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## Principal's Address

Thank you to the community for supporting our Education Week celebrations. Throughout the week we had over 2500 views of our videos and the feedback we received for our Learning Wall was overwhelming. We hope that we captured our amazing school culture and were able to acknowledge the fantastic work of our students and staff.

## Tell Them From Me

The school executive have already started planning for 2021 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/jasperroad>

## School Photos

Class group photos will be taken next Wednesday 19 August. All students are asked to be in full winter uniform including ties for boys and tab ties for girls. Sibling/family photos will also be taken on this day. Envelopes can be collected from the front office. Please be advised that we are unable to have whole group Year 6 or Kindergarten photos taken at this time. Group photos for sport and extra curriculum activities will take place later this term.

Payments are encouraged to be completed online through The School Photographer. No EFTPOS payments can be made at school and cash payments should only be brought in on the day of the photos. No money will be collected beforehand.

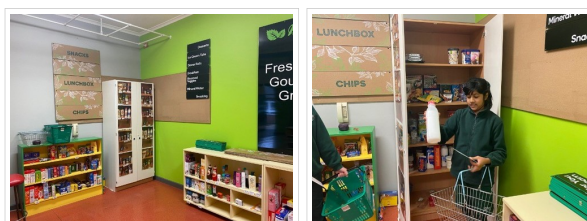
## Assessments

Year 3 and 5 students will be participating in a new reading and numeracy check-in assessment during Term 3 and 4. The Check-in assessment is a NSW Department of Education online reading and numeracy assessment to support schools to assess and monitor student learning following the period of learning from home. The Check-in assessments will supplement existing school practices to identify how students are performing in literacy and numeracy and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to student needs.

The assessment will be scheduled for our Year 5 students from 24 August to 4 September. The assessment will be scheduled for our Year 3 students early next term.

## Life Skills

Over the past three weeks, students in our Support Unit have been participating in Life Skills lessons. The development of life skills helps students to find new ways of thinking and problem solving in everyday life. It also helps to build confidence both in spoken skills and for group collaboration and cooperation.



## PSSA Sport

Castle Hill PSSA have unfortunately confirmed that PSSA sport will **NOT** recommence in Week 5 as planned. A number of COVID restrictions, risk assessments and ground issues are still being finalised.

Further information and guidelines were distributed to selected students last week regarding this.

At this time, no refunds will be issued until we have a start date but please trust that the school will not hold onto any excess funds. Partial or full refunds will be made available when applicable.

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

## From the Deputies

### K-2 and 3-6 Assemblies

Our virtual assemblies are a way we are keeping active in sharing, learning and reflecting on our learning and also a chance to recognise the continuing wonderful efforts, attitude and achievements of our students K-6. We are so very proud of you! This week we had a trivia challenge in the K-2 assembly and our classes were very knowledgeable. See how many you can get correct! (The answers are on the second page so answer them first and then check!) The 3-6 assembly gave our student school leaders an opportunity to demonstrate remarkably admirably their gifted impromptu speech ability and our student's abilities to provide them with supportive and helpful 2 stars and a wish feedback. Wonderful work everyone! Congratulations also to Mr Warner for organising these assemblies. We are so awed by your expertise, leadership and hard work.

### PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning) News

Each week the deputies, Mrs Bezzina and Mrs Rogers have the happy task of delivering Shining Star certificates to students. It is terrific to acknowledge through these class visits the consistent application to learning, the lovely way students are friendly, caring and supportive to others and how they make good choices in the classroom and playground.

### The Tell Them From Me student survey (Term 3, 2020)

We are delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the Tell Them From Me student feedback survey. The survey measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

You may remember that our students also participated in a Tell Them From Me student survey in Term 2 this year. Asking students to complete the survey twice in one year allows us to identify trends in student responses as well as track engagement and motivation across the school year.

The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. More than 6,300 schools in Australia and around the world have used Tell Them From Me to survey 5.4 million students. Capturing the voices of our students will help improve how we do things at our school.

More information about the survey is available at:

<http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/>

We want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 10 August and 23 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please contact the front office.

### SRE and SEE classes

SRE (Special Religious Education) and SEE (Special Education in Ethics) classes resumed in Week 3. Thank you to both the amazing coordinators who have worked tirelessly to cover as many classes as possible and the many SRE and SEE teachers who come each week to support our students. We are continuing to negotiate with our Hindu and Orthodox teachers about a recommencement date.

