



Hughes Primary School acknowledges the Ngunnawal People, the traditional owners and custodians of this land.

Principal's Message

A reminder regarding our **Staff Planning Days**. The ACT Government is supporting all ACT public schools to hold two staff planning days during Term 2. These days will provide teachers with some extra space to complete analysis of assessment data, moderation of work samples, student reporting and lesson planning.

Our school will hold staff planning days on:

- **Friday 3rd June 2022, and**
- **Tuesday 21 June 2022.**

Where possible, we ask that students do not attend school on these days.

Students who can't stay at home will be able to attend school and be supervised while undertaking general learning activities. Please confirm via phone on 6142 0730 or email

info_hughesps@ed.act.edu.au if your child will be attending school on these days. If you have any further questions about our staff planning days, please reach out to our front office.

Huge congratulations to **Susan Jones and our pre-schoolers!** Last Thursday Susan received a special award from COTA for her *Outstanding Contribution in their Community Art Competition*, and the pre-schoolers were awarded *First Prize in the Early Childhood Category* in the same competition! Such a significant achievement and a shining example of our pre-schoolers' connections with the older people in our community. As well

as receiving these awards, COTA are shouting our pre-schoolers to hot chocolate and snacks at Home Ground Hughes. The children are understandably proud!



National Walk Safely to School Day: At Hughes PS we know that physical activity supports learning in many ways. Walking and riding to school is an experience that many of our children enjoy. Familiarity with our streets and the neighbourhood helps their emerging independence, and connecting with others along the way fosters a real sense of community. Many thanks to Mr James Wardle for organising today's highly successful 'Walk and Ride to School Day' and thank you also to families who supported their children to participate. We had lots of excited kids, including some who had never ridden to school before, and the fruit waiting for them at the school gates was quickly devoured! Check out photos page 3.

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Nina McCabe

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Be Kind & Try Your Best, Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be A Learner

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Principal's Message continued

Rostrum: Huge congratulations to Lachlan B in Year 6G who won first place in our Rostrum Speaking Competition held yesterday. Lachie's speech regarding climate change was both informative and highly inspiring. The mood amongst the audience was one of wanting to take action! Evie R in 3L was the runner up. Lachie will represent Hughes PS at the quarter finals to be held in September. We are so proud of all of the students who participated in Rostrum and pushed themselves out of their comfort zones.

School Review: Each year the School Improvement and Review unit supports approximately 20% of Canberra public schools to participate in external School Reviews. As previously mentioned at both Board and P&C meetings, it is Hughes PS's turn commencing on Monday! The review process will involve an external panel (made up of a lead reviewer from the Australian Council of Educational Research, and two ACT public school principals) coming into our school for four days, speaking with at least 85% of staff, and students and parents. The panel will produce a report on the outcomes of the review. This report will be readily available to the community through the school's website and other communication channels. Review findings, framed by the domains of the National School Improvement Tool, form the foundation of school improvement planning for the following five years. External reviews provide an avenue for schools to demonstrate to the public the effectiveness of their planning and management of school resources to improve student outcomes. It has been a significant body of work to prepare our report and accompanying evidence to present to the panel, with a particular focus on our three key priorities over the past five years: English, Mathematics and Social & Emotional Wellbeing. We are very much looking forward to engaging in the process and receiving the panel's findings including commendations and recommendations.

Shout out to our amazing Hughes P&C! The P&C have organised the *Election Day Cake Stall and BBQ*, as well as the '*Hughes Booze*' fundraiser. All proceeds raised will go towards our fundraising efforts for our Covered Outdoor Learning Area (COLA). This COLA will enable us to access the basketball court for sports and games, irrespective of inclement weather. Spread the word regarding tomorrow's Cake Stall and BBQ, and encourage friends, family and neighbours to vote at Hughes PS and bring cash to purchase cakes and sausages!

