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## Principal's Address

Jasper Road continues to Communicate, Educate and Celebrate daily with our community and last week was a fantastic example of this. Our K-2 Book Week parade was extremely well attended with hundreds of parents and loved ones attending on Friday to celebrate literacy. From superheroes to princesses and beyond, every student loved seeing their family in the 'crowd' clapping and cheering along. Our partnership with families continued throughout the week with the Book Fair. The fair was so popular this year that multiple titles sold out which shows the value that you, as an engaged community, place on reading and education. I thank the community for their ongoing support of such celebrations as our students and staff truly enjoy sharing their special moments with you.

## SASS RECOGNITION WEEK

This week was School Administrative Staff National Recognition Week. Every year, we say thank you to our SAS staff for the amazing, hard work that they carry out each and every day. Jasper Rd Public School is extremely lucky to have wonderful staff working right across every aspect of the school. SAS staff continually provide invaluable support to the staff, students and parents of our beautiful school. As Principal, it is an absolute pleasure to be working with these genuinely lovely and very dedicated staff members who really do provide 'service with a smile.'

Our talented, efficient office staff always go above and beyond the call of duty to provide for the school community while our two GA's work tirelessly to not only ensure our school is safe but to create a vibrant, well maintained environment. Lastly, our SLSO's work hand in hand with teachers to provide the very best learning opportunities for our students whilst ensuring health care procedures are carried out with confidentiality and sensitivity. On behalf of the students, parents and staff, I recognise and thank you for the magnificent work that you do every single day.



## TELL THEM FROM ME

The school executive have already started planning for 2020 and beyond. School planning and reporting will continue to be underpinned by the School Excellence Framework, which provides a clear description of effective school practice through Learning, Teaching and Leading. As a school, we will engage in discussion and consultation with our community, students and with the staff. This begins with the 'Tell Them From Me' survey. This survey provides parents with a direct form of communicating of what they like about Jasper Rd and where we can further improve. A large and important component of this consultation is also looking at what we want our school to look like in 3 years, 5 years and 10 years' time. Parent voice is vital in a collaborative planning model and I invite all parents, carers and family members to participate in this survey. The survey can be found at:

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/jasper2019>

## PERFORMANCE BAND

I would like to congratulate our Performance Band who last weekend not only performed at the State Band Championships but WON! This is a fantastic achievement for all the students and continues to highlight not only the strength of the band program but also the hard work and dedication that the students have shown over many years. I continue to proudly brag about the program at every opportunity and with the support of our tutors, conductors and parents, I know the

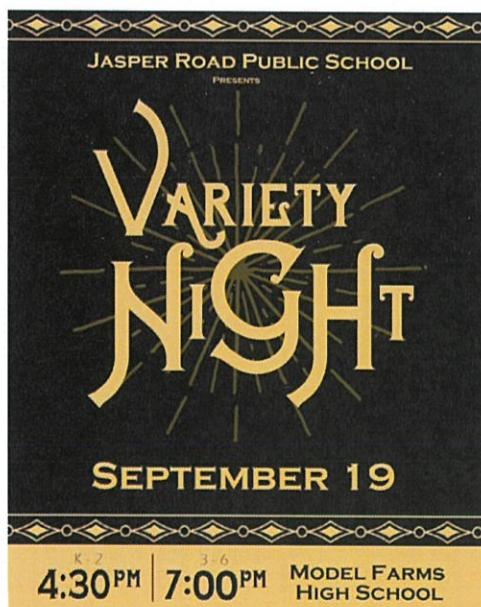


program will continue to be very successful in the years to come. Next term, Year 2 students will have the opportunity to enrol in the program for 2020.



## VARIETY NIGHT

Our first ever Variety Night is nearly here and we are extremely excited to announce that both concerts are officially a SELL OUT. Thank you to the community for the amazing response! If you were unable to acquire a ticket and were still interested in purchasing one, a waitlist has been created at the office if tickets become available. Students have been busily preparing and we are looking forward to sharing their talents on the big stage. Could I please remind all parents to read the information sheets carefully and return the permission notes as requested.