### Dogs on school grounds

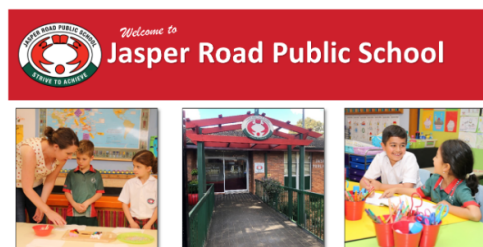
Please note that as per Department of Education policy, dogs are not permitted on school grounds. Please also note that we have students with severe allergies here at JRPS that could be triggered by dogs. We would therefore respectfully ask that pets are not to accompany students and families as part of the school drop off and pick up.

### Parking

Please be aware that we were visited by rangers on several occasions in the last few weeks. We are aware that they issued quite a number of infringement notices for parking violations around our school. They expressed concern at a lot of the driver behaviour witnessed, and have indicated they will be attending more frequently in future to try and improve traffic safety for our school. Also last week, the Police Highway Patrol were seen issuing infringement notices to a number of motorists near the front of our school. We must ensure student safety is our first concern, every time.

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

## 2021 Kindergarten Enrolments



If you have a sibling who will be commencing Kindergarten in 2021 (turning 5 before 31 July 2021), please start the enrolment process as soon as possible.

Use the following link to access the online enrolment form

<https://bit.ly/37VwxQe>

or scan the QR Code



The following documents will be required when submitting your application.

- your child's birth certificate or identity documents
- proof of student's address – 100-point residential address check. For eligible documents please goto: [https://jasperoad-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/doi/sws/schools/j/jasperoad-p/jrps-policies/Residential\\_address\\_check.pdf](https://jasperoad-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/doi/sws/schools/j/jasperoad-p/jrps-policies/Residential_address_check.pdf)
- 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.

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.

## School Events / Student Updates

### Support Unit – What have they been Doing this Term?

*“There is no substitute for hard work” – Thomas A. Edison;*

and that is exactly what Jasper Road Support Unit has been doing this term!

Shopping Skills for **SN** started with looking at the different types of shops, how to read a recipe, write a shopping list, find ingredients and shop online and in store.

They had a great time learning these life skills and how we use money to purchase different things! Cha-ching!



**SM** put on their aprons, and their Chef hats and got cooking in the kitchen! These Mini-Master Chefs had to strictly follow a recipe, look carefully at instructions and design pizzas with a smile. They stirred, mixed and grated ingredients, but the best part came at the end... Bon Appetit!



**SB** is working overtime, learning to read and write their names and sight words each day. They are reading new books, and singing the alphabet. The students are motivated and working around the clock to build those foundational skills, just look at that pencil grip



Decoding words, learning new spelling strategies and sequencing sentences correctly is step one to being a clever member of **SK**. The students have been working extremely hard to learn new things and expand their skills in reading and writing. Can you say... Fan-tas-tic!?

Investigating the concept of volume and capacity is exactly how **SL** were learning during Mathematics. They poured water into different sized measuring tubes/cups and at eye level (Like experts!) they read and recorded their findings. *WATER* you up to next SL!?



### Time to return Perpetual Trophies!

If your child received a perpetual trophy at any of the 2019 Presentation assemblies, could we please ask that they are returned to the front office before the end of the Term.



## All Things P&C



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### Father's Day Stall

Father's Day is just around the corner and we are excited to share with you that we are holding an Online Father's Day Stall.

Our team has curated a fantastic selection of gifts suitable for all the special people in our student's lives. Gifts range from \$1 to \$10 each.

To order simply visit the website below and use the password **LOVEDAD**

<http://www.jasper-road-p-c.myshopify.com/>

The online stall will be open from Wednesday 19th August to Wednesday 2nd September. Orders will be delivered to students at school.



## Community Notices

### FATHERS DAY ONLINE STALL



Orders being taken from  
Wednesday 19th August to Wednesday 2nd September

### Entertainment Book

The 2020/21 Entertainment Book is 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>

Contact the P&C - [pandcatjasperroad@hotmail.com](mailto:pandcatjasperroad@hotmail.com)

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