## Dates for your calendar

**Week 10**
- Fri 5th April: Bandage Bear/Teddy Bears picnic recess, Movie Day & Special afternoon assembly for Mrs Probst
- Sat 6th April: Staff & parent Volunteers, Bunnings BBQ Kotara

**Week 11**
- Mon 8th April: Yr 1–Yr 6 parent interviews continue
- Tues 9th April: Zone Cross Country, Aboriginal Culture Day Yrs 1-5
- Weds 10th April: First instalment for Myuna Bay paid
- Thurs 11th April: Aboriginal Culture day Yr 6 Yr 6 ANZAC excursion
- Fri 12th April: School ANZAC service, Last day of term

**Term 2**

**Week 1**
- Weds 1st May: Students return

**Week 2**
- Mon 6th May: School Council meeting
- Tues 7th May: P&C meeting, 6.30pm
- Fri 10th May: Regional Cross Country, Mothers Day Stall

**Week 3**
- Tues 14th May: NAPLAN Writing/Language
- Weds 15th May: NAPLAN reading
- Thurs 16th May: NAPLAN Numeracy
- Fri 17th May: NAPLAN catch up

## Staffing Term Two

Next term Mr Bradley Bannister will start at Jesmond Public School as our new Assistant Principal. Mr Bannister will be teaching the K/1 class. He comes to us from Ashtonfield and is currently teaching Year 2.

We also welcome Mr David Horton onto the Year 5 class for the rest of the year.

Miss Garrett is taking leave for the first two weeks of next term and will be replaced for these two weeks by Mrs Vicki Anschau who has been teaching K/1 this term.

## Sport

Well done Jye! Last Thursday Jye H represented our school at the Newcastle Zone Soccer Trials. Jye did a fantastic job, narrowly missing out on a spot on the Newcastle team.

## Zone Cross Country

Zone Cross Country will be held next Tuesday 9th April at Stevenson Park Mayfield and students will need to arrive no later than 9.10am. Participating students will need to organise their own transport to and from the venue.

A reminder to those students who are competing, they will need to bring in their $2 and note to Miss Gordon by this Friday 5th April.

Good luck to all the competitors.

## Bandage Bear/Teddy Bears Picnic Recess

Don’t forget our Bandage/Teddy Bears Picnic is on this Friday from 11-11.50am. Parents and family members are welcome to join students at this time and share the fun. Please bring a gold coin donation, a teddy bear, a picnic blanket and a pillow. Students will enjoy watching a ‘G rated’ movie with their classmates on the day.

Jesmond Woolworths are kindly donating fresh fruit for students to eat on the day, in addition to their recess.

Thank you to Jesmond Woolworths!

All students should wear their school uniform. Looking forward to a fun, exciting and sunny day!

## Friday’s Special Assembly 2.10pm

This Friday at 2.10pm we are having an assembly to farewell Mrs Probst. We would like to invite our school community to come along to celebrate this special event.

## Harmony Day Celebrations

Last Thursday our students celebrated Harmony Day at Jesmond PS. From 12 – 1pm our students, led by the MAT team, participated in activities celebrating our diversity e.g. hand painting, singing.

Thank you to these leaders for organising such fun activities.
Doing Diversity Differently
This Friday the MAT team from Jesmond will be joining with MAT teams from other schools at the University of Newcastle for their first Doing Diversity Differently conference. They will report on the day in next week’s newsletter.

Parent Volunteers
Kotara Bunnings BBQ
Any parents that may have any time to volunteer will be most welcome. Even a few hours will be greatly appreciated. Please come along to Kotara Bunnings and lend a hand this Saturday.

