### What’s on

**Week 3, 7 August 2014**

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<td>Senior Assembly led by 5/6SL – <em>new time 9am</em></td>
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<td><strong>Monday 11</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Tuesday 12</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Thursday 14</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Friday 1 Aug</strong></td>
<td>Whole School Assembly led by 2HS &amp; 2VS</td>
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<td>P&amp;C coffee and chat</td>
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**Notes Home** (also available on the school website):
- Preschool Gruffalo Excursion
- Preschool Constable Kenny Incursion
- Year 3/4 Fife Combined Rehearsal at Giralang
- Science Fair Expression of Interest
- P&C Spring Fair Volunteer Requests

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**2014 School Satisfaction Surveys**

The 2014 School Satisfaction Surveys will be conducted this term. A letter will be sent home this week with further details. The survey opens on 11 August and closes on 29 August 2014. Parents and carers, school staff and students (in years 5 to 12) are asked to participate in these important surveys. The survey results contribute to the school improvement process, which aims to achieve high standards in student learning, innovation and best practice in ACT public schools.
The surveys include nationally agreed parent and student items and our 2014 School Board Report will include a summary of our school survey results for these national items.

Although the survey is voluntary, we hope you will want to participate. It won’t take much of your time and it will help us understand areas where we are doing a good job and areas for further development. The key results from the 2013 School Satisfaction Surveys have been published in a brochure which is available at [www.det.act.gov.au](http://www.det.act.gov.au) under Publications.

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**Enrolment and Leavers - 2015**

At this time of the year some families may know if they are going to be leaving Palmerston at the end of the year. We understand that families may need to relocate because of changes in jobs or housing. Could you please inform the front office if you know your child will not be attending Palmerston in 2015.

If your child is in preschool this year, they will automatically be enrolled in Palmerston Kindergarten for 2013.

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**2015 Class Information**

Child/ren’s names and year level:  

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_____ My Child/ren will not be returning to Palmerston in 2015

My child will be attending:

_____ Another government school in the ACT

_____ A non government school in the ACT
Science Club News

Children are preparing their entries for the ACT Science Fair and for our own Palmerston Science Fair. Some entries are finished and ready to go! Entries for the ACT Science Fair are due on Thursday, 28 August and for Palmerston Science Fair on Tuesday, 16 September – but students need to sign up for that by Thursday of next week, 14 August.

Students who enter the ACT Science Fair will have that project displayed in the Palmerston Science Fair, so will not need to prepare another project.

What: Science in ACTion
Where: Australian National University – Melville Hall (off University Ave)
When: Sat 16 Aug, 10am – 4pm
Cost: FREE!

Explore 3D printing, aircraft design, fossils, parasites, cutting edge IT and so much more.

Hear from artists, cartoonists, researchers, authors, climate scientists and see some explosive science shows.

The littlest members of the family will love Shelly the Snail, exciting science shows with curious puppets, face painting and our free giveaways.

Don’t miss these special Science in ACTion events!
• 10am - 12pm - meet the AFP detector dogs and talk with their handlers.
• 1pm – Hear about what it’s like to live in space with astronaut Rick Hieb
• 12pm and 3pm – Explosive science shows with Science ShowOffs Graham Walker
This is just the start of what's on offer throughout National Science Week - Australia’s largest celebration of science! Visit scienceweek.net.au for details of all our events. Or stay up to date by following us on facebook.com/ScienceWeekACT or @nswk_ACT on Twitter.

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**Action Buses**

On Monday 1 September 2014 a new ACTION bus network, including a new school services network, will commence. Full details of the new school bus services and regular routes which will service schools are now available on the ACTION website [www.action.act.gov.au](http://www.action.act.gov.au). A dedicated schools information hotline is available on 6205 5033 (Monday to Friday, 8am - 5pm) until Friday 12 September 2014.

The morning 758 service will no longer run, so if your children catch this bus please check for the new arrangements.

Mr Holmes