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Principal's Address

Welcome back to Term 3. I hope all families had a safe and relaxing break as this term is already ramping up to be a busy one with Education Week, Book Week and our first ever Variety Night locked into the calendar.

Over the holidays we have had a few changes in staff. I would like to congratulate Mrs Danae Murray who was successful in obtaining a permanent position at the Royal Deaf and Blind Society. I would like to thank her for her many years of service at Jasper Rd and wish her luck in her new role. Mrs Suzanne Martin will be team teaching 1W for the remainder of the year.

This term Miss Pickering will be taking personal leave with Miss Ritumalta taking her class. Miss Ritumalta has been teaching at Jasper Road throughout the year and is very excited to be moving into this new role. Mrs Keast will be Relieving Assistant Principal in Miss Pickering absence.

I would like welcome Miss Ashleigh Richardson to the school who will be taking classes in an RFF capacity. I trust that you will make her feel welcome when you have the opportunity.

Opportunities/Achievement

It is with much pride that I can announce that 16 students this year have been offered positions in selective high schools around Sydney with a further 5 on reserve lists. Congratulations to the students that were successful in obtaining an offer. This is a 210% improvement from last year which also highlights the explicit programs we are offering in the classroom everyday by quality teachers. We continue to strive for excellence with every child, every day!

Over the past term I have regularly spoken to students at assembly and written in the newsletter about the amazing opportunities that we offer our students. Not only are students exposed daily to high quality, evidence based lessons, but programs are held throughout the year allowing for students to showcase their talents outside the classroom. From our State winning debating teams, our award winning bands or

our achievements on the sporting paddock, students are encouraged to 'take hold' of every opportunity that comes their way and Strive to Achieve.

Education Week

Education Week is just around the corner! Each year at Jasper Rd we hold Education Week to celebrate our students and the work they complete daily. This includes their contributions and commitments inside and outside the classroom. This year our Open Day festivities will be held next Tuesday morning 6 August. All parents and family members are invited to attend with a jam packed morning of celebrations. This year's theme is 'Student Voice' and to celebrate we will be holding a live debate in the hall between our State winning debating teams. Parents will be the judges so we would love your attendance. We will also be holding a parent workshop to showcase the coding and robotics programs we have offered students this year along with a coffee morning performance from our Performance Band. We look forward to your attendance.

On Wednesday, our celebrations move to Castle Towers as our performance groups showcase their singing and dancing talents. It was fantastic to see a large group of parents and families last year supporting our students and we again look forward to your attendance. Performances will take place on Centre Stage outside David Jones.



All families are invited to attend our Education Week open day to celebrate public education. This is a fantastic opportunity to meet the staff, enter your child's classroom and celebrate our students.

Program

- 9.00am - Coffee Morning Tea (Hall) - Hear from our amazing bands
- 9.45am - K-2 Open Classrooms
- 3-6 STEM Parent Workshop
- 10.15am - 3-6 Open Classrooms
- K-2 STEM Parent Workshop
- 11.00am - RECESS w/ your child
- 11.20am - Student Debate (Hall)

QR Codes

This year students will be utilising QR code technology. Please bring a mobile device with a QR reader downloaded to take part in this exciting project.

Student Privacy

An ongoing question at school events is, "Can I take photos?"

Recently the Department of Education released an updated Social Media policy for students, staff and parents that outlines the laws surrounding this area.

Photographs, video or digital images of a student are considered "personal information" and therefore their use and disclosure are governed by the Information Privacy Act. Photographs, video and digital images of students may also contain copyright, and therefore may also be governed by the Copyright Act 1968.

The school allows for the collection of photos, video, film and digital images for **personal use** at events. This limits the posting of such files to social media. Under social regulations, please ensure that **you personally** have permission to publish such media online for each child pictured. We thank the community for supporting these guidelines.

Model Mathematicians

Through Term 2, three students from Stage 3 attended Model Farms High School on a regular basis to participate in the Model Mathematicians program.

This program aims to provide extension opportunities for students to showcase their mathematical knowledge through the solving of multistep problems. I would like to congratulate Jisol, Helen and Jay for their attendance in the program and their outstanding achievement in finishing 2nd in the final. They were just 1 point behind the winners which is a fantastic achievement. My thanks also go to Mrs Godfrey for her organisation and Mrs Grady from Model Farms High for providing this opportunity to our students.



Earn and Learn

At the start of Term 2 we set the challenge for our families to beat last year's record haul of Earn and Learn stickers. The challenge was set for 50,000 and after much peeling, sticking and counting, we can announce that this year's final tally stood at 62,000! This is a fantastic achievement and I thank all families for their contributions. The SRC have been busy shopping and have decided to spend this year's haul on games and sporting equipment for the playground. This includes new board games, basketballs, large connect four sets, skipping ropes and other goods. I thank all the student members of the SRC for their organisation and know that every student will benefit from your purchases.

