

The Gang Gang Gazette

Week 6, Term 4 (20th November 2020)

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Upcoming Events

Kindergarten National Zoo and Aquarium	Monday 23 rd November
Year 3/4 Indigenous Cluster	Friday 27 th November
Hackett Preschool Mt Majura Excursion	
Group 1:	Tuesday 24 th November and Tuesday 1 st December
Group 2:	Friday 27 th November and Friday 4 th November
New student Information Session	Friday 27 th November
Year 5/6 Adam Shipp Cultural Workshop	Monday 30 th November

Notes Home

- Year 6 Yearbook (note)
- P & C Cherry Fundraiser (email)
- Crazy Camel Fundraiser Reminder (email)
- Chicken Pox (email)

Board

Next Meeting:
Tuesday, 1st December, 6.00pm

P & C

Next Meeting:
Tuesday, 1st December, 7.30pm

Dear families and friends,

It is hard to believe we are over halfway through this last term of 2020. We have had another great week which started with a warm and busy Sunday here with the P & C for their working bee. There was such a wonderful turnout for the working bee with a 'hive' of activity across a range of areas in the school. Many of our volunteers worked in the HEHub, moving the existing greenhouse and installing a new one, propagating plants for our oval project and working in the existing gardens. Others worked out the front of the school, chipping areas, tidying them up and giving everything a good water. We also had a group working in the senior courtyard to redo and extend some of the very popular handball courts.

The P & C also had the pizza oven going and we were able to enjoy a lovely woodfired pizza and icy pole to finish up the morning at the school. Thank you to everyone who turned up to help us at the working bee. Your help is invaluable and has made a real difference to our school. Not only are the gardens looking better but we have new infrastructure to help us continue to improve our outdoor spaces. I can also attest to the popularity of the revamped handball courts on Monday!

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Indigenous Workshops

This week we finished the gardens under our Indigenous Mural with Adam Shipp by planting the final raised bed with our Indigenous Students while they talked with Adam about the significance of native plants. We continued with our Indigenous Workshops across the school with our year 3/4 students learning about weaving with Aunty Jenny Dries.



We are almost ready to put our newly painted feet and circles up in the main corridor after our students painted them with Aboriginal artist, Jakki Kennedy. Here are some wonderful photos of her working last week at NAPS.



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Online eSafety Resources for Families of Young People

The Office of the eSafety Commissioner provides advice and support to all Australians in understanding how to be safe in the online world. To support your young person to navigate their digital world and avoid harmful online experiences, the following information can assist you in having the hard-to-have conversations about online safety and setting boundaries.

Your support and guidance can give your young person the confidence to make sound decisions online – and know where to go for help when they need support or advice.

Be engaged, open and supportive

- Get involved. Share online time with your young person as a part of family life. Talk about favourite apps, games, and websites.
- Keep lines of communication open. Ask about their online experiences, who they are talking to and whether they are having any issues.
- Reassure your young person they can always come to you, no matter what. Let them know you will not cut off internet access if they report feeling uncomfortable or unsafe when online – this is a real concern that may stop your child from communicating with you openly.
- Get to know the devices you and your young person use and set them up for privacy and online safety.
- Use parental controls as appropriate to set boundaries.
- If you feel your young person needs support, please maintain contact with your school so you can work together to support them. Seek professional help if your young person is distressed or shows marked changes in behaviour or mood, remembering that organisations such as Kids' Helpline and Beyond Blue can help.
- If you feel your young person is in immediate danger or at risk of harm, call Triple Zero (000) and stay with them until they are safe. You can find additional information and resources at the Office of the eSafety Commissioner to support you and your young person.

Letter from the Queen

The Primary Years Programme encourages all of our students to look outward to the rest of the world and to take action and inquire. Recently we have had a number of students writing to politicians and we are all pleased and excited when they answer. A few weeks ago, Cecilia M from kindergarten wrote to Queen Elizabeth II to ask her about the royal dogs and received a letter back from Her Majesty's Lady in Waiting. Cecilia was very excited to learn more about the Queen's corgis and how they are all descendants of one dog, Susan, gifted to the Queen on her 18th birthday. We also learnt about the Corgis bred by the Queen which are a cross breed of a dachshund and a corgi. Well done on writing to the Queen to find out more about something that interests you Cece.