Warm regards
Nina McCabe
Principal

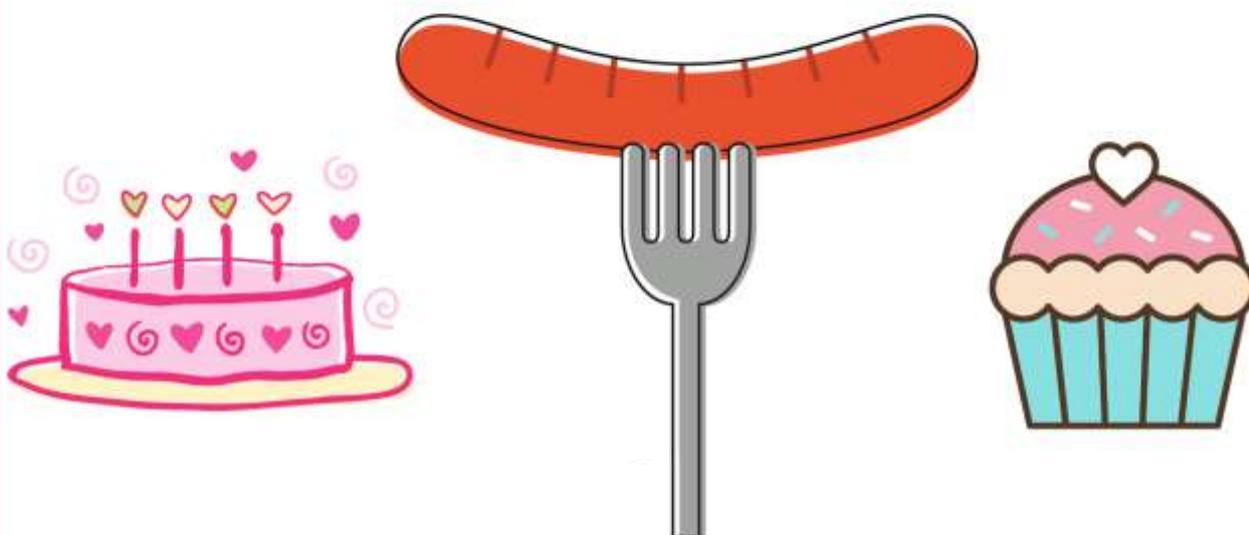


National Walk Safely to School Day



The Hughes Primary Election Day (21st May from 8am) Cake Stall and BBQ needs you!!

We need your cakes, slices and biscuits along with adult volunteers for the cake stall and BBQ.



For the Cake Stall please make sure all your baking is covered and has a label with the ingredients clearly marked. Baked goods can be handed into the front office on Friday 20th of May or brought direct to the stall on the day. All persons working on the BBQ must wear fully closed footwear
All money raised will go towards a cover for our all weather sports court.

To volunteer an hour or more of your time for the cake stall or BBQ please add your name to one of the volunteer rosters here: <https://bit.ly/3OPRTnI> or contact: dan.wheelahan@science.org.au (BBQ) and hughespandc@gmail.com (cake stall).

The world's greatest fundraiser!

(for grown-ups)

Hughes Primary School have joined with Prospect Wines to offer a selection of six great value wines to help raise funds for a covered outdoor learning area.

Minimum order quantity: six products
(can be all one product, or a mix of several different products).

Order online today:

<https://prospectwines.com.au/product/hughes-primary-school/>

School contact:

Shannon Karppinen Phone 0455 301 331
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Nina's
Nightcap

Karen's
Quaff

Taylor's
Tippie

Forster's
Brew

Stromlo's
Shout

Mugga's
Dram

*selected from the wines in your order



Christian Education In Schools

Christian Education is available as a curriculum option at your child’s school because parents have requested it. This is based on provisions in the Education Act 2004. The Christian Education In Schools (CEIS) project provides a coordinated service to fulfil such requests. This service includes four modern and interactive sessions each year (one per term and varied each year), prepared professionally and delivered by trained and endorsed volunteers. The one-hour sessions are designed for groups of students to discuss and explore the topics outlined in the image.

