

The Junction News

Newsletter of The Junction Public School



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Term 4 – Week 5

Tuesday 6 November 2012

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Change of Dates

Please note the following two date changes for important upcoming events:

Creative and Performing Arts Concert – now 19th November – 6.00pm

The date of this concert has been changed from Tuesday 20th November to **Monday 19th November**, due to a clash with a community dance school event. We have only been told about this at the end of last week.

Election Speeches for Student Leader Candidates 2013 - 19th November – 11.30am

The date for student leader candidates has been changed from Friday 23rd November to **Monday 19th November** due to regional commitments for the school. A separate note has been sent home to parents of Year 5 students, with all the details for the student leadership training program this week.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Wilson McT of Year 6 who gained 6th place in the top 100 Year 6 Mathematicians in the Hunter Region in the 2012 Newcastle Permanent Building Society Maths Competition. This highly regarded Maths competition is held each year and the top Maths students are invited to a presentation each year, which Wilson will be attending on Wednesday. Well done Wilson!

Congratulations to Finn C and the boys Rugby Union team who were recognised for their achievements at the Hunter Academy of Sports Presentations at Souths Leagues Club last Friday.

Finn has had outstanding achievements across athletics, rugby league and rugby union whilst the Rugby Union team was recognised for becoming joint premiers in the NSW PSSA State Rugby Union Competition.

Have a Great Time Year 4!!

We wish all Year 4 students and their teachers a great time at The Great Aussie Bush Camp this Wednesday to Friday. It will no doubt be a very enjoyable and exciting time for all. Thanks again to the staff, Miss Chaffey, Ms Ladkin, Mrs Dowler and Mr Alcock who will be accompanying and supervising students over the three days.

Book Fair

Tomorrow is our final day for the Book Fair in the new hall. It has been a very successful event with many parents and students taking advantage of the wonderful array of books available. This is a great opportunity to do some early Christmas shopping or to just stock up on some wonderful summer reading. Pop along tomorrow for a look.

Enrichment and Engagement Framework

A separate note will be coming home to you this week outlining our organisational structures for learning for all students in 2013. We are organising a framework of differentiated learning experiences for all students to more effectively cater for the needs of all students. Please take time to read this information.

Charity Day Money Procedures

The Charity Day stalls are all cashless. Our office staff will visit each class from 9am to exchange cash for tokens. Your child will have the opportunity to purchase either a \$5, \$2 or \$1 card containing 10 cent stars. eg. \$1 card has 10 stars, \$2 card has 20 stars. Items for sale will range in price from 10 cents. When your child makes a purchase the salesperson will stamp their card. More cards will be available to purchase during the Charity Day period 11am – 1.30pm at a table outside the staffroom. The only stall that will accept cash as well as tokens will be the BBQ. More information on Charity Day is in this newsletter.

Attendance

Regular attendance is compulsory for school aged children. Regular attendance helps children reach their full potential. If your child does not attend school for ANY length of time (late arrivals/early leavers included) then this period of absence must be explained by parents/carers within 7 days of being absent. Children arriving late to school should be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Please send a written note on the day your child returns to school explaining the absence (include all dates). If your child is going to be away for more than two days or has been away for more than two days please ring the office and let them know. It would then be advisable to send in a note upon return to school. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

**Wendy Cheek,
Principal**

CALENDAR - TERM 4 – 2012**Week 5****Event**

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| Tuesday, November 6 | Scholastic Book Fair – until 3.30pm |
| Tuesday, November 6 | P & C Meeting – 7pm |
| Wed-Fri, Nov 7 to 9 | Year 4 Great Aussie Bushcamp |
| Wednesday, Nov 7 | 2013 Kinder Orientation |
| Wednesday, Nov 7 | Scholastic Book Fair – 8.30am to 3.30pm |
| Thursday, November 8 | Year 1 & 2 students Intensive Swimming (Wk 5) |

Week 6**Event**

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| Monday, Nov 12 | 2013 Kinder Orientation 9.15am + Morning Tea for new parents |
| Wednesday, Nov 14 | 2013 Kinder Orientation 9.15am + Morning Tea for new parents |
| Thursday, Nov 15 | Year 1 & 2 students Intensive Swimming (Wk 6) |
| Friday, November 16 | Charity Day |
| Saturday, November 17 | Olive Tree Markets –9am to 3pm |

Week 7**Event**

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| Monday, Nov 19 | 2013 Kinder Orientation 9.15am |
| Monday, Nov 19 | Election speeches for 2013 Leaders – 11.30am |
| Monday, Nov 19 | Creative & Performing Arts Concert – 6pm |
| Wednesday, Nov 21 | 2013 Kinder Orientation 9.15am |
| Thursday, Nov 22 | Year 1 & 2 students Intensive Swimming (Wk 7) |

