***The Gang Gang Gazette***

*Week 3, Term 1 (22nd February, 2019)*

**Principal: Tania Collis Deputy Principals: Rikkie Klootwijk and Deborah Lowrey (Acting)**

**School Leaders: Marni Payne, Kate Stear** **Alex Patterson, and Kate Bush**

**P & C President: Trudy Green**  [napscommunity@gmail.com](mailto:napscommunity@gmail.com)

**Board Parent Representatives: Amanda Galbraith, Tara Pearce** **and Sue Webeck**

**Board Email**:  [napsboardreps@gmail.com](mailto:napsboardreps@gmail.com)

## Upcoming Events

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 2019 | |
| Kindergarten PIPS | Monday 18th February to 1st March |
| NAPS Preschool P & C Meeting | Wednesday 27th February @ 6:30 pm |
| Billy Tea Bush Band Dance, Community  Welcome and P & C Barbecue | Thursday 28th February 6:30pm – 8pm |
| Junior Assembly Hosted by 1/2CTS (MR, SH & NS) | Friday 1st March @12pm |
| Year 5/6 Oz Tag | Tuesday 5th March |
| Naps Preschool Social Picnic | Wednesday 6th March (3.30pm - 5pm) |
| Senior Assembly hosted by 3/4TW & 3/4CW | Friday 8th March @12pm |

|  |
| --- |
| **Notes Home**   * Swimming Carnival (yrs 1-6) * Kindergarten Health Check Flyer (kindergarten) * Head lice notification (kindergarten & Year 3/4) * P&C Class representative note * Billy Tea Bush Band Invitation (email) |
|  |
| **Board**  Next Meeting:  Tuesday 26th Feb 2019, 6.00pm  **P & C**  Next Meeting:  Tuesday 26th Feb 2019, 7:30pm |

**Dear Families and Friends,**

It’s been a busy but fabulous week at school with our teachers and families getting together for ‘Getting to know you’ interviews. Thank you to everyone involved for making such a success of the week. If you have not yet scheduled an interview with your child’s teacher, please contact the Front Office to organise a time.

My week has also been busy with new learning. On Tuesday, I joined principals from across all ACT public schools and we looked at ways in which we can further improve our schools through our staff collaborating and working in professional learning communities. Here at North Ainslie, collaboration is a key component of our community for the learners, staff and families. It was great to be able to share our successes in this area and to hear from other schools about ways they collaborate which we may be able to use in our school.

On Wednesday, I was joined by our two Primary Years Programme (PYP) Coordinators, Rikkie Klootwijk and Kate Bush with our colleagues in the ACT PYP Network to discuss the changes to The Enhanced PYP which was released late last year. We started the year looking at the changes and discussing what they mean for our community at NAPS. This year is a transitional year where we get to trial and discuss the changes before full implementation. Over the year, we will share PYP news with you, so you are able to discuss your child’s learning with them at home.

**Bush Dance Invitation – Thursday, 28 February**

I hope you have all received the email about the Bush Dance and have read about it in previous newsletters. We are very excited to be working with our P and C to host this fabulous community welcome event, our first formal get-together as a community for the year. Next Thursday we will be welcoming the Billy Tea Bush Band to our school for the first time. They will spend the day with our students who will be learning some great songs and dances, ready for the main event in the evening.

The night begins with the P&C holding their first fundraising event of the year with a barbecue. Then, from 6.30-8.00pm the whole family can join us in the hall for our bush dance with the Billy Tea Bush Band. We hope you are able to come along and grab some dinner from the barbecue or bring your own picnic and join us in the courtyard and get to know your school community before joining in with the dances. Please remember the picnic is an alcohol-free event. Entry to the bush dance is a gold coin donation per person.

We look forward to seeing you all there!

**SEL Summit**

Today we held our first Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) Summit at school. The summit was hosted by the ten finalists in our year 6 Student Leader election for 2019. The finalists were, Amelie B, Olive C, Hamish D, Jade H, Jebediah J, Abby M, Zac O, Alex T, Gus W and Georgia W. I would like to congratulate these students on making the finals of the election and thank them for their amazing effort in hosting the summit today. I have already had lots of wonderful feedback on how well they hosted the event and were able to engage our school in learning about how, together, we can continue to make our school warm and welcoming. A highlight was the whole school dancing in the hall! Well done team!

At the summit today, the students talked about the attributes and attitudes of the IB PYP Programme. They focused on the IB PYP attributes (risk-taker and caring) as well as the attitude of commitment. They performed a play to help students understand what caring looks like and asked students to think about how they could be more caring. Our year 6 band demonstrated commitment by playing a song they have spent many hours perfecting and then showed how to be risk-takers when they also performed a brand new one. Our year 6 hosts also chose two videos to share with a song about not giving up and their final message for the day, to celebrate being special and unique.

If you would like to see these videos and share them again with your family, the links are here.

Don’t give up

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pWp6kkz-pnQ>

What I am

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cyVzjoj96vs>

Have a great weekend.

Tania Collis **(Principal)**

**P &C NEWS**

## P & C Meeting

Please join me for the first P&C meeting of the year on Tuesday 26 February, from 7:30 in the staff room. We will be discussing the Sustainability Fair and priorities for 2019. If you have anything to add to the agenda, please get in touch via [napscommunity@gmail.com](mailto:napscommunity@gmail.com).

Also, save the date for our AGM, Tuesday 26 March. A number of our committee members are at the end of their maximum two-year terms. We will need some new faces to help keep up the good work.

**Trudy Green** (P&C President)

## Volunteers Needed

The P&C is hosting a BBQ at the Billy Tea Bush Dance on Thursday 28 February.

An hour of your time will be much appreciated. To sign-up please click on the following web link (or copy it into your web browser if clicking doesn't work) to go to the signup sheet: [volunteersignup.org/YY7XB](https://volunteersignup.org/YY7XB)

To sign up, just follow the instructions on the page. It only takes a few seconds to do.

Thank you for volunteering!  
**Trudy Green** [napscommunity@gmail.com](mailto:napscommunity@gmail.com)

**Healthy Eating Hub LogoTERM 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: Thursday: Friday:**

*Pizza(V) Italian chicken toasted sandwich (DF) Veg Sushi (VG),*

*Tuna Sushi (GF)*

**After School activities**

**Orienteering ACT**

Orienteering ACT is holding their Autumn inter-school competition and entries are open for teams of two girls and two boys. Visit <http://act.orienteering.asn.au/juniors/blue-sparks/sc-ore/> to find out more and enter your team.

## Canberra Youth Theatre

Audition for Canberra youth Theatre