

MOUNT ROGERS PRIMARY SCHOOL



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TERM 1 WEEK 10

FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

Dear Mount Rogers families,

I can hardly believe that Term 1 is just about finished. It has been a wonderful first term as Principal of Mount Rogers Primary School. When I think back to the week before school started in January and the things I hoped might be achieved, what has been accomplished has far surpassed my expectations. The school is humming, students are wondering and learning new things, teachers are setting high expectations and collaborating, and the parent community is supporting us to make a difference.

Here are just a few highlights from the term;

- Our Year 6 class of 2024 – Kindergarten – have settled beautifully into the routines of school
- Our 5/6 students have had an awesome time at Camp Tops
- The P&C have run a successful Twilight Fete
- We have celebrated the *National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence* coupled with *Harmony Day*
- Our swimming and cross country carnivals have been run and won
- We turned out the lights for Earth Hour
- Breakfast Club and the Meccano men are back as Wednesday regulars
- Our Year 1/2 students have been to the Zoo
- We have a new Year 5 band
- Investigations are up and running in Kindergarten and Year 1/2
- And finally, everyone at Mount Rogers has worked hard to get smarter

On Friday our Year 6 students will be attending the annual ANZAC Commemorative Service at Melba Copland Secondary School. This year marks the final year of the ANZAC Centenary National program. The Centenary of ANZAC 2014-2018 marks 100 years since our involvement in the First World War and is a time to honour the service and sacrifice of our original ANZACs. Don't forget that ANZAC Day falls during the school holidays. Our school captains will run an ANZAC Commemorative assembly during week 1 next term.

Our wonderful, amazing, fabulous *Healthy Hut* manager Amarylise, finishes up in this role on Friday. For those of you who don't already know, Amarylise is completing her studies to become a teacher and heads off to her final teaching practicum in the first 6 weeks of next term. We wish you all the best Amarylise - you will make a fantastic classroom teacher!

The P&C have run the process to replace Amarylise and I am pleased to announce that Kate Rowntree will be the new *Healthy Hut* manager. Kate has great experience as a canteen manager and deeply understands our Fresh Tastes context. Please join with me in welcoming Kate to the Mount Rogers family.

I wish the entire Mount Rogers Community a wonderful and restful holiday break. Read a book together, ride a bike together, bake together, play in the park together, play a board game together, write a letter or postcard together, have some time together.

Warm wishes,

Felicity Levett
Principal

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School Banking: Friday

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

CALENDAR EVENTS

11 Apr	Yr 5/6 Global Environments Research Project Expo 8:30am-9:30am
12 Apr	Spence Preschool – Constable Kenny Koala Visit
13 Apr	Last day - Term 1
13 Apr	ANZAC Commemorative Service at MCSS for Yr 6 students 9:15am
30 Apr	First day – Term 2
30 Apr	2019 Online Preschool Enrolments Open
4 May	Magellan Program at MCSS 8:45am
7 May	ACT Swim Carnival
7 May	P&C Meeting 7:30pm
11 May	Magellan Program at MCSS 8:45am
15 May	Tennis Yr 3/4 (Foxes & part Goannas)
18 May	Assembly 2pm – <i>All welcome</i> Host: Yr 3/4 (Foxes & Dingoes)

2018 TERM DATES

1	5 February – 13 April
2	30 April – 6 July
3	23 July – 28 September
4	15 October – 21 December

Captain's Corner 2018 School Leadership Team

Hi, my name is **Grace** and I am your proud School Captain for 2018. Each fortnight we will be updating you on what is happening at, around and in the community surrounding Mount Rogers, all in the *Captains Corner*. I love thinking of new ideas to improve the school and wider community. I enjoy taking new opportunities and absolutely love cats - they are the best (don't tell my dog).



English is by far my favourite subject. I take part in the school band and love showing my shiny sax and musical talent to the world / school. Make sure to read up so that you know exactly what is happening fortnightly around Mount Rogers.



