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# Principal's Address

The last fortnight has been a busy time at Jasper Road and I would like to thank the community for the welcoming faces I see every day. This week we had the chance to celebrate sports with our annual K-2 Athletics Carnival. It was fantastic to see so many parent faces at the event and I know your children enjoyed your support and encouragement 'from the sidelines'. Community communication and support is the key to a successful relationship between our school and our parent body. At Jasper Road, we recognise that in order to be successful, our children need support from both the home and school. We know a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child's education. As partners, we share the responsibility for your children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities. We ask that you guide and support your child's learning by ensuring that he/she:

- · Attends school daily and arrives on time, ready for the day's learning experience
- Reads daily to develop a love for reading and to improve literacy skills
- Shares school experiences with you so that you are aware of his/her school life
- Informs you if he/she needs additional support in any area or subject
- Knows that you expect him/her to do well at school

We continue our community partnerships through our Term 2 Parent Teacher Interviews. Whilst only 10mins in length, these interviews give you a chance to ask important questions and hear about how your child is progressing in the classroom. I ask that you 'keep to time' and if necessary book another time to speak further with the teacher. We will also be completing a survey on the day to gather parent feedback. Parents are encouraged to complete this on their way out.

#### **Money Procedures**

Starting next term we are asking for all money to be brought directly to the front office and placed in the money container. Money should be in a clearly marked envelope or zip lock bag with the child's name, class and the event being paid and the signed permission note attached. This should occur prior to the school bell so that students are not handling money throughout the day. Students and families are welcome to begin this process immediately to ensure the safe handling of money at the school. Please also remember that the parent online payment (POP) system is available and is the preferred method of payment for all amounts. Alternatively, EFTPOS payments can be made Monday - Thursday at the front office. VISA or MasterCard credit/debit cards are the only cards available for the collection of school money using EFTPOS.

## **New Playground**

Last week the tender was successfully granted by DoE Assets for the updating of the Support Playground area. I would like to thank the P&C in particular the parents on the Project Control Group for their work in preparing the tender and researching appropriate equipment. I know that our students will certainly benefit from and enjoy this updated playground area. Currently the aim is for construction to begin in the July holidays.

#### Canteen News

The Yummi Bears canteen have informed us that chicken nuggets are being placed back on the menu as a 'super special'. The canteen are currently trialing new foods each day to judge interest and uptake. We encourage the community to support the canteen as they endeavor to provide healthy food content as per the Schools Healthy Canteen Guidelines.

#### Site Maintenance

The school has begun installation of a new demountable in the space between S1D and KN classroom's. This classroom will be linked with the latest network infrastructure. As trucks and cranes are required for installation, we have been asked to delay the planned artificial turf project by the DoE Assets Directorate. We will continue to inform the community when this will proceed and work on improving the playground facilities that we offer our students.

Thanks, Craig Warner Principal

# From the Deputy Principals

## Encouraging your child to read at home

- 1. Be yourself and involve your child in everyday conversations from an early age.
- 2. Read aloud to your child. It will help your child to learn the language of books and encourage the enjoyment of books and reading.
- 3. Talk about books together make reading a shared, enjoyable activity.
- 4. See that there is a range of reading material for your child at home, both fiction and non-fiction.
- 5. Read to your child in your first language research shows that using your first language will help your child when he or she learns to read English.
- 6. Try not to let television intrude on reading time set aside some uninterrupted time to read with your child.
- 7. Listen to your child read every day, even if only for a short time.
- 8. Give books as treats and presents.
- 9. Discuss the meanings of stories and words.
- 10. Join your local library. Borrow books for yourself as well as your child.

http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/

#### Student Report and Absences

Staff are currently finalising the data for the Semester One student reports which will be sent home in Week 9. Student reporting is the process of communicating information to parents about student learning-including a student's level of attainment and the progress they have made over the last two terms. There will be scheduled parent/teacher interviews this term. In addition to us reporting to parents about the academic and social progress each semester, a child's absences are noted on the student report - both full and partial days. It is important that students are present at school Monday to Friday. We understand that there will be illnesses and exceptions as to why they may not attend school. However, apart from those sorts of valid reasons there are still some students Kindergarten to Year 6 with unexplained absences this semester. Our policy requires an explanation for each absence which can be a note. email our school account. iasperroadp.School@det.nsw.edu.au or send back to school the 'Forms' sent home to submit an absence note.

