

Book Fair

This Saturday 20 May 2017

10:00am – 4:00pm

The organising of the book fair is well under way, we have received a number of book donations for our up and coming fair but are still needing more. If you want to cull and have time to go through your book case please bring your unwanted books to the school office. You will find some tubs to put your donations in.

Book Fair Volunteers

Thank you to those who have volunteered to help on the day of the book fair. We are still needing some more help with either the sausage sizzle, cuppa and cake stall or book sales. Even if you can only spare an hour or two please let us know by emailing nevillebonnerps.pandc@gmail.com

Cake Stall

As advertised, on the day of the book fair we are also holding a cuppa and cake stall. For this to be successful we need home baked goods to sell. This is a perfect way to volunteer if you are unable to help out on the day. If you are able to whip us up something to sell at the cake stall please plate it up on a disposable plate, cover in cling film with the name of the item and a list of ingredients stuck to the outside and bring it to the canteen Friday morning the 19th of May, or Friday at school pick up to the office.



NEVILLE BONNER PRIMARY SCHOOL
ENROLMENTS 2018
PRESCHOOL TO YEAR 6
ENROLMENT PERIOD 26 APRIL TO 27 MAY

**Please complete your online enrolment
by 27 May**

All enrolments online:

http://www.education.act.gov.au/school_education/enrolling_in_an_act_public_school



OFFERS OF ENROLMENT WILL BE EMAILED TO SUCCESSFUL
APPLICANTS BEGINNING FRIDAY 23 JUNE.

Dates to remember

MAY

20	P&C Book Fair 10:00am-4:00pm
23	Rostrum School Final
24	Junior Assembly: Preschool -Yr 2 9:20am - Colourful Corals Senior Assembly: Year 3-6 9:55am - Golden Lemon Myrtles
24	National Simultaneous Storytime 11:00am
25	District Cross Country
26	National Sorry Day
29	Year 5 Combined Band
30	Preschool Visit – Nutrition Magic
31	Hats off day

Notes home

- District Cross Country
- Yr 6/5 Camp

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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope all families are able to spare some time to drop in to the **BOOK FAIR this Saturday** to support the amazing work of our Parents and Citizens Association who have organised this special community event. Donations of homemade cakes and goodies for the Cake Stall will be gratefully received (see how to do this elsewhere in this Newsletter). All profits go back in to our school to support the children's learning. Even if you only have ten minutes, drop in –buy a book, a cake and a sausage - an easy lunch for the family – and all for a very good cause!

ENROLMENTS 2018

On Wednesday this week we were delighted to welcome back ex-students Genevieve, Akram, Aaliyah and Esperanza, who came to share their experiences of **Year 7** with our Year Six students. Genevieve, Akram, Aaliyah and Esperanza accompanied Ms Gai Beecher (Principal Amaroo School) when she came to talk with the Year Six about transition to high school 2018. Our visiting ex-students were terrific ambassadors for their new school and it was very special to have them back with us, even though it was just a short time. We miss them! It seems early to be talking about 2018 and high school, but preparation for this significant transition is important and we value our partnership with Amaroo School in ensuring that families are engaged during this enrolment period. **If you have not yet enrolled your child for high school, you need to make sure this is completed by the end of next week.** Please do not hesitate to contact our Reception if you need assistance.

Just a reminder that if your child is currently in Preschool at Neville Bonner Primary School and is continuing into **Kindergarten at our school**, there is **no need** to complete new enrolment forms – the children simply progress. Shortly, Preschool parents/carers will receive a note requesting information about which school their child will be attending for Kindergarten. We ask that you return that note promptly as the information is essential to our planning for 2018. **If your child will be transitioning to Kindergarten at another ACT public school in 2018, you need to complete on-line enrolment by the end of next week.**

SCHOOL BOARD

Last night was the first meeting of the 2017 School Board. We would like to congratulate and thank Paul Costanzo who was elected Board Chair for another term, and Amani Dib who was elected Deputy Board Chair. Congratulations also to Natalie Gray who was elected to the Board as a P&C representative. The members of the 2017 School Board are:

P&C representatives

Paul Costanzo (Chairperson)
Amani Dib (Deputy Chairperson)
Natalie Gray

Staff representatives

Amy Czoban
Kylie Robertson

Principal

Fran Dawning

Board meetings are held in Weeks 3 and 8 of every term.

I hope all mothers and special women in our children's lives were well pampered and made to feel very loved last Sunday!

Mothers' Day is a great opportunity to slow down and take time to reflect on the amazing impact mothers and carers have on families and the community at large - one of the hardest jobs in the universe, but also one of the most rewarding. Thank you for all that you do for your children.

Have a relaxing weekend – see you at the Book Fair on Saturday!