Grounds Maintenance

Over the holidays the school continued to be upgraded with painting and repairs occurring. This has included the total internal refurb of our coding robotics space that all children utilise weekly. The room now includes a 3D printing station along with Green Screen panels and new furniture. The promised COLA line painting project finally occurred with students already playing in the area. We have also made some adjustments to the original painting to allow for mathematical lessons to occur outside. Lastly, the total reconstruction of the verandas at the back of the library has started. This project will continue through the term with the whole area being rebuilt including posts, flooring and new roofs. We continue to build a great school with great facilities!

100 Days of Kindergarten

Last Thursday our Kindergarten students reached a great milestone completing 100 days of school! This milestone was celebrated in classrooms with our Kindergarten students participating in a wide range of activities to commemorate this special occasion. The day was capped off with a parade of hats each with 100 spots and every child telling us what they had learnt so far this year. We received obviously 100 different answers. Congratulations Kindergarten!



Community Charter

This year the Department of Education and NSW Government have released a Community Charter that outlines the responsibilities of parents, carers, educators and school staff in NSW public schools. This has been created to ensure learning environments are collaborative, supportive and cohesive. All parents are asked to continue to display respectful professional behaviour at all times.

Mr Craig Warner
Principal

From the Deputy Principals

Grade Distribution – Semester 1 Reports

Twice a year Jasper Road PS provides parents / caregivers with a written report regarding the progress of their child throughout the semester. These semester reports indicate student achievement against the NSW BOSTES Syllabus using an A, B, C, D or E grade. Teachers from Year 1 – Year 6 use their professional judgement about each child to award a grade in all key learning areas. Teachers in Kindergarten award students with an 'Achievement Grade' using the descriptors: Working Beyond, Achieving and Working Towards.

For those interested parents, the **Grade Distribution for Semester 1** is now available upon request at the school office. This data will allow you to consider your child's achievement compared with their peer group. This information will also highlight the number of children in the group in each of the achievement levels.

Debby Bezzina and Vanessa Rogers
Deputy Principals

2020 Kindergarten Enrolments

We are taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2020, if you have a child or know of anyone living in the JRPS catchment area whose child turns 5 by July 31 2020 please come to the office to collect an Application to Enrol Form or download from our website below

<https://jasperroad-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/enrolment.html>

The following documents will be required when submitting your application.

- your child's birth certificate or identity documents
- proof of student's address – originals of different documents such as your council rates notice or residential lease and electricity bill

- Immunisation history statement based on the Australian Childhood Immunisation Register (ACIR)
- family law or other relevant court orders (if applicable).

If your child is not a permanent resident you will also need to provide:

- passport or travel documents
- current visa and previous visas (if applicable).

We are happy to help with any questions you have about your enrolment, please call the school office between the hours of 9:30am – 2pm, Monday to Friday.

Enrolling your child in Term 3 assists the school to plan Kindergarten numbers for next year as well as informing you of our Orientation Program. If parents/carers believe their child will need additional support to successfully transition to Kindergarten please contact Mrs Vanessa Rogers, Deputy Principal, to organise an enrolment interview.

Environmental Education

As part of their Science unit on living things, all Stage 1 students made terrariums and grass heads. They had a great time designing and creating their own mini environment. Students also designed improvements to the Butterfly Garden, a local environment. Each class came up with a winning plan and presented this to Arbors. Arbors will now discuss these improvements and present this to Mr Warner.

Stage 2 students have been growing plants from seeds in the garden beds outside of their classrooms. This learning has also been for their Science unit.

Miss O'Connell has been working with our support unit students on their vegetable garden, behind the BER. Their plants are beginning to take shape and flower.

This year, Arbors introduced can, bottle and popper recycling for Return and Earn. Using part of a grant that the school obtained, we purchased 4 blue wheelie bins with a rosette in the top. We ask that community members only place empty cans, bottles and poppers in these bins. We also ask that these collections be left for the students at Jasper Road to gain from. Funds raised go towards our Arbors program.



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

Mrs Jennifer Franks

Sports News

PSSA Winter Draw

Term 3 Week 2 – Round 12– Friday 2 August		
Sport	Opposition	Location
Soccer (Boys/Girls)	Matthew Pearce	Masonic Oval
AFL	Samuel Gilbert	Kellyville Park
Rugby	Sherwood Ridge	Wrights Road Reserve 2
Netball		Kellyville Netball Courts
Newcombe Ball	Matthew Pearce	Jasper Road PS

Term 3 Week 3- Round 13 – Friday 9 August		
Sport	Opposition	Location
Soccer (Boys/Girls)	Winston Heights	Max Ruddock Reserve
AFL	Castle Hill	Kellyville Park
Rugby	Beaumont Hills	Torry Burn Reserve
Netball		Kellyville Netball Courts
Newcombe Ball	Winston Heights	Langdon Rd

Summer PSSA

Summer PSSA will recommence in week 9 of Term 3. Games will be played in the afternoon time slot and will return to mornings in Term 4.

More details regarding training and draws to be distributed to students in the coming weeks.

Castle Hill PSSA

Jasper Road Public School is a member of the Castle Hill Zone PSSA. The Zone has now created a Facebook Page where all updates and information is posted. This includes cancellation of PSSA on Fridays.