Semester 2 Reports – Kindergarten to Year 6

We are currently in the process of writing our Semester 2 reports for all students from preschool to year 6. For students in kindergarten to year 6 the reports are sent home via an email from our our Sentral Administration System (SAS). Please note that for this process they will be sent to the email address on which you receive the email about student absences. This may not be the email address we use to send you the newsletter. If you have any questions about this, please contact the front office.

Reports for kindergarten to year 6 will be sent home on Tuesday, 8 December which is in week 9 of this term. Families who receive more than one report, will receive the second via an email directly from the school not from SAS. Preschool reports are sent home by the school on one of the days your child attends preschool in that same week of school.

Last Day of Borrowing for 2020

As the end of term is fast approaching it is time for the library to stop loaning books. The last day of borrowing will be Friday 27th November, 2020. All books will need to be returned by Friday 4 December, 2020. This will give us time to chase up missing books and do a stocktake before the end of the year.

Wellbeing at NAPS

Today your child will be receiving a note about Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) and how we are implementing this model at NAPS next year. The work on designing our model of PBL began in 2019 with staff, students and the School Board and is now ready for launch. This work in PBL is part of what we continue to do to enhance our culture of wellbeing here at North Ainslie. PBL is a whole school, research-based approach to embedding the values and attitudes of our ways of being at NAPS. You may remember that we also launched a new acronym at the beginning of the year to help us remember the attributes - "At NAPS We R.O.C.K." The learner profile attributes have been collated into this acronym to support students to see their connections to each other and will be used as our overarching guide for PBL. The PBL philosophy for NAPS brings these two elements together and you will be hearing lots more about it next year. We hope to have you all play a huge part in sharing this with your children.

North Ainslie Primary School aims to encourage and promote a positive school culture that enhances learning by maintaining a safe, respectful and supportive learning environment through consistent practice. We believe the development and demonstration of the learner profile attributes are foundational to students becoming internationally minded, active and caring community members who respect themselves, others and the world around them.

As part of our PBL focus, at North Ainslie we are:

- **Reflective Thinkers**
- **Open-minded and Balanced Risk Takers**
- **Caring and Principled Communicators**
- **Knowledgeable Inquirers**

Now for the exciting part for this year! We need you to help us design a mascot to represent "At NAPS We R.O.C.K.". This could include something that represents all the learner profile attributes, our school, the local community or the local environment. Once we have all the design options, we will select from a few of these from across all the year groups to design the overall final mascot. This will be a professionally designed mascot based on the designs submitted. Designs are due back at school by **MONDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2020**. A template for sending in the design is included with today's note. We look forward to seeing all the amazing ideas and designs.

TOMS and Maths Olympiad

During the year we have had a number of our senior students participating in the Tournament of Minds (TOMS) and Maths Olympiad Competitions. Thank you to Amanda Collins for running TOMS and Jayde Condon for running Maths Olympiad. TOMS is a problem-solving competition where students show their thinking, collaboration and teamwork through a small play. This year it was completed online as a film. Congratulations to: Lola K, Eloise K, Dakota R, Arlen W, Melda A, Malaika S, Astrid M, Evie N, Megan F, Katriona B, Amelia E, Annie N, Josie T, Piper W, Lex F, Ryan L, Arijana MS, Oliva T, Ciara G, Brae J, Taali DJ, Rebekah C, Kiera G, Maia L, Edie T, Elsa L, and Naomi K. Maths Olympiad is a high-level maths competition also for those who love problem solving and testing their knowledge and skills. Congratulations to: Grace N, Isla O-D, Amy I, Marcus F, Isla F, Oscar W, Caleb Q, Naomi K, Katriona B, Louis W, Radha T-F, Jemith F, Sophia N, Abigail K, Jasper E-C and Asher C.

This year we had some medal winners in the Maths Olympiad Competition. Congratulations to:

- Equal third place - Zach Henderson and Maia Luttikhuizen
- Equal second place - George Breusch and Narayan Dwan-Holland
- First place - Tyler Gaskill

Information Sessions

Today we had our second set of Information Sessions with presentations for students starting in preschool with us next year. Once again we had a fantastic turnout of families at our sessions and they were treated to a virtual tour of both preschools as part of the information session. We look forward to meeting our new families from year 1 to 6 next Friday.