#### It's Time To Pack Some Wet Weather Clothes!

We have now moved into the JRPS winter uniforms although the wet weather over the last few days really caught us off guard here and at times the playground resembled a waterfall in some locations! JRPS jumpers and wet weather raincoats and jackets would really help our students to stay warm and dry on days when we experience some extremely wet weather. Even on wet days students still need to walk to various locations throughout the school that don't have covered walkways and it is unavoidable that they will need to walk in the rain for a short distance. Having a raincoat to put on would help students to stay dry. Also, if your child attends a PSSA Sport, wet weather clothes and jumpers really need to be taken each Friday in case of unexpected rainfall. The PSSA venues do not have shelter for large groups of students and there will usually be a waiting time for buses to arrive if there is a need to abandon the afternoon sport program.

# Valuing our parents/carers as the first and most important educator

There is a strong understanding at JRPS that we need to partner with parents/carers in the learning process. At Jasper Road PS, we often prompt with questions. We are learning so sometimes our learners are very clear in answering these questions and other times we are not there YET.

#### So each day ask your child:

"What did you learn today" instead of "What did you do".

"Why do you think it's important to learn\_\_\_\_?" or "Why are you learning that?"

"How will you know that you have learnt it?"

A pivotal step for any school to move towards becoming a Visible Learning school is the establishment of a shared language of learning with the adults as well as their students. When we extend that partnership to include parents/carers around this shared language, the opportunities to talk about student learning evolve and strengthen.

#### Characteristics of a Visible Learner:

- I ask questions and seek feedback.
- I see errors as opportunities for growth.
- I am comfortable taking risks.
- I seek opportunities to challenge myself.
- I self-assess and take action.

Ask your child is this you and if the answer is no this is somewhere for us all to focus on.

#### PBI

Our PBL focus this week concerns supporting all our students by being kind, using kind words and looking for opportunities to be a friend.





### Why reduce television time?

- studies have shown we use less energy watching TV than sitting still
- TV influences the food choice of kids Australia has a high rate of food advertising during children's viewing hours
- TV replaces time a child can be active and enjoy physical activity
- there is an association between TV watching and being overweight
- 40% of children 5 12 years report watching an average of two hours or more of television or videos a day.

## Debby Bezzina and Vanessa Rogers Deputy Principals

## **Environmental Education**

Congratulations to all students in S1F and S1DB for bringing in waste free lunches. All students in these two classes bought in waste free lunch. To all other students who had waste free lunches, we thank you for your efforts in helping keep our environment waste free. By reducing our daily waste we are reducing the amount of waste generated and so reducing the amount in landfills.

Stage 1 are currently reading and viewing texts on Sustainability and discussing these. They have learnt how to care for our rivers, forests and wildlife. Students are enjoying books such as Florette, Big Rain Coming, A River and A Walk in the Bush. They will continue to learn about how precious our water is and how to use it wisely, in books such as Water Witcher, Seagull and Journey of a Sea Turtle. Great learning Stage 1.

Think Green because together we can make a difference.

#### Mrs Jennifer Franks

# **Library News**

## Book Week is coming early to Jasper Road

This year our Book Week celebrations kick off on 25th June with a visit to our school by children's author, Yves Stening. There will be no cost for this to families, however you may wish to purchase copies of Yves' books as detailed below:

# Author to visit Jasper Road Public School A Tangled Tale Of Tagliatelle

by Yves Stening and Nigel Buchanan

On **Monday 25th June,** author Yves Stening, will be reading his new book, *A Tangled Tale Of Tagliatelle* which takes children on a magical journey to discover the origins of pasta.