Week 8**Event**

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| Thursday, Nov 29 | Year 1 & 2 students Intensive Swimming (Wk 8) |
| Thursday, Nov 29 | Band Presentation Night – 6pm to 8pm |

Week 9**Event**

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| Tuesday, Dec 4 | Parent Helper Morning Tea |
| Wednesday, Dec 5 | Ncle High School Orientation Day – Year 7 (2013) |
| Friday, Dec 7 | Jnr Choir at St Augustines |

SPECIAL MENTION AWARDS**Term 4 Week 4****K – YEAR 2 ASSEMBLIES**

| | | |
|------|---------------------|-------------|
| KC | Benjy C Claire L | Jada N |
| KD | Seren R Jade T | Marco B |
| KK | Harry C Maeve T | Milijana M |
| KH | Lara C Toby I | Lucy C |
| KS | Claire Y Zenon C | Noah P |
| 1CR | Kalani F | Brianna Du' |
| 1L | Lily F | Caleb M |
| 1J | Lulu S | Isabelle M |
| 1/2H | Rylee F | Georgia S |
| 2C | Tahlia R | Oscar W |
| 2B | Hunter A | |
| 2M | Molly Mc | Oliver S |
| 2W | Levi B | Eva N |

YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6 ASSEMBLY

| | | |
|----------------------|---|---|
| 3MC | Molly H | Madison S |
| 3W | Tom J | Millie S |
| 3/4C | Annika S Sam A Emily D | Cooper J Alyssa W Tom S |
| 4L | Jade D | Bella D |
| 4A | Gabe B | Josh C |
| 6/5B | Sienna H | Luke H |
| 6/5S | Wilson McT | Rebecca S |
| 6/5T | Adam T | Tobias A |
| 6/5C | Zoe S | Garry P |
| 6/5F | Claudia K | Angus F |
| Band | Harrison W – Jnr Ruby D – Snr | Niamh L – Intermed. |
| Student of the month | Ayesha Le R-3W Ellen C – 3MC Laura O'S – 4A Lily E – 4L Jordan T – 6/5S | Emily D –3/4C Kofi H - 6/5B Kahlee T– 6/5C Nicholas K – 6/5F Isabella R –6/5T |

HUNTER REGION PRIMARY MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

Congratulations to all of the Stage 3 students who took part in the recent Hunter Region Mathematics Competition. The following students have been awarded High Distinction, Distinction or Merit certificates:

Year 5

- **High Distinction-** Benjamin H, Sapumal G, Kofi H, Tobias G
- **Distinction-** Benjamin B, Zoe D, Violet H, Zac F, William L, Joshua T, Aleksandr F, Matthew H, Jordan T, Jacob J, Isabella R. Liam G
- **Merit-** Amy M, Marlon M, Raha R, Anika L, Miette B, Kiara Ml, Jack , Chiara V, Noah J, Kark F, Timothy H, Rebecca S, Brayden T, Marlowe P

Year 6

- **High Distinction-** Wilson McT, Max Spencer K, Liam F, Jade C
- **Distinction-** Ruby D, Sally H, Finley B, Erin H, Sam C, Oska C, Amelia S, Claire B, Darcy C, Kingsley W, Daniel S, Reed V, Saxon L, Ella P,
- **Merit-** Alex M, Holly H, Bella K, Courtney S, Kahlee T, Ahmed B, Georgina S, Nathan W, Imogen L, David Ball M, Tom Biddle, Eesha P, Luke H, John R, Toby B, Bianca D, Jack L, Kyriaki K, Isaac T, Charlie McB, Jye V, Olivia Z

Special congratulations to Benjamin H, Sapumal G, Kofi H and Tobias G who have been invited to attend a Mathematics Camp at the Department of Sport and Recreation Myuna Bay Centre on Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th March 2013. What a wonderful opportunity for these boys! Mr Alcock

CHARITY DAY 2012

Charity Day is on Friday 16th November. If you are able to assist with donations for Charity Day, they would be gratefully accepted. Please take donations directly to the classrooms as per the information below.

