

## PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Monday 11 JUNE 2018

Queen's Birthday

(School not open)

Dear Parents and Carers

What a fantastic night we had at the Anita Chin Workshop last Thursday evening! Thank you to all those who were able to attend. Amy has provided more detail elsewhere in this Newsletter, but suffice to say – we learnt so much from a dynamo of a presenter whose passion for maths education is second to none!

Last week the children participated in the District Cross Country Carnival. A full busload of excited runners braved the wet ground and the cold to represent our school. The staff who accompanied the children commented on how well the children represented our school, both in their respectful behaviours and their commitment to achieving their personal bests. Congratulation to Rebecca from Yr 6 who qualified to progress to the ACT level competition!

Our school Rostrum Public Speaking competition was also held last week. The finalists from each Learning Group (Kinder to Yr 6) presented their speeches. Our judging panel selected Sohil to represent our school at the quarter finals which will be held this month. We wish Sohil all the best in the competition.

You may have noticed in this week's ACT Budget that Neville Bonner Primary School was mentioned as one of three Gungahlin schools which is to receive funding for continued expansion. As soon as I am advised of the details I will share them with you.

This week the Directorate has advised of information provided by ACT Policing in relation to a number of reported incidents involving strangers approaching students in the vicinity of schools. These unfortunate incidents are a good reminder to us all to help our children understand the importance of stranger safety and the need to report any unusual incidents or approaches, to staff and families immediately.

ACT Policing urge anyone who witnesses such incidents or have relevant information to always contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000, or via [www.act.crimestoppers.com.au](http://www.act.crimestoppers.com.au).

I have been advised of no incidents in this area, but it is a timely reminder to talk with your children about being safe and safe behaviours. Our teachers will also discuss protective behaviours with the children.

ACT Policing suggest that families may like to access <http://www.constablekenny.org.au/> for further information about key safety messages. Our Directorate also advised that the [ParentLink website](#) may have some useful tips.

Next time you pop into Reception or call, please be sure to welcome Freyja, who has joined our administrative team.

I hope you enjoy the long weekend. Though I have lots of work to do, I am looking forward to listening to ABC FM Classic Countdown. This year's Countdown theme is 'Music that Makes you Move'. If you like classical music, or are looking to expand your musical mind, I highly recommend a listen!

Fran

## Dates to remember

### JUNE

7	Soccer Trials 4:00-5:00pm
11	Public Holiday – Queen's Birthday
12	Yr 5 Combined Band at Neville Bonner Primary School
12	Preschool Excursion
13	ACT Cross Country
14	Preschool Excursion
16	Neville Bonner Primary School Market and Book Fair 11:00am – 3:00pm
21	P&C meeting 7:00pm
22	Athletics Carnival

## Notes home



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## ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

FRIDAY 22 JUNE



Keep an eye out for the  
note next week

## Preschool

Preschool at Neville Bonner is always exciting, interesting and simply fun! It's hard to believe that we are already half way through the term. The children have been busy exploring autumn through touch, painting, drawing and collage making. We now are moving into learning about winter. Children have painted pictures using coloured ice cubes and shaving foam.

In some Learning Groups, the children have been developing their interests in building towers and objects using blocks, magnetic shapes and recycle materials. Dancing, playing musical statues and playing 'What's the Time Mr Wolf,' continue to be popular activity choices.

For our Unit of Enquiry, we are researching 'Healthy Me.' During the term, have been learning about different foods that help our bodies to 'Go', 'Grow' and 'Glow.' They have been categorising and labelling a variety of foods and learning their nutritional value. Children have also enjoyed opportunity to taste a variety of fresh vegetables and fruit. We look forward to our upcoming excursion in week 6, to the National Botanical Gardens. We would love some parent volunteers on the day. Please see your educator for more information.

## Kindergarten

The 'Special Places Excursion' has been a hot topic for conversation in Kindergarten over the last few weeks! We had a great time visiting Telstra Tower, Boundless, the Carillon and the Arboretum. We also spotted the War Memorial, Questacon and Parliament House on our travels. Do you know why these places are special? If not, we can tell you!



What can you  
Create with  
just a dot?

We are continuing on our journey as great readers and writers, and have been deeply exploring children's books, such as 'The Dot' by Peter H. Reynolds. Next time you sit down to read together, try stopping throughout the book and predicting what might happen next. Make sure you compare your prediction to the story after reading;

were you correct, or did the author surprise you?

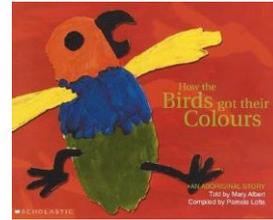
Have you ever flown a kite? We have been exploring activities to do when the weather changes. What activities can you think of?

