



Mount Rogers Primary School

Learning Caring Sharing



NEWSLETTER NO. 2

12 FEBRUARY 2020

TERM 1 WEEK 2

FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

Dear Mount Rogers families,

Hooray for the rain this week! Both Daryl and Ms Stephens are very pleased that all the gardens and lawns have had a good soaking.

We are right back into the swing of things here at Mount Rogers. Students have settled back quickly into the routines of school both inside and outside the classroom. I must give a huge congratulations to our amazing Kindergarten students who have impressed us with the way they say goodbye in the morning, carrying their own bags and walk into class by themselves. Thank you to all our Kindy parents for supporting your child to be independent.

As mentioned in the newsletter last week I have been doing lots of wondering and reflecting on the purpose of Morning Lines. I love the sense of community and 'welcome to school' it brings each day, however as the school has grown it has become increasingly difficult for messages to be heard and for students to feel settled. Therefore, I have made the decision to trial for the rest of this term that **Morning Lines will happen on Monday mornings only, starting next Monday, 17 February**. I will welcome the whole school to the week, we can deliver messages, give out our PBL Monday Motivators and then students head into class. On Tuesdays to Fridays classes will line up at an external door close to their classrooms. Teachers will practice where this is with their classes. I will monitor how this goes.

Our teachers who provide specialist programs to students have begun their classes this week. The time they take classes across the school allows classrooms teachers to collaboratively plan and prepare for learning as well as look at student data to determine learning needs. You will find out more about which specialist teachers take your child/ren's class at the year level Information Sessions being held in Week 4.

SPECIALIST PROGRAMS		
Debbie Lees	Library	Monday to Friday
Vanessa Stephens	Sustainability	Monday to Friday
Erin Cooper	Digital technologies and Gifted & Talented Program	Monday to Friday
Vicky Chen	Mandarin (Yrs 3-6)	Tuesday to Thursday
Emma Miles	Science (Yrs K-2)	Tuesday to Thursday
Jose Arranz	PE (Yr 1/2)	Wednesday to Friday
Michelle Ashworth	Various	Tuesday & Thursday

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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 a bread topping etc

EGG as egg sandwiches or boiled

REMINDERS

NOW OPEN	School Board Nominations
17 Feb	School Board Nominations CLOSE at 11am
17 – 21 Feb	Kinder-Yr 6 <i>Getting to Know You</i> Interviews - online bookings via PTO open on 13 February at 6:30pm
24 Feb	P&C Annual General Meeting 7-9:30pm – <i>All welcome</i>
26 Feb	Information Sessions for Year Levels 6-8pm (<i>information coming soon</i>)
2 Mar	P&C Meeting 7:30-9:30pm <i>All welcome</i>
3 Mar	Swimming Carnival Yrs 3-6 (incl eligible Yr 2 students)
13 Mar	Senior Assembly 2pm Hosts: Yr 5/6 (Oaks & Eucalyptus)
20 Mar	P&C Colour Run
23-25 Mar	Year 5/6 Camp

2020 TERM DATES

Term 1	3/4 February – 9 April
Term 2	27 April – 3 July
Term 3	20 July – 25 September
Term 4	12 October – 18 December

FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM - continued

Assemblies this year will continue as they did last year with separate junior and senior assemblies happening fortnight about. Please look out in the calendar each term to see when assemblies have been scheduled. Teachers will notify you if your child is going to receive a merit award or PBL certificate at an assembly via phone or email and they will be acknowledged in a newsletter following the assembly.

Getting to Know You interviews will be held next week, commencing Monday, 17 February.

Information about how to book a time with your child's teacher using the PTO online booking system will be sent home, the system will go live at 6:30pm on Thursday, 13 February.

Year level Information Sessions will be held on the evening of Wednesday, 26 February. Only 1 session will run at a time:

YEAR LEVEL	TIME
Kindergarten	6:00 - 6:30pm
Year 1/2	6:30 – 7:00pm
Year 3/4	7:00 - 7:30pm
Year 5/6	7:30 – 8:00pm

The P&C will be hosting a BBQ during the evening so you can grab a sausage (\$2ea) if you are waiting for a session to begin. All sessions will take place in the Hall and will run for approximately 20 minutes. Please enter the Hall from the back doors and exit via the door near the front office. Sessions are designed to inform parents about the teaching and learning happening in classes as well as daily routines and other operational information. Please look out for a note regarding these sessions coming home later this week. Also look out for a note regarding giving permission for the SeeSaw app for students in Years 1-6 too.

Looking forward to seeing many of you in the coming weeks as we run events to help keep you informed.

Warm wishes,
Felicity Levett
Principal



**Mt Rogers Primary School
SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION**

***We want YOU for the
Mount Rogers Primary School Board!***

If you are keen to contribute to the governance of Mount Rogers Primary School, you should nominate for a position on the Mount Rogers Primary School Board. No prior experience is necessary.