Tom Gosper and Olga Parramon
PSSA Coordinators

Sports and Co-Curricular Photos

Sports and Co-Curricular Photos will be displayed Monday 5 August in the area just outside the front office door.

There are 2 ways to order your photos.

- Online at www.theschoolphotographer and use the access code **19S1693PC39J**

- Collect a cash envelope from the school office

All orders must be received by Friday 16 August

Hill Performing Arts Festival

The children in the Stage One or Stage Three Dance Troupe, and /or the Combined Choir will be performing at the festival on Thursday 5 September. Below is the information as to how you can purchase tickets for the evening.

Attention all Hills Performing Arts Schools

Hills Performing Arts Festival Ticketing



Tickets for this year's Festival will go on sale on

Monday 5th August from 10am

Price: \$27.25

No concession or children's prices
Babies 12months and under are free

Ticketing info

Tickets CAN be purchased from the box office or by phone and internet. The details are as follows:

1. Ticketek website www.ticketek.com.au/booking_fees_will_apply
2. Ticketek call Centre Phone bookings 132 849 (booking fees will apply)
3. Penrith Panthers Reception Desk In person only - 10am to 10pm daily

(No booking fees for cash or eftpos transactions)

Please note there are no bulk school bookings accepted

If you live in a 5km radius you must be a member or be signed in by a member to gain entry to the club. If you live outside the 5km radius please remember your ID so that you can sign in and enter the club

Kelly's Special Offer: Every ticket has \$8 coffee and cake on the tip of each ticket. This can be redeemed at Kelly's on the day of ticket only. Please show your ticket and pay \$8 only

School Events / Updates

Last week I went to State Music Camp for Musical Theatre and Singing. There were 272 kids from across the state to play instruments and their vocal cords. I was lucky to be one of those selected students.

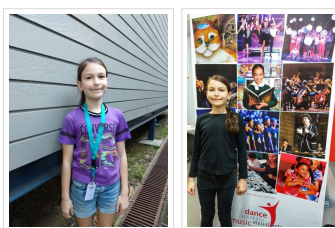
The first day of camp we met our conductors. My choir conductor was the conductor from school spectacular last year, Ian Jefferson.


When the Choir class started we got handed a Choir booklet that had more than 50 pages in it! I was worried about how I was going to learn all these songs in a week, but a few minutes into our class he told us that we are only learning 5 and we will be choosing 3 to perform at our camp concert. I was relieved.

The next day we started our musical theatre dance and song. It was a country song and dance and was so fun. We started to get into a conversation about why a passenger calls shotgun. It's called shotgun because a long time ago, in the country, there would be the driver and in case someone was trying to steal something the passenger would have a shotgun.

On the last day of camp it was 6:59am and while our cabin was sleeping one of the teachers opened our door and started playing her trumpet. I got such a big fright, I fell out of my bed!

I had an amazing experience at camp and made lots of new friends.






WANTED


Do you have any knick knacks lying around which you would like to get rid of? We have the solution.....Year 6 are collecting any 'no longer wanted' books, jewellery, DVD's, games, toys, teddy bears and anything else in good order which could be sold at Market Day to raise money for the Year 6 Farewell. If you could send your knick knacks to any Year 6 classroom before Friday 1st November, it would be greatly appreciated!

Thank you - Year 6 Teachers



Time to return Perpetual Trophies!

If your child received a perpetual trophy at any of the 2018 Presentation assemblies, could we please ask that they are returned to the front office before the end of the Term.



Bookclub

Issue 5 orders are due today! If you'd like to place an order, this can be done online tonight. We have extended the cut off date a little as the catalogue delivery was split due to school holidays. This issue has some great ideas for book week dressups!

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

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!

Please note no late orders can be accepted.

**Thanks
Michelle**

All Things P&C



Many hands help our school grow

Trivia Night

We are only a couple of weeks away from the annual Trivia Night on **Saturday August 17**. Have you booked your table yet?

Trivia Night is a fun way to catch up with existing friends, meet new members of the school community as well as test your general knowledge with trivia. This year's theme is What is Your Favourite TV Show?

Tickets are available now and you can either form a team of 8 or we can add you to one of our teams. Either way come along, get dressed up and join the fun.

Tickets are \$25 per person and bookings close **Friday August 9**.

For more information please contact pandcatjasperroad@hotmail.com



Father's Day Stall

This year's Father's Day Stalls are taking place on Tuesday 27 & Wednesday 28 August. More information will be available closer to the date however we do require volunteers to help us on Monday for setup and on Tuesday and Wednesday to help at the stalls. If you are available please email us at pandcatjasperroad@hotmail.com

Entertainment Book Orders:

The new 2019/2020 Entertainment Books are now available to purchase. Every purchase contributes 20% back to the school for fundraising. Visit at the link below to securely order

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

Next P&C Meeting

Our next meeting is on Monday 19 August at 7.00pm 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 21 August in the Cottage at 9.15am and we welcome all parents. Children are also welcome.

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Contact the P&C and Fundraising Committee

pandcatjasperroad@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