We have been noticing patterns everywhere! Did you know you can make patterns with colours (red, blue, red, blue etc.), shapes (circle, circle, square, circle, circle, square etc.), sounds (loud, quiet, quiet, loud, quiet, quiet etc.), and body movements (stomp, clap, shake your hips,

stomp, clap, shake your hips etc.)? Give it a go! What else can you use to make patterns?

## Year 1

The Year 1 children are hard at work! This week, we are continuing to learn about the structure of narratives, in preparation for writing our own narratives.



We are using the book "How Birds Got Their Colours" as our focus read-aloud, and will be creating a piece of artwork based on the story.

In maths, we are learning about informal units of measurement, using items commonly found around the Learning Area to measure other objects. We are also consolidating our knowledge of addition and subtraction number sentences.

In Science, we are continuing our investigations into living things and their habitats, researching a chosen animal, labelling a drawing and discussing where it lives and why.

In Physical Education we are having lots of fun learning and practising our dance moves, currently focusing on the Queensland Backstep.

## Year 2

Year 2 Learning Groups have been enjoying read alouds of big books. This week we read *Pie in the Sky* by Lois Ehlert. We identified words in the book that help us to follow a procedure, such as 'first,' 'next,' 'then' and 'now.' We used the book to help us write a step-by-step recipe for making cherry pie. Yum!

Our Maths focus has been around gathering and recording data. We have taken surveys in our Learning Groups and created graphs to show the results. Keep your eyes out for graphs in newspapers and magazines and see if you can identify the highest and lowest result.

In our History unit we have identified the differences between new and old technology. We have seen examples of how people used to do things differently in day to day life, including transport, communication and learning. We are very lucky to have some of the new technologies that we use everyday!

## Year 4/3

The Year 4/3 students have continued their fast paced learning schedule. We have completed many activities for Reconciliation Week including developing a time line of Australian Aboriginal history leading up to this year's first Public Holiday for Reconciliation. Students researched

particular important events in our history to do with reconciliation including the Prime Minister's apology to the Stolen Generation, the Mabo decision and the 1967 Referendum.

We have been practising field event skills in preparation for our Athletics Carnival. Our concentration on sprinting has been supported by taking photos of the students whilst they sprint using the IPADs.

In Mathematics, we have been capturing and graphing data. This has been a fun activity as students have explored what questions to ask and what is the best way to show the data. We have looked at the numbers of verbs or nouns in particular picture books, cars seen on the way home, and cars in the back carpark. Try creating your own chance and data exploration at home!

### Read Alouds

Many Learning Groups share a read aloud book. The H<sub>2</sub>O Investigators, for example, have just finished reading Amelia Dee and the Peacock Lamp which is a wonderful story about growing up, taking responsibility for your actions and being brave.

## Year 6/5

We had a busy fortnight of learning in Year 6/5. For Mathematics, Year 5 students have been working on their Mathematics Graphing Assignment, which involved collecting data and creating graphs, including column graphs, pie charts, pictographs, line graphs and bar graphs, appropriate for data type, with and without the use of digital technology. Year 6 students had been working on volume and capacity and investigated misleading data represented in different graphs.

In English, Students continued with their preparation and research for news report about a selected natural disaster. Children are preparing for different roles including news anchor, survivor, news reporter and SES volunteer.

For Art, students have been working on Art Transformations that involve representing a selected 'Master Piece' with transformations inclusive of a three-dimensional component and an interpretation of Aboriginal inspired dot technique. Children then photographed and compared their works.

For Physical Education, students continued working on their skipping skills and preparing for Athletics Carnival. They have been participating in relays to develop both speed and stamina.

We look forward to seeing families at our upcoming events that include the Athletics Carnival and the Neville Bonner Market and Book Fair.



We are constantly getting in new books for the library which is fantastic! In fact we have lots of books waiting to be contacted and put on the shelves ready for our students to borrow. It would be wonderful if we could have some volunteers to help contact books to help get them on the shelves quicker! I have put together some take-home bags of books with contact and scissors. If you would like to volunteer please leave a message for me at Reception or come and see me in the library. Remember the library is open before school from 8:30am on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Please come in and get warm whilst sharing a good book!

Also, our school is holding a Carnival Book Fair soon and would like to invite you to join the fun. Carnival book Fairs provide quality books for us to display in the school at discounted prices. Every book purchase helps us build resources for the children in our school.

**YOU ARE INVITED TO:**  
Carnival Fairs

**Find your Treasure**

**BOOK FAIR**

**WHEN:** Monday 25th - Friday 29th June

**WHERE:** Neville Bonner School Library

**OPEN TIMES:**  
Monday: 8:30-9:30, 3:00-3:30  
Tuesday: 8:30-9:30, 3:00-3:30  
Wednesday: 8:30-9:30, 3:00-3:30  
Thursday: 8:30-9:30, 3:00-6:30  
Friday: 8:30-9:30

**Every Purchase Benefits Our School!**

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Thank you your support.

