



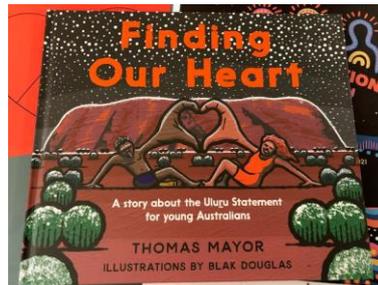
## FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

Dear Mount Rogers families,

The term is humming along at Mount Rogers. Engagement in learning is high across the school as students continue to demonstrate their knowledge and skills across the curriculum. I am particularly proud of our year 1/2 students who have begun participating 'BOOST Groups'. Three times per week students across the cohort boost their literacy knowledge and skills in targeted ways. The students are doing a fabulous job further developing and practising their skills, and I have loved visiting these groups this week.

Over the next 2 weeks we are celebrating National Reconciliation Week. Students will have the opportunity to be involved in a variety of activities to support our learning about shared histories, cultures, and achievements and how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

As I posted on our school's Facebook page, at its heart reconciliation is about strengthening relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Indigenous peoples, for the benefit of all Australians. All students will be exploring the wonderful text *Finding Our Heart – a story about the Uluru Statement for Young*



*Australians* by Thomas Mayor over the next week or so. This book is about understanding Australia's past, so we can have a shared future. If you haven't read it or are not sure what the Uluru Statement is check out this clip of Thomas Mayor reading the book and explaining where the idea came from; <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MEqbxdtS13Q>

Thank you to Leah, our Cultural Integrity Coordinator, and our staff Cultural Integrity Team for their leadership and support.

On Tuesday, Instrumental Music Program staff ran a Year 5 Combined Band rehearsal at Mount Rogers Primary School. Students in our Year 5 Band were joined by students from Evatt Primary School. Throughout the rehearsal teachers from the Instrumental Music Program supported students to develop both their individual skills, as well as their skills in playing as part of a band. They sounded amazing - I am very proud of the way these students have embraced the opportunity to be part of the band. I know there must be lots of practicing going on at home!

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**School Banking:** Wednesday

## IMPORTANT

**Mount Rogers Primary is an ANAPHYLACTIC FRIENDLY SCHOOL**  
**Please do not bring into our school:**

**NUTS** and nut products (please be aware that *Nutella* spread and many muesli/health bars contain nuts)

**FISH** including prawns and tuna

**SESAME** including hummus, some snack bars, vege chips, tahini, as bread topping

**EGG** as egg sandwiches or boiled

## REMINDERS

27 May – 3 June	Reconciliation Week
28 May	MCSS Year 6 Transition Morning
31 May	Public Holiday – Reconciliation Day
1 June	Soccer Clinic at MCSS (Yr 3/4 Onions, Capsicums, Tomatoes)
7 June	Maths Show (Yrs 1/2 & 3/4)

*Don't forget ...*

## WASTE FREE WEDNESDAYS

## 2021 TERM DATES

Term 2	19 April – 25 June
Term 3	12 July – 17 September
Term 4	5 October – 17 December

## FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM continued

Last week Melba Preschool underwent the Assessment and Rating process. This process happens every 5 years or so and allows early childhood services, such as preschools, to show how well they compare to the benchmarks set by the National Quality Standard.

There are 7 quality areas of the National Quality Standard that services are given a rating against:

1. Educational program and practice
2. Children's health and safety
3. Physical environment
4. Staffing arrangements
5. Relationships with children
6. Collaborative partnerships with families and communities
7. Governance and leadership

Belinda and Mandy, alongside Liz Marman and the entire preschool team did a wonderful job providing supporting evidence against the 7 areas and when being observed during a preschool day. I cannot thank them enough. The outcome of Assessment and Rating is still several weeks away.

In accordance with the Cancer Council and our Sun Protection Policy, students are not required to wear their SunSmart hats during the months of June, July, and August. So, it's Hats Off – next Tuesday. Instead, many students and staff are choosing to wear a beanie to keep their head warm – a clearly labelled one of course!

Lastly, and I apologise for not writing this earlier in the term, a huge welcome to our new Business Manager Lyn Maley. Lyn has joined the Mount Rogers Team from Chapman Primary School where she has been the Business Manager for the last 18 months. Lyn has been working hard to get to know the school and the community over the last month. Welcome Lyn!

As we move into the winter months, stay warm, look after yourselves and please remember if your child is not feeling well or displays any cold and flu symptoms keep them at home.

Warm wishes,

Felicity Levett  
Principal

## MOUNT ROGERS P&C CANTEEN



### THE HEALTHY HUT

**OPEN MONDAY TO FRIDAY**

For all Canteen enquiries - Ph 6142 2760

[www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au)

**Think ahead to avoid busy Fridays.  
Order in advance for any day!**

## HATS OFF DAY IN CANBERRA! From Tuesday, 1 June

Cancer Council ACT can provide the following SunSmart support to parents and carers during Term 2.

