PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

Term three has been a busy time for all at Ngunnawal Primary School. We have celebrated many aspects of learning that take place here on a daily basis. Learning is hard work and everyone is deserving of the well-earned break that the holidays bring. I hope that all families take time out to enjoy themselves over the next two weeks; we certainly look forward to hearing about our students’ holiday happenings.

Last week Stacey Naden and I had the absolute pleasure of being invited to KCD so they could read their joint collaboration, Jake’s Underwater Adventure to us. All students contributed to writing the story and drawing detailed illustrations to go with the text. The story was very entertaining and after the reading the students were happy to explain the purpose of the text and their favourite part.

Please take time to look through the lost property basket that is located inside the Library foyer for any items of clothing that you child has lost during the term. We will have the lost clothing on display for your perusal after assembly on Wednesday. Any remaining unclaimed items will be given to the P & C for their second hand clothing pool.

I will be taking leave for the first two weeks of term four. During this time Danielle Porter and Kate Stuckey from Gold Creek School will be acting as the principal for weeks one and two respectively. Please do not hesitate to contact Danielle or Kate during this time if you have any questions you would like clarified. On another staffing note, I would like to welcome Sarah Milligan back to Ngunnawal Primary. Sarah has been on an overseas posting with her family for nearly three years. Sarah is an executive teacher at Ngunnawal Primary and is very much looking forward to resuming this role in term four.

Have a safe and happy holiday and I look forward to seeing you all next term.

Kind Regards,

Kristine

Kristine Stewart,
Principal

STUDENT ABSENCES

If your child is absent from school, please call and advise the front office staff on 6205 8182 by 9:30am.
Science Investigation Skills are in the spotlight at Ngunnawal Primary. Asking investigable questions and designing investigations to answer these questions is a major part of Science. Working in groups and solving problems together is at the centre of science lessons.

When working in groups, there are three different roles that everyone at Ngunnawal has experienced: Manager, Speaker and Director. The Manager collects the equipment and places it in the centre of the group. The Speaker is the person from the group who can ask the teacher to clarify the task or can go to another group’s speaker for assistance. The Director is the person who keeps the group on track and reminds everyone of what is to be done.

As the students investigate, they carry out their roles and work in cooperation with other group members as a team.

Karon
ACT Primary Concert Choir 2015

The ACT Instrumental Music Program is seeking students who will be in Year 4 to Year 6 in 2015 to audition for the Primary Concert Choir (PCC). The PCC rehearses on Thursday afternoons from 4.30pm till 5.30pm during school terms at the IMP in Kaleen. The Primary Concert Choir is conducted by Katharine Finlayson. The choir is an extension and performance opportunity for students in ACT Education and Training Directorate schools and it is expected that members of the PCC will also participate in the choir or vocal ensemble at their school if this opportunity is available.

The choir is an excellent opportunity for enthusiastic and talented young singers to work together in a supportive and fun environment. The PCC is a performance ensemble and children auditioning will need to be prepared to make a strong commitment to rehearsal and performance attendance for the year. Further details and information about how to apply for an audition are available from the Instrumental Music Program website at www.imp.act.edu.au. The application form and audition timeslot booking form can also be accessed through this site or by clicking on the links below.

Information letters are available at your child’s school. If you do not have internet access please telephone the IMP on 62058265.

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044baea923a2fd0-actprimary

Applications are now open and close Monday 27 October.

NGUNNAWAL ANGELS

- meet on Wednesdays, 9:40am to 10:40am, straight after assembly (drop in when you can)
- open to all parents/carers
- chat and contact
- help your children's teachers
- stay as long as you can, whenever you can.
- children are welcome (there are toys to play with!)

Hope to see you there!

Bronwyn, Chaplain

SCIENCE @ NGUNNAWAL

Quiz Questions:
1. What is the most abundant protein in your body?
2. Do magnifying glasses use convex lenses or concave lenses?
3. Which is the largest moon of Neptune?
4. What is a diatom?
5. Which two metals are the most common in Earth’s core? Are they: a) zinc and aluminium b) cobalt and copper or c) nickel and iron?

Science Quiz Answers:
1. Collagen is the most abundant protein in your body.
2. Magnifying glasses use convex lenses.
3. Triton is the largest moon of Neptune.
4. A diatom is a type of algae that photosynthesises, meaning it gets its energy from the Sun.
5. c) nickel and iron are the most common metals in Earth’s core

Ngunnawal Primary School Canteen

End of Term Special
Friday, 26 September 2014

Burger Meal Deal

$6.00

Chicken (Halal) Burger with Salad and Mayo
OR
Cheese Burger (Beef) with Salad and Sauce

PLUS

Apple Juice OR Orange Juice OR
Apple & Blackcurrant Juice OR Water

PLUS

Fruit Stack OR Jelly

Order forms available from Canteen.

Orders can be placed at Canteen up until 9am on Friday, 26 September.

Merit Award Recipients

Junior Assembly

17 September 2014
2E and 2SL Assembly

17 September 2014
French for Kids @ Ngunnawal
(For children aged 4 – 12 years)
Give your child the opportunity to learn another language!
Start Date/Time: 13 October 2014; 3.15 pm
End Date/Time: 17 December 2014; 4.00pm.
Venue: Ngunnawal PS Library
Tuesday or Wednesday classes available
Register your interest with
Sarah Mak @0431252768 or email to sarah.mak@lcfclubs.com.au
and visit our website www.lcfclubs.com.au

BOYS AND GIRLS, ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A FUN TEAM SPORT TO PLAY THIS SUMMER?
COME AND TRY SOFTBALL!
WE CATER FOR ALL ABILITIES AND AGES FROM 4 UPWARDS
PLEASE CONTACT RAE MCKINNON
0403563810
raesteefan@hotmail.com

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Students in Kindergarten to Year 5 Classes
STUDENTS LEAVING AT THE END OF 2014
Now is the time we begin our initial planning for the 2015 school year.
If you have a child in kindergarten to year 5 who WILL NOT BE ATTENDING Ngunnawal Primary in 2015 could you please fill in the details below and return the 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/Region):
- Will be moving to another school in the ACT (please indicate which school):

Please complete and return this form to the front office as soon as possible.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE IN THIS MATTER.