

# The Gang Gang Gazette

Week 8, Term 4 (6<sup>th</sup> December 2019)

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## Upcoming Events

Swimming Lessons (Kindergarten)	Week 9
3-4 Camp day trip (3/4AC, LOF, LF & TW)	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December
Year 6 Graduation Assembly	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December @ 11:30am
Year 6 Graduation Dinner	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December @ 6.00pm
Year 5/6 Disco	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December @ 7:00pm
IEC Class Graduation	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December @ 2.00pm
End of year concert rehearsal and tech run	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December
End of year concert performances	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December & Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December

### Notes Home

- Year 5 Disco permission note
- Year 6 Dinner and disco permission note
- 2020 Stationery pack list
- Kindergarten swimming protocol note
- Yearbook note (Year 6)
- 3/4 Camp day trip note (3/4AC, LF, LOF & TW)

### Board

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

### P & C

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

### Dear Families and Friends,

We are heading into the last two weeks of school and have some important events coming up to share with you. Next week our year 6 students will have their Graduation Assembly where they will celebrate the end of their time at primary school and look forward to the new adventure of high school. This is always a special time of the year as students, teachers and families reflect on the previous 8 years of life and schooling and how much each and every child has grown and changed over that time.

In week 10 we have our End of Year Concert and the rehearsals are in full swing. It promises to be lots of fun and a fabulous way to end the year. An email went home earlier this week with details of ticketing through Eventbrite. Seats are filling up fast so please make sure you have secured your families two tickets by the end of the week before we release spare tickets next week.

Next week will see the Graduation Assembly for our IEC students who have completed their time in our Introductory English Centre. Some will join us next year at NAPS, whilst others will be heading off to their local school. It is always amazing to see these students celebrating their journey with us and I look forward to another fun-packed event.

Over the last few weeks we have had some wonderful Indigenous leaders join us at the school to share their expertise and culture.

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Our year 1/2 students were very fortunate to have a visit from Larry Brandy, an internationally renowned storyteller to help launch their final unit of inquiry for 2019. He shared many stories with our students as well as some very interesting artefacts that inspired a lot of questions. The 1/2 students were able to dress up as bush animals and create some performances of their own. Larry Brandy is a Wiradjuri man from Condoblin who has been awarded an ACT Children's Week Award and a Churchill medal, which was presented to him by the Governor General. Larry has produced two books for children. In 2008, Larry was the NAIDOC Aboriginal Person of the Year.



This week our year 5/6 students had a wonderful time learning about Indigenous music and dance with Duncan Smith. He painted the faces of our students before engaging them in the cultural learning experiences. They learnt some complex dance moves and he played the didgeridoo and talked a lot about its significance. Did you know the Aboriginal word for didgeridoo is Yidaki? Duncan finished up with a question and answer session. After a question from the students, Duncan talked about the careful use of fire to care for country which made areas for animals to graze and which was done when the conditions were right and safe. The feedback from all students was outstanding and they were inspired by the sharing from Duncan and his family.

Yesterday we hosted our 2020 preschool and kindergarten families with an afternoon Information Session and a chance to visit classrooms. I love getting a chance to meet new families and to see our future students excited to be entering preschool or making the step up to 'big school'. Thanks again to the staff who worked so hard to make this event so welcoming and successful.

### Volunteers Morning Tea

Next Wednesday is one of the most important events of the year. It is the Volunteers Morning Tea and our chance to thank you for the support you provide to our school. We will be hosting the morning tea in the staff room at 11.00am and included in this newsletter is an RSVP to assist us with catering. We hope you can join us.

### Stationery Packs

Please note that stationery pack orders are now open with notes going home this week. A reminder of how to order is included in the newsletter below. If you have any questions, please contact the front office.

### Staffing News

I am delighted to announce that Deb Lowrey has won the role of Deputy Principal at Charnwood Dunlop School and will be joining them in 2020. I would like to congratulate her on this wonderful achievement. In her 7 years here, she has played a significant part in all aspects of our school, working in many teams and leading the preschools to outstanding results under the NQS. She has learnt new skills this year as the junior DECO and has led the introduction of PBL to NAPS. Deb is excited for this chapter in her career and is ready for the challenge of the new role and school.

Many of you will have met Haeley Simms who joined us as a School Leader C earlier this term with Kate Bush and Alex Patterson both continuing as acting School Leader Cs. For the last half of the term we have been joined by Jarryd Heywood, who is also an acting School Leader C.

Have a great weekend.

*Tania Collis*

Principal

## 2020 Stationery Orders

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Please order at [www.cos.net.au](http://www.cos.net.au)

COS will be supplying your 2020 stationery packs. COS is a 100% Australian Family Owned & Operated school supplier. We've been working with COS to make sure your child has an easy start to the new school year. We've selected the list of items your child needs to start the year and worked with COS so you can order everything you need in one go and it will be delivered to the school before school starts.

To ensure delivery prior to Term 1, 2020, please place your order by 10<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

### 2020 Requirements for Online Ordering

Listed below are the easy steps for placing your online order available from 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019.

