

## FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

Dear Mount Rogers families,

It was wonderful to see so many parents in and around the school last week for *Getting to Know You* Interviews. I'm sure you will agree that these interviews are a vital part of the school's beginning of the year process and a great opportunity to share information and get to know your child's teacher.

Congratulations to our five School Captains; Grace, Kaity, Lizzy, Flynn and Molly for leading us last Friday in our first whole school assembly of the year. They certainly showed us their leadership skills and set the tone for how we conduct assemblies for the rest of the year. Thank you and well done.

Assemblies will occur in Weeks 5, 7 & 9 this term and will be led by different year level teams across the school. The purpose of assembly is to get the whole school together to celebrate the learning and achievements of our classes. In Weeks 5 and 9 School Values Merit Awards are presented to students who have demonstrated one of our core school values; *Respect, Excellence, Honesty* and *Respect*. At the end of term the Artist of the Term award is presented to a student from each class. Artworks are then framed and displayed in the 'Art Gallery' just beyond the front office.

Last Wednesday and Thursday 10 staff, myself included, attended the Directorate's Positive Behaviours for Learning (PBL) - two day workshop. The goals of PBL are centred around building effective environments that encourage pro-social behaviour, and systems that support learning and teaching. We were able to learn about an educative approach to respond to problems or anti-social behaviour and how important it is to have a clearly defined set of expected behaviours and procedures for teaching and practicing these behaviours. The guiding principles of PBL build on our *KidsMatter* social and emotional learning framework and also match our four core school values. More information about our PBL journey will be shared with the school community throughout the year.

Our wonderful partnership with our feeder high School, Melba Copland Secondary School, remains as strong as ever. I am delighted to announce that eight students from Mount Rogers have been selected to participate in the annual Magellan Program at MCSS. The Magellan program is a gifted and talented program designed to engage and extend targeted students from within our cluster. Experts from the ANU and CSIRO, along with high school and college teachers, will engage students in a challenging and enjoyable inquiry based learning journey with a focus on science and maths. Students are chosen based on results from standardised testing conducted across the cluster. Congratulations to Lani, Harry M, Malachi, Connor, Harry H, Gus, Liam and Amelie.

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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

1 Mar	Community Conversation for ATSI (Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander) families 3:15pm
Ends 2 Mar	Kindergarten PIPs Assessment
2 Mar	New Principal Presentation for School Community 2pm <i>All Welcome</i> <i>(NB Alternate session 5 March)</i>
2 Mar	Clean Up Australia Day for Schools 2018
5 Mar	New Principal Presentation for School Community 2pm <i>All Welcome</i> <i>(NB Repeat session 2 March)</i>
5 Mar	P&C AGM Meeting 7:00pm <i>followed by P&amp;C Meeting at 7:30pm</i>

## 2018 TERM DATES

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

## FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM continued

The Mount Rogers IT team is currently investigating online platforms for classes to communicate with families on a more regular basis. The purpose of this would be to give families up to date information around current learning, as well as providing reminders about class and year level events. The aim is to have something up and running to start Term 2. Watch this space!

With our Twilight Fete on Friday 23rd March is fast approaching. Please consider volunteering for your child's class stall. Remember that all money raised at this event is used by the P&C to support learning and the students of Mount Rogers.

I look forward to seeing those that can make it for one of my 'Meet the New Principal' presentations, either this Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 2pm or next Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March, before the P&C AGM and meeting, at 6:30pm.

Warm wishes,



Felicity Levett  
Principal

## SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION Parent Representative

Four nominations have been received for **one Parent Representative position** on the School Board.

The nominees are:

- Stuart Finch
- Cameron Pietch
- Jon Scholtes
- Tim Voegeli

A Ballot has now commenced. Voting opened at 11am on Monday, 26 February and will **close at 11am on Monday, 5 March.**

Ballot papers are available from:

Mount Rogers Primary School –  
Alfred Hill Drive, Melba  
Office hours – Monday to Friday 8:30am-3:30pm

For more information contact:

Assistant Returning Officer  
Jenny McNaught (Ph 02 62058066)



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](http://www.nap.edu.au) to see how the test works and for more information.



