



# Junior Site Bites

Another great week on the junior site has flown by.



On Monday this week, the **P&C team hosted and organised a fund raising BBQ** for the Junior Site. Over 500 sausages were cooked after the late orders were counted, and everyone was still served inside of 40 minutes! The students enjoyed the opportunity for a cooked sausage, Easter egg treat and drink. We thank those who could spend some time cooking, serving, preparing, and everything else that was needed. Thanks also to all the Gold Creek staff for their wonderful support, and the Year 6 students, who helped fetch the class groups, usher students, serve food and prepare.

On Wednesday of this week, our **Year 6 leaders attended the Grip leadership forum**. Well done leaders for your amazing participation on the day and to Miss Rogers for supporting the leadership team. We look forward to hearing all about their learning! The Student Leaders have been demonstrating their leadership skills through the organisation of many events and we look forward to discos, Crazy Hair Day and fund raising for The World's Greatest Shave next week.

In today's Assembly Mr Russell talked about **Integrity** and what that looks like. He challenged students and provided an opportunity for students to demonstrate this through sportsmanship in their afternoon activities. Mr Russell talked about respecting others and being principled in everything you do, setting a standard for others to follow and importantly not lowering your own standards.

You can display good sportsmanship in the playground, in any sport, any game or even PE. In fact I know that coaches are always looking for players who are principled and have integrity to be the captain of teams. Integrity and good sportsmanship is something you can learn and develop.

To help students Mr Russell enlisted some help from two American friends of his Mr Positive and the Valid Avenger.

<https://goo.gl/yFdRMK>

Year 3 and 5 students have worked hard at attempting their **On-line NAPLAN** practice tests this week. The practice tests allowed students to further develop their ICT skills in utilising the on-line testing platform. NAPLAN testing will be next term in week 3. Parents can find more information about the testing by going to the NAPLAN website [www.nap.edu.au](http://www.nap.edu.au). A demonstration on-line test is available at <https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/naplan-online/naplan-online-public-demonstration-site> and we encourage our year 5 students to do some typing practice through <http://www.bbc.co.uk/guides/z3c6tfr> so they are ready for the on-line Writing test. If parents would like to withdraw their students from the NAPLAN testing, please Julie Pickering via [Julie.Pickering@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:Julie.Pickering@ed.act.edu.au) to discuss.

Best wishes for a successful end of term.

Yours in Learning  
Jacqui and Priscilla

## Week 9

Term 1 2017



### Dates to remember:

[Calendar](#)

- 5 Apr – Preschool Disco
- 6 Apr – K-6 Disco
- 7 Apr – Whole School ANZAC Day Assembly
- 7 Apr – Last Day of Term 1
- 26 Apr – First Day of Term 2

### TERM 1 ASSEMBLY ROSTER

- Wk 10 Whole School ANZAC Assembly

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## Year 1 News

Year 1 have had a very productive first term and have finished their first unit of inquiry about how communication is influenced by feelings and emotions. We have learnt about different ways which we can communicate how we are feeling, including: AUSLAN sign language, braille, body language, facial expressions, colour and verbal communication. We were very lucky to have the Big Blue Suitcase in our unit from the Canberra Museum and Art Gallery (CMAG) to observe how many artists express themselves. This was used as an inspiration to create our own artworks to express ourselves.



Procedural texts are the current writing focus. During these lessons, students have opportunities to engage in activities such as creating a sprout house, making telephones, and fruit kebabs. Students then write the procedure for these activities using the appropriate structural format and language. Stamina is also a focus during writing. We are encouraging students to focus for as long as they can without distraction to beat our stamina time from the previous lesson. Learning about 2D and 3D shapes and their properties has been fun; we have made shape monsters and constructed our own 3D nets.



In our new unit of Inquiry, we are learning about how communities are established and provide services and spaces for people. To assist the students understanding of services within a community, we are organising a 'job expo' where they interview a variety of people with different occupations and how this helps the community. If you would like to be a part of the expo, please let your class teacher know.

*Year 1 Team - Miss Good, Mrs Bleckendorf, Mrs Toten, and Miss Cerni*

**A reminder to all families that dogs are not permitted onto school grounds at any time in the A.C.T. Please leave your furry friends safely at home during drop off and pick up times.**



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## Principal Awards – Week 9

<b>3A</b> Alishba K Jordan W	<b>3B</b> Ava S Daniel O	<b>3C</b> Chloe F Matilda B	<b>4A</b> Kye P Litia K
<b>4B</b> Natalie D Harrison W	<b>4C</b> Emma J Zohal I	<b>5A</b> Yasmin L Malac W	<b>5B</b> Ben C Tayla S
<b>5C</b> Aidan S Haylee B	<b>6A</b> Panna B Charlie T	<b>6B</b> Emily D Alec H	<b>6C</b> Rosalia R Charli S
<b>PAC</b> Baden W Jacob R			

	We invite all prospective parents of Preschool, Kindergarten and Year 7 to attend our 2017 Open Days
<b>Whole School Open Days</b>	
<b>Gold Creek School</b> Kelleway Ave Nicholls	
<b>Tuesday 2 May and Thursday 18 May 2017</b>	
<i>Come and tour the facilities and speak with staff and current students about the many opportunities available at Gold Creek School</i>	
<b>Preschool and Kindergarten</b> To be held at the Junior Campus (entrance junction with Whatmore Cct) Contact: Jacqui Chapman Tel: 6142 1340 <b>9:00 -10:30am and 11:00 -12:30pm</b>	<b>Year 7</b> To be held at the Senior Campus (entrance junction with McClelland Ave) Contact: Michelle Morthorpe Tel: 6142 1300 <b>9:15 -10:45am and 12:00 -1:30pm</b>
Please RSVP to <a href="mailto:info@goldcreek.act.edu.au">info@goldcreek.act.edu.au</a> with your preferred date, session time and year group of interest.	

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## Term 1, 2017 Gold Creek DISCO



Come along to raise money for World's Greatest Shave!

For a Gold Coin Donation students are permitted to come to school in mufti clothes and do their hair in a crazy style!

A small group of year 6 leaders will also be holding a hairspray / crazy hair stall to raise additional money for this great cause!!

Come along and join the fun!!

### Preschool Disco

Wednesday 5 April  
10.15am-11.00am (Morning Session)  
1.15pm-2.00pm (Afternoon Session)

### Kinder to Year 2

Thursday 6 April  
From 11.30am

### Year 3 to 6

Thursday 6 April  
From 1.30pm



  
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