

NGUNNAWAL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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DATES TO REMEMBER:

Wed 14 Nov 2018
Junior School
Assembly 9.10am
(Preschool)

Friday 16 Nov 2018
P&C Colour Run

Tuesday 20 Nov 2018
Bandstravaganza
Rehearsal at Neville
Bonner School

Wed 20 Nov 2018
Bandstravaganza
performance Llewellyn
Hall, ANU School of
Music

Wed 21 Nov 2018
Senior School
Assembly 9.10am
(5/6MS & 5/6KE)

Thurs 20 Dec 2018
Year 6 Graduation,
School Hall,
9:10am -11:00am

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

We have so very quickly arrived at the halfway point of the term.

ACT Public Education Awards

Congratulations to the following Ngunnawal Primary staff members who were nominees in the 2018 Public Education Awards.

- Mark Semmler: New Educator of the Year
- Belinda Robertson: Leadership in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education
- Belinda Kinchela-Bashford: Education Support Person of the Year

Both Belinda Robertson and Belinda Kinchela-Bashford were finalists in their categories. We are very fortunate to have such outstanding teachers at our school.



Colour Run

We are very excited about the Colour Run that is being held this Friday. Please make sure you let your child's teacher know if you do not want your child to be a part of this P & C event. Students will not be allowed to participate if they do not have a sun safe hat. We will have sunscreen available for students to apply and will remind them to do so during the event. Please come along and cheer your children on if you are able.

2019

We are well underway with planning classes and staffing for 2019. Please make sure you let us know if your child is not returning to Ngunnawal Primary School next year as this information is vital for us to make sure we have the correct staffing levels at the school. Please also complete the google form for

friendship preferences for your child's class next year. We always try to guarantee at least one of the five preferences listed will be in your child's class, sometimes this is not possible. If this is the case we will contact you to discuss other options. If you have not submitted your child's preferences by the close of business on Friday, class teachers will complete the list for your child.

Toys

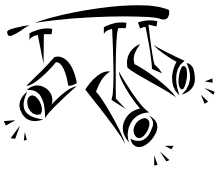
Often children like to bring toys to school, however I must remind everyone that the school cannot take any responsibility for them if they are lost, damaged or stolen. I encourage that all precious toys and valuable items be left at home. If your child needs to have a special toy that helps them relax please discuss this with your child's teacher. We understand that a range of resources, that sometimes look like toys, are used to calm and reduce anxiety in children. All students should have access to a calming spot (tent), where they can have some quiet calming time and may use a sensory toy to further calm and reduce their anxiety. These resources are extremely valuable, especially with our younger students who we work closely with as they learn to self-regulate their emotions. If you have any questions about this, please make a time to speak with your child's teacher.

Please do not hesitate to make an appointment with your child's teacher or executive staff if you have any questions or concerns you would like to discuss.

Until next week, keep smiling.

Kristine

Kristine Stewart
Principal



Spotlight on Learning!

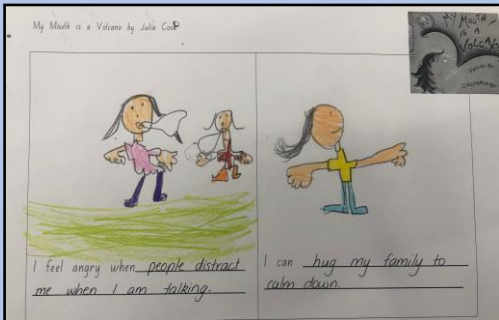
Yerrabi

This term the children have been enjoying their learning in Inquiry, as we visited Jerrabomberra Wetlands. We are extra excited for our Colour Run this Friday!

In **Mathematics** Kindergarten children have been collecting data and asking yes and no questions.

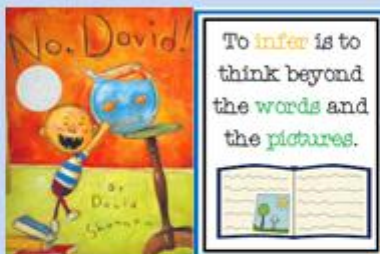


Kindergarten continues to use the **Friendly Schools Plus** alongside quality literature develop social skills and talk about feelings and emotions.



This term in **Reading** we have been looking at strategies that will help us. We have talked about Visualising, Inferring and Self-Monitoring.