The following positions are vacant:

- Parent and Citizen member – 1 position
(period of appointment 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2022)
- Staff member – 1 position
(period of appointment 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2022)

You can collect a nomination form from the Mount Rogers Primary School front office during normal business hours (8:30am to 3:30pm - Monday to Friday), or request one be emailed.

Nominations are now OPEN and must be submitted to the front office at Mount Rogers Primary School by 11am Monday, 17 February 2020.

You can submit your nomination by:

- hand deliver to –
Mount Rogers Primary School
Front Office, Alfred Hill Drive, Melba
- Email to –
info@mtrogers.act.edu.au
- Mail to –
ARO, C/- Mount Rogers Primary School
Alfred Hill Drive, Melba ACT 2615

For more information contact:
Assistant Returning Officer
Jenny McNaught – Ph 6142 2751

<i>Please note ...</i>	
OUR BREAK TIMES HAVE CHANGED!	
BREAK 1	BREAK 2
10:30am to 11:10am	Eating time 12:40pm-12:50pm Playground 12:50pm-1:30pm



**POSITIVE BEHAVIOURS
LEARNING (PBL) PROGRAM**

- R**espectful
- I**nclusive
- S**afe
- E**ngaged

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS (PTO) SEMESTER 1 2018



Parent/Carer Teacher interviews on from **17 to 21 February** for Kindergarten to Year 6 students.

Interviews will be of a 10 minute duration.

Online bookings will be open from 6:30pm Thursday, 13 February.

Visit the PTO website via our school's homepage www.mtrogers.act.edu.au. This year interviews will be held in your child's classroom. Please enter the school via the front office to sign in/out.

Please wait in the corridor outside your child's classroom before your interview. You will then be invited in by the classroom teacher at your allocated time.

Parent/carers login details including detailed information about the process were sent home with your child (youngest in family) today.

We look forward to sharing with you about your child's journey for the 2020 school year.

STUDENT ABSENCES UNEXPLAINED ABSENCE TEXT MESSAGES

What is the best way to reply to a text message from our school?

If your child is absent from school and you receive an **Unexplained Absence text message**, would you please reply with the following information:

(Insert CHILD'S FIRST and LAST NAME) from (insert child's YEAR and CLASS) is away (TODAY or OTHER DATES and TIMES if partial absence) due to (insert REASON)

Some examples for absence reasons are:

Sick with the flu
Vomiting - tummy bug
Appointment with doctor/pediatrician/dentist
Family holiday

This will ensure that your child's absence is recorded with accurate information.

The same information is helpful if you advise the school by telephone of an absence before the start of the school day.



School banking day is
WEDNESDAY

MOUNT ROGERS P&C CANTEEN



THE HEALTHY HUT

CLOSED ON MONDAYS

Ph 6142 2760

www.flexischools.com.au

Welcome back to the *Healthy Hut* for 2020! If you are new to our school, welcome! Our canteen, *The Healthy Hut*, is open Tuesday-Friday.

If your child has particular dietary requirements, please let me know as we are well equipped to deal with them!

Canteen Managers - Kate & Steph

MOUNT ROGERS RECYCLED UNIFORM SHOP (OPERATED BY THE P&C ASSOCIATION)

All proceeds go to our school

Open TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS

9:15-9:45am

New bucket hats with our logo are available for \$12 cash and can also be ordered online via www.flexischools.com.au.

Please consider donating uniform items to the Recycled Uniform Shop.



BREAKFAST CLUB @ MT ROGERS

Operated by the St Paul's Anglican Church community members:



When: Wednesday mornings
Time: 8:30 – 8:55am
Where: School hall
What: Fruit, hot chocolate, cereal, toast

All students are welcome to attend

COFFEE CART @ MT ROGERS PRIMARY



Mount Rogers Primary School is trialing a coffee cart!

- ☺ Monday mornings (weather permitting)
- ☺ 7:45am-9am
- ☺ Located at front of school
- ☺ For school community & staff
- ☺ Support a local business

A great way to start your week

Important Reminders

PERMISSION NOTES FOR EXCURSIONS & EVENTS

Please return **ALL** permission notes, money or other notes to the school in an envelope or similar VIA YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM TEACHER. Please do not take notes directly to the Front Office.

PAYMENTS FOR THE CANTEEN AND P&C (eg special lunches) **MUST be in a SEPARATE envelope** – please do not combine payments with any other school event. These payments should be given to your child's teacher also.

DIRECT DEPOSIT

If you are using Direct Debit for payments to the School's bank account, it is **most important** that you include the following in the reference field.

