

Information Update

Term 2 Week 5

31 May 2018

Community Maths Workshop Tonight Thursday 31 May 6:30-7:30pm

(please see separate note)

Horse Park Drive Duplication - CHANGES TO TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS - Advance Notice

From Wednesday 30 May 2018 (weather permitting), the southbound (citybound) carriageway of Horse Park Drive, between Mulligans Flat Road and Anthony Rolfe Avenue, will be switched to utilise the newly constructed road.

This traffic switch will enable construction works to continue on the median islands and intersections, whilst maintaining safety for the construction team and the road users. Traffic signals at Mulligans Flat Road will continue to operate with only minor changes to their configuration.

Traffic signals at Francis Forde Boulevard and Katherine Avenue intersections will be phased in over the coming weeks.

We appreciate your patience with the works as we take a step towards the completion of the overall project.

As always, we welcome any queries or feedback.

Regards



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A Message from Transport Canberra

DRIVING AND PARKING BEHAVIOURS

The ACT Government has recently visited the school to review the road safety and driving behaviours around our school.

While the school can become congested during the peak times, illegal car parking and speeding will not be tolerated as it creates an unsafe environment for children. This includes parking on nature strips, the verges, on street corners and across children's crossings.

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H6B6PPgOC8I>)

Some important things to remember:

- Avoid parking in the pick-up and set down area, it creates unnecessary congestion
- Parking on or near the children's crossings is dangerous, it reduces visibility
- Drivers should not leave their cars unaccompanied unless they are in a dedicated car park
- Parking on the verge is dangerous, children shouldn't need to navigate cars.



Try parking a little further from the school and walking to meet your child, or arrange a meeting point with your child so they can walk to meet you. It's not only a great way to avoid the congestion and illegal parking, it is also one of the most time efficient ways to ensure children receive the recommended 60 minutes of physical activity every day.

More information is available on the [Transport Canberra](http://www.transportcanberra.gov.au) website, including a range of information sheets to promote safe behaviours around schools.

Dates to remember

MAY

31 Hats Off Day
31 Anita Chin Community Maths Workshop 6:30 – 7:30pm

JUNE

1 Rostrum School Final
11 Public Holiday – Queen's Birthday
12 Yr 5 Combined Band at Neville Bonner Primary School
12 Preschool Excursion
16 Neville Bonner Primary School Fair

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HATS OFF!

"HATS OFF" today! The Cancer Council advises that ceasing sun protection behaviour (hats, sunscreen) from the end of May to the beginning of August, may assist Canberra children with their Vitamin D requirements.

RIDE OR WALK TO SCHOOL

RIDE or WALK to school

Did you know that Neville Bonner Primary is part of the [Ride or Walk to School](#) program?

The program is designed to drive culture change in the school community to once again make walking and riding to school the norm for children.

Our [Ride or Walk to School](#) map highlights a number of safe walking and riding routes to and from the school. The routes highlighted in the map won't be appropriate for everyone, so try developing a safe route to school with your children.

Walking or riding to school with your children is a great opportunity to discuss safe road crossing behaviours and teach them safe routes so they can develop the independence. Some useful information is available on the [Transport Canberra](#) website. Walking or riding to school helps to improve student health and wellbeing, while also reducing congestion and safety around the school.

SAFELY CROSSING ROADS

Teaching children how to cross the road safely is one of the most important things you can do to teach your children independence.

It is important to show children safe routes to school, with minimal road crossings. Utilising underpasses and walking on footpaths through parklands is a great way to ensure your children stay safe.

If children need to cross a road, encourage them to use children's crossings, pedestrian crossings, traffic signals, refuge islands or places with good visibility to cross the road. And remember to teach them to STOP, LOOK, LISTEN and THINK before they attempt to cross a road.

The [Constable Kenny](#) website has some great educational resources to teach children to stay OK on the road, including a video to explain [how to stay safe when crossing a road](#).



PARKING PATROLS NEAR SCHOOLS

Parking Operations are now using a Licence Plate Recognition vehicle (or electronic chalking), which regularly patrols school environments to increase safety for children. Motorists that commit an offence will receive their infringement notice in the mail (rather than on their windscreen) 5-7 days after the offence.



(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H6B6PPgOC8I>)

While the school can become congested during the peak times, illegal parking will not be tolerated as it creates an unsafe environment for children and local residents. Parents are welcome to park on side streets around the school, but please remember to park legally. Infringements for parking on nature strips, footpaths, verges, street corners and across children's crossings start from \$114.

If you need to drive, try parking a little further from the school and walking to meet your child, or arrange a meeting point with your child so they can walk to meet you. It's a great way to avoid the congestion and illegal parking and is also one of the most time efficient ways to ensure children receive the recommended 60 minutes of physical activity every day.

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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 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!)