

NGUNNAWAL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Ngunnawal Primary School acknowledges and respects the traditional custodians of the land we are on, the Ngunnawal people.

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DATES TO REMEMBER:

**Monday 26 Feb to
Friday 2 March 2018**
*Getting to Know
You Interviews*

Monday 26 Feb 2018
*P&C Association
Annual General Meeting
6:00pm*

Wed 28 Feb 2018
*Whole School
Assembly 9:15*

Wed 7 March 2018
*Junior School
Assembly; 9:15
(1/2ST & 1/2KMA)*

Thurs 8 March 2018
*School Swimming
Carnival*

Mon 12 March 2018
*Canberra Day
Public Holiday*

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

We have such great learners here at Ngunnawal Primary School! Last week I was so pleased to see many of our students fully engaged with their learning and very proud to celebrate our students' successes at last week's senior assembly. I was also very proud of the high level of engagement and enthusiasm displayed by our younger students when attending their Indonesian language and culture lessons with Mark B. Both



Lucas and Saha from 1/2KMA shared how they have been learning to say "I am from....." using the Indonesian language. All students in years 3-6 will access one hour of Indonesian each week during the year, whilst students

in years K-2 will access an hour lesson at least once per semester. Ask your children to teach you the words and phrases they have been learning during this time.

Our Kindergarten students are just amazing. They have settled into so well to the five day a week program and are busy learning letters and the sounds they make. In addition to this they are even beginning to learn to read and write some words. All Kindergarten students participated in the Performance Indicators in Primary (PIPs) assessment last week and this week. This assessment is conducted on a one on one basis by a teacher and provides valuable information

about what literacy and numeracy skills children in Kindergarten already have. This information supports the teachers to develop a learning program that targets the needs of the students. A report will come home later in the term for parents to view children's' results. At the end of the year the students will participate in being reassessed in PIPS and all parents will receive a report that indicates their child's progress during the year.

Last night the P&C met and at the AGM a new committee was elected. Congratulations to Andrew McConaghy, who is the new president and welcome back for another term Jackie Tagg (Vice President), Rochelle Burdge (Treasurer) and Emma Prime (Secretary). I look forward to working with you and the P&C throughout 2018. I would like to thank the outgoing President, Naomi Bradley for leading the P&C during 2017. The P&C work tirelessly to provide a five day a week canteen service and a variety of events that enrich the learning for all students at Ngunnawal Primary School.

This week we are holding our annual "Getting to Know You" interviews. If you have not already done so, please book in an appointment time to meet with your child's teacher.

Until next week, keep smiling.

Kristine

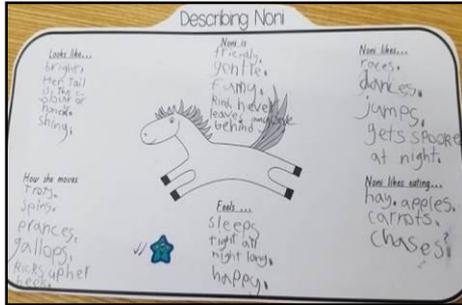
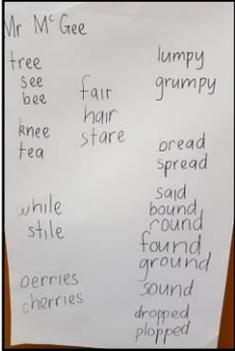
Kristine Stewart,
Principal

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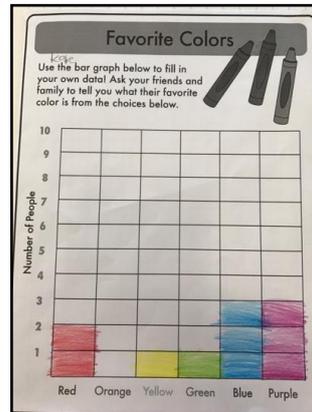
Spotlight on Learning!

Gundaroo



This term in **English** students are learning about poetry. They have explored the number of syllables in a word and looked at words that rhyme. In reading we are using the strategy of creating images. This is helping to build curious readers who want use their imagination to help them visualise what they are reading.

In **Mathematics** this week students have started number groups to explore place value. Additionally students are learning about data and graphing. Through graphing, students have found out their peers' favourite colours, animals, and more.



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100

Students participate in **gross motor** sessions every Thursday. They take part in gross motor skills through activities such as jump rope, ball skills and balancing. Activities are presented in a rotation so students can experience a range of skills.

In our **Geography Inquiry**, students have been looking at why the world is the way it is and why we should care for our environment. They have begun their learning by brainstorming man-made and natural things.

This week they will also look at the difference between natural, managed and man-made features and explore these within their school environment.



In **Friendly Schools Plus**, students have been learning to identify their feelings and emotions, as well as reading body language. They have been reading stories, role-playing, reflecting, and participating in activities and discussions to build their knowledge and confidence in this area.

Students have also looked at the concept 'Bucket Filling' and read the story 'Have you Filled a Bucket Today' by Carol McCloud. They have been exploring the different ways they can fill someone's bucket and the emotions that they feel.





NAPLAN will be online from 15-25 May 2018.



NAPLAN Online:

- is more engaging and adjusts questions to meet your child's achievement level.
- delivers more precise literacy and numeracy achievement results to schools and parents more quickly.
- supports school improvement by enabling teachers to monitor student progress over time and to identify areas of strength and development.

