

Week 5 Term 3 2018

New Information

Recently there have been several incidents involving strangers approaching children in the vicinity of schools. These incidents are a reminder to us all to help our young people understand the importance of stranger safety and the need to report any unusual incidents or approaches to staff and their parents immediately. ACT Policing are urging anyone who may have witnessed any incidents or have any information that could assist Police to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000, or via www.act.crimestoppers.com.au. Information can be provided anonymously. All schools and the Education Support Office will continue to work with ACT Policing on this issue. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions.

Suspension, Transfer or Exclusion of Students in ACT Public Schools Policy Review.

The ACT Education Directorate is seeking feedback from families about its review of the *Suspension, Transfer or Exclusion of Students in ACT Public Schools Policy* and related documents. The revised policy aligns with current research and includes a greater focus on a prevention and early intervention approach to behaviour support to reduce the incidence of behaviours that potentially lead to suspension, exclusion and transfer.

All input will be considered and will help to ensure the revised policy documents are clear, current and relevant to meet the needs of schools and the community. Please refer to the Education Directorate's website under "What's New" for further information and links to participate in the consultation www.education.act.gov.au/home. Education staff are available to explain the policy documents and record feedback from individuals who would prefer to provide this verbally. Individuals wishing to use this alternative should contact Colette Brown on 6207 0457 or etdstudentwellbeing@act.gov.au. Colette will arrange a time for verbal input to be provided either by phone or in a face-to-face meeting.

Reminders

The 2018 School Satisfaction Survey for Parents and Carers is now open. If you have not already completed the survey, please complete the survey by **Monday 3 September 2018**. A survey invitation was emailed to parents and carers last week. If you do not have an invitation for each child in your family, please contact the front office. The invitation contains all the information you will need to access the survey. The key ACT results from the 2017 School Satisfaction Surveys have been published on the Education Directorate website (www.education.act.gov.au) and a summary of our school results is provided in our 2017 School Board Report. Thank you in anticipation of your participation in this important school survey.

Find our **Facebook** page [here](#) or search for Mount Stromlo High School in your app.

Upcoming events

24-25 AUG	Languages Excursion to Sydney
10 SEPT	School Board Meeting 5:30pm P&C meeting in the main staffroom 7:15pm
20 SEPT	Festival of the Shoe (X-Country carnival)
26 SEPT	Parent Teacher night 4-7pm
28 SEPT	End of Term 3
15 OCT	Start of Term 4