Mark Alcock (Organiser)

| CLASS | STALL/ ACTIVITIES | DONATIONS? |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Kindergarten | Lolly Bags | Yes |
| 1/2H | Chocolate Walk | Yes |
| 1CR & 1L | Karaoke | No |
| 1J | Basketball Shoot | No |
| 2M & 2B | Face Painting | No |
| 3W | Lucky Dips | Yes |
| 3MC & 2W | Cake Stall | Yes |
| 3/4C & 4L | Nail Salon/ Hair Spraying | Yes |
| 4A & 2C | Second hand Books and Toys | Yes |
| 6/5T & 6/5C | Soft Drinks and Chips | Yes |
| 6/5B & 6/5S & 6/5F | White Elephant Stall/ Plant Stall | Yes |
| School | Barbecue | No |

SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

Open Monday mornings only from 8.45am to about 9.15am in the Old School Hall. If you are unable to make it then, you may pre-order and make payment in an envelope and leave it at the office. Orders will be filled on the Monday and given to students. Payment for orders is by Cash or Cheque only – Cheques payable to: The Junction School P & C. Please note there are no EFTPOS facilities for purchases in the Uniform Shop. If you purchase second hand items please ensure you remove any other child's name from the clothing and clearly write your child's name on the item.

SCHOOL BANKING – Newcastle Permanent Building Society and Commonwealth Bank

Student Banking for Newcastle Permanent Building Society and the Commonwealth Bank is on a Monday. Students need to take their banking to the library immediately after roll call.

P & C NEWS

P&C Meeting – Tonight, 6 November, 7pm. P&C meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month. We'll be discussing the Fundraising Framework, and surveying the school community about the school motto and pledge this meeting. Sound interesting? Everyone is welcome to

attend. Meetings are held in the school's staff room, down the hall from the Front Office. We'd love to see some new faces, so please come along.

Thanks to our BBQ volunteers

This Saturday at the Olive Tree Markets our volunteers sold \$1,450 of sausage sandwiches and drinks – what a great effort! Thanks to Justine Ulph, Andrew Howard, Wendy Donovan, Johanna Anderson, Ian Potts, Neil Mawson, Leonie Funk, Felicity Ferguson-Tait, Alison Dickson, Candie Fong, Julie Wharton, Trent and Ava Robertson, Steve Spencer and Max S, Justine Smith, Daniel Bishop, Robyn Malby, Kylie Chaffe, Erin G and *once again* the lovely Liz Ginters who not only organised but worked as well!

December Olive Tree Market BBQs

- **Saturday, 1 December – Kindergarten, Years 2, 4 and 6**
- **Saturday, 15 December – Years 1, 3 and 5**

In anticipation of the Holiday season there are two December Olive Tree Markets. These markets run until later in the afternoon, so we have an extra shift to fill as well. Please contact our BBQ coordinator extraordinaire, Liz Ginter on 0411 487 713 or elizabeth-g@bigpond.com if you can work a shift:

- 8:30-10am (open)
- 10-11:30am
- 11:30-1pm
- 1pm – 2:30pm
- 2:30 – 4:30pm (close).

P&C Kindergarten Orientation and New Family Morning Teas: Monday 12 and Wednesday 14 November.

Come along and help us welcome our new kindergarten parents, have a cuppa and catch up with friends. Are you new to the school? Please join us! Can you help out with set-up? Please contact Kim Forbes on 0435 064 541.

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Woolworth's Earn and Learn. The school has put all those stickers to great use! Our 59,000+ points were split between the learning stages to get some great educational supplies – everything from paintbrushes to mathematics materials. Here's a list of what's been ordered:

Kindergarten

- 9 sets of 12 paint brushes
- Connecting People – box of 96
- Mobilo Construction– 4 standard sets, construction sets, 836 Super Value Set, 5 sets

of child and firemen, light family, dark family, geometrical pieces, and lots of wheels!

Years 1 and 2

- 2 sets of 96 paint brushes
- 24 individual magnetic whiteboards with bonus letter sets
- LEGO Education – 16 sets of Simple Machines

Years 3 and 4

- 2 sets of Story Sparker Cards
- 2 Writer's Block
- LEGO Education – 12 sets of Simple Machines
- Readers for Writers Fluent Set of 8 books

Years 5 and 6

- 100 Maths Interactives – Age 11+ software
- 12 Metric Measurement Domino sets
- 12 Percentage Domino sets
- 2 sets of 72 talkon flat paintbrushes
- 5 Geometry Combo Chart Packs
- Answer Buzzers
- Giant Drawing Compass with Feet

P&C EMAIL LIST - Please send me a note at junctionpandc@hotmail.com if you would like to be on the P&C email contact list. You will receive notices of P&C meeting, as well as the agenda and minutes. This is a great way to keep up with the P&C and stay involved in school. Regards, Karla Karinen, TJPS P&C President

Coming Friday 14 December: Carols by Candlelight: picnic and music for the whole family.

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