Have a great weekend. *Tania Collis* (Principal)

P&C News

NAPS Working Bee



Thank you to everyone for a very productive working bee last Sunday. Our P&C are absolute superstars. The coffee and pizzas were incredible. We would love to continue to build our native plant collection with regular propagation sessions. Watch this space for upcoming opportunities, everyone is welcome.



A snapshot of our achievements:

- Relocated the existing greenhouse.
- Constructed a new greenhouse- which is now irrigated! Thank you, Anthony Buykx.
- Started native tree propagation for the oval project.
- Added lines to handball courts in the quad.
- Mulched gardens.



Preschool P&C CHERRY FUNDRAISER How Delicious!



P&C fundraising has been tough this year, but we've a tasty and COVID safe fundraiser to round out the year. Buy a box or two trays and help the P&C raise money to support the school.

Place your order via the online shop on the P&C website: www.napspc.com.au
CHERRIES

The Ainslie preschool is running the cherry fundraiser. Cherries are sourced directly from a small independent cherry grower in Young.

**Cherries are \$27 per 2kg box - Go halves with a neighbour or munch the entire lot!
Orders close at 5pm Friday 4 December.**

Delivery is expected in week 9 (week starting 7 December). We are trying to coordinate with the Mango delivery 😊
Given the two suppliers, we cannot guarantee delivery on the same day, but we are working hard to make it happen! Unfortunately, we won't find out the exact date until a few days before. We'll let you know delivery details as soon as they are known, via email and FaceBook.

If you have any questions, please email north.ainslie.preschool@gmail.com

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Crazy Camel Fundraiser

A friendly reminder that this year's Crazy Camel Art Fundraiser is available for online ordering. All students have had the opportunity to produce a piece of special art which can be made into a selection of different products. You can choose from high quality notebooks, calendars, pillowcases, tote bags and other items with your child's artwork on the front, with a significant portion of each sale going to the NAPS P&C. They are a great source of Christmas and birthday presents for family and friends. The closing date for orders is this coming Monday 23 November. Please see below for more information.



Due to COVID, this year this fundraiser has to work a little differently. In a recent email you will find a unique URL link to your child's class artworks. Each artwork has a unique identifying number underneath. This number is the code you will use to purchase any products with your child's artwork on. Artworks do not have full names on them to support privacy.

Some children have written their first names on their artworks. Please do not forward this link to others so we can maintain and support privacy.

To order:

1. Got to the URL for your child's class. – This URL is in an email already sent to parents and carers – Subject: 'Crazy Camel Art Fundraiser information and Ordering'
2. Find your child's artwork and note the number underneath. This is best done with your child present (hopefully they remember what they created!), but some artworks have the child name/initials on the front.
3. Once you have noted the number for your child, click the link to begin ordering at the top of the page ("To begin ordering please click here").
4. Select the product(s) and quantities you want to order, enter your child's number and class and complete the order.

The closing date for orders is Monday 23 November. Please see answers to frequently asked questions below.

Q&A

I forgot something / can I place another order for the same child? - Yes, you can make additional orders until orders close on Monday 23 November.

I'm not sure about quality, can I see it first? - Feedback from parents in previous years is that the quality is excellent but if you would like to see for yourself, we will have sample products at the front office and a stand outside the school at pickup/drop off on Monday 16 November (weather permitting) for you to view samples.

When will I receive the products I ordered? - We expect the products to be sent home the week beginning Monday 7 December.

How will I receive my products? - All products will be sent home with the child who produced the artwork.

We are a multi-household family, can we receive our orders separately? - Generally, all products will be sent home with your child on the day the orders arrive. If you need special arrangements, please reach out to napsfundraising@gmail.com <<mailto:napsfundraising@gmail.com>> before ordering and we will try to accommodate your request.

Help! I can't find my child's artwork - Child numbers approximately correspond with each child's roll number, but not every child submitted artwork. Email napsfundraising@gmail.com <<mailto:napsfundraising@gmail.com>> and we can help you find it.