Welcome to Captain's Corner. My name is **Kaitlin** and I am one of the School Captains at Mount Rogers for 2018. I have been in the Mount Rogers community for 8 years now. I am in the Year 5/6 Adelle Penguins along with my fellow captain, Grace. I enjoy piano, netball, dance, school band and maths. My goal for this year is to become a better leader and to learn what it is to be

a role model.

Hello, my name is **Lizzie** and I am one of the Vice Captains for 2018. I have been at Mount Rogers since preschool and I've enjoyed each and every year. I have made some really good friends along the way. I love playing team sports and enjoy athletics and cross country. I also like representing the school in sport if I have the opportunity. Mount Rogers is awesome because the teachers and students are nice and encouraging. I am really looking forward to being a good role model for all of the younger students before I head to high school.



Hello, my name is **Flynn** and I'm one of the Vice Captains for 2018. I've been in the Mount Rogers community since preschool and my favourite subjects ever since have been art and sport, and I try to be outstanding in those subjects. I'm in the Year 6 band and play the clarinet. In Year 4 I was in the boat building group. I'm also in the

Evatt Scout group as a proud scout. I like playing board games, super heroes and jumping on my trampoline - I'm very competitive with my older sister. I am proud to be Vice Captain for 2018

Hi, I am **Molly**, your School Champion for 2018. I enjoy playing board games, playing hide and seek, and learning at school. This year I am super excited about the learning and leadership opportunities.

Q: What is it called when a cat wins a dog show?

A: A CAT-HAS-TROPHY

Cats are so much better than dogs!

I am super excited for a new year of experience as a school champion.



MOUNT ROGERS P&C CANTEEN

HEALTHY HUT NEWS

CLOSED ON MONDAYS

Ph 6258 1552

www.flexischools.com.au

Goodbye!

I'm so pleased to be handing the Healthy Hut over to Kate Rowntree. Kate has lots of experience in canteens and working with schools, and I know she will continue our great work!

I'm very sad to be saying good bye at the end of the term. I've loved my time as Canteen Manager, especially the special friendships I have made with both children and adults!

Volunteering

I really encourage everyone to get involved and volunteer in the canteen. Kate will need lots of help to settle in, and volunteering is a great way to get to know her!

Please email mtrogerscanteen@gmail.com to book your spot for Term 2.

Amarylise
Canteen Manager

MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST Friday, 11 May 7:30-8:45am in the school hall

This is a lovely chance for our children to bring their mums, grandmas and other special ladies to school for a fun, shared breakfast.

Notes and order forms will go home today.



Amarylise
Canteen
Manager

Goodbye,
Best Wishes
& Thank You!



2019 PRESCHOOL ENROLMENTS



FLYNN PRESCHOOL - Hedland Circuit
MELBA PRESCHOOL - Grainger Circuit
SPENCE PRESCHOOL - Baddeley Crescent

ALL enrolment applications must be made ON-LINE,
commencing 30 April 2018.

For enrolment information go to:

http://www.det.act.gov.au/school_education/enrolling_in_an_act_public_school

Please note:

Original **birth certificate**, **proof of residency** and **immunisation records** **MUST** be provided to Mount Rogers Primary School (Alfred Hill Drive, Melba) following the on-line enrolment process.



Save the date!
TRACK & FIELD CARNIVAL
Kindergaren to Year 6

Term 2 – Week 4
Wednesday, 23 May
at Charnwood Oval

More information next term

MOUNT ROGERS PRIMARY SCHOOL School Board Election

The ACT Education Directorate has now confirmed the election of the following members to the Mount Rogers Primary School Board:

- Angela Donaldson - Staff member
- Cameron Pietsch - Parent Citizen member

Thank you to all.

Jenny McNaught
Assistant Returning Officer



NAPLAN will be online
from **15-25 May 2018**.



