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8 February 2019

## Principal's Address

Welcome back to Jasper Rd Public School. I trust that you and your family had a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year. The 2019 school year has well and truly commenced and the children have commenced their studies, being provided exceptional programs by outstanding classroom practitioners.

I would like to warmly welcome our new families and students who join our wonderful school community this year and of course our Kindergarten children who have now completed their Best Start Assessment and first week of school. I know that you and your child will enjoy the school's warm, caring learning environment, enriched with innovative programs.

Jasper Road provides a nurturing environment where the welfare of students and their families is paramount. The staff are committed to building self-esteem in students and, by working closely with parents and students, ensuring that both responsible behaviour and a strong sense of civic pride exist. Our staff will, at all times, provide your child(ren) with the most amazing educational opportunities.

We begin the year with eight new staff members joining 'our family'. I would like to welcome Melissa Gane, Carol Kanaan, Erin Power, Cairo Baker and Siobhan Lamb as permanent members of our teaching staff. I also welcome Jessica O'Connell, Courtney Krause and Ashleigh Graham as new temporary teachers to our school.

**JASPER ROAD P.S. SUPER SATURDAY**  
23rd Feb 2019 11AM-4PM  
IN AID OF 2019 HOGS FOR THE HOMELESS & YOUTH OFF THE STREETS

**BBQ  
CAR SHOW  
MEGA RAFFLE\*  
PASS THE BALL  
MEET NRL PLAYERS  
RECORD ATTEMPT FOR  
QUICKEST 3000SQ/M TURF LAID**

Including Special Guests:  
Brad Fittler  
Father Chris Riley  
Danny Buzarac  
Nathan Hindmarsh  
Hogs for the Homeless Crew  
Parramatta Eels

\*\$10 Raffle Tickets - \$2 from every ticket goes to Youth off the streets

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## KINDERGARTEN 2019

Our Kindergarten children have settled into our school routines and into their learning with great excitement. Their teachers have been walking the children through the routines of the BIG SCHOOL DAY. Congratulations to you (the parents), you have done a wonderful job preparing your kids for school. My teachers and I look forward to continuing your outstanding work and I assure you that your child will continue to receive quality education in a warm, caring learning environment, filled with wonderful innovative programs. Whilst your child is at our wonderful school you can rest assured that they will be protected and cared for as if they were our very own children, so that you can go about your daily routines without a worry.

## CLASSES

At the beginning of every school year student numbers fluctuate for the first few days. Our anticipated school enrolment for 2019 is approximately 880 students. With this in mind I have formed 40 classes for 2019. Please be mindful that kids are not always (at first) happy about the classes they have been placed in at the beginning of the year often because they want to be with friends, or because they have been placed with a teacher whom they have never had before. However, our teachers have carefully structured our classes so that your child(ren's) educational needs will be best catered for.

The school's executive and I have carefully thought about classes and placed students with the most appropriate teachers. Classes have been formed with a great deal of thought to provide your child with the most exceptional learning opportunities. I can guarantee that all staff have the best interest of your children in mind. In 2019 class structures are:

Teacher	Class
Miss Alwan	KA
Mrs Dunn	KD
Mrs Dzung	KM
Mrs Neckerauer	KN
Mrs Stammers	KS
Mrs Yattras	KY
Mrs Whelan	1A
Miss C Baker	1B
Mrs Franks	1F
Miss Bell	1K
Mrs Rose	1R
Mrs Browning	1S
Mrs Murray	1W
Mrs Walshaw	1W
Miss Graham	2A
Mr Bath	2B
Miss Champion	2C
Ms Gane	2G
Mr Marshall	2M
Miss Power	2P
Mrs Marquez	SM
Mrs Francis	SF (Tues – Fri)
Miss O'Connell	SF (Mon)

Teacher	Class
Miss Pickering	3J
Mrs Keast	3K
Mrs Parramon	3P
Ms Kaur	3S
Mrs Neagle	4/5N
Miss Cahill	4C
Mr Gosper	4G
Miss Hankinson	4H
Miss Lihou	4L
Mr Griffiths	5G
Mrs Hastings	5H
Miss Jones	5J
Mr Armstrong	6A
Ms Godfrey	6G
Ms Jensen	6J
Ms Krause	6K
Ms E Baker	SB
Mrs Lamb	SL
Mrs Northam	SN (Mon-Thur)
Miss O'Connell	SN (Fri)

## WHO TO SEE

In 2019, Jasper Road's Assistant Principals have direct responsibility for supporting and supervising our classes and student learning achievement. If you need to discuss issues concerning your child, please speak with your child's class teacher in the first instance and then to the Stage Assistant Principal followed by the Deputy Principals.