Saturday 6th April Kotara Bunnings

Myuna Bay Excursion Yrs 3 – 6 $260 per child
Instalment payment due dates for the Myuna Bay excursion are;

Wednesday 10th April $100 deposit paid in full
Wednesday 5th June $80 second instalment paid in full
Wednesday 17th July $80 third & final instalment paid in full

This allows the school to meet the Myuna Bay payment deadlines. These compulsory payments must be met. However, anyone wishing to pay the excursion costs off weekly or fortnightly is most welcome, as long as the total amounts are paid by the deadlines. Your child will receive a receipt for each payment.

School ANZAC Service
Our school ANZAC service will be held on the last Friday of term at 10.45am. Parents are invited to attend. Weather permitting the service will be held under the flagpole COLA area.

Year 6 will be attending the Combined Schools ANZAC service at the Civic Theatre next Thursday. Mrs Curry will be supervising these students and the cost of the bus is met by the local RSL clubs.

Aboriginal Culture Days
During the last week of term our Aboriginal students in Years 1 – 6 will participate in a Callaghan College excursion to Murook. These days promote Aboriginal networks and culture within the college. Mrs Daley will support the Years 1 – 5 students attending and Ms Carnell will attend with the Year 6 students.

Easter Celebrations
Congratulations to all our students who wore the spectacular hats for the Easter celebrations last Wednesday. Thank you to the P&C for organising the raffle and all the wonderful prizes!!!

Live Life Well @ School
Why is breakfast important?
- children who miss breakfast are often reported as having poor behaviour and poor concentration
- children who miss breakfast are often unable to meet their daily nutrient requirements
- children who miss breakfast are more likely to have a greater risk of being overweight or obese
- eating breakfast helps children learn and establish healthy eating habits early in life.

Woolworths Earn & Learn
Yes, yes, yes – The Woolworths Earn & Learn promotion is on again this year and we are collecting stickers again. It all starts on 8th April so please start collecting. The sticker sheets will go home today and you can return the filled sheets to the library.

P&C News
The next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 7th May at 6.30pm – kids welcome.

CANTEEN
The canteen will be closed for recess and lunch orders for the rest of term 1.

Sealed snacks and drinks are available at recess and lunch (ice-blocks for 2nd ½ lunch only).
Apologies to all, but this could not be avoided. Debbie can be contacted on 0421 620041 for any queries and/or offers to help out.

UNIFORM SHOP
The uniform shop is open Mondays 8.45-9.15am.

FUNDRAISING
Congratulations to the winners of the Easter Raffle Prizes.

1. Aiden S
2. Zoie W
3. Caley W
4. Minh P
5. Colin M
6. Emma G
7. Angelo
8. Bella W
9. Jett G
10. Donated to Mrs Probst
11. A G G
12. K T
13. Mrs Mitchell
14. Tahlia S
15. Alistair H
16. Kieren B
17. Jordan R
18. Alistair
19. Angus T
20. Briana N
21. Tahlia S
22. Pauline Y
23. Cody S
24. Jordan R

Thank you to the whole school community for the support & generous donations that made up the great prizes. A special mention to Blockbuster at Waratah who donated a box of the Malteser Easter Bunnies! Also a big thank you to Mrs Mitchell and Emma Gosden who were drawn twice and gave their 2nd prize won back to be redrawn.

$702.20 was raised from raffle tickets sold and will go directly towards the P&C $1000 donation for the Myuna Bay Excursion travel costs.

Prize 10 ticket was returned from a spare book sold with no name/contact details on tickets. The prize has been verified/claimed and redonated to be given to Mrs Probst as a happy retirement gift at the special assembly on Friday.

The P&C is here for everyone involved with the School. If anyone has questions, suggestions, comments or feedback, please let us know! HELPERS & VOLUNTEERS ALWAYS NEEDED PLEASE.

Email: jesmondpublschoolpandc@hotmail.com or joankekkins@live.ocm.au or on 0420 373133.

Community News
Lake Macquarie Rugby Union Club are holding a holiday program on Tuesday 23rd April and Wednesday 24th April.
Please email Ryan Dunnett: kiwi9coach@yahoo.com.nz for more information.

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