## VIETNAMESE STUDY TOUR

Last fortnight we were lucky enough to be visited by 22 teachers from Vietnam who were investigating how we teach English to students. The teachers were shown around the school, provided with the opportunity to observe a Phonics lesson, complete a robotics session and contribute to a Q&A session. Not only did our visitors learn from us, but we gained a valuable insight into schooling in Vietnam. This week I received an email from one of the teachers that I would like to share as it clearly highlights the fantastic teaching opportunities we provide everyday.

"Jasper Road Public School is a large school with the quality learning environment that I have never seen before. The first thing that I want to share is the classroom layout. Each classroom is vividly decorated with colourful pictures. That

gives students the enjoyable atmosphere in the classroom. Students feel like they are learning and playing at the same time.

Secondly, I really like the way teachers organise the class. In free practice, the teacher divides the class into 5 groups with different activities (Dice challenge: roll and write, barrier game, write 5 words using "r" phoneme, explain your words partner to guess the word; "Re" word take, a base word and add "re", put into past, present, future. Using this way, teacher can assess the students' abilities with different sides. Thirdly, I like school facilities that are very modern. All students access technology very soon and know how to use the internet."



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

## From the Deputy Principals

### Book Week 2019

Students enjoyed 'Literacy on the Lawns' last week. Have a look at them enjoying stories together! Teachers also enjoyed sharing a story with their classes out on the lawns!



### STAR values at Zone Athletics Carnival

It was such a privilege to attend the Zone Athletics carnival to see some of our students from Jasper Road participate in field and track events. There was fantastic determination and participation on the field throughout the day with some students going from one event to the next from early in the morning until the end of the carnival!

A quick story to share was when one of the students sprained his wrist while participating in the high jump. Not something to celebrate at all but it was what came after his injury that makes this story inspiring! After having his wrist bandaged, the student was determined to stay and participate in the relay so



he didn't let his team down. Despite his wrist aching, he then went in his 100m age race final. As he was about to go down for his race, I heard him say to his parents "This is a once in a lifetime opportunity. I don't want to miss out!" WOW! What a great example to his peers!

Congratulations to all the students who were selected to participate in the Zone carnival and for their achievements on the day. A big congratulations on your excellent display of our school STAR values as you proudly represented Jasper Road Public School!

**Kirrily Dun (rel.) and Vanessa Rogers**  
**Deputy Principals**

## Variety Night Program

A copy of the Program for the night's various performances is linked below. Families are encouraged to print their own copy. These will not be available in printed form at the venue.

## Environmental Education

Most children love being outdoors, exploring their surroundings. They can learn so much from gardening. Here at Jasper Road many classes access our garden beds for class vegetable patches and use the gardens around the school for learning across the curriculum. Did you know?

### Children learn from growing things

People of all ages can enjoy gardening, but children in particular will have lots of fun and gain special benefits. Gardening is educational and develops new skills including:

- **Responsibility** – from caring for plants
- **Understanding** – as they learn about cause and effect (for example, plants die without water, weeds compete with plants)
- **Self-confidence** – from achieving their goals and enjoying the food they have grown
- **Love of nature** – a chance to learn about the outdoor environment in a safe and pleasant place
- **Reasoning and discovery** – learning about the science of plants, animals, weather, the environment, nutrition and simple construction
- **Physical activity** – doing something fun and productive
- **Cooperation** – including shared play activity and teamwork
- **Creativity** – finding new and exciting ways to grow food
- **Nutrition** – learning about where fresh food comes from.

<https://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/health/HealthyLiving/gardening-for-children>

As spring fast approaches, this is the perfect time to set about making a garden with your family. Include a worm farm,

compositing and biodiversity and the learning and health opportunities will be vast.

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

**Mrs Jennifer Franks**

## Sports News

### Winter PSSA

Winter PSSA wrapped up on Friday of week 5.

Congratulations to our 2 Junior Netball Teams, Junior Rugby League and Senior AFL who were successful in making the Grand Finals for their respective sports. A Huge congratulations to the Junior C Netball Team who were successful in winning their Grand Final, well done girls!

Jasper Road PS is proud of the efforts by all PSSA and School Sport Teams throughout the Winter Season.