### Stage Assistant Principals

**Early Stage 1 (Kindy)** – Karily Dunn  
**Stage 1 (Yrs 1 & 2)** – Paul Marshall  
**Stage 2 (Yrs 3 & 4)** – Julie Pickering  
**Stage 3 (Yrs 5 & 6)** – Deb Godfrey  
**Support Unit** – Elisa Marquez

**MEET & GREET THE TEACHERS**

**Early Stage 1 - Monday 18th Feb @ 8am**  
**Stage 1 - Tuesday 19th February @ 8am**  
**Stage 2 - Wednesday 20th Feb @ 8.15am**  
**Stage 3 - Thursday 21st February @ 8.15am**

*"Learn... Teach... Partner"*

**Meet your child's teacher and hear about 2019 programs. Each teacher will have a brief presentation that will give you a glimpse of your child's classroom and 2019 events, policies and procedures. This is also fantastic opportunity to build a partnership with your child's teacher and begin discussing joint goals for their learning.**

*Jasper Road Public School*

## OPPORTUNITIES

Over the coming weeks, students will have the opportunity to try out for a number of performance groups. To cater for the number of students at the school and promote participation, students will only be allowed to be involved in a maximum of two groups. Students should listen to teacher messages as to when try outs will be held. This year's groups are K-2 Choir, Stage 2 Choir, Stage 3 Choir, Stage 1 Dance, Stage 2 Dance, Stage 3 Dance, Djembe and Musical Theatre.

At lunchtimes, we will also be holding a number of interest groups for students to participate in. These include Lego Group, Ukulele Club and Chess Club. More information regarding these will be released shortly.

**Mr Craig Warner**  
**Principal**

## From the Deputy Principals

### KINDERGARTEN 2019

On behalf of all the staff, we would like to welcome the Kindergarten students and their families to Jasper Road. There were a lot of smiling faces on Monday when our new Kindergarten students started their schooling at JRPS. 107 students started their primary school journey, bright eyed and full of smiles. All students have quickly settled into 'Big School' and are enjoying their new class and classmates. There have been very few tears and while this can be a challenging time for some children, all our new Kindergarten students have been very brave. We look forward to seeing our Kindergarten children grow and mature throughout the course of this year.



We would like to thank our Kindergarten team for all their hard work in preparing for the arrival of our new Kindergarten students and ensuring they have a smooth transition into primary school. We would like to also thank our Kindergarten children's parents for assisting to ensure their children are ready to move into their first year of primary school.

### Volunteers: Working with Children Check

Jasper Road Public School enjoys very active participation from our parent body. We are extremely grateful for the support of parents/carers who volunteer their time to assist with school programs, as many of our programs could not operate as successfully without community involvement. If you will be volunteering at Jasper Road PS this year in any capacity which places you in contact with students that you are not related too, such as with literacy groups, fitness activities, in the library or the like, Department of Education procedures require you to complete a Working with Children Declaration form and identity check. If you already completed this anytime from 2016-2018, you do not need to do it again this year. Unfortunately legal requirements do not allow us to have volunteers on the school site who have not completed this documentation.

### Positive Behaviour for Learning

Our school implements the Positive Behaviour for Learning program in both the playground and classroom settings. This term all classes will have a particular focus on our school value of 'Being Safe' and how this relates to expectations at our school.

### Teacher and Parent Relationships are Vital

At Jasper Road PS we value and foster positive teacher and parent relationships. 'When parents talk to their children about school, expect them to do well, help them plan for the future, and make sure that out-of-school activities are constructive, their children do better in school. When schools engage families in ways that are linked to improving learning, students make greater gains. When schools build partnerships with families that respond to their concerns and honour their contributions, they are successful in sustaining connections that are aimed at improving student achievement.'

