



Mount Rogers Primary School

Learning Caring Sharing



NEWSLETTER NO. 7

8 MAY 2019

TERM 2 WEEK 2

FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

Dear Mount Rogers families,

A very warm welcome to Term 2. I have been very impressed with the engaged learners I have seen and chatted to as I visited classes last week. Our kindergarten students are inquiring into history with a very personal focus, our year 1/2 students are inquiring into maps and place, our year 3/4 students are developing their artistic knowledge and skills, and the year 5/6 classes are inquiring into Australian Democracy. Our year 1/2 and 5/6 cohorts have exciting excursions planned for this term so keep an eye out for permission notes.

Last Friday we held our ANZAC Commemorative Assembly. Our School Captains, Afryna, Amelia, Emerson and Luke, are to be congratulated for coordinating and leading such a meaningful and informative service. Congratulations must also go to all students for sitting and listening so respectfully.

You may have seen the recent Facebook post regarding Cross Country ribbons. These will be given out this week; our years 3 to 6 on Thursday at Morning Lines and our kindergarten to year 2 students in the hall after break 2 on Friday. I think it is important for the parent community to understand it takes considerable time to have over 150 ribbons ready (names and age groups) as well as the data entered for Belconnen Zone Carnival purposes. We know that students are eagerly waiting to receive ribbons and so I thank Emma Burriss for her efforts in getting this done for the students.

The Federal Election takes place on Saturday 18 May and Mount Rogers Primary School is operating as a polling venue. The P&C, in conjunction with the school, is running both a BBQ and a cake stall to take advantage of a captive fundraising opportunity. On Friday every family will receive a paper plate and some information regarding baking something for the cake stall. Baked goods can then be dropped at Melba Preschool or the Primary School on Friday, 17 May after 2pm or straight to the stall on the Saturday morning. As always, we need volunteers to help, even just for half an hour as you come to vote. All monies raised will go towards further improvements to our junior playground area, maybe even a mud kitchen for outdoor cooking fun! If you can volunteer, please make sure you let us know!

One of my most favourite days in the school calendar happens this Friday – all things Mother’s Day. I am looking forward to seeing many special ladies at our Mother’s Day breakfast from 7:30am on Friday morning for those families who are coming along. This will be followed by our annual Mother’s Day stall. Thank you to all families who have donated a gift for this wonderful event, I know there will be lots of smiles on Sunday morning as specially chosen gifts are given, maybe with a cup of tea!

Happy Mother’s Day for Sunday.

Warm wishes,
Felicity Levett
Principal

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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	2020 Expressions of Interest Online Enrolment Applications
10 May	P&C Mother’s Day Breakfast 7:30-8:45am (for participating families)
10 May	P&C Mother’s Day Stall
10 May	Magellan Program at MCSS
14-17 May	NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5
18 May	Federal Election - Vote here! (including BBQ & Cake Stall)
22 May	Yr 6 Combined Band at Mt Rogers (incl concert at 12pm)
22 May	National Simultaneous Storytime 11am
24 May	Junior Assembly (K-Yr 2) 2pm Host: K Astronauts & UFOs

2019 TERM DATES

Term 2	29 April – 5 July
Term 3	22 July – 27 September
Term 4	14 October – 19 December

MOUNT ROGERS P&C CANTEEN



THE HEALTHY HUT

CLOSED ON MONDAYS

Ph 6142 2760

www.flexischools.com.au

Welcome back to Term 2!

Mother's Day orders are NOW CLOSED and we are looking forward to seeing those coming along bright and early Friday morning for egg & bacon rolls or frittata slice. For those unable to come we wish you a very happy Mother's Day too!

The start of Term 2 marks my one-year anniversary at the Healthy Hut. The time has flown by and I am very grateful to be involved with such a caring, inclusive school and community. I have lots of plans for this year both with the menu and with sustainability so keep an eye on *Flexischools* and the newsletter for winter warmer specials and more surprises.

The Slushie machine has been turned off for the winter and will back available for ordering at the beginning of spring.

We have completed our yearly menu assessment with Nutrition Australia and although we needed to make a couple of changes we have again passed easily.

I am looking for volunteers, particularly for Wednesdays. If you are free any amount of time would be valuable.

Thanks
Kate & Steph



MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Friday, 10 May 7:30am – 9:00am

In the school hall

Orders now closed!

P&C MOTHER'S DAY GIFT STALL

Friday, 10 May 9:05am – 11am

We are excited to be offering the Mothers' Day Gift Stall again this year.

Don't forget your child's money on the day so they can buy the special lady in their life a gift.

Gifts will be available for purchase from 50c to \$10.

The stall will run from 9:05am until 11am, with each class allocated a particular time.



WASTE FREE WEDNESDAYS @ MOUNT ROGERS

Check out this helpful YouTube clip

"How to pack a waste free lunch!"

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CPkVQSSWmpQ>

Make EVERY day a WASTE FREE day



NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME (NSS) is held annually by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA). Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously around the country. Now in its 19th successful year, it is a colourful, vibrant, fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy, using an Australian children's book that explores age-appropriate themes, and addresses key learning areas of the National Curriculum for Foundation to Yr 6.

By facilitating NSS we aim to:

- promote the value of reading and literacy,
- promote the value and fun of books,
- promote an Australian writer and publisher.

2018 was the biggest and most successful NSS to date with over 1,062,230 participants at over 8,255 locations.

What do we look for in the National Simultaneous Storytime book?