Wow there is some great art here – can I order the artwork of a child that is not mine? - Yes and no. The ordering system allows you to order for any child but the order will be sent home with the child who produced the artwork. In other words, if you order for a child that is not yours, you will not receive the products.

I have another question - Email Fiona at napsfundraising@gmail.com <<mailto:napsfundraising@gmail.com>> and she'll do her best to help you out 😊

TERM 4 HEHUB CANTEEN MENU (Open Wednesday and Friday)



Healthy Eating Canteen Menu: Term 4

We are open for recess and lunch on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays

ALL WEEK RECESS	
NOTE: not for lunch orders, counter orders only	
Yoghurt	\$2.50
Frozen Peas 'n' Corn cup	\$1.00
Fruit of the day	\$1.00
Frozen fruit cup	\$1.00
Cheesy corn fritters	\$1.00
Pikelets, popcorn	\$0.50
Toasties	\$1.00
Muffins	\$0.50
ALL WEEK LUNCH	
Vegie sticks – from the counter	Free
Fruit of the day	\$1.00
Sausage Roll (homemade)	\$4.00
Sandwiches (Ham, chicken, tuna or cheese)	\$4.00
-Add salad (lettuce, tomato, carrot and cucumber)	\$0.50
-Make it a wrap	\$0.50
-Toast it	\$0.50
Vegemite sandwich	\$3.00
Honey sandwich	\$3.00
Salad bowl with either chicken or tuna	\$4.00
Yoghurt	\$2.00
DRINKS	
Milk bottle (200ml)	\$2.50
Soy milk	\$2.50
Smoothie (collect from canteen)	\$3.00
Juice Box	\$2.50
LUNCH PACKS	
Toasted chicken/cheese + milk + fruit	\$7.00
Toasted tuna/cheese + milk + fruit	\$7.00
Toasted chicken/cheese + juice + yoghurt	\$7.00
Toasted tuna/cheese + juice + yoghurt	\$7.00

DAILY LUNCH SPECIALS – ALL \$4.00 EACH				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Closed	Closed			Quiche Veg & ham

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How do I make a lunch order?

Lunch orders are available to all children and are for lunch, lunch pack and drink items only. **They need to be received by the canteen by 9.30am.**

Cash orders: Should be written on a brown paper bag with your name and class, what you'd like to order and the correct money. Lunch or drinks items only please.

Online orders: [Flexischools App](#) or www.flexischools.com.au. Online orders close 9.30am on the same day as you are ordering for.

If you have a problem with your order, please call/text the manager, not the school front office.

Canteen manager: Karen 0406 937 139

naps.canteen@gmail.com

After School activities



With over 90 items to bid on, the [Conservation Council ACT Region's Christmas auction](#) has something for everyone including wonderful gifts for the holiday season. Particular favourites for schools are workshops with [Jackie French](#) and [Mal Webb](#), plus there are a stash of Jackie French and other books.

We campaign to cut greenhouse emissions, protect biodiversity in our urban and natural areas, protect and enhance our waterways, reduce our waste and improve public and active transport in our city.

More than ever, the Conservation Council depends on fundraising auctions like this one. When you bid in the auction you are helping protect the environment.

For more information, see <https://conservationcouncil.org.au/christmas-auction-2020/>



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Introducing *Free Rangers, Kids Who Can!* to North Ainslie Primary.

Where: North Ainslie Primary School

When: 3-6pm Tuesdays in term 1 2021

Who: Kindergarten to year 6.

Cost: \$290 per term.

What: Free Rangers is a unique after school care program. The aim of Free Rangers is to allow kids to be invigorated by nature, get their hands dirty in the fresh air, and give them time to experiment in a relaxed and natural environment.

We explore Nature reserves,

Learn bush skills,

Grow our own produce to cook over a camp fire,

Care for animals.

Places are limited and we are now taking bookings for Term 1 2020

JANUARY 2021!



Free Rangers Summer School Holiday Program is running from Turner, Jan 11th to 22nd. 9am to 5pm. Full day (\$77) and half days (\$42).

All the usual outdoor fun, climbing trees, gardening, cooking over the campfire and some bigger projects too. Building bamboo irrigation channels and a pizza oven! Visits from furry friends. Long days of fresh air and getting our hands dirty.

Just what summer holidays should be! Time to regenerate in nature.