For students who would like to purchase a copy, Yves will be signing books on the day. All Jasper Road students receive a 10% Discount

#### **Purchase Online**

Simply click the button below

http://www.dinnerdetectives.com.au/

- Use Promo Code: JASPERROADPS for 10% discount.
- Make sure you include your child's name and class in the "shipping" details.
- Books will be brought to school on the day

https://www.dinnerdetectives.com.au/buy-books/

## Length of Borrowing

Kindergarten and Year 1 are encouraged to return their books each week. Year 2 to Year 6 may keep their books if needed for two weeks and further renew if required. This takes into consideration the fact that books borrowed by Year 2 to Year 6 students may take longer than a week to read and ensures that books reach as many students as possible.

Although we do not charge for overdue books we ask for your assistance in making sure students return borrowed books within the time frame indicated. Lost or damaged books however must be paid for so that they can be replaced. Notes will come home to this effect.

### **Premiers Reading Challenge**

Please continue to support your children to participate in this challenge. We are roughly at the halfway mark so at least half the number of required books should have been read and added to the students' reading records. Look out for an exciting addition that is coming to this challenge with the development of a personal student page. Read more here:

https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/



Our well utilised library with a display for Reconciliation Week in the

foreground prepared kindly by Mr Cairns and the students of S3C

Happy Reading Mrs Tokatlian, Mrs Stammers and Mrs Bujega

# **Sports News**

# 3-6 Athletics Carnival – Thursday 16 August, 2018

Due to circumstances beyond our control, we have had to reschedule the date of the carnival. It will now be in Term 3 - Thursday 16 August, 2018.

Round 7 - Friday 15 June, 2018				
Sport	Opposition	Location		
AFL	Crestwood	Kellyville Park		
Netball	TBA	Kellyville Netball Complex		
Newcombe Ball	Murray Farm	Masonic		

Rugby League	Samuel Gilbert	Wrights Road Reserve			
Soccer Boys & Girls	Murray Farm	Masonic			
Round 8 – Friday 22 June, 2018					
Sport	Opposition	Location			
AFL	Kellyville	Kellyville Park			
Netball	TBA	Kellyville Netball Complex			
Newcombe Ball	Northmead	Kleins Road, Northmead			
Rugby League	Castle Hill	Wrights Road Reserve			
Soccer Boys & Girls	Northmead	Northmead High School			
	Round 9 – Frid	lay 29 June, 2018			
Sport	Opposition	Location			
AFL	Oakhill Drive	Kellyville Park			
Netball	TBA	Kellyville Netball Complex			
Newcombe Ball	Winston Hills	Masonic Oval			
Rugby League	Winston Hills	Tory Burn Reserve			
Soccer Boys & Girls	Winston Hills	Masonic Obal			
Round 10 - Friday 6 July, 2018					
Sport	Opposition	Location			
AFL	Carlingford West	Kellyville Park			
Netball	TBA	Kellyville Netball Complex			
Newcombe Ball	Baulkham Hills Nth	Cnr Henry St & Girralong Ave Baulkham Hills			
Rugby League	Crestwood	Crestwood Oval 1			
Soccer Boys & Girls	Baulkham Hills Nth	Ted Horwood			

#### Rachel Zucchetti PSSA Coordinator

#### **Cross Country Report**

by Esther H and Inglis K

On Thursday 31 May students from Stage 2 and 3 attended the Masonic Oval to participate in the Zone Cross Country. Seventeen schools competed in this event. The weather was really nice and everyone tried their best in their race.

It was great to see the 12/13 year old girls announced as the age champions against all the other schools for the 2nd year in a row.

The other students who are going to regional are:

Ashlyn K - 2nd - 8/9 years old
Riley Br - 8th - 8/9 years old
Oliver G - 3rd - 10 years old
Lucie F - 2nd - 12/ 13 years old
Jasmine W - 4th - 12/ 13 years old
Ethan K - 8th - 12/ 13 years old

We would like to wish them all the best when they represent Castle Hill PSSA at the Sydney West Cross Country Carnival on Wednesday 13 June.

Mr Bath, Mrs Whyte and Mr Warner were very impressed will all the students and how they represented Jasper Road Public School.



## **Zone Cross Country**

Yesterday was another successful day for Lucie F, Jasmine W, Ethan K, Oliver G, Ashlyn K and Riley B who represented Castle Hill at the Sydney West Cross Country Carnival. Many of these students finished within the top 12. A special congratulations to Lucie, Oliver and Ashlyn who finished 1st, 2nd and 3rd in their respective age groups. We wish then all the best at the State Carnival.