The full research paper can be found at the link below. We encourage you to speak to your child's teacher if you have any concerns, questions or information that could help your child's teacher teach your child. Small problems can become big problems if they are not dealt with promptly. If you have a quick concern you can meet with your child's teacher before 8:55a.m. or after 3:00p.m. or by leaving an email for your child's class teacher or by phoning the school office. Parents wishing for a longer meeting can make a time with the teacher that suits you both. If you feel you need additional support, you can also talk to the stage supervisor. Education works best when parents, carers and the school community work together. Every staff member at Jasper Road PS is happy to help parents. If you require the support of the stage supervisor, the appropriate executive is as follows: Early Stage 1: Mrs Kirrily Dunn, Stage 1: Mr Paul Marshall, Stage 2: Miss Julie Pickering and Stage 3: Miss Debbie Godfrey. We the two Deputy Principals, Ms Debby Bezzina and Mrs Vanessa Rogers will continue to oversee K-2 and Years 3-6. Please allow teachers and students the

opportunity to settle in for the first couple of weeks for less urgent matters before organising a formal meeting.

<http://www.sedl.org/connections/resources/evidence.pdf>

## A Word of Thanks

The beginning of each school year is an incredibly busy time with setting up new classes, organising resources, classrooms and furniture and enrolling new students. Thank you to Mrs Debra Latham and her team in the offices who manage all our new enrolments and all the other many demands needed to make our school productive. Thank you also to Mrs Dunn, Miss Pickering and the amazing Kindergarten team for their seamless organisation of the Kindergarten orientation and transition process. Thank you to the P&C Social Committee for catering for our new Kindergarten placement assembly. Many new parents gave positive feedback regarding this process and their first impressions of the school. Thank you to all the staff and community who have worked so hard in these first important days of school.

**Debby Bezzina and Vanessa Rogers**  
**Deputy Principals**

## Schoolzine App

Jasper Road Public School use the Schoolzine App to provide the fortnightly newsletter and any school Notifications. You can also use the app to check the school calendar, and student absentee notification.

## How to install the SZapp

### Apple Devices

1. On your device, open the App Store.
2. Search the App Store for **SZapp**.
3. Download and install **SZapp**.

### Android Devices

1. On your device, open the Play Store.
2. Search the App Store for **SZapp**.
3. Download and install **SZapp**.

For further instructions got to the links below

<http://www.schoolzine.com/szapp-installation>

**Kindergarten:** Please note you have received a Printed Copy of the Newsletter for this week only. For further editions you will need to use the Schoolzine.

## Jasper Road Bicycle Policy

Students must have written permission from their parents/ carers to ride a bicycle / scooter to school and clearly display the 2019 'registration' sticker.

Please collect a 2019 Student Bicycle and Scooter Rider Policy and Authorisation Form from the front office, once the signed copy is returned, you will receive the 'registration' sticker.

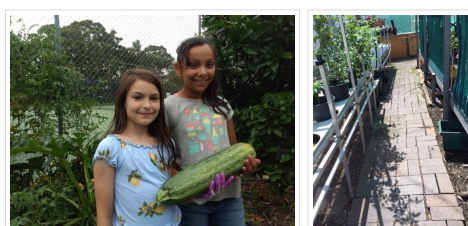
## Environmental Education

A big thank you to Arbors and their families who attended holiday care over the summer break. During this time students water the gardens, weed, care for the worm farms, care for the hydroponics and harvest any produce grown. Arbors and their families have been enjoying tomatoes, cucumbers, zucchinis, strawberries, corn, capsicum and various herbs. It is always a pleasure to work with Arbors and their families. A special thank you to Jennifer W, Louis S-B, Lachlan L, Amelia J and William F who led their groups and showing great leadership skills.

In 2019, Arbors have plans to design and upgrade the Butterfly Garden, introduce school wide bottle, can and popper recycling, and upgrade all classroom paper/cardboard recycling bins and collect more fruit break scraps for our worms. Arbors will continue to care for and learn about hydroponics, gardening, worm farming, recycling, composting, auditing water, waste and energy as well as conduct StreamWatch and school wide environmental days.

