Week!
Join us for the largest science film festival
in the southern hemisphere, presented by
@riaus.

Watch #SCINEMA in the Library on
Tuesday August 13th at 7pm.
Vote for your favourite film for a chance
to win a drone!
scinema.australiascience.tv/vote



SCINEMA

INTERNATIONAL
SCIENCE FILM
FESTIVAL 2019

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TERM 3 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)		Baked Potato with Salsa+/- cheese (GF)	\$ 3.50

Daily Lunch Special- \$3.50

Wednesday:

Pizza(V)

Thursday:

Italian chicken toasted sandwich (DF)

Friday:

Pasta beef bolognaise (DF)

Community Notices

Haig Park Experiments have engaged the Physical Activity Foundation to conduct the "Kids and Families Bike Riding Day" on Saturday, 17th August from 10am-2pm, at the new bike skills track at Turner Parklands, Haig Park.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/378888269457537/>.

The event includes lots of free, fun and engaging activities for kids and families to participate in, including free bike maintenance checks, skills and safety information sessions, plus the newly installed adventure track will be available for kids and adults to test out!



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