### Summer PSSA

Summer PSSA will recommence in Week 9 of Term 3. Games will continue to be played in the afternoon time slot until the end of Term 3, and will then return to mornings in Term 4.

In Week 8, students will undertake training with their PSSA coaches.

Below is the draw for the rest of the term.

### PSSA Summer Draw

Week 9 - Round 7- Friday 19 September		
Sport	Opposition	Location
Cricket	Matthew Pearce	Masonic Oval 1 and 2 Balcombe Heights
Basketball	Kellyville	Fred Caterson Reserve
Touch football	Winston Hills	Ted Horwood – Field 3
Softball / T Ball	Northmead	Northmead Reserve

Week 10 - Round 7- Friday 28 September		
Sport	Opposition	Location
Cricket	Winston Hills	Max Ruddock 1 and 2
Basketball	TBA – catch up	Fred Caterson Reserve
Touch football	North Rocks	Ted Horwood – Field 1
Softball / T Ball	Baulkham Hills North	Eric Mobbs 1

### Castle Hill Zone Athletics Carnival

On Monday 26 August, 45 Jasper Road PS students attended the Castle Hill Zone Athletics Carnival held at Blacktown International Sports Park. These students represented the



school with pride and determination and should be very proud of their achievements.

Further information regarding results and the Sydney West Carnival will be distributed to the successful students when it becomes available.

### 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.

### JRPS Junior Rugby League Team



**Tom Gosper and Olga Parramon**  
**PSSA Coordinators**

### Book Week Poster Competition

The entries for the Poster competition were of such a high calibre it took four staff members hours last Friday to decide on winners. First, second and third places received books to the value of \$25, \$15 and \$10 respectively. This was the outcome:

Stage 3		
First	Janavika H	6K
Second	Amy B	5H
Third	Manognya P	5J
Highly Commended	Ayaka K	5G
	Stasha A	5J
	Avani M	5J

Stage 2		
First	Aditri H	4L
Second	Elizabeth T	3P
Third	Anaisha M	4H
Highly Commended	Montana W	4G
	Hannah C	4G
	Victoria T	3S

## Library News

### Premiers Reading Challenge

The Challenge will draw to an end this Friday 30 August. Please make sure you have entered all the books read for the Challenge by that day. Kindy to Year 2 must enter 30 books. Years 3-6 20 books. For more information and to enter books read, go to the Premiers Reading Challenge website at the link below:

<https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>

You will need your child's portal username and password. Older students should be able to enter their books themselves. Please consult your child's teacher or contact me in the library if you need any assistance.

### Favourite Book Character Parade and Visiting Authors

Stay tuned for photos and information about these events that were thoroughly enjoyed by families, teachers and students, forthcoming in the next newsletter.

### Book Fair

Thank you for your support of our yearly Book Fair. This year sales reached a total of \$7407.30. This has earned our school a commission of \$1343.75 to purchase more resources for the library.

### Book Week Book Cover Competition

It was lovely to see children's artistic representations of their favourite books. The following students entries were chosen as winners

Stage 1		
First	Asaki K	1W
	Zoe B	2G
Second	Anna McG	1W
Third	Jamie H	1F
Highly Commended	James N	1A
	Andy L	2G
	Valeria W	2C

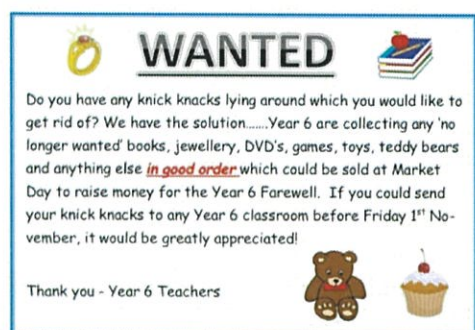
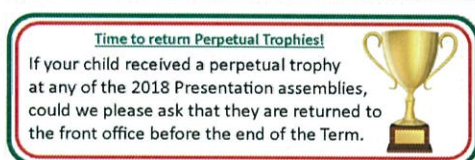


Early Stage 1 (Kindy)		
First	Ellie S	KY
Second	Hamish McH	KM
Third	Ben C	KS
Highly Commended	Mia Luo	KD
	Anaya S	KA
	Sharon Y	KY

### Happy reading

**Mrs Tokatlian, Mrs Bugeja, Mrs Martin and Mr Mellowship**  
Teacher Librarians

## School Events / Updates



## Mobile Muster - Term 3 and Term 4

### Calling all unwanted mobile devices

Jasper Road Public School is a collection centre for this year's Mobile Muster.

