

MOUNT ROGERS PRIMARY SCHOOL



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Mount Rogers families,

Well, that was the school year 2018! I really don't know where it has gone. What a joy it has been for me to lead this wonderful school. I have laughed, been challenged, learnt and loved every day. I cannot thank the entire Mount Rogers community enough for your support and encouragement this year - thank you!

Today students enjoyed *Moving-Up Morning* and met their 2019 teachers and spent time in their new class. The school was humming during the morning as students engaged in great 'getting to know you' style activities. Your child should have brought home a postcard and information letter from their 2019 class teacher. Please contact your child's current teacher if for some reason these did not come home. The session today and postcard are designed to help students transition from one class to the next, and the information letter is to help you prepare for what next year looks like. I ask parents to support this transition process by trusting the judgement of our staff, who have worked collaboratively putting considerable time, thought and professional judgement into the placement of each child, and as a result of this there will be no further changes to classes.

You may have noticed work taking place in our north playground earlier this week. This is part of the journey our 2018 School Captains began regarding upgrading our playground areas to make them more interesting and inviting. Our fabulous P&C Association has donated very generously to help make these improvements happen. In January further work will be done, as handball courts, snakes and ladders, hopscotch and other games are heat-sealed onto the new surfaces. Daryl is also building us a second sandpit in the junior playground over the summer break; with 90 plus Kindergarten students in 2019 I think a second sandpit is needed!

Tomorrow we farewell 44 Year 6 students as they finish Primary School and embark on new adventures at High School. As part of this group we are also saying goodbye to 17 families whose journey with Mount Rogers ends with their Year 6 student graduating. From everyone at Mount Rogers we wish you every success and happiness in the future.

I wish you all a wonderful holiday break. Be kind to yourselves and take time to relax, reflect and rejuvenate. I look forward to seeing everyone back at Morning Lines on Tuesday, 5 February (Kindergarten students the day before).

Here's to an amazing 2019!

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year,

Felicity Levett
Principal

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School Banking: Tuesday

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

19 Dec	Yr 1/2 End of Year Party
20 - 21 Dec	CANTEEN CLOSED
21 Dec	Last day Term 4

2019

4 Feb	<i>First day :</i> Kindergarten & new students (partial attendance)
5 Feb	<i>First day :</i> Continuing students
27 Feb	Swim Carnival – Dickson Aquatic Centre (Yrs 3-6 & Yr 2 competitive swimmers)
1-3 April	Yr 5/6 Camp Borambola

2019 TERM DATES

Term 1	4/5 February – 12 April
Term 2	29 April – 5 July
Term 3	22 July – 27 September
Term 4	14 October – 19 December





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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 – 2 positions
(period of appointment 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2021)
- Staff member – 1 position
(period of appointment 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2021)

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 open at 11am on 4 February 2019 and must be submitted to the front office at Mount Rogers Primary School by 11am Monday, 18 February 2019.

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

IS YOUR PRESCHOOL CHILD STARTING KINDERGARTEN AT MT ROGERS PRIMARY IN 2019?

Please remember...

to complete and return the forms included
in your Information Pack.

Drop them into the front office at Mount Rogers
Primary School or via your preschool teacher
as soon as possible.

*This will facilitate your child's smooth
transition to Kindergarten.*

MOUNT ROGERS P&C CANTEEN

HEALTHY HUT NEWS

CLOSED ON MONDAYS

Ph 6142 2760

www.flexischools.com.au



*Thank you to all the helpers this year.
We look forward to your continued support in 2019!*

For the remainder of this week we will operate as follows;

- *Wednesday, 19 December* - counter sales only
(no lunch orders) but we will be selling lunch items over
the counter at special bargain prices.
- *Thursday 20 and Friday 21 December* – **CLOSED**

In preparation for next year, please remember we have reusable insulated lunch sacks available for \$8 from the *Healthy Hut* or via Flexischools.



Thank you
Kate & Steph

The Mount Rogers Giving Tree

As the year approaches it's timely for us to share a simple yet important message with students:

Christmas is a time for giving

Therefore Mount Rogers Primary has a giving tree in the front foyer of the school to collect donations for *The Helping Hand Food Pantry*, run out of St Paul's Ginninderra, Spence.

St Paul's provides the school with volunteers each Wednesday morning to run our Breakfast program. We are asking students to donate **non-perishable food items** to place under the Giving Tree. Think of things that you would like in your pantry at Christmas.

Examples of non-perishable food pantry items:

tinned fruit, pasta, savoury biscuits, tea, jelly, sauces, fruitcake, coffee, biscuits, shortbread, pretzels.

**Items can be donated until
tomorrow - Thursday, 20 December.**

The goods will then be delivered to St Paul's ready for Christmas hampers to be made and distributed to families in need in our local community.



Tomorrow YEAR 6 GRADUATION

Thursday, 20 December

Graduation Assembly 9:15am
Mount Rogers Primary School Hall



Zone Bowling 11:30am
followed by pizza lunch - John Knight Park



80s Themed Dinner & Disco 6:00-8:30pm
(Dinner - Yr 6 only & Disco - Yr 5 & 6 only)



Time to return the Library Books.



Thank you to **Glenn Doyle** (grandfather of Emma C) for his wonderful donation of fabulous board games for our games club. Glenn is the Manager of *goodgames*, formerly *The Games Capital*, in Garema Place.

The students will not only enjoy playing the games but build a range of thinking and problem solving skills.



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ART

with the Kindergarten Sloths

Students in the Sloths class were provided with:

- 1 X brown paper bag
- 1 X black piece of paper
- 1 X piece of white paper
- 1 X red patty pan
- Glue and texas

then asked to create their very own reindeer!



So much fun!

Reminders

EXCURSION & PERMISSION NOTES

YEAR	TOPIC	DUE	PAYMENT
K - 6	Curriculum Resources 2019		\$90/child
Pre - 6	Voluntary Contribution 2018/19 (Preschool \$200; Primary \$100)		See below
5	Year 5 Band	Now	\$230
6	Year 6 Band	Now	\$230

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



2019 All things SPACE!

School resumes

PRIMARY

- Kindergarten
Monday, 4 February
Partial day
- Yrs 1-6 Continuing & new students
Tuesday, 5 February
Full day – 9am to 3pm

PRESCHOOLS

- Full day - 9am to 3pm
- Flynn Preschool
Monday, 4 February
 - Spence Preschool
Wednesday 6 February
 - Melba Preschool
Shells Mon 4 February
Dolphins Mon 4 February
Starfish Thurs 7 February



The Mount Rogers Primary & Preschool staff wish all families the very best for the holiday season.

2019 CLASSROOM RESOURCES Supporting your child's learning

Please ensure that your child has all the items necessary for their learning in 2019.

\$90 per child

Includes exercise books, stationery, classroom resources & specific literacy resources

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

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS It's not too late for 2018 and, you can pay now for 2019!

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 per child

Payment can be made by:

- Cash / cheque
- Direct Deposit (BSB: 032-777 Account 001682 – enter *child's name & VolCons18 or 19*)
- EFTPOS – at front office

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COMMUNITY NEWS

COMMUNITY FITNESS CLASSES AT MOUNT ROGERS PRIMARY SCHOOL

MONDAY 6:30-7:30pm	THURSDAY 6:30-7:30pm
Group PT	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!



Contact Steph via the front office.