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Term 1 Week 6 Newsletter - March 8, 2024

Principal's Address

Term 1 is flying by with students into routines and completing explicit lessons from expert teachers. Throughout the year, we ensure that school communication is available via various methods. We understand that different methods work for different families, hence communication is both online and sent home in hard copy. We work very hard at trying to keep our community informed of the many events that occur at school throughout the school year and love parent attendance where appropriate.

In this issue of the newsletter, we have included the school calendar for the whole year. This is another way that we hope to better communicate school activities and provide families with time to plan upcoming events. Please be advised that there may be changes to the calendar as at the time of print, we are awaiting confirmation of some dates. We hope this calendar provides a fantastic resource and

finds a place 'on the fridge'.

2024_JRPS_Calendar.pdf

https://jasperrdps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1248/2024_jrps_calendar.pdf

SCHOOL COMMUNICATION APPS

From this term we will be transitioning to the new School Bytes App. Many parents are already using this App which gives parents the ability to see payment history, activities their children have paid for, along with any excursion notes, school calendar, etc. You can also send attendance notifications if your child is sick or off school for some other reason.

This year, all push notifications will also be sent out on this App and via email. We will continue using the existing Schoolzine App for Term 1 after which it will be disconnected.

All parents are strongly encouraged to start the transition now by downloading School Bytes via the App store.

NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program - Literacy and

Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2024 for Years 3 and 5 students will be held online between Wednesday 13 March and Friday 22 March. NAPLAN tests assess student knowledge and skills in Writing, Reading, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

The results of the tests provide information for students, parents, teachers and principals which can be used to improve student achievement.

All students are expected to participate in the NAPLAN tests. During test weeks, catch-up tests will be available for individual students who are absent on specific days.

Support can be arranged for students with disabilities, if the student regularly uses similar support for classroom assessment tasks.

Exemptions may be granted to students with significant intellectual disabilities and to students who have been learning English for less than one year.

If your child is eligible for support due to disability or an exemption, you should discuss this with his/her teacher and Assistant Principal this year. Parental consent is required before any support due to disability or exemption is granted.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents and carers in consultation with the principal. If, after consultation, you decide to withdraw your child, you must sign a Student Withdrawal form. These forms are available at the school.

Later in 2024, you will receive your child's personal NAPLAN report. The report will describe your child's particular skills in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. The report will also show how your child performed in relation to national minimum standards. These describe the minimum acceptable standards for students across Australia.

I am confident that the information you receive as a result of your child's participation in the NAPLAN tests will be valuable in helping you to assess your child's progress in literacy and numeracy.

For more information about the tests, please visit the NAP website:



PARENT WORKSHOP

Earlier this year a Parent Survey was sent out regarding future parent workshops and best times. We have taken this into consideration in planning with the most popular topic and most popular time selected for our first session of the year. We look forward to sharing our Mathematics practices with you and providing helpful hints about how you can support at home.

2024 Parent Workshops

April
4
8 am
School Hall



Mathematics

May 27 4 pm School Hall



Technology Programs





Reading Comprehension





Writing

JASPER ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

The provision of quality education relies, not only on the quality of the teaching staff, but also on the quality of the resources, which we use to educate the children. We are fortunate to have an enthusiastic, talented and committed teaching staff and while they are keen to use the best resources available, they are well aware of the current economic climate and the hardships many families are experiencing.

The school has a voluntary contribution charter that was sent out to all families earlier in the year. Please note that these will be the only voluntary fees parents will be asked to pay. I thank the numerous parents that have already

paid towards these fees and encourage all our parents to support this contribution. My guarantee is that every last dollar of all money raised will go directly back into your child's education thus ensuring that our students are provided with the very best learning opportunity and resources. The staff and students of Jasper Rd are always humbled by your generosity and amazing support.

P&C DAY

P&C Day is held annually to officially recognise and celebrate the contribution made by P&C Associations.

I would like to thank all the members of our P&C who provide opportunities for students at Jasper Road. The P&C is far more than just fundraising. Without a dedicated group of parents, students would not have the chance to purchase a gift at the Mother's Day or Father's Day stalls nor have the opportunity to 'dance the night away' at a school disco. I thank you for 'Making it Possible' for our students.



DONATION

During the week we received a large donation of disinfectant wipes from Animal Rescue Cooperative. This donation is certainly appreciated and will support cleanliness in our classrooms. The school is always open to donations from families and businesses whether it is a physical resource or time. Thank you to the other families that have reached out whether it be landscaping, plumbing or donating in other ways.