Our school encourages all eligible students to participate in NAPLAN. Visit www.nap.edu.au to see how the test works and for more information.

DISABLED PARKING

A reminder to parents and carers

We have members of our school community who require access to the two (2) disabled parking spaces in our school car park, particularly during set down and pick up times.

If you do not have a disabled parking permit, please do not park in the disabled spaces.

A valid disabled parking permit must be displayed at all times whilst parked in the disabled parking spaces.



P & C News

The Ngunnawal Primary School Parents and Citizens (P&C) Association plays an important part in supporting our wonderful school. We run the school canteen and a second-hand uniform shop, as well as organise events such as school discos and the Mother's Day and Father's Day stalls during the year.

To find out more about how you can get involved in the P&C, come along to a meeting (details below), send an email to ngunnawalps_pandc@outlook.com or like us on Facebook (just search for 'Ngunnawal Primary P&C Association').

2018 meetings

We meet at 6pm in the school staff room at the front office. Our meeting dates for 2018 are:

21 May	17 September
25 June	5 November
13 August	10 December

Joining the P&C is a great way to keep informed, to contribute to the quality education of your children and to make new friends. Your contribution can be as large or small as you can manage, but your ongoing support of the P&C Association is invaluable.

NOTES HOME & REMINDERS

Notes Home:

Reminders:

- **Aquasafe Lessons** – Tuesday 13 March to Monday 19 March. **Permission notes and payment due by Friday 2 March.**
- **General Medical Information and Consent Form** – due back to front office ASAP please.
- **Year 5/6 Camp Cooba** – Wednesday 4 April to Friday 6 April. **Permission note and deposit payment due by Tuesday 6 March 2018.**
- **School Swimming Carnival**, Thursday 8 March 2018. Permission slips and entry forms **due back by Tuesday, 27 February 2018.**

PLEASE NOTE: ALL EXCURSION NOTES ARE POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE AND ARE ABLE TO BE DOWNLOADED.

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PAYMENT DETAILS

Payments can be made via Quickweb at:

www.ngunnawalps.act.edu.au/payment

OR

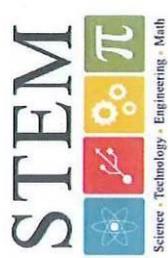
By direct deposit into the School's bank account.

Bank account details for direct deposits are:

Bank: Westpac Bank
BSB: 032777
Account No.: 001738

PLEASE ENSURE YOU INCLUDE YOUR CHILD'S NAME AND REASON FOR DEPOSIT IN THE REFERENCE SECTION.

CLUBS TERM 1

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
RECESS	<p>Tanya Yerrabi</p>  <p>www.yerrabi.com.au • 07561121</p>	<p>Lucy Wiradjuri</p> 	<p>Nancye Gundaroo</p> 	<p>Laura- Outdoor game Meet at basketball court</p>	<p>Erin- Outdoor game Behind Kosciuszko</p>
LUNCH	<p>Cecilia Yerrabi</p> 	<p>Xian Kosciuszko</p> 	<p>Drew Hall</p> 	<p>Melanie Library</p>  <p>Kristine Beyblades in the Computer lab</p> 	<p>Mark B - Karambol Yerrabi</p> 

Goodbye summer!!!!

The end of summer is fast approaching (not that it feels like it!). To celebrate, the school canteen is offering a

FREE ICY POLE

to every child who places a lunch order through our online Flexischools system during Week 4 (26 Feb - 2 March).

Ordering online is simple - just register at www.flexischools.com.au, select your child's class and choose from our menu. Payment can be made by direct deposit, credit card or Paypal 😊 Icy poles can be collected at the canteen on presentation of your lunch order bag.



Register and play with the Gungahlin Eagles Junior Rugby Union Club in 2018

The Gungahlin Eagles Junior Rugby Union Club is a community focused club that welcomes children of all ages from u7s to u18s. In 2018, we are also seeking to fill teams in the girls u14, u16 and u18 10s competitions.

To register for the 2018 season, go to:

www.rugbylink.com.au

Click on the 'Registrations' tab, select 'Find your club, and search for us. Then simply click on the green 'Register' button.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Peter Johnson, President

petercheryljohnson@bigpond.com

Christine Thomson, Registrar

c_milczuk@hotmail.com

Go the Eagles!

NOTIFICATION OF STUDENT ABSENCES

If your child is absent from school, please advise the front office staff on **6142 1500** or email

NgunnawalPS.Absences@ed.act.edu.au

by 9:15am.



STALL HOLDERS NEEDED



Do you have some bits and pieces to sell but don't want to have a garage sale?

We have a great idea for you!

Jazzy Jumper World Jump Rope team Car Boot Sale. Only \$20 per site for you to sell your trash and treasures.

When: Saturday 24 March 8am set up, ready to sell at 9am.

Where: Ngunnawal Primary School carpark

Be quick to secure your spot!

Contact us via our Facebook page [@jazzyjumperscanberra](https://www.facebook.com/jazzyjumperscanberra) or phone 0407 897 467



We would love your help collecting Coles Sports for Schools for our school. Tell your friends and family to get involved as well, because the more vouchers we collect, the more sports gear our school will receive.

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