

The Gang Gang Gazette

Week 6, Term 2 (8th June, 2018)

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Upcoming Events

Queen's Birthday Public Holiday	Monday 11 th June
3/4 Geoscience Excursion	Tuesday 12 th June
ACT Cross Country	Wednesday 13 th June
ICAS Spelling Competition	Wednesday 13 th June
ICAS Writing Competition	Thursday 14 th June
Jnr Assembly Hosted by KSM & KMH @ 12 noon	Friday 15 th June
Sustainability Fair	Sunday 17 th June (10am – 2pm)
Duncan Smith Preschool Visits	Tuesday 19 th June & Thursday 21 st June

Notes Home

- Safety message
- Being Brave (Year 1/2 & 3/4)
- Concrete path to school

Board

Next Meeting:
Tuesday 19th June 2018,
6.00pm

P & C

Next Meeting:
Tuesday 19th June 2018,
7:30pm

Dear Families and Friends,

As you may have noticed, we have been completing some upgrades around the school in recent weeks. The new auto doors have been installed as has a new glass door in the middle of the same corridor. We are enjoying the extra light in the school and it is lovely to be able to look out and see the children playing and participating in PE on the courtyard. The new paths have been concreted out the front of the school and the next step will be working with the P & C on the garden areas around them and under the windows. You will also notice the new outdoor pinboards in the senior courtyard and the junior playground. The large one on the wall of the hall is for our P & C. They will share news and events on the pinboard, so we encourage you to have a look and see what is coming up for our community. The two smaller boards near the entrance to kindergarten will be used to share information from the school.

The Sensory Studio

Another upgrade is The Sensory Studio we have created upstairs in the senior corridor. This room is for some of our students who sometimes need a place to chill out during the day to enable them to participate and enjoy their learning and time at school to the fullest. A huge thanks to Drago, who helped us immensely by painting and carpeting the room for us. We have had new glass doors, with custom frosting, installed and have started putting in the furniture and tools needed for the room. We are very pleased to be able to create this room for our school with assistance from a grant from the ACT Education Directorate. We are now looking at how we can have a similar space in our junior area of the school.

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IB Corridor

We have also had a new sign put up at the entrance to the staffroom corridor celebrating North Ainslie as an IB school. If you go for a walk down the corridor, you will see many aspects of the IB, including the ways in which our students are sharing their learning and taking action. There are also some great student made signs about the Learner Profile Attributes and Attitudes. These signs were created by our 5/6 students and demonstrate their understanding of these important elements of the PYP, their creativity and skills as artists. Our corridors are full of other artworks created by our students under the wonderful direction of Sarah Buckley, our visual arts teacher, so it is a great time for a walk around the school.

IB Evaluation – Parent Volunteers Needed

Included with today's newsletter is a note from our PYP Coordinator, Rikkie Klootwijk, asking for parents and carers to assist us with our upcoming IB evaluation. The team from the International Baccalaureate Organisation would love to meet with parents from 3:00-3:30 on Wednesday 27th June. We would appreciate it if you could find the time to speak to them. Please read the note from Rikkie and return an RSVP if you are able to attend.

Rostrum

Last week I wrote about our Rostrum finalists from years 3-6. Apologies to Tia Al M who was the year 4 winner and was inadvertently left out of the newsletter.

Well done to Ella K, Hallie C, Hannah U, Henry K, Harriet N, Abigail de Z, Emma W, Hashem Al M, Maya T-F, Ryan L, Edie T, Astrid M, Avaneesh S, Nico C and Eloise H who were all finalists. Mitchell P was the winner in year 1 and Harvey P was the year 2 winner. Every speaker astonished us with their speeches and the confidence they demonstrated with their public speaking.

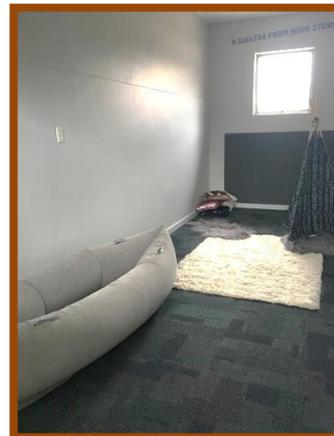
End of May – Hats Off

North Ainslie is a SunSmart School and as such follows the advice of the Cancer Council for safe exposure to the sun. Many years ago, Cancer Council ACT coined the phrase - **End Of May is Hats Off Day** to assist us all with knowing when it is safe to stop wearing a sun smart hat during our colder months. So, in keeping with the **End of May is Hats Off Day** spirit, children do not need their hat until August when they go back on again. You can read more about UV exposure and Vitamin D at <http://www.actcancer.org/prevention/sunsmart/uv-exposure-and-vitamin-d/>

Enrolling for 2019

Enrolments for 2019 are still open and will remain so all year. The first round of applications will be considered and processed after 9am on Monday 11 June and so we encourage families to enrol before then.

Tania Collis (Principal)



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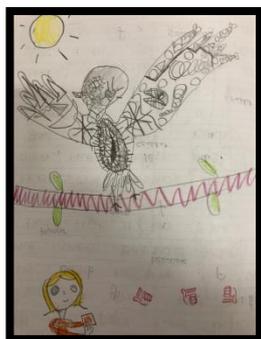
The new and improved Action Board and Acknowledgment Board

If you haven't seen it yet, the corridor outside the staff room has been updated with a new ACTION bulletin board as well as an ACKNOWLEDGMENT board! We want you to be involved in your child's PYP experience! On the action board you will find certificates, student initiated actions, letters to ministers, Prime Ministers, and many more interesting articles and photos that have been inspired by students taking action. I would like to encourage families and students to come and share action they have taken at home or in the community so that we can celebrate, acknowledge and share this with our community. When your child comes up and takes ACTION after learning something that stemmed from an inquiry unit at school, come and tell me about it! There is also a new ACKNOWLEDGMENT board celebrating all the wonderful achievements of past and present students. If you have something you would like us to acknowledge, please come and let me know so that we can all celebrate together.

