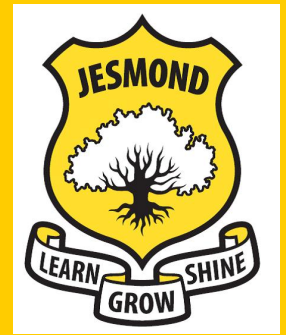


Jesmond Public School



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Jesmond Journal Term 4 Week 1, 13th October 2020

Principal's Message

Welcome to Term 4. It is wonderful to see so many happy faces. The staff and students were thrilled to be back at school yesterday engaging in their teaching and learning and planning a range of wonderful experiences for the last ten weeks of 2020.

Ms Weber

Jesmond Public school welcomes back Ms Hayley Weber after 12 months Maternity Leave. Ms Weber is teaching two days a week for the remainder of the year and will be supporting Early Stage 1. Both the students and staff are looking forward to seeing Ms Weber each Wednesday and Thursday.

Department of Education COVID Restrictions

With updated health advice and changes to state and national restrictions, schools have recommenced the majority of school-based activities, however, some restrictions still apply to NSW schools. Please see the outline below:

1. Non-essential adults visiting schools including parents and carers are still not permitted for Term 4 with some exemptions eg wellbeing meetings, canteen and uniform shop volunteers.
2. P&C meetings should continue online only. P&C social events or functions including dinners, fundraisers, fetes and barbecues that involve parents and other adults are not permitted in Term 4.
3. Staff and students must not come to school if they are unwell. Even with very mild symptoms.
4. If a student has been absent due to flu-like illness or develops flu-like symptoms while at school, they are not to return until they have a negative COVID-19 test and are symptom-free. The negative COVID-19 test result must be sighted and received by the school for students before their return to school.
5. Schools remain vigilant in personal hygiene practices. We continue to promote and encourage regular washing of hands, exclusion of any staff and students who are unwell, avoiding the sharing of food and personal items and cleaning of any shared items such as musical instruments, learning and sporting equipment between uses.

Thank you for your continued support in being COVID safe.

School Playground

The tree in K-6O enclosed playground has been removed. Termites were eating the tree and it became very dangerous. The tree was reviewed for any historical and Aboriginal heritage and came back clear. Behind the hall another tree was dying therefore it was trimmed down as the arborist stated it was only a matter of time before it collapsed. It is historical and the plaque is still connected and visible.

I am working with AMU to remove two shipping containers and build permanent storage garages and a carport to shelter our school bus. This process takes time but I am confident we will see some work soon.

Attendance

Where does your child sit on the Attendance Ladder?

Being at school every day on time is important. Your child aims to be at the **IMPRESSIVE** or **PERFECTION** level. Support them to achieve their goal!!!

Attendance and punctuality:

Where does your child sit on the attendance ladder?



School Excellence in Action

Last term, I worked with both staff and students to evaluate our school and identify our strengths and areas of development. We are entering the next stage of School Excellence in Action and providing opportunities for our community to have a voice and aid us in determining where to next. Support staff will be contacting some families and asking a few brief questions. Please participate in this process as Community Voice is important.

Staff Professional Learning

Staff are busy this term participating in professional learning on building mathematics mastery and solving word problems, effective reading strategies and mandatory CPR and First Aid training. I will also lead workshops on organisation for 2021.

PBL Movie Day

Jesmond Public School students enjoyed promoting Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) during Term 3. The school expectations of being SAFE, RESPECTFUL, LEARNERS is an educational process that brings together the whole school community to contribute to developing a positive, safe and supportive learning culture. Staff and students work collaboratively to produce videos that represent the correct behaviour expectation and Jesmond Joey tokens are handed out to students displaying the correct behaviour across the playground.

Last term the PBL team and student executive team implemented a competition for the most JJs collected by any Stage. This enabled them to a reward day. Stage 1 had the winning amount and were treated to a movie, popcorn and a bottle of water during the last week of Term 3. The PBL process aims to improve social, emotional, behavioural and academic outcomes for children and young people. We look forward to another successful PBL term this term and another opportunity for a Stage to enjoy a special reward in the last few weeks of Term 4.



Planning

Organisation for Kindergarten Orientation and our Year 6 Farewell is underway. More details to come. Also I had a meeting with year 5/6 today and we brainstormed fun and innovative fundraising ideas for year 6. Please continue to read the newsletter for regular updates!

Take care and please contact me if you have any questions.

Deborah Kelly

Book Week Celebrations – Thursday 22nd October



This year, JPS will be celebrating Book Week on Thursday 22nd October.

The theme this year is:

'CURIOUS CREATURES, WILD MINDS'

Each class will be making a 'Curious Creature' at school to display in the hall.

If any students would like to make a 'Curious Creature' at home, they can bring it in before the 22nd October and it will be added to our display. A Years K-2 prize and a Years 3-6 prize will be awarded to the winning creatures.

We will also be having a parade. Students can dress up as a 'Curious Creature'.

I am looking forward to a fun and very curious day!!!

If you have any questions, please ring the school and ask to speak to Mrs Mitchell.

Kindergarten 2021

Have you enrolled for Kindergarten in 2021? Please see the office for more information.



Calendar

October

- Friday 16th – Student Leadership notes due back
- Monday 19th – Student Leadership poster proforma distributed
- Thursday 22nd – Book Week Celebrations
- Friday 23rd – Student Leadership Posters displayed
- Tuesday 27th – Kindergarten 2021 Zoom Orientation Session
- Friday 30th – Kindergarten 2021 Zoom Orientation Session

November

- Tuesday 3rd – Kindergarten 2021 Orientation Session
- Tuesday 3rd – Stage 3 Virtual Excursion The Australian War Memorial
- Tuesday 10th – 2020 Combined Schools Anzac Service & Remembrance Day – Mrs Kelly & School Leaders
- Tuesday 10th – Student Leadership Speeches
- Tuesday 10th - Kindergarten 2021 Orientation Session
- Wednesday 11th – Student Leadership Speeches
- Thursday 12th – Student Leadership Speeches
- Friday 13th – Student Leadership Speeches
- Monday 16th – School Swimming and Water Safety Virtual Session
- Tuesday 17th – School Swimming and Water Safety Virtual Session
- Tuesday 17th – Kindergarten 2021 Orientation Session
- Wednesday 18th – School Swimming and Water Safety Virtual Session
- Thursday 19th – School Swimming and Water Safety Virtual Session
- Friday 20th – School Swimming and Water Safety Virtual Session
- Tuesday 24th – Kindergarten 2021 Zoom Orientation Session

December

- Tuesday 1st – Year 6 Transition Day at Callaghan College Waratah Technology Campus
- Wednesday 2nd – Virtual Presentation Day
- Monday 7th – Reports sent home
- Wednesday 16th – Last Day of Term 4
- Thursday 17th – Staff Development Day (**no students**)
- Friday 18th – Staff Development Day (**no students**)

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KD	Nedhi, Yazeed, Imran		
1C	Aleena, Mariea, Gracie		
1Y	Sharoz, Amelia, Husna	Amelia	
2K	Marlon, Khudija, Elite, Simrah, Mitchell, Jett	Vienna	
3/4D	Rhyan, Ibrahim, Nepomuscene		
3/4R	Freshta, Charlette, Hossna	Rajjo	
5/6HB	Sarah, Pashtana, Riley, Shazia		Hibah
5/6W	Abdullah, Lili, Zainab		

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