UPCOMING DATES

Jesmond Public School’s 2015 Musical

Due to a clash of dates we have had to postpone the school musical *The Sven and Olaf Show: A Fairytale Intervention.*

The new performance date will be:

**Term 4 Week 1 - Thursday 8th October**

**Matinee Performance 11.00am**

**Evening Performance 6.30pm**

We will continue to rehearse class items, band, dance and drama groups in preparation for our whole school rehearsals later this year. Keep an eye out for parent working bees to make costumes and props. Tickets will go on sale later this term! More information to come in the next few weeks.

Mrs Ross

**Staffing**

While Mr Bannister is Relieving Principal in Mrs Howard’s absence, we welcome Miss Lauren Everett onto class 4/5B during this time.

Jump Rope For Heart

What a fabulous Jump Rope For Heart Jump Off Day! Our school playground has been skipping crazy for the last term and all of the students’ hard work and practice paid off with some wonderful skipping performances. Teachers have seen an improved level of fitness in students, all the while having fun, keeping fit and raising vital funds for heart disease research and education. So far we have raised over $500 in cash with some online donations as well. Please have all sponsorship money or online donations in by **Friday 31st July.**

Thank you to Woolworths Jesmond for supplying a Healthy Lunch for our students and families with some fresh chicken and salad wraps and fruit and yoghurt cups! A big thank you to our food preparation team Deb Adams, Mrs Baker and Mrs Ninevski.

Mrs Ross & Mrs Lobsey
Zone Success

Congratulations to all of our zone athletes who represented Jesmond Public School with pride at the Newcastle Zone Athletics Carnival last Friday at Glendale. All of our students competed with a positive attitude, with many of them placing in their heats. The level of sportsmanship amongst our team is to be commended. A special thank you to the parents who supported our participation on the day; transporting athletes to and from the track and helping them out on the day. Well done to William Teoh, Toryalai Mohammad, Lachlan Ballard, Zac Matevski, Kamall Mohammad, Rory Walters, Nicholas Henderson, Obedi Karungurungu, Karungurungu Tubaleki, Regina Pramesti, Coumba Ba, Sophie Henderson, Shantay McLeod, Zoie Williams, Sophia Lee and Caidence Stead.

Making the News

Seven of our senior students had the opportunity this week to see how newspapers are made during an excursion to Fairfax Regional Printers at Beresfield. The students were responsible for our outstanding contribution earlier this year to the Newcastle Newspapers School Writing Competition, writing news stories, taking photos and designing advertisements and cartoons. The visit to the printing site was eye-opening for the students, as they got to see exactly what goes into the production of a newspaper after the writing and photography has been completed. This included what the newspaper looks like before it is printed, quality control and mass production and distribution of catalogues (commonly known as ‘junk mail’). Thank you to Anne Chapman, who made the trip possible by helping out with transport.

National Tree Day

On Friday 24th July, students from 4/5B and 5/6C attended a National Tree Day excursion. This excursion was made possible with financial support from Newcastle City Council. Students attended Stevenson Park at Mayfield West to participate in a number of activities. Initially our students were treated to an animal display where they learnt about insects that are valuable to our environment. They were also able to be up close and personal with turtles, lizards and snakes that are all native to Australia. We then moved on to learning about Australian bush tucker and other uses for native plants, including how our indigenous forefathers would have used them. Students were able to learn how to weave native grasses into useful and decorative items. To conclude the day, our students were able to get their hands dirty and plant out an area of the park that was in need of rejuvenation. They learnt what plants were best to plant in certain areas as well as getting in and digging, planting and mulching the planted area. A great day was had by all and in the end even the weather came good to give us a fantastic day!

Book Fair

Thank you to all the families who purchased books from our Book Fair on Monday. We had a very successful day and our library is now able to purchase $450 worth of free books.

Book Club

Book Club will close on Friday 7th August. Orders need to be handed to the office on or before this date. Thanks for your support.

Mrs Mitchell

P&C News

Fundraising - Brickfest

We would like to thank all those who purchased tickets to Brickfest. We had an amazing result, raising $1559.56 for our school.

Trivia Night

The Trivia Night was a fabulous success. Those that attended had lots of fun and raised a fantastic $1003.50. Mr B made a great MC for the night while the teachers enjoyed coming 3rd in the Trivia. Thank you to all those who came on the night and raised some much needed funds for the school.

Uniform Shop

The new logo size 12 Bomber Jackets are now back in stock ready for purchase. We also have full stock of all items with the new school logo.

Next Meeting

Our next P & C Meeting will be held on the 25th August at 6.00pm in the Library. All welcome to attend.

Chris Hawkins
P&C Secretary
Community News

**A Piece of the Puzzle**

Dyslexia, Reading Problems, Poor Concentration, Migraines

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**Milestones and Memories!**

You are invited to join us for our Cluster Choir performance of the songs that celebrate the events that made us who we are today.

*Thursday 3rd September 6pm*
*Callaghan College Waratah Technology Campus Hall*
*Gold coin donation*

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**Offences in school zones**

- Stop on/near pedestrian crossing - School Zone
- Stop on/near marked foot crossing - School Zone
- Stop at/near bus stop - School Zone
- Double park - School Zone
- Stop in bus zone - School Zone
- Stop on/near childrens crossing - School Zone
- Disobey no parking sign - School Zone
- Disobey no stopping sign - School Zone
- Stop on path/strip in built-up area - School Zone
- Stop on/across driveway/other access to/from land - School Zone

*Demerit points apply*

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**PREVENT FIRES FROM HEATERS**

1. Keep everything **one metre** away from your heater.
2. Install and use as per manufacturer’s instructions.
3. If you suspect a fault, have the heater serviced or replaced.
4. Always supervise young children in rooms with open fires or working heaters.
5. Ensure flues and chimneys are regularly cleaned.
6. Stove top fans should be set up in front of open fires.
7. Never use wheat bags in bed.

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**It’s back!**

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