Action can come in many, many forms. It doesn't just have to be about raising money. It can be inspired from units of inquiry or a project, cause or charity that is important to your family. Action can be as simple as conducting more research at home, helping out for a charity or a good cause, researching a book about a unit of inquiry or something that is of interest to you. There are so many ways we can take action in our daily lives! Let's celebrate our children when they do! I would also love to know about any family initiated activities you do so that I can share your experiences with our PYP community.

Rikkie Klootwijk

Beautiful Bird



Once upon a time there was a bird named midnight. Lots of humans came up to it and took pictures of her. But one hot day no humans came so she flew around the hot red shimmery sun but she couldn't find her way back. She flew and flew then she got knocked out and fell out of the sky. She was never seen again.

So when the humans came she wasn't there.

By Kayley M

P & C NEWS



General P&C Update.

Parents and carers are warmly invited to the next P&C meeting, from 7:30pm Tuesday 19th June in the staff room. We'll be discussing the school uniform stall, our budget/spending priorities and a debrief from the Sustainability Fair. To add items to the agenda, contact the P&C Committee via napscommunity@gmail.com

Scholastic Book Club

Issue 4 of the Scholastic Book Club has been handed out. The due date for orders is Friday the 2nd of June. The loop ordering system will close at 5 pm on this day. Happy Reading! **Karen (scholastic coordinator)**

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North Ainslie Primary School Sustainability Fair

Our exciting new event is just 9 days away!

There's an exciting program of talks and activities lined up, including:

10:30am ActSmart – home energy efficiency	12:30pm: How to make a bag from an old t-shirt
11:30am Zero Waste Revolution (household waste)	12:45pm: Rat Patrol (bike demo)
12:15pm: How to change a bike tyre	1:00pm: Act for Bees – 'Be a Bee' game

Plus

Electric bikes, plastic free products, bike and clothes repairs (bring along your problems, like flat tyres and holey socks and we'll show you how to fix them), second hand books, toys and school uniforms, hot food, cakes and coffee, activities for the children, including face painting and 'cup' gardening. Thanks to Monkey wrench in Hackett for donating equipment for our bike repair café.



Help needed

To make the day a success, we need your help! We've lots of volunteer slots still needing to be filled. Please Sign up at www.volunteersignup.org/WXFQT. We especially need helpers for the BBQ, otherwise we might have to cancel the sausages!

All money raised will go towards providing extra resources for the students, so there is plenty of reward for giving an hour or two of your time.

Donations wanted

We need donations of good quality books, toys/games, bikes and second hand school uniforms. Items can be dropped off from 8.30-9am or 3:00-4pm on Friday 15th June at the Senior Hall. Alternatively drop your pre-loved goods to the front office.

There will be a stall where children can make their own mini succulent gardens. The stall needs succulent cuttings, tea cups, mugs or any small dishes or pots. Any gravel, pebbles or small rocks that people might like to get rid of would also be gratefully accepted! You can drop off donations in a box in the PACH area of the library, or please contact Sarah at napsfundraising@gmail.com

Spread the word

The more the merrier!!! Email the attached poster to your friends or pick up some flyers from the front office and pop in your neighbours' letterbox. OK, so maybe not the most sustainable approach but sometimes the old fashioned way works best!

Car Boot Sale

To book a spot in our inaugural Car Boot Sale please contact us at napscommunity@gmail.com by **Tuesday 12 June**.



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TERM 2 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
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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:

Pasta Beef Bolognese (DF)

Smoothies \$2.00

Friday:

Veg Sushi (VG),
 Chicken Sushi (GF)
 Tuna Sushi (GF)
 Smoothies \$2.00

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!!

On Wednesday 27th June the International Baccalaureate Organisation will be sending out two evaluators to North Ainslie to evaluate the implementation of the Primary Years Program. The evaluators would love to meet with parents from 3:00-3:30 on Wednesday 27th June. If you are happy to be part of this process, I will happily supervise your children and organise a game outside on the junior playground so you can meet with the team.

The purpose of the meeting with parents is to gauge parents' satisfaction with the school and the Primary Years Programme. Some possible questions they may ask you include:

- Are you aware of the PYP?
- How are you informed about what is going on at school?
- What would you like the school to "offer you"?
- What do you know about what students are learning?
- What do your children talk about at home?
- What student action have you seen as a result of student learning?
- What aspects of school do you appreciate?
- What do you see as the biggest benefit of the PYP for your children?

It does not matter if you are brand new to our school or have been a parent at North Ainslie for a while. We would love to have a wide group of parents in attendance if possible.

If you are interested in attending on Wednesday 27th June from 3:00-3:30, please contact Rikkie Klootwijk on 6142 0760, email her at Rikkie.klootwijk@ed.act.edu.au or return the slip below.

**Parent Meeting with Evaluation Team**

I am able to attend the parent meeting on Wednesday 27th June from 3:00-3:30. I would like my child/ren –

to be supervised by Rikkie Klootwijk while I attend the meeting.

Parent Name: _____

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