# CONGRATULATIONS

## VALUES AWARDS

Respect | Excellence | Fairness | Honesty

To be presented at our Assembly on  
Friday, 9 March 2018

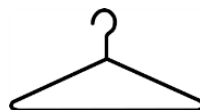
Host: Year 5/6 (Albatross & Adelie Penguins)

CLASS	RECIPIENT
K Monkeys	Elaina B, Alexander E
K Toucans	Jude P, Charlie J,
K Chameleons	Angus J
K Sloths	Toufik F, Wade C, Lacey D
1/2 Lions	Mitchell O, Emily W, Sean C-N
1/2 Hippos	Stella B, Bryson H
1/2 Cheetahs	Christopher B, Alec S, Lucille H
1/2 Zebras	Felicity W, Toby U, Grace P
1/2 Ostriches	Archie M, Curtis H, Mia M
1/2 Giraffes	Rhys M, Taylor G, Leah S
1/2 Elephants	Evaleigh J, Maija S, Dane M
3/4 Meerkats	Thomas M, Lucas O, William H
3/4 Dingoes	Phoebe M, Annabel G, Logan N
3/4 Camels	Sasha S, Mateen R
3/4 Goannas	Jaimi R, Daniel H, Isabelle C, Hawk C
3/4 Foxes	Bridie W, Daniel W, Chloe L
5/6 Albatrosses	Joseph S, Caroline F, Emma R
5/6 Adelie Penguins	Charlee P, Daniel R, Malachi S
5/6 Polar Bears	Zachary G, Kyah B, Liam H
5/6 Seals	Sophia L, Lucie B, Aaron M

*If your child is absent on Assembly Day their award will be presented in class on their return.*

## 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.

## MOUNT ROGERS P&C CANTEEN



### HEALTHY HUT NEWS

**CLOSED ON MONDAYS**

Ph 6258 1552

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

#### Volunteers

Volunteering at your child's school is a great way to meet staff and families, and your child will love seeing you! Our canteen relies on the help of volunteers, and unfortunately lots of families haven't yet signed up to help out! You can come for a couple of hours or all day – we're happy to work with what suits you. We ask every family to volunteer once a term to keep our canteen operating! Please email [mtrogerscanteen@gmail.com](mailto:mtrogerscanteen@gmail.com) to sign up, or pop in!

Volunteers for the next few weeks:

	TUESDAY 27 FEB	WEDNESDAY 28 FEB	THURSDAY 1 MAR	FRIDAY 2 MAR
WEEK 4	NA	Mel M Tanya	Alix W Elli	Shelly Jenny Jaimee
WEEK 5	TUESDAY 6 MAR	WEDNESDAY 7 MAR	THURSDAY 8 MAR	FRIDAY 9 MAR
	We need you!	We need you!	Elli Harley	We need you!

#### Food drive

We're sending our food drive note home with the next newsletter, but in the meantime, the Healthy Hut is welcoming donations of baking paper, tinned tomatoes, tinned corn kernels and washing up detergent!

#### Farewell!

It is with much sadness we announce that Amarylise will be leaving The Healthy Hut at the end of Term 1. We're getting ready to find her replacement. If you, or someone you know has an interest in healthy, fun food, and working in a great environment, please email [secretary.mountrogerspandc@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.mountrogerspandc@gmail.com) for further information.

#### Do you need an oven?

We're lucky enough to have a brand new oven in the Healthy Hut, which means we need to make room. We have an 18 month old electric cooker available! There is nothing wrong with it, it just wasn't up to the job of cooking all day every day! If you might be interested, please pop into the Healthy Hut or email us at [mtrogerscanteen@gmail.com](mailto:mtrogerscanteen@gmail.com).

