

FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

What a wonderful community we have here at Mount Rogers!

In the past 12 days we've enjoyed Father's Day Breakfast, Father's Day stall, Year 1 Assembly and of course our fete. We were thrilled to see so many families at the Father's Day Breakfast run by parents on Friday, 4 September. It was bigger and better than ever before with over 200 egg and bacon rolls cooked and served by a wonderful team of mums and grandmas. The fruit, cereal and juice on offer were also popular. Thanks to our canteen committee and all those who helped out on the day. Following the breakfast was our annual Father's Day Stall. This was another huge success with students from across the school choosing from the extensive display of gifts donated by families. Thanks to the fabulous team of volunteers who helped out. We especially thank Mikaela Pyne and Katrina Cornish for coordinating the stall with guidance from Lea Major. We also thank Lea who is handing over her knowledge and experience in running the Mother's and Father's Day stalls after many years of building them up to the success that they now are.

Our school fete on Saturday will be a highlight for the year. Not only was it a fun community event with families out enjoying time together in the beautiful spring weather, it was also financially successful. On behalf of our community I congratulate Katrina Cornish and Drew Newman along with Mikayla Pyne and the fete committee for all they did to make it such a magnificent event. Without your months of planning and preparation coordinating the events, promotion, sponsors and stalls, the fete would not have been possible. I also thank all those who coordinated and helped out, as well as those who came along to support our school. We were pleased to see so many people wandering through the Art Show enjoying the artistic talents of our students.

It was terrific to see so many parents, grandparents and family members here last Friday for the Year 1 Assembly. The look of delight on the faces of our audience as the year 1 children performed and showed their ad breaks was wonderful to watch. This assembly highlighted the success of our year 1 program with highly engaged and articulate students sharing their love of learning.

Coming up this weekend our school is hosting the Model Shipwrights Expo. I encourage families to visit the display of period ships and radio controlled vessels.

We certainly have some talented students in our midst. Yesterday I sat with Heli from year 4 as a journalist from the Chronicle newspaper interviewed her. Heli completed in the Australian Cross Country skiing championships last week and came first in her age division. I was so proud to hear Heli answer the journalist's questions so articulately. Look out for the article in the newspaper for more details of Heli's skiing and her achievements.

Next week we welcome Kalie Vandeburgt to our school. Kalie will be teaching Kindergarten Lightning Bolts on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays for the rest of the school year.

I will be away on long service leave for the first three weeks of next term. Nicole Mengel will also be on well-deserved long service leave at the beginning of next term. The school will be in good hands in our absence with Felicity Levett as Principal and Liz Marman as Deputy Principal.

As this is the last newsletter of the term I take this opportunity to thank families for your ongoing support of our school and wish you all a relaxed and happy holiday break.



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IMPORTANT

Mount Rogers Primary is an ANAPHYLACTIC FRIENDLY SCHOOL

Please do not bring into our school:

- Boiled EGGS or egg sandwiches
- NUTS** and nut products (please be aware that *Nutella* spread and many muesli/health bars contain nuts)
- FISH** (including prawns and tuna)

REMINDERS

24 Sept	Yr 5 Transition Visit to MCSS 9am (students to go directly to MCSS)
24 Sept	Parent Workshop – <i>Reinforced Reading</i> - Support Program Yr 2-6
25 Sept	Last Day Term 3
25 Sept	Assembly 2pm – <i>All Welcome</i> Hosts: Captains NB – Change of date 
12 Oct	First Day Term 4
21-22 Oct	Scholastic Book Fair

NOTES HOME THIS FORTNIGHT

DATE	TOPIC	RETURN
14 Sept	Parent Workshop – <i>Reinforced Reading</i> - Support Program for Yrs 2-6	

