



# Mount Rogers Primary School

## Learning Caring Sharing



NEWSLETTER NO. 5

6 APRIL 2023

TERM 1 WEEK 10

### FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

Dear Mount Rogers families,

Well, what a fantastic day we had yesterday celebrating our wonderful school's 50th birthday! The Minister for Education and Youth Affairs, Yvette Berry had "such a fun time" helping us open the time capsules. She was super impressed at how engaged the students were through the special assembly and now certainly feels that "she belongs and part of the Mount Rogers community."

I am super proud of our school captains, Dane, Maija, Harry and Kate, for their excellent leadership throughout the morning. The way they handled themselves in front of the media, including WIN News, with no preparation was outstanding! They are looking forward to helping dig the new hole for the time capsules, hopefully with Minister Berry, in late term 4.

The items from inside the 2 time capsules, including the now famous school spoon, will go on display in the main corridor next term. I will let the community know when we will have an open morning or afternoon throughout the term, so that you can come and see what was inside.

Huge thanks to everyone who supported this milestone celebration to happen. Special thanks to the P&C and Sweet Hart Cakes Canberra for the beautiful and delicious birthday cake – of which I ate far too much after the Minister had left!

As I am typing this the Cross Country Carnival is about to start! Huge thanks to Pat and his team for organising the carnival. I am so pleased the weather has been kind to us after last week's postponement. I am sure all students will have a great time out running the course and I look forward to hearing the houses chanting loudly in about 10 minutes! I wonder if Grainger House will lead the Viking Clap, Canberra Raiders style, to kick off the carnival?

Week 1 next term looks a little different from usual. We return on Monday, 24 April and then have the ANZAC Day public holiday on Tuesday, 25 April – so don't come to school. I am then off to Jindabyne on Year 5/6 camp with the students and staff – I love camp! Keep your eye out early next term for some wonderful P&C events, such as the Mother's Day stall and a 50th Birthday tea towel and calico bag fundraiser – I have a sample tea towel in my office and love! There may also be a fundraiser in term 2 involving sponsoring me and a long walk to help raise funds for the P&C to support student lead playground improvements – so watch this space!

There have been so many great stories of learning throughout the term. I am most proud of our Kindy's first term at school – big tick! They have been focusing on learning their letters and sounds since day 1 of the year and have made amazing progress. I have seen lots of great writing from all 3 Kindy classes in the last week, including 50th birthday cards to Mount Rogers! I have seen capitals letters, full stops and finger spaces all used correctly. Great job Kindy!

I wish the entire community a happy and safe school holiday break. It has been a busy and fast paced term and I thank you for your support. I also thank the sensational staff of Mount Rogers for everything they do to support our students. I hope you enjoy doing things that make you smile over the next 2 weeks.

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 bread topping

**EGG** as egg sandwiches or boiled

### REMINDERS

29 Mar	Cross Country Carnival
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6 April	Last day Term 1
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#### TERM 2

24 Apr	First day Term 2
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25 Apr	ANZAC Day – Public Holiday
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26-28 Apr	Year 5/6 Camp – Jindabyne Sports & Recreation Centre
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1 May	Kindergarten Zoo Excursion
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9 May	ACT Swimming Carnival
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12 May	P&C Mothers Day Stall
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25 May	Belconnen Cross Country Carnival at Stromlo
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### TERM DATES

Term 2	24 April – 30 June
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Term 3	17 July – 22 September
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Term 4	9 October – 15 December
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Happy  
Birthday





## OPENING SOON 2024 SCHOOL YEAR ENROLMENTS

Enrolments for the 2024 school year for students transitioning schools or starting at a school open on 6am on Wednesday, 26 April.

Families can [apply online](#). Information about the school in your child's Priority Enrolment Area can be found on the Education Directorate website. During the school holidays a list of [school information sessions](#) for prospective students will be published. Alternately you can visit school websites to find out more about your child's new school.

