

The Junction News

Newsletter of The Junction Public School



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Term 2 – Week 6

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Winter has finally arrived – with a definite chill in the air this week. There are lots of articles of 'lost' clothing in our tubs at the moment – so if you are missing that jacket or something else - please come and have a look. On that note – the Uniform shop will be having a 'sale' – next Tuesday morning – with lots of items available for just a gold coin donation. Pop along to the old hall, after morning assembly next week – if you need to further stock up on some items.

New Syllabus Implementation

From 2014 the Australian curriculum is being implemented in New South Wales through new syllabuses developed by the Board of Studies for English, Mathematics, Science, and History. The new [English K–10 Syllabus](#) will replace the current *English K–6 Syllabus* and *English Years 7–10 Syllabus*. Staff at The Junction have been working with the new syllabus content throughout this year and have been developing relevant scope and sequences in grammar and punctuation, spelling, handwriting, and writing to complement the style and structure of the units styles in English.

The aim of English in Years K–10 is to enable students to understand and use language effectively, appreciate, reflect on and enjoy the English language and to make meaning in ways that are imaginative, creative, interpretive, critical and powerful. For more detailed information on specific content please visit the Board of Studies web-site.

Farewell and thank you Mrs Dyball

I'd like to congratulate and thank Chez Dyball for her invaluable contribution to our school for the last 14 years. Mrs Dyball has taken leave with a view to retirement later in the year. She has had a profound impact on the lives of the many children who have been in her classes over the years. On many occasions I have had conversations with parents who have praised Mrs Dyball's creative and innovative teaching practices and appreciated the way she has nurtured the learning for their children. Thanks Chez from all the students and your colleagues at The Junction!

Class 2D will be taught for the rest of the year by Mr Greg Bryant who is really looking forward to his year with Year 2.

Congratulations Mrs Cooper!

Huge congratulations to teacher Jody Cooper who this last week has been representing NSW in the 2013 Indoor Cricket Masters Championships in Perth. I am hearing that Jody has had an outstanding week playing all ten games including the grand-final against Queensland.

Over the weekend, Mrs Cooper has been selected to play for Australia in the Masters Championships in South Africa in October. An amazing and well deserved achievement for Jody – congratulations Mrs Cooper - our entire school community is very proud of you!

Congratulations to Tap Dancers

Congratulations to the girls and boys tap dance groups who performed last Saturday night at St Phillips Waratah, both groups giving a wonderful performance. Our dance tutors Jenny and Kelsey have been working hard with both groups and I must again congratulate all students on their efforts at their early morning practices to reach such high standards. Well done.



Wendy Cheek, Principal

CALENDAR - TERM 2 – 2013**Week 6****Event**

Tuesday, June 4 P & C Meeting 7pm - Staffroom

Wednesday, June 5 ICAS Science Test

Friday, June 7 Junior Band Day

Week 7**Event**

Monday, June 10 Public Holiday – School closed

Wednesday, June 12 Starstruck Rehearsal

Wednesday, June 12 Parent information session
3.15pm – Year 4 GAB Camp

Wednesday, June 12 Book Club orders due today!

Thursday, June 13 Starstruck Rehearsal

Friday, June 14 Starstruck Show

Saturday, June 15 Starstruck Show

Week 8**Event**

Monday, June 17 ICAS Writing Test

Tuesday, June 18 BandLink

Tuesday, June 18 ICAS Spelling Test

Wednesday, June 19 BandLink

Friday, June 21 P & C Movie Night

K-2 NEWS

This week the Year 2 children from 2/3B will lead our assembly. Congratulations to class 1/2H for winning the assembly and they will enjoy sitting on seats this week! Next week (Week 7) there will not be an assembly as the hall is being used.

See you on Wednesday at 2pm.