2015 TERM DATES

Term 3	20 July to 25 September
Term 4	12 October to 18 December

FETE NEWS

Fantastic effort everyone!
We raised over \$ 12,000

CONGRATULATIONS

To be presented at our Assembly on
Friday, 25 September at 2pm – Hosts: Captains

SPECIAL MERIT AWARDS - FAIRNESS

CLASS	RECIPIENT
K Lightning Bolts	Kelsie P
K Starlights	Annabel G
K Rainbows	Allyra B
1 Fireflies	Sophie R
1 Glow Worms	Tia M
1 Luna Moths	Malia D
2 Lighthouse	Aaron M
2 Northern Lights	Hannah S
3 Bright Sparks	Sarah C, Andrew W, Charlotte M
4 Gamma Rays	Eloise C
4 Laser Beams	Georgia F
5/6 Krypton	Rhett M, Conor P, Sara F
5/6 Argon	Ryan B
5/6 Xenon	Joel F

AWARD RECIPIENTS AT OUR LAST ASSEMBLY



STAR OF THE MONTH - JUNIOR

Presented at our Assembly on 11 September



This month's **Junior Star** gets along with everyone, is well spoken, courteous and creative. **Annika D** takes on leadership roles within the class with pride and demonstrates maturity in the undertaking of these. Annika is a role model for our school through her willingness to help and support her peers in all learning areas.

She is a highly respected member of the school community.

Annika is a member of Kindergarten Lightning Bolts. She is an independent thinker who consistently produces high quality work. She is self-motivated and works hard to get smarter every day. Annika always works to the best of her ability, shows consideration to others and has a positive attitude towards life. She is a valuable member of Mount Rogers Primary School and a pleasure to teach.

Congratulations Annika!

STAR OF THE MONTH - SENIOR

Many students and teachers will know our **Senior Star**, but even if you've never met this person, you can be sure they've been involved in helping your class at some point. **Fynn J** loves a challenge and is an enthusiastic year 6 school leader who is always willing to help others and to share his knowledge. Many of us have benefited from his contributions.



Fynn is a self-motivated learner who asks questions, self-reflects and is willing to try new things in order to improve his learning outcomes. He follows up by practising these skills in his own time. Fynn is an innovator who uses forethought and creativity to develop solutions to complex problems.

In addition to all this, Fynn is a great friend who is always respectful towards others. Fynn loves working with his friends, sports and riding his bike fast down mountains. Fynn is a valued and much appreciated member of Yr 5/6 Krypton.

Thank you Fynn, for your friendship and contributions to our school and community.

INTRODUCING STAFF MEMBER



Hello, my name is **Karen Novak** and I am very excited to be joining the junior teaching team here at Mount Rogers Primary. I grew up in Belconnen and attended our local public schools throughout my own education. Though I travelled around quite a bit when I was younger, I have been back in Canberra for a number of years and now live just around the

corner from school. As a teacher, I have worked in NSW and Queensland as well as in the ACT. I love our Canberra schools and I believe our city is a fabulous place to bring up children. I enjoy sharing lots of time exploring all it has to offer with my own son and daughter.