As a school we will continue to celebrate and learn about our environmental events such as Clean Up Australia Day, National Recycling Week, waste free lunches and EnviroMentors. Classes will have the opportunity to use the outdoor spaces for learning. Spaces such as the ANZAC Garden, Forest Walk, Frog Pond, sustainable garden areas, Dry River Bed, Bush Tucker Garden, Olive Grove, Formal Native Garden, worm farms and compost areas and Yarning Circle (being relocated in 2019).

I'd like to welcome Mrs Kirby, Mrs Murray and Ms O'Connell to the environmental team and thank Mr G, Mr W and Mr K for their continued hard work. On behalf of Arbors and myself, we'd like to send out a special thank you to Mr G for all of his hard work and dedication to our school environment. You are truly a fountain of knowledge. We hope to see you back from time to time and wish you all the best for the future.



Think **GREEN** because together we **CAN** make a difference.

**Mrs Jennifer Franks**

## Sports News

### PSSA

This Friday 8 February sees the continuation of PSSA Trials for our Summer sports.

The PSSA competition will commence on Friday 1 March with all successful teams being announced during Week 3.

All students are reminded to wear sports uniform and bring along a water bottle.

## 2019 Swimming Carnival

A reminder that the Swimming Carnival will be held at Waves Aquatic Centre on Friday 22 February. This is a **competitors** only event and we ask students to please return all notes ASAP.



### JASPER ROAD PS 2019 SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Friday 22nd Feb 2019

WAVES Fitness and Aquatic Centre

44 Mileham Avenue  
Baulkham Hills NSW

COMPETITOR  
ONLY EVENT

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BUSES DEPART

SCHOOL AT

9am

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Parents are most  
welcome to  
attend

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Permission notes  
will be sent home  
first school day  
2019

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Students not  
competing in the  
carnival, will be  
supervised by  
teachers at  
school.

Student bank books are to be given to the class teacher then sent to the office in the class grey banking bag.

**Thank you kindly**

**Paulina Ibarra**

**Banking co-ordinator**

## All Things P&C



Many hands help our school grow

## Welcome to 2019

On behalf of the P&C and the P&C Fundraising Committee, Happy New School Year!

A very special welcome to the new families joining our school community this year. We look forward to meeting you all soon.

In 2019 the Fundraising committee is working on a range of fun activities which we are sure everyone will enjoy. Some of the events coming up include our always popular Discos, BBQ's at upcoming elections, Easter Raffle, Mother's and Father's Day Stalls.

In past years money raised by the Fundraising Committee has been used towards the tiger turf, mini soccer field, tech support, PSSA Sports Uniforms and perpetual trophies amongst others.

Throughout the year there will be lots of opportunity for families to get involved. This year's committee includes a number of new members as well as our experienced, and much appreciated, existing members. We encourage you to join us at our regular meetings and we will advertise the dates closer to the date in the newsletter.

In order to make our events as successful as possible we greatly appreciate the help of our families. To help you plan ahead we will be sharing some of the upcoming events with you in the next newsletter. If you are available to help out at these events please email our Volunteer Co-ordinator Shontelle on [jaffatjasperroad@hotmail.com](mailto:jaffatjasperroad@hotmail.com).

## Thank you

Thank you to those who have taken part in our first two events for 2019.

### Sun Run and Cole Classic

Last weekend saw Team Jasper participate in the Sun Run and Cole Classic.

Team members:

Teachers: Mrs Rose (and her husband), Miss Cahill and Mr Gosper

Parents: Annie Black, Deck Salfus, Paul MacFarlane, Divya Azzi  
Thank you Team Jasper, we are so proud of you all and appreciate you supporting our school. To those that have donated, thank you for helping us reach for our target. There is still time to donate. Donations can be made online and a donation box has been set up in the office.

**Mr Tom Gosper & Mrs Olga Parramon**  
**Sports Coordinators**

## Scholastic Bookclub

Bookclub is up and running again for 2019!

Issue 1 has been handed out to the teachers this week. The preferred way of ordering is online with Scholastic. If that payment option is not convenient for you, please place your order form in an envelope and put in the yellow book club box situated in the school library. Please ensure your order form has your name, class and book selection/s clearly noted and the envelope has the correct money included.