NAPLAN Online:

- Is more engaging and adjusts questions to meet your child's achievement level.
- Delivers more precise literacy and numeracy achievement results to schools and parents more quickly.
- Supports school improvement by enabling teachers to monitor student progress over time and to identify areas of strength and development.

Our school encourages all eligible students to participate in NAPLAN.
Visit www.nap.edu.au to see how the test works and for more information.

MOUNT ROGERS P&C ASSOCIATION 2018 TWILIGHT MARKET FETE WRAP-UP

The P&C Association would like to thank the school and wider community who attended this year's fete and the people who made it a successful event:

Thank You!

- ☺ Students who helped make lanterns, set up on the day and took part in the Lego Challenge.
- ☺ Parents and families who donated their time, money or supplies to make the class stalls a success. The wonderful parents who undertook the critical job of class stall coordinators
- ☺ Food vendors and stall holders who sold lovely things to eat and buy
- ☺ The talented groups who came to perform and entertain
- ☺ Felicity, the teachers and school support staff that helped in so many ways
- ☺ And the core organising group who planned, organised and created the event overall.



Congratulations to everyone!

Your support enabled us to make a profit of \$6,678.83 - money that will go directly towards programs and resources for the students.

We are already thinking about what worked well and what can be improved for next time and welcome your feedback and ideas. These can be emailed to secretary.mountrogerspandc@gmail.com.

Look out for other event news on the Mount Rogers Primary Fete and Events Facebook page and see you all next year!

Celine Payet
2018 Fete Coordinator

YOUR REMINDER TO PARK SAFELY & LEGALLY AROUND SCHOOLS



Every day across Canberra, parents are parking illegally in school zones and putting all kids in the area at risk. With school parking patrols increasing in 2018, if you keep doing it, you will get caught and you will be fined.

Go to: Video – [Parking safely around schools](#)

Reminders

EXCURSION & PERMISSION NOTES

YEAR	TOPIC	DUE	PAYMENT
K - 6	Curriculum Resources	Now	\$75 per student
Pre - 6	Voluntary Contributions		See below
Selected students	Magellan Program		Semester 1 \$50
5	Year 5 Band		\$230 total cost
6	Year 6 Band		\$230 total cost
6	ANZAC Commemorative Service at MCSS (NB - This is an opt out event)	13 Apr	NA

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

SCHOOL GATE ACCESS

Until further notice, our school gates will be locked from 9:30am and opened at 2:30pm each day.

All parents, carers and visitors will need to report the front office for access during this time.

Thank you for your support.

CURRICULUM RESOURCES

Have you paid your child's 2018 curriculum resources (ie books and stationery items)?

Payment (\$75 per student) can be made by cash, cheque, direct deposit or EFTPOS (at the front office).

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

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

Primary:

One child (full year) \$100
Two or more children in family \$150 total cost

Preschool:

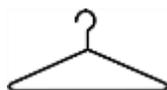
One child (full year) \$200
Two or more children in family \$150 per child

Payment can be made by cash, cheque, direct deposit or EFTPOS (at the front office).

MOUNT ROGERS RECYCLED UNIFORM SHOP All proceeds go to our school

Open Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:30-9:30am, or by appointment in the stage room near the front office.

For donations or enquiries please contact Steph via the front office.



The basics of School Banking ...

- Banking is every Friday
- Complete a deposit slip
- Place money in your Dollarmites deposit wallet
- Hand deliver to your classroom teacher
- Wallets will be returned to students on Monday

COMMUNITY NEWS

BRICKS @ The Woden School

Brick Expo supporting students with special needs.

**SAT 5TH MAY 2018 9am – 4pm &
SUN 6TH MAY 2018 9am – 2pm**

127 Denison St Deakin

Entry: \$3.00/child, \$5.00/adult or \$15.00/family

For details go to <http://www.thewodens.act.edu.au>

This is a Canberra Brick Expo event organised in association with the Canberra Lego User Group and the Woden School Parents & Citizens Assoc.

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TERM 2 COMMENCES

Monday, 30 April 2018

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