#### Ready to order?

For a fast, simple and secure way to place your order visit [www.cos.net.au](http://www.cos.net.au) and follow these steps:

1. Click on School Packs in menu
2. Enter User Name: [northainslieprimary@cos.net.au](mailto:northainslieprimary@cos.net.au) & Password: **Parents-20**
3. Select your Grade
4. Add your Pack to the Cart
5. Enter your Childs Details
6. Enter in your credit card details and submit

#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR ORDER**

##### **Delivery Guarantee –**

- All orders placed before 19<sup>th</sup> December 2019 includes free delivery to the school.
- Orders placed after 19<sup>th</sup> December will incur a \$9.95 delivery fee.
- Orders placed prior to 10<sup>th</sup> January 2020 will be delivered to the school prior to Term 1, 2020 commencing.
- Orders after this date cannot be guaranteed to arrive on time, and will instead be delivered to the school a few weeks into the school term.

**Thank You Morning Tea**

We have wonderful volunteers helping us every day at North Ainslie Primary School. The school would love to say a big thank you and show our appreciation for your time and commitment by hosting a morning tea on

**Wednesday 11th December in the Staffroom at 11am.**

If you can come please fill in the slip below and return it to one of the silver boxes in the corridors around the school or to the front office.

Please come and join us and meet other volunteers as well!

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I am able to attend the morning tea on December 11<sup>th</sup> in the Staffroom.

## PACH



This week in Personal and Community Health (PACH), students made a tasty salad using lettuce grown in our Hehub garden. The Healthy Eating Hub (Hehub) provides so many culinary and gardening experiences throughout the year. It's a fantastic resource, and we very much appreciate all the volunteer help and generous donations. If you can **offer any assistance** over the Summer holiday period, even one hour, to water our garden and for general maintenance, **please email Kylie or Amy, we would love to hear from you!**

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- [amy.pepper@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:amy.pepper@ed.act.edu.au)

### Balsamic Salad Dressing or Vinaigrette

- 3 teaspoons olive oil
- 1 teaspoon aged balsamic vinegar
- 1 teaspoon honey or maple syrup
- 1/2 teaspoons Dijon mustard (optional)

In a small bowl, whisk together the balsamic vinegar, Dijon mustard, maple syrup or honey. Then gradually whisk in the olive oil 1 tablespoon at a time until fully emulsified and creamy.



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**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, 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:**

*Chicken Burger (DF)*

**Friday:**

*Sushi Tuna or Veg (GF, DF)*

**P & C NEWS****Tis the season for mangos and cherries!**

Mango and cherry orders will be available for collection this Monday, 9 December from 3-4pm. Please collect from the loading zone at the rear of the canteen (Sherbrooke St).

If you cannot collect them at this time, please arrange for a friend to collect or contact Trudy for mangos (0427539525) or Lucy for cherries (0429839706), for both, contact one of us and we will work it out! Please also let us know if you will pick up later from Afters.

NB: There is a risk that the construction will effect the delivery location. If we aren't there we are most likely in the senior quad or senior oval. **Trudy and Lucy**

**Reminder for Year 6 Families**

The year 6 end of year social celebration will be held at **Snapper on the Lake** (ground level and lake side of the Southern Cross Yacht Club, Mariner Place, Yarralumla) on **Sunday 15th December 2019 from 5pm**. Families and siblings are welcome. Please bring your picnic rugs, balls and games.

Food can be purchased at 'Snapper on the Lake' or BYO picnic dinner. The event is arranged by parents and is cancelled if it is raining. Attendance is voluntary but we hope to see you there!

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## UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

<https://www.naspc.com.au>

### ORDER ONLINE HAVE YOUR UNIFORM PACKED AND SENT HOME!

The uniform shop is now some new exciting items.

#### Sport dress

This dress is made from a cotton / polyester blend with side pocket.  
Currently available in sizes 8 to 14 and will be available for online pre order next week in junior sizes.

#### Sports / Excursion / Swimming pack

Great for all the excursions!  
Available in store now and online next week.

#### Straight leg pants

Our pants now come in the straight leg version and no longer have the elasticated cuff.

#### Online store discount

From next week there will be an online discount for orders placed before the end of term!

#### Welcome pack bundle

From next week there will be a selection of combined items to make up a new starter pack saving you more time!

#### Regular shop hours

The Uniform Shop is operated by volunteers and is open Tuesdays and Thursdays, at 8:45-9:15am and 2:45-3:15pm.

We are located near the Kindergarten and 1/2 classrooms.

#### 2020 week 1 hours

The uniform shop opens additional days during the first week of the 2020 term.

Friday 31 January 11am-12pm

Monday 3 February 8.30-9.30am and 2.45-3.15pm

Tuesday 4 February 8.30-9.30am and 2.45-3.15pm



### VOLUNTEERS 2020 NEEDED

The uniform shop is seeking new volunteers for 2020! If you would like to help your school by volunteering in the uniform shop, you are very welcome! The first few weeks are also very busy in the uniform shop and additional volunteers are needed for this busy period.

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Upcoming Events

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