For those new to Jasper Road Public School, our school benefits from your purchases as Scholastic gives 20% of all orders back to the school as rewards, which can be used to purchase new resources!

Orders will close on **Friday 15 February**. Apologies but no late orders can be accepted.

<https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent.aspx>

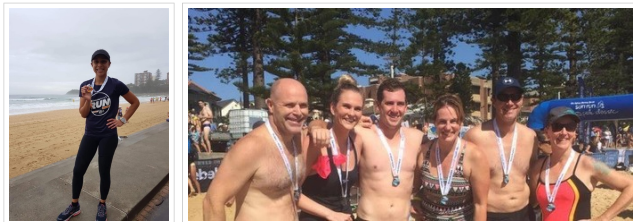
## School Banking

School Banking for 2019 will commence Monday 11 February.

Please remember the following to ensure it runs smoothly:

Deposit book and money

Deposit slip filled out



## Kindy Tears and Cheers

On Monday we welcomed our new Kindergarten parents with a coffee morning tea after school drop off. Thank you to Shontelle Prudames, Brooke Kinney, Jane Whitten and Akanksha Agarwal who helped on the day.

## Save the Date

Wednesday 13 March – Disco

Saturday 23 March - NSW State Election BBQ

## 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 25 February 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 27 February in the Cottage at 9:15am and we welcome all parents. Children are also welcome.

## Contact the P&C Committees

P&C Committee: [pandcatjasperroad@hotmail.com](mailto:pandcatjasperroad@hotmail.com)

Fundraising Committee: [jaffatjasperroad@hotmail.com](mailto: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!



## Community Notices

*You're welcome @*

# DROP IN

Every second Friday  
9.30-11am

- ✓ Buy discount groceries from the Staples Bag pop up shop (10-11am)
- ✓ Grab a barista made cuppa
- ✓ Find out what services are available
- ✓ Used book sale
- ✓ Free Justice of the Peace service

**Where?**  
Learning in the Hills  
Turner Buildings, Balcombe Heights Estate  
92 Seven Hills Road, Baulkham Hills  
Ph: 96397918 Email: [learninginthehills@hca.org.au](mailto:learninginthehills@hca.org.au)

**18 January**  
**1 February**  
**15 February**  
**1 March**  
**15 March**  
**29 March**

**Learning in the Hills**  
Hills Community Leisure Learning

**Hills Daily GRIND**  
MOBILE COFFEE

**SSI**  
settlementservices international

**The Staples Bag**  
AN SSI INITIATIVE



**Sydney BeiDa**  
Community and Cultural Centre

## After School Chinese Language Classes

[www.thehillschineseschool.com.au](http://www.thehillschineseschool.com.au)

**Location:** Jasper Road Public School, 1 Jasper Road Baulkham Hills NSW 2153

**Time:** Wednesdays & Fridays afternoons / After School Classes **3.00 pm to 6.00 pm**

**Classes:** Chinese Mandarin (year K-year 12), Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing;  
Conversation classes for children and adults with Chinese or non Chinese background

The Hills Chinese School run nine centers at hills public schools with different timetable weekdays and weekend. We provide all cultural related lessons such as Abacus, Smart Math, Drawing, Public Speaking, Robot computing programming; Poem reciting as well as Chinese KungFu classes. The Hills Chinese School Little Swan Choir is performing at many major events.

**Contact Number:** 0411 085 882 (Mary) or Email: [hillscommunitycollege@gmail.com](mailto:hillscommunitycollege@gmail.com)

**Sydney BeiDa**  
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## 北大中文学校课后中文班

[www.thehillschineseschool.com.au](http://www.thehillschineseschool.com.au)

**地点:** Jasper Road Public School, 1 Jasper Road Baulkham Hills NSW 2153

**时间:** 每周三和周五 下午三点至六点 (3.00pm -6.00pm) (有课间休息)

中文普通话班, 训练 听, 说, 读, 写 能力,  
我校同时开设学生及成人对话班; 公共演讲, 绘画, 书法, 珠心算, 机器人制作与编程及中国功夫武术班, 学校还有一支朝气蓬勃的小合唱团, 现正在招生

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