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## Parent Information Evening

**TONIGHT - Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February 5.30 – 7.00pm**  
Everyone Welcome!  
Please come along tonight to meet the teachers and learn about the exciting things that are happening at Jesmond Public School during 2015. Classroom teachers look forward to this time to tell you about the topics they will be covering, excursions anticipated and all about classroom routines including home reading and homework expectations. I am sure you will have lots of questions too.  
Looking forward to seeing you then.

## P&C AGM

The P&C Annual General Meeting was held on Tuesday night and all available positions have now been filled excluding Secretary and Canteen. Congratulations to our committee and members.

- **President**  Megan Gleeson  
- **Vice President**  Anjelica Kim  
- **Treasurer**  Kylie Cox  
- **Fundraising**  Anne Chapman/Debbie Adams  
- **Uniform Shop**  Julie Moore

A big welcome to our new P&C members.  
If anyone is interested in further information about the role of Secretary or Canteen Manager mentioned in the P&C News please come and see Mrs Howard.

## Swimming reminder

A reminder that our swimming carnival will be held next Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February at Mayfield Pool.  
This is an exciting day for our school as it is our first sports carnival for the year.  
All students from Years 3 to 6, as well as those Year 2s who are turning 8 this year, are expected to attend.  
If you have not already done so, please ensure that your child’s note and money is returned to their class teacher by tomorrow.

## Student Assistance

Student Assistance is once again offered in 2015 to assist families experiencing financial difficulty meeting schooling expenses. This money can be used to contribute to your child’s, school uniforms from the school uniform shop and major excursions. If you would like to apply for assistance please collect an application from the office and return it by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February. Once all applications are in we can divide the money and then advise you of your allocation.

## School Website

The school website is a great starting point when finding out information about our fabulous school. Class pages are where you can find out about what your child is learning in class. A wonderful feature of the website is that it is now multi-lingual and can be accessed in many, languages. It will also have an electronic copy of each week’s newsletter and permission notes as they become available. Check it out at the following:  

## Donated uniforms!

If you have any unwanted uniforms at home please bring them in to be donated to Kindergarten. Any sizes from 4-10 would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

## Office News

### Student Contact and Medical Information

New Student Contact, Health & Emergency Care Cards (green card) have gone home today, as well as ‘Additional Medical Conditions – Allergies’ and ‘Additional Medical Conditions – other than allergies’ forms to the relevant students. Please complete and return to your class teacher or the office as soon as possible.  
Where families have more than one student, please complete a separate student contact card for each student.  
It is vital that we have up to date information, so we can keep all students safe.  
Thank you for your co-operation.
Money
Please ensure the correct money is sent to school to pay for activities eg. Swimming carnival, excursions, as change cannot be given.

Late Arrivals/Early Departures
A reminder that students must be accompanied by a parent/carer if they are late to school and must get a yellow late note from the office before proceeding to class.
Parents/carers collecting children early from school must get an early leavers note from the office before going to the classroom.
These procedures are in place for WHS & Child Protection reasons.

Sport
Sport trials
Each term, there are a number of sporting trials which take place across Newcastle for a range of primary representative teams.
Students, who play their chosen sport at a high level, including representative teams or in the highest competitive grade, are welcome to try out for these teams.
This term there will be trials in girl’s cricket and netball. Mrs Curry will keep students informed of upcoming opportunities. If your child would like to try out for girl’s cricket or netball, please see Mrs Curry as soon as possible for further information.

Book Club
Just a reminder that Book club will be due back on Wednesday 18th February. No late orders will be accepted.

P&C News
Our AGM was held on Tuesday 10th February. Congratulations to our new committee which is mentioned earlier in the newsletter.
As you can see, we are still short a few people. The position of Secretary was not filled, as well as Canteen Manager. If you are interested in helping please contact Mrs Howard for more information.
As a result of this, the Canteen will not re-open at this stage.
Next meeting will be on Tuesday 10th March at 6:00pm in the library.

Uniform Shop
Sale! Sale! Sale!
All OLD LOGO stock of short sleeve polo shirts will be sold off at $10 each.

Both the old logo and new logo are considered acceptable school uniform and will remain so for the foreseeable future.

Community News

The Royal Society for the Blind

Low vision aids & professional services:
- Occupational Therapy
- Social Work
- Orientation & Mobility
- Low vision aids
- Adaptive technology
- Social groups & programs

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