From the Deputies

Congratulations to the 470 students who have achieved 100% attendance to date this term!

We would like to remind you of the procedures for late arrivals and early departures. If your child is running late, they must come to the Office to obtain a late pass. Students then walk themselves back to class. If your child needs to leave for a medical appointment or family emergency, then you will need to come into the Office and collect an early departure slip. For your child to be recorded as sick, we will need to see some evidence of the appointment, otherwise they will be recorded as explained - unjustified.

A reminder that if you can make appointments after school hours, this is appreciated and assists your child to learn.



School Stages

ask all parents and carers to ensure that all items are labelled with your child's name.

Also, please encourage your child to search for their lost items in the lost property bin outside, near the sick bay entrance.

Stage	Years
Early Stage 1	Kindergarten
Stage 1	Years 1 & 2
Stage 2	Years 3 & 4
Stage 3	Years 5 & 6



From the Office

School Bytes

Each fortnight we will send you instructions or a link to a "How to" guide from School Bytes. This fortnight is all about how to view student and school documents, resources and newsletters.

Parent Portal: View or download the school Newsletter or School/Student documents

https://jasperrdps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1227/support.schoolbytes.education_parent_portal_view_or_download_the_school_newsletter_or_schoolstudent_documents.pdf



Lost Property

There is an overwhelming amount of lost property in the school. These items include jumpers, hats, lunch boxes, plastic containers and water bottles. We

Sports News

PSSA

Term 1 Week 10 - Round 3 - Friday 5 April			
Sport Opposition		Location	
Cricket	Baulkham Hills North Public School	Home - Balcombe Heights	
Softball/T- ball	Northmead Public School	Home - Torry Burn Reserve	
Touch Football	Excelsior Public School	Ted Horwood Reserve	
Basketball Matthew Pearce Public School		Bella Vista Public School	

Term 1 Week	Term 1 Week 11 - Round 4 - Friday 12 April		
Sport Opposition Location		Location	
Cricket	Northmead Public School	Max Ruddock Reserve	
Softball/T-ball	North Rocks Public School	Home - Torry Burn Reserve	
Touch Football	Carlingford West Public School	Ted Horwood Reserve	

Basketball	Bella Vista Public School	Bella Vista Public School
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Eli	Adele	Adam	Ella	Jasmine
Lincoln	Bonnie	Aarisha	Shanzay	Miranda
Eason	Parnika	Hugh	Maneli	Clara
Rhia	Natharie	Henry	Gouri	Naurah

CHPSSA Zone Team Trials

Over the last few weeks, 18 students have trialled for Castle Hill PSSA Zone and Sydney West Teams. All students gave it their all and represented Jasper Rd well among tough competition.

Congratulations to the follow students who were successful in making teams.

Softball: Harrison, Sara and Ella

AFL: Harry

Soccer and Touch Football: Dominic

We wish our students well in their Zone teams in the upcoming months.

Premier's Reading Challenge

In other exciting news, the Premier's Reading Challenge for 2024 has started. The challenge is open until the 23^{r d} of August and all students are able to participate and record their books through the student portal. Kindergarten students were given their login and password details last week during library lessons. There is still lots of time left to complete the reading challenge, but if anyone needs assistance entering the books online, please see Mrs Martin or myself. Amazingly, though the challenge has only been running for twelve days, we have already had 9 students complete the challenge. A huge congratulations to the following students.

Leo F	Iris Y	Emily F
Daniel Z	Adheesh D	Ayesha G
Aarav S	Daniel K	Aarisha S

Keep Reading,

Mrs Bugeja and Mrs Martin

Library News

Library Monitors

We have had a busy start to the school year in the library with over 40 students applying to become a library monitor for 2024. Congratulations to the following student who were successful in becoming a library monitor.

Mustafa Kenzie	Landon	Nour	Rishima
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Scholastic Book Club

Scholastic Bookclub - Issue 2 orders due Friday, 29 March

The catalogues for issue 2 have been distributed or will be distributed to students shortly. Please place your online order by Friday, 29 March. You can access the online

catalogue at the link below:

Book Club Online Catalogue

https://scholastic.com.au/book-club/book-club-parents/book-club

How do I order?

The Book Club LOOP platform for parents allows you to pay by credit card. You can place your child's order at the link below or using the LOOP app, which can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play.

Book Club LOOP Log-in

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

Jasper Rd benefits from your purchases as Scholastic gives 15% of order values back to the school as rewards.