Inferring - Looking at pictures



Visualising - Creating Images in our mind



Yerrabi Art Gallery



For our excursion this term we got to visit the Jerrabomberra Wetlands. This was a lot of fun as we were able to go bird watching, learn about the Eastern Long Neck Turtle as well as collect bugs that live in and around our wetlands.



NOTES HOME & REMINDERS

Notes Home:

- **Preschool Excursion to Boundless Playground** - Tuesday 20 November – Balbo, Bunduluk, Karrugang -payment and permission note due by Tuesday 13 November.
Friday 23 November – Guginya, Gula, Mundawari -payment and permission note due by Friday 16 November.
- **Preschool Bubble Run (P&C Event)** – Monday 19 November (Balbo, Diyindan, Bunduluk & Karrugang) and Thursday 22 November (Guginya, Gula, & Mundawari)

Reminders:

- **Bandstravaganza Rehearsal**, Neville Bonner School – Tuesday 20 November and evening performance on Wednesday 21 November, Llewellyn Hall ANU School of Music. **Permission notes overdue.**
- **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Students – Inner North Indigenous Cluster Celebration**, Thursday 15 November.
- **Year 6 Graduation and Fun Day Excursion**, Thursday 20 December. **RSVP and permission note due back by Tuesday 5 December.**

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

Yu Gi Oh and Pokémon Cards

Unfortunately, we have had to make the tough decision and ban Yu Gi Oh and Pokémon cards from Ngunnawal Primary School as of Wednesday 7 November 2018.

We have had numerous incidents of students bringing in money to purchase cards off other students, cards being taken out of students bags and students acting out in the library causing conflict and disruptions.

If students bring in Yu Gi Oh or Pokémon cards, staff will take them and they will be kept with the classroom teacher or executive staff and given back at the end of the day.

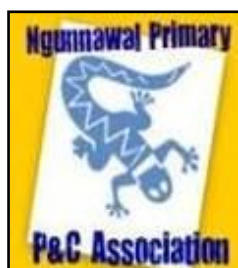
If students continue to bring in these cards, a phone call will be made to the parents who will need to pick up the cards from the front office.

We appreciate your support in this matter.



P & C News

Please note that all canteen services will be unavailable on Friday 16 November due to the Colour Run event. There will be a sausage sizzle with drinks available to all students and families.



The P&C will be hosting a Colour Run and BBQ to help raise funds for the P & C Association. The association will use the monies raised to support the five day a week canteen service.

Any remaining funds will be donated to the school to buy resources that will support student learning in Mathematics and English. Get involved by volunteering or coming along and cheering on all our students.

For more details on the event, volunteering and fundraising visit the [P&C Facebook Page](#).

2019 CLASS PREFERENCES

It is almost time for the school staff to start working on class combinations for 2019. This year, we have decided to try something a little different to streamline the process for families to indicate your preferences.

Please discuss with your child the friends they work well with and list up to 5 (including surname, if known) and note your preferences with the google form link below. This is completely confidential and only viewed and discussed by school staff. Please remember all requests are considered and staff will make thoughtful decisions informed by the needs of every child.

Preferences are due by Friday 16 November, and the form will be closed on COB that day. If you choose not to complete the form by the due date, your child's current class teacher will create preferences based on their knowledge of your child's friendships and needs.

The google form can be accessed here:
<https://goo.gl/forms/85pd0S4tAHRG019P2>

YEAR 6 GRADUATION

Please join us to celebrate the Year 6 students at their Graduation on Thursday, 20 December.

The ceremony be in the hall and will run from 9.10am - 11am.

We will conclude the morning with cake and photos in the courtyard afterwards.

Please remember to RSVP on the excursion note.

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.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE IN THIS MATTER.**



The Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia Proudly Presents:

FESTIVAL INDONESIA

Canberra 2018

SATURDAY, 17 NOVEMBER 2018
(11am-4pm)
AT THE INDONESIAN EMBASSY
(8 Darwin Avenue Yarralumla, ACT 2600)

LIVE PERFORMANCES FROM INDONESIAN ARTISTS
(West Sumatera, East Kalimantan, Lampung, and West Java)

- Food Festival
- Cultural Performances
- Cultural Exhibition
- Music Workshop
- Kids' Corner
- Art and Craft Exhibition
- Door Prize
- Photo Booth

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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.

PIANO TUTOR

John Bice currently has some places available for students who wish to learn to play the piano. For further information and details please contact John on **6254 7238**.

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