Thank you, Mrs Hughes

Assemblies: New hall

K – 2 Assembly - Wednesday 2pm

Year 3 – 6 Assembly – Friday 11.20am



SALE
UNIFORM SHOP
NEXT TUESDAY –
(Due to Public Holiday on Monday)

SPECIAL MENTION AWARDS**Term 2 Week 5****Kinder to Year 2 ASSEMBLY**

KK	Samuel B	Mako L
KDG	Mahala J	Cody M
KH	Lewis S	Maiya Y
KR	Neve H	Brady M
1J	Tess N	Astrid M
1CR	Isaac L	Jade T Charlotte W
1L	Emily K	Liam C
1C	Brodhi B	Mira P
1/2H	Chelsea B	Gypsy R
2B	Bridget H	
2D	Jeremy S Hayley R	Braithen H Jack W Max H
2W	Isabelle M	Adam Y

YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6 ASSEMBLY - Term 2 Week 5

3MC	Kayne M	Hunter Anderson
3CW	Kate L	Ashley Pusmaz
3/4L	Tom S	Coco Dobbie
4A	Aedan R	Peter Sylow
4F	Lara Z	Elizabeth Self
5B	Lillian M	Ethan Sewell
5N	Darby P Darcy H	Balin Kang
5/6C	Rosalili F	Ellie Smailes
6F	Flynn H	Indira Sammut
6C	Marlon M	Bella Snape
Student of the month	Ben B – 5/6C Clare S – 6F Saige i – 6C Malika K – 3MC Bailey R – 5N	Ava R – 5B Alyssa W – 3/4L Max F – 3CW Tilda S – 4F Cameron S -4A
Music	Jacob J Katrina G	Charli C Jordan D
Choir	Lara B	Bella F Piper B

STAGE 2 INDEPENDENT LEARNING PROJECT

Recently a note was sent home explaining all the details of the Term 2 Independent Learning project for Stage 2 students. This is the Year 3 and 4 students.

Our ILP will be to create a display of Australian flora and fauna samples, showcased in some kind of container, perhaps a box, small suitcase or case.

Parents are invited to come to classrooms later in the term to have a look at all these wonderful displays and the date for this is **Wednesday 26th June 12.30pm**. Please ignore the date previously mentioned on the initial note.

BAND NEWS

Band Days

Our Senior Band had a very successful band day last Tuesday. Mr Bell and I are very pleased with these students and their high standard of performance. Yesterday our Intermediate Band had a successful day as well with Mr Law. This band is also making outstanding progress.

Parents and students enjoyed the short concert that each band presented.

Our Junior Band will have their first band day this coming Friday and they are excitedly looking forward to it.

BandLink

Most students have brought in their BandLink money and as it is fast approaching, (18th and 19th June) please check that you have paid.

Band Fees

All students should have paid band fees for Term 2 last week. If you have not, please pay as soon as possible. Thank you, Mrs Fitzgibbon

OFFICE NEWS

Office Hours – 8.30am to 3.15pm

School Accounts

Again I am asking parents to finalise their accounts for student resources that have been issued to students at the start of the year. We have sent home several invoices this year and it will be greatly appreciated if these accounts could be finalised as soon as possible. Thank you, Wendy Cheek

Kindergarten Enrolments 2014

Do you have a child eligible to start Kindergarten next year? Please come into the office and put their name in our Kinder 2014 Enrolment Book.

Late children/Early Leavers

Please ensure if your child is late you come to the office and collect a 'Purple Partial' slip and if you need to pick your child up early for an appointment you must again attend the office and collect a 'Purple Partial' slip.

BOOK CLUB

Book Club orders were given out to students yesterday and are due back on Wednesday 12th June. Please ensure your child's name is written on all orders. Orders are to be handed into the school library. Thank you, Mrs Land.

SCHOOL BANKING

No school banking next Monday due to the Public Holiday. Banking for Newcastle Permanent and the Commonwealth Bank will resume the following Monday June 17 in the school library from 9am.

Commonwealth Bank

THERE'S STILL TIME FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN a \$5,000 FAMILY ADVENTURE HOLIDAY!