Fran

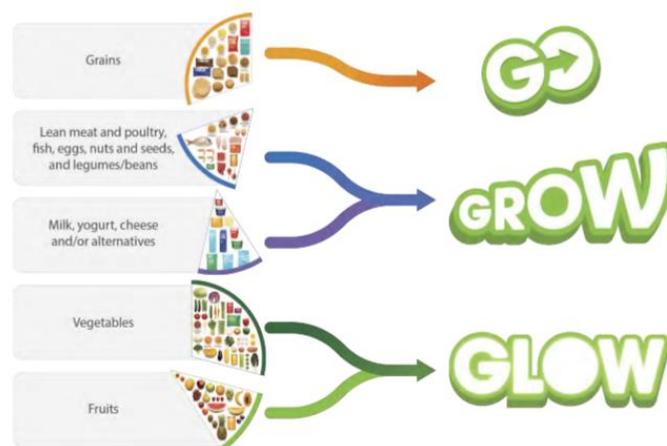
Preschool

It has been a great start to Term 2 with the children busy exploring autumn through touch, painting, drawing and collage making.

For our Unit of Inquiry, we are researching 'Healthy Me.' During the term, the children will learn 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 will also have the opportunity to taste a variety of fresh vegetables and fruit.

We look forward to hosting the Nutrition Magician in week 6. The 'Super Kids Show' will promote healthy eating, food choices and drinking water.

AUSTRALIAN GUIDE TO HEALTHY EATING FOOD GROUPS AND THEIR LINKS TO GO, GROW, GLOW GROUPINGS



Kindergarten

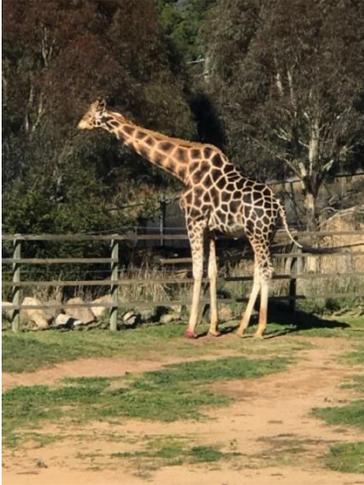
The Kindergarten children have been learning about what makes our school special, as well as exploring the features of some of Canberra's special landmarks including Parliament House and Telstra Tower. We are getting excited about our upcoming Special Places excursion!

The children are practising their oral language skills by sharing their drawing and writing with the rest of the Learning Group. They will also be participating in our Rostrum public speaking competition; one child from each Learning Group will be selected to present their speech at our whole school competition on Tuesday of week 5 (Tuesday 23 May).

We encourage each child to be reading with someone at home every night!

Year 1

Year 1 have been so busy learning about habitats. On Tuesday we enjoyed an excursion to the National Zoo and Aquarium where we got to visit a variety of animals in habitats created by the zoo to meet the needs of the animal. We had such a fun day and got to see so many animals. A special thank you to all the volunteers who accompanied us on our excursion. We hope you all had a great day too.



Year 2

In Year 2 we have been learning about the changes in technology over time. We have discussed advances in toys and household items, and will be discovering how life was before the introduction of electricity.

Our Mathematics focus has been about 'time', specifically focusing on months of the year and number of days in each month.

We are enjoying reading a wide range of books and making connections between the characters in a story and what we have read in other books or know about people in our lives. On that note, please remember to return home reading books every week!

Year 4/3

Our Year 4/3 students continue to develop their skills across all areas of learning. Our students are consistently reflecting on how their personal strengths and experiences contribute to the success of their own learning as well as developing the identity of their Learning Group.

In Mathematics, students are investigating fractions through identifying numerators and denominators and separating lengths and collections to create halves, thirds, quarters and fifths. Students will also begin to explore the relationship between families of fractions.

In English, students continue to expand their vocabulary through investigating the use of prefixes and suffixes. In preparation for Rostrum, students are in the midst of selecting and preparing short presentations on their chosen topics.

Some of our Investigation questions over the next few weeks include:

- The reasons for the First Fleet and the impact it had on different groups of people
- What happens in a habitat when one animal or plant becomes extinct?
- How do forces, such as friction and magnetism, affect the movement of objects?

Year 6/5

Science lessons involve lots of investigation as we explore the wonders of 'Marvellous Micro Organisms'. We will be finding out about yeast and mould; especially looking at how they are useful to us in our everyday lives. (And sometimes not so useful - when 'things' begin to grow in those forgotten lunch boxes!)

Our attention during English lessons will focus on informative texts. We will investigate how facts and information need to be just that, factual – unlike the creativity and personal responses needed for narrative and persuasive texts. There will be opportunities for independent research and peer teaching as children prepare an informative text on a topic of their choice to share with others.

In Maths the concepts 'Volume' and 'Capacity' will be investigated. We will identify, and when appropriate, convert the units of measure used to record these measurements. Knowledge of these units will be applied when solving real life problems.

It is with much interest and discussion that we continue to find out about the Three Levels of Government in Australia. Many discussions trying to resolve issues faced by our governments has made it apparent that keeping all people happy is a near impossible task. These discussions have also highlighted the numerous roles and responsibilities at different levels of government.

Much of the excitement of Rostrum is now behind us, now we look forward to the Book Fair on Saturday and then ahead to CAMP. This will no doubt, for many children, be a standout highlight of 2017.

YEAR 2 DRAMA

Year 2 are making puppets in Drama! The children are using styrofoam balls, fabric, elastic bands and craft materials to design and create their very own puppets. The children are applying themselves to create designs that are interesting and unique – demonstrating their creativity and commitment to the task!.

