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Principal's Message

Good afternoon everyone,

Welcome to our last newsletter for Term 3. The term has been full of change, but most importantly our students and community have followed all our expectations and the many guidelines that have been implemented. Thank you!

School Excellence in Action

Over the last few weeks the staff and students have been reflecting on our practices and evaluating what is working well and what needs to improve. The key areas that need further development in the 2021 School Improvement Plan is playground beautification, student leadership, all students wearing correct school uniform and attendance to arrive at school on time. It has been valuable working with the students and staff to look deeply at our school and make on balance judgments of where we are at now. Over the next two weeks and early Term 4 our community will be randomly contacted via telephone to answer a number of questions to assist with our next stage of school planning.

Online Enrolments

We are excited to announce we have rolled out the new Online Enrolment System at Jesmond Public School.

The Online Enrolment System is designed to provide flexibility for our parents to submit an enrolment application online and at the time that best suits you. The application can be accessed on all browsers and mobile devices including iOS and Android.

The online application process is currently restricted to:

- Enrolments into local schools only
- Children who are Australian citizens, New Zealand citizens or permanent residents
- Children who live in NSW.

We offer our support and encourage you to complete your application to enrol online. If, however, you do not feel comfortable completing an application online, a paper copy will be available for collection from the front office or can be downloaded from our website.

Please see our website for further information.

Attendance

Over the last few weeks I have been sending a strong message to our students: Be on time to school every day Unless you are sick! Students should arrive at school between 8:30 - 9:00am. Reviewing weekly attendance data has shown that approximately 10-25 students arrive late to school every day from 9:01 to 9:18am.

Being late to school does not give students the opportunity to be ready for learning, hand in their lunch order, put their bag away, communicate with friends or play in the playground.

Let's try and be ready for learning by 9:00am please. The staff and I would like to thank those families who are supporting their child to be at school on time every day.

Return to School

School holidays commence on Monday 28th September for 2 weeks. All students and staff return to school on Monday 12th October 2020.

End of Year Presentation Day

At this stage we are still waiting on advice around how Presentation Day will look. Mrs Morante is leading our Presentation Day organisation and she has some wonderful ideas how we can celebrate student achievement and dedication to learning. Currently it will be a virtual gathering and all students will be involved, however parents will not be able to attend the school site. Mrs Morante has explored some online platforms to share our Presentation Day so parents can view. We will keep you updated.

Year 6 Farewell

The Department of Education are reviewing regulations and have instructed Primary schools to consider planning for Year 6 formals or farewells. Further information detailing relevant restrictions will be provided as part of the Term 4 guidelines for Schools at a later date.

What is TikTok?

TikTok (formerly Music.ly) is a social media app for creating and sharing short videos. You can create and share short lip-sync, comedy and talent videos of 3 to 15 seconds. You can also create short looping videos up to 60 seconds long.

Parents and caregivers are strongly urged by the NSW and Australian governments to keep their children off all social media, also including Twitter and Instagram. Please refer to the link provided to view TikTok guidelines. <u>https://www.esafety.gov.au/key-issues/esafety-guide/tiktok</u>.

Distressing content should be reported directly to that site's organiser by responsible adults and to <u>www.esafety.gov.au</u> (<u>www.esafety.gov.au/report/illegal-harmful-content</u>).

Congratulations to our Stage 3 Debaters

Congratulations to our debating team for another win last week against Mayfield East! Our topic was 'That all parents should buy their children pets' and we were on the negative team. We are looking forward to our 3rd round debate against Waratah Public School next week.



Sausage Sizzle

On Friday 4th September, Year 6 coordinated a Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser. This event was enjoyed by all, with students and staff enjoying delicious sausage sandwiches and ice blocks. A big thank you to our head chef, Mr Yarnold, who cooked over 200 sausages for the day!

Thank you also to everyone who supported this event. We were able to raise over \$330 for Year 6 to put towards a gift for the school.



Kindergarten 2021

Getting ready for primary school at Jesmond Public School. See the link below: <u>https://education.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/main-education/public-schools/going-to-a-public-</u> school/media/documents/getting-ready-for-school.pdf

Tell Them From Me Survey

Our school is again taking part in the 'Tell Them From Me' parent survey. This survey is confidential and provides our school community with the rich data we need to achieve positive and practical change within our school.

We would appreciate you taking the time to complete this survey, as your feedback will assist our students, and our school community, to be our best selves. Further in the newsletter is some information regarding the 'Tell Them From Me' survey. The survey closes on Friday 25th September 2020. Please follow the link: <u>http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/jesmondps.</u>

Have a safe and relaxing holiday. Deborah Kelly

ANZ Tennis Hot Shots Racquet Roadshow

Last week, representatives from ANZ Bank and Tennis Australia visited our school to present students in KBM with a tennis racquet each as part of the ANZ Tennis Hot Shots Racquet Roadshow for 2020.



Our school was one of 832 lucky schools to receive racquets. The students were excited to receive a racquet and a certificate which entitles them to a free trial of ANZ Tennis Hot Shots program in the local community. The school also received 3 bags of low compression balls to add to our resources which will benefit all students in the school.



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.

P&C News

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop have a variety of hair accessories for sale.

- Hair ribbons 1 metre in either yellow or black \$1
- Large fabric clip \$3
- Set of two small fabric clips \$4
- Set of small fabric clip and hair elastic \$4
- Metal enamel JPS logo badge \$5

Calendar

September

Wednesday 16th – Touch Football Program Friday 25th – Last Day of Term 3 Monday 28th – Friday 9th Oct – School Holidays

October

Monday 12th – Staff and students return to school Thursday 22nd – Book Week Celebrations Tuesday 27th – Kindergarten 2021 Zoom Orientation Session

December

Wednesday 16th – Last Day of Term 4 Thursday 17th – Staff Development Day **(no students)** Friday 18th – Staff Development Day **(no students)**

Canteen Opening Days

Term 3 – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday





Awards

Class	Merit	Reading	Gold	Superstar
K-60	William, Raymond, Annie, Jack			
КВМ	James, Connor, Neza			
KD	Maddie, Havannah, Elizabeth Rose			
1C	Kinan, Thula-Maay			
1Y	Amirali, James, Kiani		Kane	
2К	Nada, Marlon, James, Sunny, Jett		Vienna, James	Vienna
3/4D	Jaxx, Ali Hassan, Mohammad T, Muhammad Y, Grace		Isaiah	
3/4R	Hadia, Salam, Ataullah, Charlette, Izuangbe, Ian			
5/6HB	Abdul Nafea, Bailey, Nazneen, Samantha, Finnlay	Hibah	Hibah	
5/6W	Zahra, Dylan, Issa, Aissata, Zainab Z		Dylan	





















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