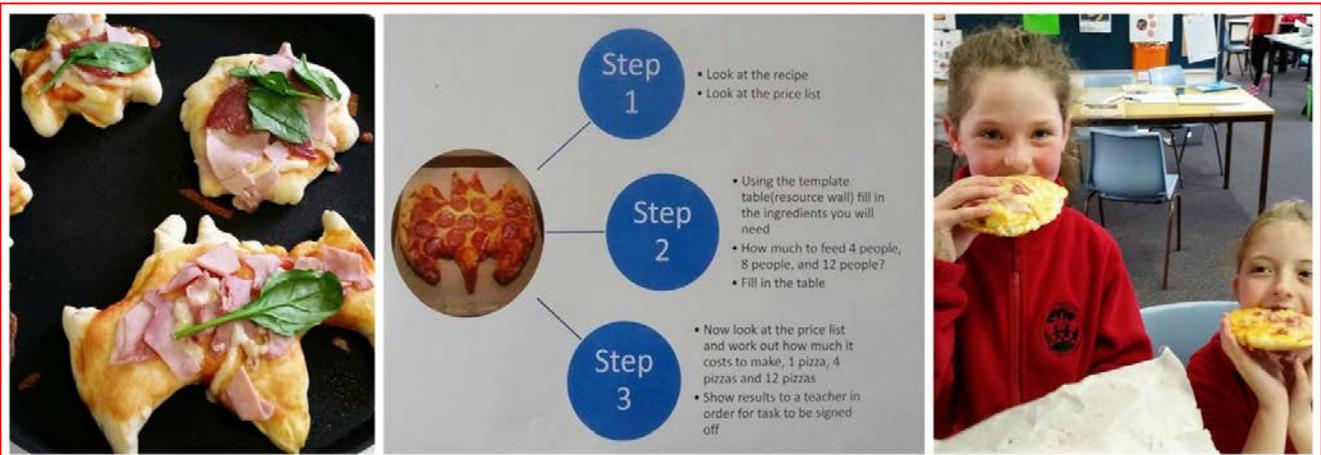
As a relief teacher, I have taught almost all of the classes at Mount Rogers and have already spent quite a bit of time working in the Kindergarten unit. I am impressed every day with the amazing teaching space and the educational experiences facilitated for your children. I love classrooms to be child-focused and filled with lots of books and colour and displays. I am looking forward to the opportunity to work in a school that is so committed to the Walker Learning Approach. I myself have always valued the individuality of children I work with. In my classroom you will see recognition of individual learning styles, needs and achievements. I believe that the best sort of learning is about discovering questions as well as answers. I aim to build a secure and nurturing environment where children feel safe to take risks with their learning.

Having a long history in the area, it is still a surprise to me how many recent reconnections I have made through the staff, students and wider Mount Rogers community. I have been very welcomed here at the school. As I believe that forming positive relationships is crucial to good teaching, it is lovely to feel that I already have a bit of a head-start!

Year 3 Bright Sparks

Pizzas

As a part of our learning program we like to use real world experiences to strengthen the students' knowledge and understanding. Some of our students suggested we make pizzas. Running with this idea we linked it to maths with a focus on fractions, doubling, halving and money. The students had to look at the pizza recipe and work out the different quantities required depending on the number of serves along with the cost. Then they made the pizzas from scratch.



Step 1

- Look at the recipe
- Look at the price list

Step 2

- Using the template table(resource wall) fill in the ingredients you will need
- How much to feed 4 people, 8 people, and 12 people?
- Fill in the table

Step 3

- Now look at the price list and work out how much it costs to make, 1 pizza, 4 pizzas and 12 pizzas
- Show results to a teacher in order for task to be signed off

Marble Golf

Our Marble Golf project has many maths elements in it including angles, measuring length and scoring using tally marks. Students worked with others to design and make a golf hole that could be completed in 6-10 flicks. They tested each part of the course three times and made modifications (if required) before gluing it down. Designing the marble golf course is the first phase of our bigger project which will involve designing a playground.



Step 1

- Play golf game
- Need: dice, score card, game sheet, pencil and partner.

Step 2

- Design own golf hole in grid book using entire page.
- Need to have; 5 right angles, 5 obtuse angles, 2 straight and 2 acute.

Step 3

- Working in a group design and construct new gold hole on poster paper following quality criteria. (Resource Wall)

CHINESE CORNER

The very first Chinese stall was a success at the school fete this year. We saw parents, grandparents, students, children and friends all come along to help out at the busy stall. It was truly a team effort and a family fun day out! Thanks to all the volunteers who helped support this stall and made all this possible.

If you are interested to learn how to make Chinese spring onion pancakes at home with your kids during school break, please check out the following two links:

<https://youtu.be/lew9c7wDfgM>
<https://youtu.be/8ipCpZO WgU>

Have fun cooking!



