From the Principal…. 
Welcome back to term 3! 
In particular, we would like to mention the exciting arrival of Mrs Harinder Kaur to our Upper Primary class on Thursdays and Fridays. Mrs Robinson is working in the role of our curriculum co-ordinator as an addition to the leadership team on Thursdays. Fridays she will be the cluster curriculum facilitator for Nangwarry, Glencoe, Kalangadoo and Penola Primary Schools as we develop our understanding of the new Australian Curriculum. Congratulations to both of these teachers in winning their new roles.

Welcome to Reception 
Hello also to Cameron Perry, who has begun school in the Reception class today. He is very excited and already a fabulous addition to the school, having enjoyed a year in the Preschool.

Welcome to Preschool 
Holly Dinnison, Oscar Denton, Kathryn Field and Beau Mckintosh move into the Preschool having enjoyed some pre-entry/early entry sessions. We have enjoyed watching them develop and grow in confidence and know they will do extremely well as full time students in the pre-school.

Community Mentors— Building Community Capacity 
Another welcome to our Community Mentors joining us. Caldow, Yvonne Perkovic and Alan Street. The first lucky students to enjoy these sessions are Naomi, Natalie, Eythan and Lennox. We are lucky to match student personalities and interests to Community Mentors with similar interests. They will be coming into the school for one hour with their student partner each week, working on activities they both enjoy. Relationships with trained adults in positive role modelling situations can underpin development of self-esteem, confidence and allows students the option to include another trusted adult in their network. If you know anyone with time to apply to become a mentor for a student in upper primary, please let Rosalie Stewart know. She is employed as the meet and greet person for our site.

Acting Principal 
Please note that due to a family emergency, Karyn will be taking carer’s leave from 27th August, until the end of the term. The school will advise the community who the Acting Principal will be next week and a thorough handover will enable a smooth transition.
**JAPANESE SPOT!**

**Bird Shaped Mashed Sweet Potato**

**Ingredients**
- 200g Sweet Potato
- 10g Butter
- 1tbsp Condensed Milk
- Peas and Carrot wedges for decorating

**Method**

1. Rinse the sweet potatoes, peel them, and slice them into 5-millimetre rounds. Let them soak in a bowl of water for two or three minutes.
2. Drain the sweet potatoes and place them in a saucepan filled with water. Bring to the boil, reduce the heat, and continue cooking.
3. Once the sweet potatoes are tender (when you can easily pierce them with a chopstick or fork), turn off the heat and drain away the liquid. (You can drain the liquid directly from the saucepan using the lid to hold in the sweet potato slices.)
4. Cover the saucepan. Gently shake the saucepan back and forth to soak up any remaining liquid.
5. Mash the sweet potatoes. (Do this while they are hot.)
6. Using a spoon, gently shape the mashed sweet potatoes into a circle on a plate. (The mashed sweet potatoes can be placed on the plate without shaping them.)
7. Push a wedge of carrot into the mashed sweet potatoes so that it sticks out to make a beak, and place the two peas above it for the eyes.
8. Enjoy (even though they’re nearly too cute to eat!)

**Policy Development**

__developing policy with whole school community.__

As part of the co-ordinator role developing curriculum in the site, Mel Robinson in conjunction with the Principal will also be reviewing and displaying Site Developed and DECD Policies for our school this term. The policies will be displayed in the entrance areas at the front office and Preschool. She will involve parents, carers, students and staff in the development or review of Site Based Policies, enabling shared voice and ideas to ensure policies reflect beliefs and practices relevant and important to Nangwarry PS. All policies will be taken to Governing Council for ratification, or acknowledgement if DECD written.

The **DECD Smokefree Policy** applies to everyone using the school premises. The policy now on display states that smoking is not permitted on the premises at anytime, **including out of school hours**. We ask that people who visit or use the site respect this legislation, in the interests to the health of everyone. The policy will also be uploaded shortly to the website. Please advise others in the community so that everyone can assist with this. Offenders can be asked to leave, and repeated offence can result in site banning, which we would prefer to avoid. Thankyou.

New policy information will be published in this space and then displayed in the foyer areas.

**Curriculum news**

__from Mel__

The staff will take part next Monday night in a training session after school. The Learning Design Model which is directly linked to curriculum planning will be explored. Schools in our cluster will have the opportunity to attend. TD certificates will be available to those in attendance. The session will be run by myself (Mel) and Curriculum Implementation officer, Sandy Mullen at Nangwarry PS. **Pupil Free Days** are booked and approved by Governing Council for **Friday 17th August** and **Monday 3rd September**. Both will further develop knowledge in the area of the new Australian Curriculum. Please note these dates on your calendars.

