



The Gum Tree Newsletter

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Dates For Your Diary

Wed 21 Jul: NAIDOC celebrations
Fri 23 Jul: Pyjama Day
Fri 30 Jul: Tree Day
Tue 10 Aug: Parent/Carer's Morning Tea
Thu 19 Aug: Brumbies Rugby skills sessions return



Dear Cranleigh Families and Community,

Welcome back to Term 3 and here is hoping that our current state of remaining 'COVID free' in the ACT continues. Please continue to be vigilant with news and updates via the ACT Health and the ACT Public Schools websites.

We are also asking adults – parents, carers and visitors — to use the Check In CBR app when they enter school grounds.

A warm welcome to Karen Vey and Sharon Bonser who are our new 'front of house' faces. Please be sure to introduce yourself as you pop in or phone the school.

By now you will have had time to look over your child's end of semester report and we would really like to hear some feedback from you regarding the content, comments and the level of information provided against the key learning areas. Please pop a note in your child's communication book or email me directly on kylie.croke@ed.act.edu.au

Kind regards,

Kylie Croke



COVID-19 and Term 3 in ACT public schools Reminder

As we welcome back students for the start of Term 3, there are some minor changes to school operations for ACT public schools as we continue to adapt to living with the COVID-19 pandemic.

These changes relate to the use of the Check in CBR app and interstate excursions.

The Chief Health Officer is now strongly encouraging all adult visitors to schools, including parents and carers dropping off children, to use the Check In CBR app.

We are asking adults – parents, carers and visitors to use the Check In CBR app when they enter school grounds. The general rule is that if leave your vehicle and enter school grounds, find a QR code and check in.

Although schools do have sign-in requirements via their front offices, not all visitors to schools enter through the front office – for example, parents and carers dropping off or picking up their children from playgrounds. This will make contact tracing far easier if we have a confirmed case at a school.

We are now mandating that most interstate excursions should not proceed at this time, given the recent outbreaks in Australia and the risk posed by travel. However, lower risk camps and excursions to the local area can still go ahead. This includes to neighbouring Local Government Areas in South East NSW including Yass Valley, Goulburn Mulwaree, Queanbeyan-Palerang, Snowy Monaro, Snowy Valley, Eurobodalla, Bega Valley and Shoalhaven.

While students may be disappointed not to go further afield, this will mean some excursions can proceed because the destinations are lower risk and geographically closer, and that groups can return quickly by road travel if needed. The recent cases across Australia are a reminder of the importance of this.

Members of our school communities have been keen to clarify whether staff and students will need to wear masks when they return to school. Masks are not required to be worn by students and staff in school, including in before and after school care.

[However, anyone is free to wear a mask to school if they choose and staff, parent volunteers and students aged 13 and above are encouraged to wear masks if visiting a crowded indoor venue off-campus, for example, on an excursion.](#)

A reminder that families who have travelled interstate during the school holidays should check the [ACT Government's COVID-19 website](#) and follow the health advice if you have been in any of the exposure locations listed.

[It is also important to remember that everyone in the ACT should be following COVID Safe practices. If your child is unwell, they need to stay home](#) and get tested with even mild symptoms.

You can find updated questions and answers and our revised our [ACT public schools COVID-19 document](#) on our COVID-19 school arrangements page.



EMMA RUBY HOUSE TEENAGE RESPITE



The Ricky Stuart Foundation, in partnership with the ACT Government, constructed "Emma Ruby House" located in Cook, ACT. It is world-class facility that provides services for young people with a disability operated by The Disability Trust.

The centre features four bedrooms, modified bathrooms, a kitchen area, dining room, play rooms, laundry, office, car/bus parking, interactive landscaping and outdoor play equipment.

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2. Club Trust Day programs
3. Clinical services
4. Capacity building programs



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Monday of Week 3 the 26 July, will officially mark the 100th day of the school year.



Well done Ganninggaban, and well done to everyone at Cranleigh.



You are officially **100 days smarter!**