Thank you Mrs Francis for the update and taking this photo of Lucie and Ashlyn on the day.



# From the Office

#### **Term Accounts**

Please be mindful of what you are paying. We continue to have quite a few families who make Parent Online Payments (POP) for the same item over and over again. If you are unsure please contact the office. Whilst the funds will be refunded, this is a lengthy and time consuming administration task.

We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

#### Student Illness

If your child is sick and is going to be absent you do not need to phone the office. Please send a note to the class teacher on their return.

If your child is absent due to an illness that is contagious like Chicken Pox or Hand Foot and Mouth, please phone the office.

Please do not send your child to school sick.

#### Students arriving late or leaving early

Should you need to bring your child in late or pick them up early you need to come to the office and sign them in/out.

If you are picking your child up early we will have them sent to the office from their class. We request that parents do not go directly to their child's class.

If you know that you will be picking your child up at recess or lunch time please pre arrange by sending a note to the class teacher or ring the office and we will have your child waiting for you. It is very difficult and sometimes takes time to find a student in the playground during these play times.

If you have someone other than a parent picking up your child during the school day please advise the class teacher or office. We will need a letter from the parent and the person picking up will have to bring identification, for example a Driver's Licence.

### Change of Details - contact numbers

Please remember that if you have moved or changed any of your contact details including email address can you please update your details at the school office. It is very important that we have accurate details should we need to contact you. This can be via email or filling out the necessary form which can be obtained at the office or located further in the newsletter.

## Parent Online Payments (POP)

This is the schools preferred method of payment. Paying by this method is secure, and a receipt is issued immediately.

Step 1: Go to the Jasper Road website linked below

Step 2: Click on Parent Information

<u>Step 3:</u> Parent Online Payment, click POP Link to goto payment page.

**Step 4:** as below (this example shows a sport payment, and some other payments)

http://www.jasperroad-p.schoolwebsites.com.au/home.aspx

### **Payment Details**

Fields marked with an asterix [\*] are mandatory

The process for making a payment is as follows:

- 1. Fill out all the required fields on the page
- 2. Fill out credit card payment details on the next page
- 3. Review and confirm your payment details on the confirmation page

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•	*Contact Phone Number	
	e.g. 0249512345 or [02]49512345	
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To add additional payments, click on 'Add Payment', this will create a new box where you add the description of payment.

Click next to proceed to the payment page where you can enter credit card details for your payment.

# School Events / Updates

## "The Pink Driveway"

Please be aware that "The Pink Driveway" (located on Jasper Road) is for families with students enrolled in the Support Unit, and those who may have requested use of this area due to mobility issues. This area becomes very busy at the beginning and end of the school day, and you may find yourself parked in for an extended period of time. For the safety of all students and their families, please do not use this driveway area unless you are dropping off or collecting a student enrolled in the Support Unit, or have made prior arrangements through the office. Many thanks for your cooperation and understanding

# Reminder: 2018 K-6 NAIDOC Educational Incursion - Monday 18 June

Our school will be participating in a 'Dreamtime Experience' Day, to celebrate NAIDOC Week.

This performance is designed to give all students the opportunity to participate in a number of cultural activities including a Smoking Ceremony & Welcome Show, an artefacts, weaponry and bush survival session, Aboriginal face painting, song and dance, Aboriginal art (on canvas), boomerang throwing and a farewell concert, to develop a wider appreciation of traditional and cultural arts.

This incursion has also been planned to supplement the work being completed in all classrooms concerning Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Histories and Cultures which is part of the Cross Curriculum Priority areas being studied. It also supports the Creative And Performing Arts (CAPA) Syllabus.