**Bunnings and BBQ**

__orders due Monday__

Kay Elven has invited Michelle from Bunnings will visit the site next Tuesday 24th, August to run a session with the students at 1:30pm. This is a free session and we **thank them for their sponsorship** of education AND for the fabulous chook shed as part of our Environmental projects.

A note will come home from staff and the SRC for **BBQ orders**. Lunch will be early on this day. Sausages will be cooked under Mr Clark’s watch, and will cost $1.50 each. (Proceeds will go towards the footy trip.) **Please return food orders by this coming Monday 23rd for catering!!!**
PRESCHOOL
Welcome back to Kindy for term 3, hope everyone had a fantastic holiday. Firstly the Kindy community would like to wish our friend Cameron good luck as he starts in the junior primary class this term. We would also like to welcome Holly, Jordan and Beau to our Kindy full time this term. On the last Tuesday of Term 2 the preschool children joined with the Learning Together children, their families and teddy bears, to celebrate the end of term with a Teddy Bears Picnic. During the morning children created head bands, made fairy bread, iced teddy bears biscuits, sung songs and listened to stories. Thank you to all the children, families and teddy bears that took part in our teddy bears picnic. It was a fantastic success and fun was had by all who attended.

JUNIOR PRIMARY NEWS
A big welcome back to all and especially Cameron Perry who starts his school journey with us this term. As we head towards the Olympics, students will learn why, when, where and what the Olympics is all about. In Maths we are busy learning all about measurement. We are using arbitrary units such as unifix cubes, stepping and guessing as well as centimetres. So we will be bringing things from home to measure as well as ourselves, so look out. Don’t forget to check the lost property box if you have anything missing.

MIDDLE PRIMARY NEWS
Welcome back to a new term! Students are settling in well to class routines again, obviously well rested and eager to learn again after the holidays. The Middle Primary class are busy transforming the classroom into “London 2012” as we eagerly await the beginning of the Olympic Games. Come in for a visit and check out our fun ‘MP athletes’ display. Over the term, we will be using this theme across various curriculum areas such as English, Maths, SOSE and art. In science with Mr Clark, we will be learning about space, which all are very excited about. With the introduction of our new literacy block on Monday through to Thursday, spelling tests will now occur on Friday mornings with Mr Clark giving an extra day to revise their list words.

UPPER PRIMARY NEWS
The Upper Primary class are very excited to have Mrs Harinder Kaur on Thursdays and Fridays. Harinder will be teaching Comprehension, Spelling, Visual Arts, Numeracy—Measurement and Geometry as well as continuing with the programmes that have already been established so far this year in Upper Primary. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Harinder, and make her feel welcome. There are many other exciting things on the calendar for Upper Primary this term, and a class newsletter will be sent home next week outlining some of these. A reminder that Homework Club is continuing this term, but is moving to Wednesday nights, due to Mrs Robinson not being in the classroom on a Thursday. We look forward to seeing many children taking advantage of this great opportunity to catch up on their work, as well as socialise with their friends.
School Captains Report – Ryan and Kristy
Welcome back to school in Term 3, we hope you had a great holiday. In week 3 we are having a S.R.C. meeting, so remember to put your ideas in the S.R.C suggestion box. Our aim this term is to continue working on our 3 murals. They are all undercoated and ready to be painted. We will be having another trip to Bunnings later in the term to purchase plants for our matching gardens.

Sports Spot - All notes are back and the bus is now full for the Melbourne Footy trip.
What a wonderful school community we have here at Nangwarry. All of the members pitching in, helping, donating and assisting with such school projects as these to keep the cost down to help give kids fantastic experiences that other schools don’t bother to try. Who knows how far we could go with a community like this?

Active After School Sport – Bookings essential
Beginning week 3 on 31st August, we have Circus Skills running from 3:15-4:15pm at the school. The community coach will be Jenny Medhurst, and the supervisor providing afternoon tea will be Kay Fenn. The session will be extremely popular, but can only take a maximum of 15 students. Early bookings are essential. Additional students will be placed on a waiting list, in case someone pulls out or is ill.

Code of conduct – Please note that participation is a privilege, not compulsory.
• All students and parents watching are reminded that respectful behaviour is required at all times.
• All participants MUST remain in the COLA with the group at all times.
• At no time is a parent allowed to interfere with the session or another person’s child during the session. Engagement and discipline are the responsibility of the coach.
• Staff will be onsite to assist if required.
• Enrolment in the programme is dependant on this code of conduct being adhered to.