Each year interested publishers send in possible titles. From a practical perspective, the publisher has to be able and willing to provide copyright release for use of the illustrations, book projection, translation into other languages and performance. The publisher also needs to commit to a special print run of several thousand copies. This narrows down the options. The criteria for choosing from the remaining books include: a positive storyline; appeal to a modern and diverse audience; suitability for read-aloud (language and length); how well the book lends itself to craft and other activities.

Deb Lees
Teacher Librarian

Important Reminder

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)



**Building
Strong and Safe
Communities for Learning**



**UPCOMING WORKSHOP ON HOW WE CAN ALL HELP
REDUCE VIOLENCE AND BULLYING IN SCHOOLS**

Building Strong and Safe Communities for Learning is a partnership project between the ACT Education Directorate and the ACT Council of Parents and Citizens Associations (P&C). It focuses on all of us - parents, students, principals and teachers - working together to reduce violence and bullying in schools. An initial workshop discussed the key issues including what is working well or not working well. This is a reminder about the two remaining activities you can be involved in to have your say:

- On 9 May 2019, 8:30am – 4:30pm this workshop will follow on from the first workshop and explore the key question “*How might we reduce and respond to violence in schools and co-create strong and safe communities for learning?*”.
- In mid-late June 2019 a 2–3 hour showcase will highlight what we have learned. It will enable participants to attend at different times across different days.

If you require any further information, or if you wish to attend either of the workshops, please contact Ms Leanne Ballard on Leanne.ballard@act.gov.au or 6205 2912.

MOUNT ROGERS RECYCLED UNIFORM SHOP

All proceeds go to our school

Open

**Tuesdays & Wednesdays
9:15-9:45am (after Morning Lines)**

Located near the front office.
Donations may be left at the front office.

HATS FOR SALE



POLAR FLEECE BEANIE - \$5 EACH

- Until stock runs out
- No school logo
- One size fits most



BUCKET HATS- NEW LOGO - \$12 EACH

- All sizes available

**CASH ONLY
Thank You**

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
2020 PRESCHOOL PLACEMENTS**



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

**ALL Expressions of Interest for preschool placements
must be made ON-LINE commencing 6am 29 April 2019**
For enrolment information go to:
http://www.education.act.gov.au/school_education/enrolling_in_an_act_public_school

Please note:

Original **birth certificate, proof of residency (X2)** and **immunisation records MUST** be provided to Mount Rogers Primary School (Alfred Hill Drive, Melba) following the on-line enrolment process.

When Will I Hear About My Application?

Offers for preschool places in 2020 will be made in two rounds.

Round 1 offers will be made from 29 July 2019 for applications received before 5pm on Friday 7 June.

It is possible that not all applicants will receive a Round 1 offer if there are not enough places at the preschool that you applied for. You will be contacted by the Directorate and you will still be guaranteed a place at a preschool.

Round 2 offers will be made from 11 November 2019. These will be for all applicants who did not receive a Round 1 offer, plus any applications submitted between 8 June and 11 October 2019.

All applicants will receive an offer in Round 2. If you have not received an email offer of a place by Friday, 15 November you should contact the school you applied to.

If you apply for preschool after 11 October 2019, the Directorate will find a place for your child in a preschool that has remaining places.

For more information please go to www.education.act.gov.au



**Woolworths
EARN
& LEARN**

Mount Rogers is participating in the 2019 Earn & Learn Program. You will find collection boxes at Woolworths stores in Charnwood, Belconnen Westfield Shopping Centre and in the school foyer.

Start collecting now and help our school receive some great school resources.

Reminders

EXCURSION & PERMISSION NOTES

YEAR	TOPIC	DUE	PAYMENT
K - 6	Curriculum Resources	Now	\$90/student
Pre - 6	Voluntary Contribution (Preschool \$200; Primary \$100)		See below
1/2	Excursion - Arboretum & Botanical Gardens	Fri 10 May	\$20

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

2019 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 2019.

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

2019 VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS Supporting your child's learning

Your voluntary contribution goes directly toward purchasing educational resources by 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
- Direct Deposit (BSB: 032-777 Account 001682 – enter *child's name & VolCons19*)
- EFTPOS – at front office

Thank you for your support

COMMUNITY FITNESS CLASSES @ MOUNT ROGERS PRIMARY SCHOOL

MONDAY 6:30-7:30pm	WEDNESDAY 6:30-7:30pm	THURSDAY 6:30-7:30pm
Group PT	Boxing	Zumba

Bring your water bottle and a smile ☺

Everything else is provided!

Guaranteed to get your sweat on for the bargain price of \$8 per class!

All welcome

Contact Steph via the front office for more information.

ACT EDUCATION DIRECTORATE Student Injury Insurance & Ambulance Transport

The Education Directorate does not provide any insurance cover for injury, disease or illness to students resulting from school activities or school-organised excursions. Claims for compensation are met where there is a legal liability to do so. Liability is not automatic and depends on the circumstances in which any injury disease or illness was sustained.

As there is not automatic insurance cover for personal injury if your child is injured at school or during a school organised activity/excursion you should therefore consider whether taking out personal insurance cover for your child is warranted.

This insurance might cover contingencies including medical/hospital expenses, ambulance transport outside the ACT, and cancellation of transport/accommodation or loss of/damage to luggage.

The ACT Ambulance Service provides free ambulance transport for student who are injured or suddenly become ill at school or during an approved school organised activity within the ACT

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 can 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 9:15am 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 green Emergency Contact card for your child. Please ensure this card is kept up to date.