Thank you,

Bookclub Co-ordinator

Canteen

Canteen Payments

May we ask if you are paying cash for your child's order or sending spending money, where possible please send coins or smaller value notes. We have limited change available and struggle to change large notes of a morning.

FlexiSchools is a cashless option to order Recess or Lunch and removes the worry of lost change or forgetting to hand in the order. This can be done for any Item on our menu including ice blocks.

Please tell your child if they have a recess order as these need to be collected from the canteen, they use the "Express Line".

Lunch orders are sent to classrooms, your child will need to come to the canteen to collect the following items if ordered (using the Express Line)

- Noodles
- Ice Blocks
- Jelly

FlexiSchools orders can be placed online days or even weeks in advance.

How to cancel an order

If your child doesn't attend school that day, cancel in app or SMS Healthy Canteens Office 0405 129 242 before 10am

Please cancel

Jasper Road Public School

Child's Name:

Child's Class:

We will cancel the order and funds will return to your FlexiSchools account.

For Information on how to download the Flexischools app please read the attached flyer:

Flexi_Schools_Online_Ordering_Flyer_1.pdf

https://jasperrdps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1223/flexi_schools_online_ordering_flyer_1.pdf

P&C News



We are delighted to share the 2024 Jasper Road P&C Events Calendar with you.

Throughout the year, we will host a variety of exciting events for all students and families to participate in, to bring our community together while fundraising to support our school.

Thanks to your support in 2023, our community supported JRPS by:

- Purchasing new write and wipes used in classrooms and new uniforms for the PSSA basketball team.
- Purchasing new curtains for the Hall.
- Contributing to the purchase of new equipment used by the school band.

 The building of the new basketball COLA and outdoor classroom near the library.

And these are just a few examples!

We encourage you to mark the dates from the calendar on your family calendar and consider helping at the events if you can.

Your ongoing support of our events is greatly appreciated. These events are made possible by JRPS families volunteering their time leading up to and during the events. For more information about how you can get involved please email us at volunteer@jasperroadpandc.org

Remember, "many hands help our school to grow."

Next Meetings

The next Social and Fundraising Meeting is in Week 7 (Wednesday 13 March) at 9:15am in the Cottage. Younger children are welcome to attend.

The next P&C general meeting is in week 8 (Monday 18 March) at 7pm in the staffroom and we welcome all parents. If you cannot make alternative arrangements for your children, they are welcome.

Contact the P&C

Email: info@jasperroadpandc.org

To keep up to date with upcoming events please follow us on Facebook. Simply search Jasper Road P&C

2024 P&C EVENTS CALENDAR





















Keep up to date with all P&C events by:

- Reading the newsletter.
 Follow us on Facebook (Jasper Road P&C)
 visit our website www.jasperroadpandc.org by scanning the QR on this page
- We are only able to hold our events due to the generous support of our family volunteers. To learn about how you can be involved please email fundraising@jasperroadpandc.org

Click Here to Download a Copy of the P&C Events Calendar https://jasperrdps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1235/2024_p_c_events 2 .pdf

Community News





Click Here to Download a Copy of the Camp Australia Newsletter

https://jasperrdps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1228/camp_australia_week_6.pdf

Camp Australia Week 6 Planner (4-8 March)

https://jasperrdps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1229/2024_t1w6 _connecting_with_country_04_mar_2024_your_oshc_newsletter.pd f

Camp Australia Cubby House Week 6 Panner (4-8 March)

https://jasperrdps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1230/2024_t1w6 _connecting_with_country_cubby_house_04_mar_2024_your_oshc _newsletter.pdf

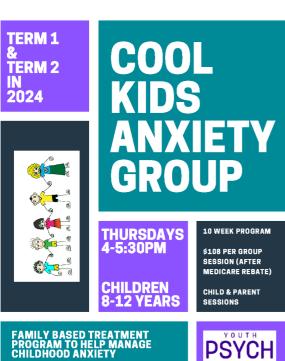
Camp Australia Week 7 Planner (11-15 March)

https://jasperrdps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1231/2024_t1w7 _stem_11_mar_2024_your_oshc_newsletter.pdf

Camp Australia Cubby House Week 7 Planner (11-15 March)

https://jasperrdps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1232/2024_t1w7 _stem_cubby_house_11_mar_2024_your_oshc_newsletter.pdf





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Contact the clinic for registration. Located at Youth Psych Hub Unit 14, 6-8 Old Castle Hill Road, Castle Hill