## Enrolment information sessions: children with developmental delay, diverse learning needs and disability

An online session on **Wednesday 19 April from 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm** will provide parents and carers of children with developmental delay, disability, and diverse learning needs with information on the 2024 school year enrolment process and developing a relationship with their child's next school. The session will be relevant for the enrolment of students from preschool through to college, including specialist school enrolments.

Sessions for parents and carers about supporting school transition will be held in term 3.

Parents and carers can register by emailing: [EDUCommunityPartner@act.gov.au](mailto:EDUCommunityPartner@act.gov.au) and they should include the school year their child will commence in 2024 (ie preschool, Year 9 etc).

Contact - Jean Walker on 62058495 or [jean.walker@act.gov.au](mailto:jean.walker@act.gov.au)



## TABLE TENNIS LESSONS FOR KIDS



<b>Where?</b>	St Paul's Ginninderra Curley St. Spence
<b>When?</b>	11 & 18 April 2023 2 sessions: 9-10.30am for 8-12 year olds 10.45am-12.15pm for 13+
<b>Cost?</b>	Free
<b>Contact:</b>	Maneerat...0450 044 304 by 31 March to reserve a place

# Reminders

## EXCURSION & PERMISSION NOTES

YEAR	TOPIC	DUE	PAYMENT
K - 6	Classroom Resources		\$90
2023	Voluntary Contribution		Note home soon
Selected students	Year 5 Band - \$230 for 2023		
5/6	Camp – Jindabyne Sport & Recreation Ctr		
K	Zoo Excursion	24 Apr	\$24

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

## 2023 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 2023.

### Payment can be made by:

- Cash / cheque
- Online payment facility via website
- EFTPOS – at school office

*Thank you for your support*

## 2023 VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

The 2023 Voluntary Contribution note will be sent home to families soon.

**Please wait until you receive this form to make any financial contributions.**

**CDC CANBERRA**

## IMPORTANT NOTICE SCHOOL SERVICES 2023

**School Buses departing  
Hall Interchange 8:00AM**



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School Services 2023**  
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Hall Interchange 8:00AM.

Please note all school bus services depart Hall Interchange at 8:00am. To ensure on-time arrivals at schools, all services must depart at 8:00am sharp.

This new departure time was introduced at the start of the 2023 school year. Please ensure students arrive at least 10 minutes ahead of this departure time, by 7:50am latest, as we are unable to wait for late arrivals.

For more information visit [cdc.canberra.nsw.gov.au](http://cdc.canberra.nsw.gov.au) or scan the QR code

Email: [info@cdc.canberra.nsw.gov.au](mailto:info@cdc.canberra.nsw.gov.au) Call: (02) 6259 2722

Thank you for your understanding.

## APPLY NOW FOR THE FUTURE OF EDUCATION EQUITY FUND 2023



Apply now for the Future of Education Equity Fund for the 2023 school year. Eligible low-income ACT families can receive one-off payments for financial aid to help cover the costs of their children's educational costs, such as sport equipment and activities, music lessons, school uniforms and excursions.

The Fund is open to eligible students enrolled in preschools that are attached to an ACT government school, through to Year 12 in the ACT. Further information and the online application form is available at <https://www.education.act.gov.au/support-for-our-students/financial-and-resource-assistance-forfamilies>

## Staying COVID Smart in 2023

Being COVID Smart remains a priority for all ACT public schools in 2023.

Students, staff and visitors are reminded to:

- Stay home if unwell and get tested for COVID-19
- Stay up to date with your vaccinations
- Practise good hand and respiratory hygiene
- Physically distance from others when in public places

Individual schools may implement additional measures to manage COVID-19 if deemed necessary in a particular setting. Any changes will be communicated to parents and carers.

**If your child has COVID-19, you must let the school know.** We recommend keeping your child home for at least five days.

RATs are again available from the school for students in term 1 from the front office.

**You can read more about how we are being COVID Smart in ACT public schools at:**

<https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/covid-school-arrangements>