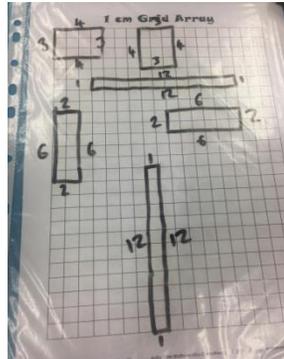
Jane Hellyar

## Anita Chin Parent/Carer Workshop

Thank you to all the parents and carers who braved the cold last Thursday night to attend the mathematics workshop run by leading mathematics expert Anita Chin. I know you would all agree that it was worth it! Anita was highly engaging as she explained the way Mathematics is taught to children today and how it is different from how we were taught when we were at school. The adults were the students for the evening with the opportunity to experience it firsthand!

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4	4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40
5	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
6	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60
7	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70
8	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80
9	9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90
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It was amazing to see how many mathematicians we had in the room- no wonder we have so many clever children! There were a lot of laughs throughout the evening with parents and carers sharing positive feedback and their appreciation for their new understandings of what goes on in the classroom today. A big thank you to Anita for hosting the evening!



## ROSTRUM FINALS - 2018

What an honour it was to judge such extraordinary speeches at our Public Speaking School Final Competition, Rostrum. On behalf of Sarahan and Kevin and I would like to thank the children who braved the stage to share with us their ideas and words – and thank you to the teachers and adults who supported the children in participating.

A big congratulations to Sohil from the Year 6/5 Banangopines who was our winner on the day. Sohil impressed the judges with his audience engagement and use of humour. He will go on to represent Neville Bonner Primary School at the next round of finals in a few weeks. Congratulations also to Tiffany from the Year 6/5 Terramartes who took out the place of runner-up. Success was in the air ☺

A special mention went to Mahonri from the Year 2 Mineral Minors who rocked it with his natural stage presence and to Leon in Kindergarten from the Healthy Heroes who blew us away with his fun facts and confidence.

Well done everyone!

Georgie

## ENROLMENTS 2019

### URGENT

Just a reminder for Preschool and new Kindergarten to Year 6 enrolments for 2019.

Please ensure you submit your online enrolment as soon as possible at

[www.education.act.gov.au/enrolling](http://www.education.act.gov.au/enrolling). Offers of placements will be made at the end of this term.

*Please note: if your child already attends Neville Bonner Primary School you do **not** need to submit an enrolment form for 2019.*

## 2018 North Canberra/Gungahlin District Cross Country Carnival



### **Neville Bonner Market and Book Fair**

Just over two weeks to go until the Neville Bonner Market and Book Fair (see attached flyer for more information, or head to our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/NBPS.PandC/>). We are still taking donations for the garden stall and book fair, and need just a few more volunteers for the day. Getting involved is a great way to help out our school community, even for just an hour! For more information, please email [nevillebonnerps.pandc@gmail.com](mailto:nevillebonnerps.pandc@gmail.com) or pass your contact details to your child's teacher or school reception.

### **Entertainment Books**

The 17/18 Entertainment Books expire tomorrow, so get your 18/19 version now! To purchase, go to <https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/2787i1> or contact Nat via our email. If you would like to order a hard copy book, please select pick up and it will be delivered to the school office for you to collect. Ask your family and friends to support us as well!

### **Canteen**

Our school canteen is open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday for lunch, as well as Monday and Friday afternoons for over the counter sales. All orders are due either direct to the canteen (cash only) or via Flexischools by 9am on the morning required. No cancellations after this time. A reminder that Preschoolers can order! Their lunches will delivered to their classroom by the canteen staff! We have a great variety of food available, including GF, DF, vegetarian and halal options. Check out our menu on Facebook or at the canteen. If you'd like to volunteer to help, even just once a term, please let us know!

**Thursday meal deal: 4 chicken nuggets, a fruit cup and 2 pikelets for \$6.00!**

**Monday meal deal: Mac and cheese, drink and a cookie for \$6.00! (GF option available!)**



**JUNE 16<sup>TH</sup>**

**11:00 AM-3:00 PM**

**NEVILLE BONNER**

# **MARKET & BOOK FAIR**

*at Neville Bonner Primary School*  
*Entry on Mabo Boulevard*

*Fun for the whole Family!*

**MARKET STALLS**  
**BOOK FAIR**  
**FOOD STALLS**  
(With Gluten Free, Halal & Vegetarian options)

**GARDEN STALL**  
**FACE PAINTING**  
**REPTILE DISPLAY**  
**JUMPING CASTLE**

**RAFFLE**  
**LIVE MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT**  
**SIDE SHOW GAMES & ACTIVITIES**  
**HOT AIR BALLOON** (Weather permitting)

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