PARENT INFORMATION SESSION ON CYBERSAFETY AT MOUNT ROGERS

ThinkUKnow is an internet safety initiative which aims to raise awareness of the issues which young people face online and whilst using mobile phones. It is a partnership between the Australian Federal Police (AFP) and Microsoft Australia, and is now proudly supported by ninemsn and Datacom.

Our school will be hosting a ThinkUKnow presentation from 6:00 – 7:30pm on 27 October 2015. All parents and carers are encouraged to attend. This presentation will cover topics such as how young people are using technology to have fun, online grooming, cyber-bullying, inappropriate content and e-security.

This is a fantastic opportunity for you to learn more about how young people **have fun** online, how you can help them to **stay in control** on the net, and how to **report** a problem.

For more information, you can visit the ThinkUKnow Australia website at www.thinkuknow.org.au or contact Sue Harding at school on 6205 8066.

We look forward to seeing you all at the presentation.

SCHOOL BANKING

Do you like working with numbers?
Would you like to work with numbers AND contribute to the school at the same time?
Is your child in the school banking program?
Well, the School Banking Coordinator's job is for you!



SCHOOL BANKING COORDINATOR

(can be a job shared position)
 Time involved: approx 2 hours per week
 Training: all inclusive!

Due to work commitments, I need to find a replacement to keep school banking going in our school. It takes a couple of hours per week (or less if there are two of you). It is a volunteer job and the school earns commission from the deposits each week - it would be your way of providing fundraising money for the school and it would mean the continuation of this popular program at Mount Rogers.

Interested? Please send me an email, text or give me a call.

Sue Jagla
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PARENT WORKSHOP @ MOUNT ROGERS

Reinforced Reading: Using Pause, Prompt and Praise to help low-progress readers

Are you interested in finding out how to support your child with reading at home and/or possibly becoming a part of our school Parent Tutor Program? Please come along to our information session. Reinforced reading strategies enable students to practise their word attack skills and sight word knowledge in natural language texts.

When: Thursday, 24 September
 Time: 4:00 to 5:00pm
 Where: Mount Rogers Library
 Who: Parents and carers of year 2-6 students

YUMMY MONKEY - CANTEEN FOOD DRIVE TALLY

Keep your donations coming in!

K Lightning Bolts	19	2 Northern Lights	14
K Starlights	12	3 Bright Sparks - Booth	125
K Rainbows	31	3 Bright Sparks - Holness	24
1 Fireflies	62	4 Gamma Rays	12
1 Glow Worms	30	4 Laser Beams	80
1 Luna Moths	114	5/6 Krypton	9
2 Lighthouse	8	5/6 Argon	8
2 Neons	34	5/6 Xenon	18

EXPO 2015

CANBERRA MODEL SHIPWRIGHTS SOCIETY INC



Period ships ▪ Warships ▪ Radio controlled vessels ▪ Task Force 72
 ▪ ACT Scale Modellers Society ▪ Canberra Model Boat Club

Where: Mount Rogers Primary School
 When: Saturday 19 September - 10am to 5pm
 Sunday 20 September - 10am to 3:30pm
 Entry: Adult \$3, Children \$1, Family \$7

All Welcome – For more information Ph 6254 7229 / 6258 8399

SPENCE COMMUNITY FAIR
 bring the family
 SATURDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER
 10AM TO 2PM

St Paul's Ginninderra Anglican Church
 Mt Rogers Community Centre
 Curley Street, Spence

For More Information call 62592931

DELICIOUS THINGS TO EAT AND FUN ACTIVITIES
 International Food, Sausage Sizzle, Cakes, Crafts, Books, Plants AND MUCH MORE



ACTION timetable changes

On **Monday 12 October** ACTION's weekday bus timetable will change. Students using regular route services may be affected.

Plan ahead. Check your service and connection times at action.act.gov.au available from 7 September.



Coming Soon

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Term 4 - Wednesday 21 October – Friday 23 October