So far we have **10** student bankers who have qualified for the Commonwealth Bank's School Banking competition in Term 2. There are still 2 weeks left... all you need to do is **bank at least 3 times during Term 2 here at school** and you will automatically be entered into the draw.

First prize: \$5,000 family holiday to anywhere in Australia with \$500 spending money and **\$5,000** cash for your school.

25 Runner Up prizes: Kid's adventure packs valued at over \$700 include a Wii U, Razor eSpark electric scooter, walkie talkies, night vision goggles and an underwater digital camera.

More details are available at

www.commbank.com.au/adventureisland

UNIFORM SHOP - SALE

As next Monday is a Public Holiday the Uniform Shop will be open **Tuesday next week!** – Visit the Uniform Shop for some great bargains on Second Hand Clothing. A gold coin may get you a great item of clothing!!

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. THERE ARE NO EFTPOS FACILITIES FOR THE UNIFORM SHOP.

EARN & LEARN PROGRAM

This program ends this Sunday 9th June!

If you shop at Woolworths don't forget to collect your stickers from the checkout and place in The Junction Public School box at Marketown or send them into school – there is a box in the foyer. Last year the school was able to recoup books and arts & craft materials which was distributed across the whole school.

P & C NEWS

Our **next P&C meeting** will be **tonight, Tuesday 4th June at 7pm**. Everyone is welcome, and it would be great to see some new faces. Come and find out what is happening at the school. The meeting will be held in the staff room, down the hall from the front office.

NRMA School Zone Safety Survey

The P&C is participating in an NRMA school zone safety survey. The survey is mostly factual about the condition of road markings, school speed zone signs and flashing lights etc, however does provide an opportunity to make comment on other school zone concerns around our school.

If you would like to raise any concerns for the P&C to include in the survey, please send them by email to the P&C at junctionpandc@hotmail.com by **this Friday, 7th June**.

*****Save the Dates - Upcoming P&C Events*****

1: Movie Night, Friday 21st June, 2013.

Lights, camera, action!

We are finalising the details for this fantastic night, and will be showing one of the latest new release movies coming for the July school holidays!

Can you guess which movie will be shown on Friday night, 21st June at Events Cinemas in Newcastle? Details for purchasing tickets and candy bar items will be coming soon.

2: Holiday Raffle: On the movie night we will also be launching details of our holiday raffle. We will be raffling a holiday to the Gold Coast for a family of 4. More details to come.

3: Oktoberfest, Friday 25th October, 2013:

This promises to be a fantastic evening of German food, beer, music and entertainment! Stay tuned as more details are finalised.

Olive Tree Market BBQ – Saturday, 1st June

The first day of winter was overcast and cool. Despite this, we took **\$990.90** on the OTM BBQ on Saturday. Many thanks to our wonderful volunteers who manned the BBQ: Suzanne Taylor, Rob Kane, Daniel Bishop, Mary Henry, Chris Cleworth, Eithne Healy, Dayne Steggles, Chris Kurtz, Scott Young, D'nelle Lemon, Tori Smart, Sally Hodgson, Brett Hillcoat, Janet Ball, Allan McKinnon, Felicity Ferguson-Tait.

Olive Tree Market BBQ – Saturday, 6th July – Year 1

It's the turn of **Kindergarten** parents and carers, so recruit a friend and book a shift to help the P&C raise some money for the school. All you have to do is turn up, cook a few sausages and enjoy the fantastic atmosphere at the Olive Tree Markets. So, if you have

an hour and a half to spare please call Liz Ginters on 0411 487 713 or elizabeth-g@bigpond.com. Shifts are:

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



P&C EMAIL 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. Please send me a note at junctionpandc@hotmail.com if you would like to be on the P&C email contact list. Bronwyn Geerarts, TJPS P&C President

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YEAR 6 HAVE JUST RECEIVED THEIR 'YEAR 6 SHIRTS' AND ARE VERY PROUD OF THEM!