Contact Danielle for any questions, queries or bookings.

Ph 0405467173

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<https://freerangerskids.wordpress.com/enrolment-and-forms/>





It's happening!
The Lifeline Canberra Southside Bookfair is back!

We are registered as a COVID Safe event. For your safety, the event will be held on strict accordance with ACT Health regulations.

Due to restrictions associated with COVID there will be limited numbers allowed at Tuggeranong Southern Cross Stadium – please be patient as we know many people in the community are eagerly waiting the return of our Bookfair.



With books, games, puzzles, DVDs, CDs, sheet music and so much more, everyone can find their perfect item at the Lifeline Canberra Southside Bookfair.

We are inviting all Canberrans to visit the Southside Bookfair on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and/or Sunday (10, 11, 12, 13 December).

Come and explore the large range of:

- Textbooks
- Puzzles, console & board games
- Computer software & games
- Lego, war gaming, models and miniatures
- Magazines, pamphlets & comics
- Maps & atlases
- CDs, records & music sheets
- Talking books
- DVDs & Blu-ray
- Calendars & postcards
- Notebooks & diaries
- Bookmarks, posters & prints
- Stamps & trading cards
- Sets & encyclopedias

The Bookfair is open:

Thursday, 10 December, 9am to 4pm

Friday, 11 December, 9am to 6pm (9am – 11am seniors card upon entry)

Saturday, 12 December 9am to 4pm

Sunday, 13 December, 9am to 4pm

Our Southside Bookfair is held at Tuggeranong Southern Cross Stadium, 7 Pitman Street, Greenway ACT.

Entry is by gold coin donation. All proceeds go directly to our local 13 11 14 crisis support and suicide prevention service, changing lives for the better.

We strongly encourage you to wear a mask, please scan in using the QR code or use the sign in sheet, use the hand sanitiser provided on entry and during your time at the Bookfair. Observe good hygiene and practice social distancing while browsing, queuing and moving around.

We are **accepting all forms of payments; cash and electronic.**

We look forward to welcoming you back to our Bookfair!

For more information, visit our website www.lifelinecanberra.org.au Please note we are **UNABLE** to accept book donations at this bookfair refer to our website for details on dropping of your preloved books, CD, DVS, games etc. If you are looking for a special item you may find it on our Ebay site [click here](#) to explore.

Thank you to our wonderful supporters.



The landscape around COVID-19 is changing daily however we will be strictly keeping in line with the current ACT/NSW Government Guidelines and the Cricket ACT & NSW training protocols.



CANBERRA CRICKET CAMPS & T20S

CAMP 1

7th - 11th December
Watson Oval, Knox Street, Watson

CAMP 2

14th - 18th December
Radford Oval, 1 College St, Bruce

CAMP 3

21st - 23rd December
Watson Oval, Knox Street, Watson

TIMES: 9AM - 3PM EACH DAY
(8:30am early drop off, pick up no later than 3:30pm please).



\$450 FOR 5 DAYS
\$375 FOR 4 DAYS
\$295 FOR 3 DAYS
\$110 PER DAY

Catering for ages 7-15 we offer intensive individual and group skill development for all ages and stages across all facets of the game. With an excellent coach to player ratio and incorporating current and former first class cricketers it's the perfect environment for the kids to have heaps of fun, make new friends and take their gameto a new level.

PHILOSOPHY

We are passionate about helping each and every player achieve their goals and reach their potential through expert coaching in a fun, challenging, positive and professional environment. Through the game of cricket we ultimately aim to help our players learn, grow and develop into becoming better people.

Our camps include T20 games and high-quality coaching with specialists in batting, bowling, fielding & wicketkeeping focusing on the specific technical, tactical, psychological & physical skills required in each discipline. Players will be exposed to a variety of games and drills designed to improve confidence, self belief, concentration, team work and leadership skills all while having a ball with their friends.

SPECIAL GUEST COACHES HAVE INCLUDED:

- Steve Smith
- Pator Neville
- Daniel Christian
- Trent Copeland
- Geoff Lawson
- Pat Cummins
- Chris Tremain
- Scott Henry
- Ben Rohrer
- Kurtis Patterson
- Josh Lalor
- Jono Dean



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