- **Download the SunSmart App** - know what time each day your child should be SunSmart at home
- **FREE SunSmart Activities** - for home learning and fun
- **NEW - SunSmart PL for Parents & Carers** - plus individual schools will be recognised for their parent/carer SunSmart contribution via their **SunSmart Certificate** - Cool!
- **LOOK - Sid Seagull Virtual Hunt** - coming very soon.

Have a great and safe Term 2.

David Wild - SunSmart Services  
Cancer Council ACT



## NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME Wednesday, 19 May 2021

Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author, is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops, and many other places around the country.



2021 was the 21st year of the campaign, and our Mount Rogers classes participated in this annual event. It is a colourful, vibrant, fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy.

This year's story was *Give me some Space!* written and illustrated by Phillip Bunting.

As well as being read in schools, it was read by astronaut Dr Shannon Walker, from the International Space Station.

## LAST DAY FOR SCHOOL BANKING

*Change of date*

The last day for school banking at Mount Rogers Primary School is Wednesday, 16 June (Week 9).

## RECONCILIATION WEEK ACTIVITIES AT MOUNT ROGERS PRIMARY



Mon 31 May 2021

FREE  
EVENT

## Reconciliation Day

National Arboretum Canberra  
10am - 2pm



More than  
a word.  
Reconciliation  
takes action.



[events.canberra.com.au/reconciliation-day](https://events.canberra.com.au/reconciliation-day)

Artwork (detail): Lynsee Church  
(Ngunmawal, Wradjurri & Kamilaroi)



Want to do some good for the planet and your wallet? Sign up for the ACT Government's free Food Waste Challenge!

The first 1000 Canberrans to complete the challenge and final survey will be eligible for a \$30 IKEA voucher (conditions apply).

Households are the largest contributors of food waste in landfill with 143,000 tonnes of organic waste ending up in ACT landfill every year.

You can help minimise this waste by joining the three-week challenge and learn how to reduce food waste and save money on your food bills!

When food is wasted, we're also wasting the energy, water and resources that went into producing that food.

Sign up for the Food Waste Challenge at:

[www.act.gov.au/foodwaste](http://www.act.gov.au/foodwaste)

Authorised by Michael Trushell, Executive Branch Manager, ACT NoWaste, Transport Canberra & City Services Directorate

## ROGER RANGERS

Sustainability Leaders



## SOFT PLASTICS

(eg chip, biscuit and snack packages)

go in the **RED** bin.

# Reminders

## EXCURSION & PERMISSION NOTES

YEAR	TOPIC	DUE	PAYMENT
K - 6	Classroom Resources		\$90/student
Pre - 6	Voluntary Contribution Preschool \$200 Primary \$100 / \$150		See below
6 Selected students	Year 6 Band	Now	\$230/year
1 - 6	Athletics Carnival	7 June	\$8/student

**Notes and/or payments received after the due date will NOT be accepted.**

## 2021 CLASSROOM RESOURCES Supporting your child's learning

**\$90 per child** - please ensure that your child has all the stationery items necessary for their learning in 2021.

### Payment can be made by:

- Cash / cheque
- Online payment facility via website
- EFTPOS – at school office

*Thank you for your support*

## 2021 VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS Supporting your child's learning

Your voluntary contribution goes directly toward purchasing educational resources for students.

### Primary:

1 child	\$100
2 or more children in family	\$150 total cost

### Preschool:

1 child	\$200
2 or more children in family	\$150 <u>per child</u>

### Payment can be made by:

- Cash / cheque
- Online payment facility via website
- EFTPOS – at school office

*Thank you for your support*



**ENROLMENTS FOR  
2022 SCHOOL YEAR  
ARE NOW OPEN**

**Enrol by 5pm on  
4 June to receive an  
offer of enrolment  
from 26 July 2021.**

### Kindergarten to Year 6:

Every ACT public school is a great school, and if Mount Rogers Primary School is your local priority enrolment area (PEA) school your child is guaranteed a Kindergarten to Year 6 place here.

### Preschool:

Every 4 year old is guaranteed 15 hours of preschool. Enrol for preschool in 2022 if your child turns 4 on or before 30 April. Preschool applications are allocated centrally, and will be prioritised according to the prioritisation criteria which can be found at the link below.

### Enrolment link:

<https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/enrolling-in-a-public-school>

**Your best source of information for enrolling is the ACT Education Directorate website [www.education.act.gov.au](http://www.education.act.gov.au) or the Enrolments Telephone Service (02) 6205 5429.**

You can also contact us about enrolments directly by emailing [info@mtrogers.act.edu.au](mailto:info@mtrogers.act.edu.au)



A reminder that the COVID-19 pandemic is still with us and while many restrictions have been eased since last year, some restrictions are still in place in our school.

It is important that students stay home and get tested if they are unwell.

Visitors to our school, including parents and carers, should sign in using established processes, meet density requirements of one person per two square metres, and maintain physical distancing of 1.5m from other adults. Students and visitors also need to practice good hand and respiratory hygiene.

You can find more information on COVID-19 and ACT public schools on the Education Directorate website <https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/covid-school-arrangements/health-and-hygiene>