Please place unwanted devices into the collection box at the front office or if they are able to be reset and reused, hand into Classroom Teacher\*.

MobileMuster is the stewardship program of the mobile phone industry and is accredited by the federal government. The program is committed to raising awareness and educating the community on why it is important to recycle. The program accepts all brands and types of mobile phones, plus their batteries, chargers and accessories.

- Dear parents and caregivers, if you have recent, no-longer wanted mobile devices (ipad air and above or iphones 6 and above) that could be reused for the STEM AR/VR club please send in with a charger and



passcode - we will strip the data and update devices to be used with donated VR handsets.

<https://www.mobilemuster.com.au/about-us/>

### Bookclub

Issue 6 is currently being handed out by the teachers. To receive the orders before the end of term, please place your orders by Friday 6 September. Preferred method is to purchase online at the link below:

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

Alternatively you can pay by cash and place the completed order form, correct money and contact details and put in the Book Club box in the Library.

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!

**Thanks**

**Michelle**

## All Things P&C



Many hands help our school grow

### Trivia Night

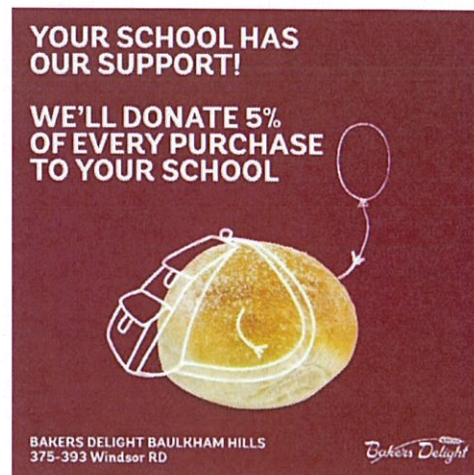
What a fantastic night that was! Thank you to everyone who came and supported the event.

Congratulations to all the prize winners.

A special thank you to all our wonderful event sponsors. These businesses and individuals provided amazing prizes for our guests to enjoy. Please join with us in acknowledging:

- Dinner to Table
- The Sewing Arcade
- Mint Fresh IGA
- Cheeky Yogis
- Arthur Street Café
- Angela's Hair at Home
- Aperture Accounting
- Help my PC
- Katz Recruitment
- Aussie Gardening & Cleaning
- Taronga Zoo
- Studio Chelsea
- Campbells
- Arbonne
- JRPS Uniform Shop
- APAC
- Georges Gourmet Pizza
- The Wholistic Wellness Hub
- The Hills Lodge
- Mindworx Psychology

- Winston Hills Mall
- Lollipops Castle Hill
- 12RND
- Send a Basket
- Wingman Crayons
- Kalakari Creative
- Momentum Dance Studios
- Giftlinx
- Talent Club Australia
- Kupcake Kreations
- Mrs Kings Kitchen
- Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate - The Ponds and Bella Vista
- Ziggyonline7.net
- All Things Bath
- Shaz Cini
- The Cooks Workshop
- BYB Be Your Best
- What's that Smell
- Scrunchy Haven
- Silk Oil of Morocco
- Quakers Hill Dentistree



### Get Connected!

Follow us on Facebook and signup to Timecounts to keep up to date with events taking place.

<http://timecounts.org/jrpspc>



We also received a number of personal donations and we greatly appreciate them. Thank you Deck Salfus and our anonymous donors.

### Volunteer Hub

Have you signed up to the new Volunteer Hub? The hub is a fantastic way for you to keep up to date with events that the P&C is running. It is easy to setup your own account. Simply visit the link below and follow the instructions.

<http://timecounts.org/jrpspc>

### 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 the link below to securely order.

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

### Next P&C Meeting

Our next meeting is on Monday 9 September 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 11 September in the Cottage at 9.15am and we welcome all parents. Children are also welcome.

### Contact the P&C and Fundraising Committee

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