



## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### Student Leaders – 2015

Congratulations to our new student leaders for 2015. At yesterday morning's assembly we were able to announce and congratulate the following students:

**Girl School Captain** – Molly H

**Boy School Captain** – Nathan F

**Prefects** – Annika S, Ruby Z, Jorjia V, Maya L, Josh T, Justin T, Sunny W and Oliver A.

Well done to all candidates who gave such wonderful speeches last week and to all Year 5 for participating so enthusiastically in leadership training this term.

### Sports Leaders

Congratulations to the following students who were elected by their sports houses yesterday, to the following positions:

QUINLAN – Captains: – Aedan R, Charlotte M

Vice-Captains: Jake H, Poppy S

LADKIN – Captains: Cooper S, Madi S

Vice-Captains:– Tom S, Lily L

TREHARNE– Captains: Marc C, Leela B

Vice-Captains: Cooper J, Eloise A

EDMUNDS – Captains: Saxon C, Ayesha L

Vice-Captains: Flynn H, Lara A

The new leadership teams will be inducted with their badges on Thursday 11th December at 9.00am at our whole school Presentations Day assembly. Parents and/or family members are invited to 'pin' the badges on their children. We look forward to working with all these wonderful leadership teams next year.

### Band Presentation Night – Conservatorium – Next Thursday Night 4<sup>th</sup> December

I am really looking forward to the Band Presentation Night next Thursday 4th December to be held at The Conservatorium. This night is the culmination of a very successful year for all three bands and the percussion group. I would like to sincerely thank all band tutors – Michael Bell, Michael Jobson, and David Tracey for their skill and professionalism in assisting all students. Sincere appreciation must also go to our wonderful band co-ordinator Lesley Fitzgibbon for her dedicated co-ordination of all programs to ensure the quality of all that has been achieved.

### Presentation Days 2014

Following is information to parents that our Presentation Days will take place on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> and Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December this year. We will start with a whole school assembly from **Kinder to Year 6 at 9.00am** under the COLA (main assembly area), to present the major awards and prizes as well as invest and present the school captains, prefects, sports house captains and vice captains with their badges. This assembly should take approximately 30 minutes. At the following assemblies, in the new school hall every single child in every class will be called forward to receive a certificate.

**At 9.45am on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December** in the new school hall we will continue with the Stage 3 assembly (Years 5 and 6) – and present the class awards and some special stage awards.

**At 11.00am on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December** there will be a morning tea supplied for parents staying on for the next assembly.

**At 11.30am on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December** we will continue with the Stage 2 assembly (Years 3 and 4) and present the class awards and some special stage awards. This assembly should conclude by 1.00pm.

**At 9.15am on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December** in the new school hall we will hold the Early Stage 1 assembly – (Kindergarten) and present the class awards and some special stage awards.

**At 10.15am (approx) on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December** we will continue with the Stage 1 assembly (Years 1 and 2) and present the class awards and some special stage awards. This assembly should conclude by 11.15am (approx.)

A morning tea will be available to all attending parents during this time.

**Presentation Day will be focussed on celebrating the achievements of all students and recognising their efforts over the whole year. There will be some small class items at each assembly.**

### Class Reports

All parents should receive their child's class report next week for Semester Two. This report is a further assessment of your child's progress throughout the year in the key learning areas.

### Parent Helpers and Volunteers Morning Tea

I am looking forward to seeing all our parent volunteers who have supported our school all year at the thank-you morning tea in the old school hall at 10.30am this coming Thursday. Our school is so fortunate to have the support we do and to benefit from the input of so many wonderful parents and volunteers. We just want the chance to say 'thank you'. See you there.

### Run Newcastle

Congratulations to all students and parents who participated in the 'Run Newcastle' charity event last Sunday on the Harbour foreshore. It was wonderful to see such a large school team present – children and families – all enjoying their Sunday, keeping fit and raising money for the John Hunter Adolescent Ward. A really great day – well done everyone!

### 'Mo-vement'

I'd like to congratulate our male staff members who supported 'Mo-vement' this year and changed their 'appearance' with the growth of facial hair – 'moustaches' - and also our female staff members and parents, who sponsored the occasion and raised \$1,215 for research into prostate cancer. It was a great collegial achievement – well done everyone.

Wendy Cheek,  
Principal

### Newspaper in schools competition

Last Tuesday the Year 6 editorial group, who produced The Junction Journal for the Newcastle Herald competition attended the Annual Awards ceremony at Hunter Stadium. The competition to write two pages for the newspaper, included an editorial, a cartoon and an advertisement, attracts schools from across the Hunter and the Mid-north coast. This year there were ninety nine entries from State and Private schools.