Parent permission is essential for children to participate in CEIS. Please use the section below if you would like to request this for your child or you can request online:

<https://www.ceis.org.au/connect/parents/>

Requests remain in effect while your child is at their school, but can be changed by contacting the front office. Each CEIS session will be advertised in the school newsletter. For further information please contact your school or visit www.ceis.org.au

Christian Education in Schools

Each school year the ACT Churches’ Council presents the values and beliefs of Christianity in 4 modern, interactive and engaging sessions!

- EASTER EXTRAVAGANZA**
Exploring what this world-wide festival really means.
- BEYOND YOU**
Wondering about myself, others, nature and God.
- BIBLE BONANZA**
Discovering the world’s biggest selling book!
- CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS**
Responding to the traditional Christmas story.

www.ceis.org.au

Kind regards,
Karen Baron
CEIS Coordinator

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PLEASE RETURN THIS SECTION TO THE SCHOOL FRONT OFFICE

YES, I request that my child/ren listed below participate in the CEIS sessions offered at school.

CHILD: _____ Class: _____

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Parent/Carer signature _____ Date _____



GSharp
GUITAR TUITION

The logo features the word "GSharp" in a stylized, blue, italicized font with a white outline. Below it, the words "GUITAR TUITION" are written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font. The background of the logo is a dark, textured surface with a repeating pattern of colorful, dashed lines forming a diamond or plaid shape.

GUITAR TUITION AT SCHOOL

A white electric guitar with gold hardware is shown vertically on the left side of the page. The guitar has two humbucker pickups, a bridge pickup, and a tremolo system. A gold pickguard is visible, featuring a black silhouette of a bird. The neck is dark wood with white frets and a white binding. The body is white with a gold binding. The guitar is shown from a three-quarter view, highlighting its sleek design and classic features.

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GSharp Guitar tutors have current WVP cards for the ACT and are police checked.

Host families for 2023 wanted!

Hi, my name is Page.

I am in Year 9 at Alfred Deakin High School. I have applied for the **Rotary Youth Exchange Program (RYEP)** in 2023. As part of my application, I need to find a couple of families willing to host an international student in their home for a period of 12-16 weeks in 2023. My family will also be hosting for one of these periods.

Why host an international student?

- Learn more about the culture and customs of another country without leaving home!
- Make friends and often life-long relationships.
- Gain new respect and appreciation for how different and yet similar we all are.
- Share in the excitement of newfound joys and have a laugh over strange Australian customs and phrases.
- Have fun showing someone what every day life in your family, Canberra, and Australia is all about!



What is the RYEP?

- A year-long exchange program, run by the Community organisation Rotary, for 15 ½ -17 ½ year old students to study in another country.
- Students attend their local school and live with 2 to 4 host families, from the school's area or who attend ADHS or Canberra College, experiencing everyday life here.
- Students learn a new language, discover another culture, and truly become global citizens.

What does hosting involve?

- Families host an international student in their home for 12-16 weeks (typically: Aug-Nov, Dec-Mar, Apr-Jul)
- Families provide board and lodging for the student. Students of the same sex can share a room.
- Students are given a monthly allowance from Rotary for transport, entertainment, phone, etc.
- Students have their own travel and health insurance, and a fund to cover emergencies.
- The role of the student in your home is one of a family member. Students are expected to act responsibly – just like the other members of the family. Students adapt to their host family's house rules, activities, and lifestyle. This year IS NOT A HOLIDAY!
- Families and exchange students are supported by a Rotary Club councillor.
- Filling out an application, WWVP checks for the family's adults, and an interview with Rotary.

Contacts and more information:

- **Nerys Knoke** (*Page's Mum*): Mobile: 0498 151 143; Email: pagesmum@knoke.id.au
- **Ms Rob Uhl** (*Youth Exchange Program Chair*): Mobile: 0418 459 049; Email: rob.uhl@bigpond.com
- RYEP: <https://www.rotary.org/en/our-programs/youth-exchanges>
- RYEP host family info: <https://ryea.org.au/host-families/>
- Benefits to being a host family: <https://www.pitzer.edu/study-abroad/host-japanese-student/reasons/>
(This is not a Rotary page. It's from a different organization that concentrates on Japanese students rather than ones from all over the world but is equally applicable!)