NGUNNAWAL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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DATES TO REMEMBER:

Wed 17 October 2018
Whole School Assembly 9.10am

Mon 22 October 2018
Kindergarten excursion to Jerrabomberra Wetlands.

Tue 23 October 2018
Grandparents Day (Children's Week)

Wed 24 October 2018
Junior School Assembly 9.10am (KMA & KNI)

Mon 29 October 2018
Year 1/2 Excursion to Royal Australian Mint

Mon 29 October 2018
Yr 5 Combined Band Practice @ Ngunnawal

Mon 29 October 2018
School Board Meeting, 5:30pm

Mon 5 Nov 2018
Yr 6 Transition Day, Gold Creek School

Mon 5 Nov 2018
P&C Meeting, 6:00pm

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to term four! I cannot believe that we are in the final term of the year, it seems like just yesterday that I was welcoming everyone for the start of the new school year.

School Upgrades

I hope you have noticed the upgrades that occurred at the school over the holidays and agree with me that they look great. New seating out the front of the school will be installed in the next few weeks.

After School Pick-Up

We have implemented a routine for students who are picked up by car at the end of the school day. Students who are being picked up will be the only ones allowed to be in the area at the front of the school's administration building. Students are required to wait quietly with no ball games, scootering or chasing games allowed on the area with the crushed granite. Towards the end of last term it became evident that we needed to implement a routine that ensured the safety of those who are waiting out the front to be picked up. Situations were occurring where balls were being kicked or thrown accidently into the roadways and students were running out in front of cars to retrieve balls or avoid being tipped. To support our new safety initiative I encourage you to speak with your child about waiting quietly out the front and to keep looking out for your car to arrive.

Term Four Staffing Update

Erin Salleo will continue as the executive teacher for the year 1/2 classes, however will remain on her kindergarten class for Monday and Fridays for the remainder of this school year. In addition to this Mikko Agil has accepted a teaching position at Mawson Primary School and will leave Ngunnawal Primary on Friday 26 October (end of week two). We are currently finalising the process for a replacement teacher and will inform families once this has been completed. I wish Mikko all the best for her future endeavours.

2019 Class Planning

It is that time of the year again where we begin planning for the next school year. If your child is not returning to Ngunnawal Primary in 2019 could you please complete the form that is located in this newsletter. This information is very important to enable us to have adequate staffing levels for next year. If you have any questions or you would like to discuss aspects of the 2019 school year with executive teachers please make an appointment to do this.

Have a great week and keep smiling.

Kristine

Kristine Stewart,
Principal

NOTES HOME & REMINDERS

Notes Home:

- **Kindergarten – Excursion to Jerrabomberra Wetlands,** Monday 22 October. **Permission notes and payment due back by Wednesday 17 October**.
- **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Students – Inner North Indigenous Cluster Celebration,** Thursday 15 November**. Permission notes due back by Friday 26 October.**

Reminders:

- **Year 6 Students – Note re Year 7 Enrolment for 2019**. Please complete notes and return to school as soon as possible.
- **Year 1/2 students – Excursion to Royal Australian Mint,** Monday 29 October. **Permission notes and payment due back by Monday 22 October**.

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

Students in Kindergarten to Year 5 Classes

STUDENTS LEAVING AT THE END OF 2018

Now is the time we begin our initial planning for the 2019 school year.

If you have a child in kindergarten to year 5 who **WILL NOT BE ATTENDING** Ngunnawal Primary in 2019 could you please fill in the details below and return this form to school as soon as possible.

Name: _____ Class: _____

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♦ Will be moving overseas to *(Country)*:

_____

♦ Will be moving interstate to *(State/Territory)*:

_____

♦ Will be moving to another school in the ACT *(please indicate which school)*:

_____

Parent/Carer Signature: _____

Date: / /

Parent/Carer Name (please print):

_____

Please complete and return this form to the front office as soon as possible.

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ACT SECONDARY BURSARY SCHEME 2019

DO YOU HAVE CHILDREN IN HIGH SCHOOL?

The ACT Secondary Bursary Scheme can provide financial support for students in Years 7 – 10.

Eligibility: Applicants must hold a Pensioner Concession Card or a Health Care Card with means-tested 'payment codes'
See application form for more details

Application forms are available at all Primary Schools, High Schools, Centrelink Regional Offices and online at
http://www.det.act.gov.au/school_education/starting_school/financial_assistance_for_families

Enquiries: 6205 8262
Email: ACTSecondaryBursary@act.gov.au

Children's Week 2018

Games Through the Ages

Ngunnawal Primary School

TUESDAY OCTOBER 23RD

2PM- 3PM FOR K-6

AND DURING PRESCHOOL SESSIONS

This year the theme for Children's week is intergenerational activities.
To celebrate we have organised 'come and try' sessions across the school and preschool. Children will participate in trying a range of games and activities that their grandparents may have enjoyed.
Grandparents and grandfriends are invited to join their children during the session. We hope to see you there!

For more information contact your child's Teacher

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:

5 November 10 December

TERM 4 PROGRAM INFORMATION (8 week program)

All programs kick off the weekend of 20th October 2018

Please circle which program you would like to enrol into	Mite	Pint Size	Intro to Micro	Micro	Micro Plus
Holt – Saturday AM	8:30 – 9:05am	8:30 – 9:20am	8:30 – 9:30am	9:40– 10:55am	11:05 – 12:20pm
Gungahlin – Sunday AM	8:30 – 9:05am	8:30 – 9:20am	8:30 – 9:30am	9:40– 10:55am	9:40– 10:55am
Kambah – Sunday AM	8:30 – 9:05am	8:30 – 9:20am	8:30 – 9:30am	9:40– 10:55am	11:05 – 12:20pm
Griffith – Sunday PM	N/A	N/A	2:30 – 3:45pm	2:30 – 3:45pm	3:55 – 5:10pm
Griffith – Wednesday AM	9:30-10:05am	9:30-10:20am	N/A	N/A	N/A
Palmerston – Friday AM	9:30-10:05am	9:30-10:20am	N/A	N/A	N/A
PRICE	$135	$145	$155	$165	$165

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