

Junior Site Bites

Kindergarten News

Wow what a busy start to the year we have had in Kindergarten! During our first few weeks we have been learning a lot, including all about different shapes and how they are all around us. We have been on shape hunts around the classroom and outside around the school. We have been creating shapes with a variety of manipulatives.



On Wednesday 21 February we had a visit from our friend Kenny Koala. He spoke to us about being safe at school and home. We learnt that police are our friends and we can give them a wave or chat to them when we see them on the street or at the shops. Kenny reminded us that when we are in a car we need to be sitting in a booster seat and ensure our seat belt stays done up until an adult tells us we can undo it.



While Years 3-6 were at the swimming carnival, Kindergarten to Year 2 students had fun with a water play afternoon. We did a lot of activities including painting with water. This is also a great activity to do at home to practice writing letters and numbers.



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Principal Awards – Week 4

KA Emmett T Cooper H	KB Grace Mc Razel P	KC Jacob L Lara B Kevin C-M	KD Lilian P Evie H
KE Penelope C Henry B	1A Mia T Charli B	1B Chloe O'K Kobi S	1C Robert B Ella M
1D Cooper R Evelyn L	1E Aariz K Sophie B	2A Ebony C Parisa B	2B Alex J Ginevra M
2C Caleb S Emma T	2D Tanner T Pheonix S		

TERM 1 ASSEMBLY ROSTER

- Wk 5 Year 4
- Wk 6 Year 1
- Wk 7 Harmony Day
- Wk 8 Kindergarten
- Wk 9 Year 5
- Wk 10 Whole School
ANZAC Assembly



Keep the **Coles Sports for Schools** vouchers coming in, collection boxes are available at the Nicholls Preschool Campus, the Junior Site Front Office or Coles at Gungahlin.

Reading at Home

All parents/carers who have a child in Kindergarten – Year 2 are invited to attend a workshop all about supporting your child's reading at home.

By the end of the session you should be armed with a range of strategies in order to help develop your child's reading skills and love of reading in a fun and supportive way.

When:

Monday 5 March 5:30-6:00pm

Thursday 8 March 3:15-3:45pm
(repeat session)

Where:

KD classroom



We look forward to seeing you there.

The Kindergarten Team

Road Safety Survey

A School Crossing Supervisor Program has been introduced in the ACT at 20 crossing sites. School crossing supervisors (lollipop people) assist children to cross roads safely by directing traffic with a stop sign and providing instructions to students.

To help determine if the Program is successful, Transport Canberra and City Services have engaged First Person Consulting to evaluate the School Crossing Supervisor Program. One of the ways that they will be doing this is through this survey to help capture attitudes to children travelling actively (i.e. walking or riding) to primary school.

To complete the survey please click [here](http://www.surveymoz.com/s3/4172882/School-Crossing-Supervisor-Survey), or copy and paste the following link into your browser:
<http://www.surveymoz.com/s3/4172882/School-Crossing-Supervisor-Survey>

The survey should take about five minutes. The survey will not collect any identifiable information, and all responses will be kept confidential.

Thank you in advance for your time in completing this survey. If you have any questions please contact the [TCCS Schools Program](http://www.tccs.act.edu.au).



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School Board Nominations

After reading the statements from the three nominees please click on this [link](#) for voting purposes.

Parent Nominees Statement

1. Renee Jarvis

Hello, my name is Renee Jarvis. I am a mum of 4 plus one - a 17yr old who has come to live with us from Griffith NSW to further his sporting career opportunities. I'm a wife to a currently serving Defence Member who is posted to Russell offices. I love to chat with people and to make new friends and hear about other people's journey through life.

I am running for P&C rep because I feel I could bring a little more to the school than I already do. Having all 4 of my children now attending Gold Creek Primary, I would love nothing more than to have a little more involvement in what is happening around the school. I spend a bit of time with a few of the children and families from Preschool to Grade 5. I have spent time running a girls program for an indigenous youth group and non for profit organisation within Canberra. I also like to volunteer my time at Canberra Girls Grammar when I can to help mentor the young indigenous girls that attend the school. I am currently working in my APS role 2 days a week and run my own online business to keep myself occupied. I love to give back to the community in any way possible as I gain a great sense of gratitude and love for having the ability to do so. I have spent a bit of time doing things for other schools and organisations that aren't as closely linked to my own children, and would love the opportunity to be able to work more closely with Gold Creek Primary School for this very reason.

I hope my application to run for P&C is successful and if not I wish the successful applicant well wishes in the role, I am always happy to help in any way I can.

Kind Regards
Renee Jarvis

2. Lucrecia Rea

Greetings. My name is Lucrecia Rea. My family is new to Gold Creek and we're very thankful for the warm welcome we've received from this community. I have three children in school this year (years 2, 3 and 9), as well as one who will be starting preschool next year. My children are settling into school exceptionally well and are looking forward to a very productive year ahead.

I'm a former Navy cryptologist who is now a military spouse and stay-at-home mother to five children ranging from infant to teenager. As such, I'm very warm, approachable, disciplined, practical, organised, and a hard worker. One of my core beliefs is that before you complain about something, have a solution in mind. It isn't enough to say something isn't working; you have to think of how to fix it. That's the attitude I'll bring to the board along with the wealth of knowledge I've gained throughout my many moves and school experiences.

3. Michael Rush

I believe we have an outstanding school at Gold Creek that offers great opportunities for our children. The school has invested in the International Baccalaureate, with a great response from families. The student population is growing at a fast pace and there has been investment in facilities. I ask for your support so that together we can continue to build the school community.

There are still many challenges ahead. To build on work to date, more lobbying is needed for effective change to car parking and facilities such as the oval. More classrooms and equipment will be needed as the student population grows.

I have two daughters at the school and we have been involved with Gold Creek School since 2008. I have served on the school board for two years and was privileged to be Chair in 2017. I have served as President and more lately Treasurer of the P&C. In addition to my involvement at the school, I bring experience from working in financial and contract management and from my roles on committees and boards of sporting organisations.

I am passionately committed to the school community and to the environment our children learn in. I believe that my knowledge of the school makes me effective at Board level. I ask for your support to be able to continue contributing to **moving the school forward**.