## MOUNT ROGERS PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION

*All welcome*

#### ● P&C ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Monday, 5 March 2018**

**Starting 7.00pm in Ngunnawal Room**

*followed by*

#### ● P&C ASSOCIATION MEETING (MONTHLY)

**Starting 7:30pm**

The P&C Association welcomes involvement from Mount Rogers' parents, families and the wider community. The Association runs the canteen and uniform shop, and holds events throughout the year to raise vital funds to enhance the school environment and purchase resources for the students. Events include the Mother's and Father's day stalls, the fete, disco, movie nights and Christmas shopping night.

The 2018 AGM is being held at 7pm on Monday, 5 March at the School. Elections are being held to fill positions on the Association Committee. The current President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer will be stepping down so we are seeking nominations for those positions.

Anyone can nominate for any position. You do not have to advise your intention to attend or nominate for the committee before the AGM, just turn up on the night.

If a committee role is not for you, there are other ways to contribute including, volunteering at the school canteen, other events or talk to your child's teacher about helping in the classroom.

If you would like more information, feel free to contact:

*President* Mikaela Pyne

[mpyne06@hotmail.com](mailto:mpyne06@hotmail.com)

*Secretary* Celine Payet

[secretary.mountrogerspandc@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.mountrogerspandc@gmail.com)

### *Upcoming P&C Event*

**Twilight Market Fair**

**Friday, 23 March 4-8pm**

Preparation is underway for a fabulous Twilight Market Fete. A note was sent home last week calling for helpers and outlining class donations for the stalls and activities.

**Would you please ensure that ALL donations are sent to your child's classroom, not the front office.**

For more information please contact:

Celine Payet - [secretary.mountrogerspandc@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.mountrogerspandc@gmail.com)

## Reminders

### EXCURSION & PERMISSION NOTES

YEAR	TOPIC	DUE	PAYMENT
K-6	Curriculum Resources	NOW	\$75 per student
K	Kindergarten Health Check Forms	NOW	NA
5/6	Buroinjin Gala Day	7 Mar	Note only
5	Yr 5 Band (selected students)	9 Mar	1st Instalment \$100
5 & 6	Yr 5/6 Camp (\$305 per student)	9 Mar	Full Payment
6	Polo Shirt & Rugby Tops	9 Mar	See order form
K-6	Cross Country Carnival	NA	Volunteer offers
1/2	Excursion – National Zoo & Aquarium	27 Mar	\$23

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

### YEAR 5/6 CAMP 20-22 March TOPS Conference Centre Stanwell Tops

**PAYMENT IN FULL (\$305) DUE BY 9 MARCH**

**Please note:**

If you require assistance or would like a payment plan, please contact Mrs Levett as soon as possible.



### CURRICULUM RESOURCES REQUIREMENTS (KINDER TO YEAR 6)

Support your child with the purchase of the correct resources to ensure your child has all the items necessary for their learning for the start of the school year.

Please complete a Curriculum Resources Contribution form (available from the front office) and return with payment (\$75 per student).



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## IMPORTANT

Have you returned your child's...

- 1) Emergency Contact Card
- 2) Medical Information & Consent form
- 3) Excursion Medical Information & Consent form
- 4) Known Medical Condition Response Plan (if applicable)

**This information is IMPORTANT.** Without up to date information we are unable to contact parents/carers promptly concerning your child at school, and ensure that your child can participate fully in school activities.

### MOUNT ROGERS SCHOOL BANKING Information & Reward Redemption Session

Thursday, 8 March 8.30-9am  
(at Morning Lines area)

Parents and carers will be able to obtain more information about school banking at Mount Rogers Primary School.

We will let you know what the new theme, rewards and competitions are for 2018 and assist parents in registering students.

For existing bankers if you have 10 or more tokens we will order a reward for you and replace your book if you have lost it or it is old.



We look forward to seeing you.

#### The basics of School Banking ...

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

**COMMONWEALTH BANK**

### YEAR 5 BAND INFORMATION SESSION Tuesday, 6 March 8:30am Ngunnawal Room

For selected students and their parents/carers.