#### **Time to return Perpetual Trophies!**

If you child received a perpetual trophy at any of the 2017 Presentation

# assemblies, could we please ask that they are returned to the front office before the end of the term?

## **Canteen Winter Specials**



# Jasper Rd Public School 2018 Winter Specials

Wednesday	Homemade Pizza  Available from 13/06	Margherita         \$ 3.80           Meatlover         \$ 4.50           Ham and Pineapple         \$ 4.50           Vegetarian         \$ 4.50	
	Chicken Nuggets x4	\$ 2.40	
Thursday	Portuguese chicken	\$ 4.50	
	Bacon and egg burger + custard cup	\$ 5.00	
Friday	Butter chicken with rice + juice cup	\$ 5.00	
	Fish Burger + juice cup	\$ 5.00	

# **All Things P&C**

#### Term 2 Disco – Wednesday 27th June

What better way to celebrate the colder months than with a disco Pyjama Party. Think onesies and flannelette PJ's...but



don't forget appropriate shoes. Water will be available and air cons on to ensure it's not too hot.

> K-2 disco - 4:30 to 5:45pm 3-6 disco - 6.00 to 7:30pm

Cost for Entry is \$5 which includes a glow stick on entry & Zooper Dooper when leaving.

We also have dinner sorted with our BBQ:

#### **Price List**

Sausage Sandwich	\$3.00
Soft Drink	\$2.00
Water	\$2.00
Popper	\$1.00

Discos are always a fun night but please be aware that there are some rules involved that are in place to ensure your child's safety and that of others in attendance. Please read the attached rules:

#### JASPER ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL DISCO T & C's

Dear Parents and Carers.

During the disco, children will be well supervised by teachers and assisted by P&C members who have registered to volunteer.

Below is a copy of the terms and conditions that will apply to this event. It is very important that you read these and explain them to your children if they are attending the event.

# TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR JASPER ROAD SCHOOL DISCO

**K-2 DISCO:** Starts 4:30pm Concludes 5:45pm **3-6 DISCO:** Starts 6:00pm Concludes 7:30pm

- Our disco is operating as a closed door policy. All students will be dropped off at the hall door and picked up from within the hall at the conclusion of the disco.
- Students are not permitted to leave the disco.
   Students require teacher supervision if they want to use the toilets.
- We ask that where possible, parents/carers leave the school grounds and return to pick up their children at the end of the disco.
- At the conclusion of the disco session, students MUST be collected from the hall by their parent/ designated carer. Older siblings must be 16 years or older to collect JRPS students.
- Only students, teachers, registered P&C volunteers and disco operator are permitted in the hall at any time.
- Students can only attend their own age group disco session.
- Any 3-6 students waiting for their session or remaining after the K-2 session must be
- under the direct supervision of their parents/carers.
- No pre-schoolers, or relatives of students are permitted to participate in the disco, it is for Jasper Road PS students only. Preschoolers must be supervised at all times by parents/carers.
- Please ensure that your child wears appropriate clothing and footwear that is suitable for dancing.
- All teachers and P&C members that are supervising and helping on the night are there for your child's safety. If they are acting inappropriately they will be asked to stop that behaviour.
- · Running, sliding or throwing items are not permitted.
- If your child behaves in an unsafe manner you will be phoned to collect them immediately.
- There is NO SMOKING whilst you are on the school grounds.

- Please NO photography or video inside the hall.
- Please be at the school hall promptly to pick up your children at the end of the school disco.
- We look forward to seeing everyone there!

#### **Entertainment Book Orders:**

Every purchase contributes 20% back to the school for fundraising. Visit the link below to securely pay online and pick up your 'hard copy' at school or download to your smartphone.

http://www.entbook.com.au/2151c99

### **Next P&C Meeting**

Our next meeting is on Monday 18th Jun at 7pm in the Staffroom and we welcome all parents. If you cannot make alternative arrangements for your children, they are welcome.

#### **Next Fundraising Meeting**

Our next Fundraising meeting is on Wednesday 20th Jun in the Cottage at 9:15 am and we welcome all parents. Children are also welcome.

#### Contact the P&C Committees:

P&C Committee: pandcatjasperroad@hotmail.com Fundraising Committee: jaffatjasperroad@hotmail.com

If you're able to help out at any of the events during the year (disco, mothers/father's day stalls, BBQ's etc) please send us an email and we'll add you to our volunteer list!

We advertise upcoming events in the fortnightly newsletter and also on our Facebook Page so please add us if you haven't already!