- ☺ Student LAST NAME and FIRST INITIAL
- ☺ EXCURSION TITLE or OTHER REASON for deposit

After making an online deposit, please return the signed permission note or form the next day.

ENTERING THE SCHOOL

If you are entering the school building ANY WHERE at ANY TIME of the day you are **required to sign in/out at the front office** as either a registered or unregistered volunteer or visitor.

LATE TO SCHOOL

If your child arrives in their classroom after 9am parents/carers are required to come into the school with your child to sign them in at the front office. Your child will be given a *Late Pass* to hand to their teacher.

COLLECTING YOUR CHILD EARLY

If you need to take your child out of school before 3pm or for an appointment during the day, parents/carers are required to come to the front office BEFORE collecting your child for an *Exit Pass*. You are also required to sign children back into school at the front office upon their return. Students can only be collected by those who are listed on the Emergency Contact card for your child. Please ensure this card is kept up to date.

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

**COLOUR RUN
IS COMING TO
MOUNT ROGERS!**

**FRIDAY 20 MARCH 2020
(Term 1, Week 7)**

More information coming soon

Kids Matter
Australian Primary Schools
Mental Health Initiative

P&C ASSOCIATION

All Welcome

MOUNT ROGERS PRIMARY SCHOOL

P&C ASSOCIATION MEETING ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday 24 February 2020

Starting 7.30pm

Prior to the AGM, self-nominations are sought for positions on the Executive Committee (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer) as well as a range of other representative roles. Voting for these positions will be conducted at the AGM.

For information on any of the roles, or to obtain a nomination form, please don't hesitate to email secretary.mountrogerspandc@gmail.com

P&C ASSOCIATION MEETING

Monday 2 MARCH 2020

Starting 7.30pm

Come and find out what is happening at the school including Felicity Levett (Principal) informative update. Get involved with a fundraising activity.

Supper is provided in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere. Please come along and stay for as long or as short as your wish.

Important

ALLERGY AWARENESS -ANAPHYLAXIS

Anaphylaxis is a potentially life-threatening type of allergic reaction commonly caused by food allergies or insect bites/stings.

We have students with NUT, SESAME, FISH and EGG allergies in this school.

At Mount Rogers Primary School we do not provide, nor wish children to bring to school any:

- NO NUTS** all nuts and nut-based products (eg peanut butter, health bars, dried fruit mixes, snack packs, some biscuit varieties, some chocolates, pesto etc)
- NO EGGS** as boiled eggs or egg sandwiches
- NO FISH** including tuna, prawns etc
- NO SESAME** (eg hummus, health bars, vege chips, tahini, bread topping etc)



Reminders

EXCURSION & PERMISSION NOTES

YEAR	TOPIC	DUE	PAYMENT
K - 6	2020 Classroom Resources		\$90/student
Pre - 6	2020 Voluntary Contribution (Preschool \$200; Primary \$100)		See below
6	IMP Band Fees <u>Bank details:</u> BSB: 032777 Acct 001682 Ref: BAND Child's Name	NOW	\$230

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

2020 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 2020.

Payment can be made by:

- Cash / cheque
- Direct Deposit (BSB: 032-777 Account 001682 – enter *child's name & Resources19*)
- EFTPOS – at front office

Thank you for your support

2020 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 per child

Payment can be made by:

- Cash / cheque
- Direct Deposit BSB: 032-777 Account 001682 (enter *child's name & VolCons20*)
- EFTPOS – at front office

Thank you for your support



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COMMUNITY NEWS

COMMUNITY FITNESS CLASSES AT MOUNT ROGERS PRIMARY SCHOOL



Mount Rogers
Primary School

Mount Rogers Primary School
Parents and Citizens Association presents:

All welcome

- **Monday 6:30pm** Madness with **Aimee**, who offers her body weight workouts that are guaranteed to get your heart racing and your body sweating!
- **Thursday 6:30pm** Zumba with **Ilse** dancing you into a fit and healthy body, and you won't even realise it.

1 class per week- \$8

2 classes per week- \$14

Thank you for continuing to support Mount Rogers Primary School! Like and follow us on facebook **Mount Rogers Primary School P & C** to stay up to date with classes.

Steph: 0414 666 398
Narelle: 0410 620 763



SAVERPLUS



Hi everyone, my name is Kathleen and I have been the Saver Plus Coordinator in your community for the last 3 years.

Saver Plus is a free program that helps people with a Centrelink concession card pay for education costs. We have provided almost \$100k toward school costs in ACT since 2017.

Participants save \$25/fortnight for 10 months and attend 4 financial skills workshop. At the end of the program, we will match your savings with up to \$500 that can be used towards uniforms and shoes, extra-curriculum sports, camps and excursions and other school supplies. Eligibility criteria applies.

Visit saverplus.org.au or contact me on 0448 730 305 to find out more.