This year our team produced a high quality entry. In the new section – Digital News – our team produced a great item about the lack of dog refuse bins in the inter-city area. It included studio reporting, a cross to the field reporter and an interview with a member of the public. It was written, filmed and edited by the students. This item won first place in the Primary Schools section. Congratulations to the whole team for wonderful participation and innovative writing.



## CALENDAR - TERM 4 – 2014

Week 9	Event
Wednesday, Dec 3	Intermediate band rehearsal transferred from 8am to 2pm
Thursday, Dec 4	All band students to bring instruments to school
Thursday, Dec 4	'Parent helper morning tea' – 10.30am – 11.30am
Thursday, Dec 4	Yrs 1 & 2 Intensive swimming
Thursday, Dec 4	Band Presentation Night-6pm
Friday, Dec 5	P & C 'Thank you to staff Morning Tea'
Friday, Dec 5	Last day to order Meal Deals
Saturday, Dec 6	Olive Tree Markets – 9am-3pm

Week 10	Event
Tuesday, Dec 9	K-2 Meal Deal Day - (NO OTHER LUNCH ORDERS TODAY)
Wednesday, Dec 10	Final rehearsal for the year for band
Wednesday, Dec 10	Year 3-6 Meal Deal Day – (NO OTHER LUNCH ORDERS TODAY)
Thursday, Dec 11	9am- Major Presentation Day & Leader Induction 9.45am -Yrs 5-6 Presentation 11.30am –Yrs 3-4 Presentation
Friday, Dec 12	9.15am - Kinder Presentation 10.15am – Yrs 1-2 Presentation

Week 11	Event
Monday, Dec 15	Year 6 Clap-out – 2.30pm
Monday, Dec 15	Year 6 Farewell – 6pm at Souths
Wednesday, Dec 17	Last day for Students & Staff

## CALENDAR - TERM 1 – 2015

Week 1	Event
Tuesday, Jan 27	Staff only return to school
Wednesday, Jan 28	Year 1 – 6 students return
Thursday, Jan 29	Kindergarten students start

## SPECIAL MENTION AWARDS

TERM 4 WEEK 8

KINDER, YEAR 1 & 2 ASSEMBLY

<b>KK</b>	Audrey R	Greta D
<b>KD</b>	Lilli W	Thea M
<b>KE</b>	Beth B	Keely H
<b>KH</b>	Emma R	Jayden B
<b>1J</b>	Liam S Sam B	Adisyn L
<b>1C</b>	Stella S	Lewis S
<b>1CF</b>	Sofia M	Amelia L
<b>1/2L</b>	Lateisha S	Charlotte A
<b>2H</b>	Manning G Sophia L	Jada N
<b>2R</b>	Luca W	Oscar F
<b>2W</b>	Ned R	Emily K
<b>2/3B</b>	Aisling V	

This will be our final K-2 Assembly for 2014. Kindergarten have been doing a wonderful job at leading and this will be their final week. Classes 2W and Miss Burgin's Year 2 children will be the final classes to sit on the seats for this year. See you 2pm Wednesday in the new hall. All welcome! Mrs Hughes

### YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6 ASSEMBLY

<b>2/3B</b>	Indah J Theo D Gus A	Declan F Rosie C
<b>3MC</b>	Ziv T Teddy P	Maxxis F Charlie G
<b>3W</b>	Monica L Ella S	Caleb M
<b>4A</b>	Molly M Junior T Oscar W	Quinn P Charlie W
<b>4F</b>	Finnlay F Rhiannon M	Kiani C Travis H
<b>5C</b>	Clara A Finnian G Max O	Lucy U Poppy S Haley M
<b>5S</b>	Sunny W Imigyn M Tom S	Peter S Annika S

<b>5/6B</b>	Abi D Marc C Katrina G	Haylie S Archie C Madison S (Student of the month)
<b>6B</b>	Sebastian C Hannah R	Joe L Max T
<b>6C</b>	Jackson A Summer C	Lachlan A

## BAND NEWS

### Band Presentation Night

All band members have taken home last minute instructions for our Band Presentation Night on this Thursday, 4th December at the Newcastle Conservatorium of Music.

Students must arrive at 5:30pm and the concert commences at 6:00pm. This Thursday there will be a full rehearsal at school so all students will need their instruments. All Year 6 soloists will play their pieces as well.

We look forward to seeing all parents and friends on Thursday night for our final performances of the year with the exception of Senior Band who will be performing at Presentation Day at 9:00am on Thursday 11th December.

### Band Rehearsals (important information)

Please note that this Wednesday's 8:00am rehearsal for Intermediate Band has been moved to 2:00pm Wednesday. There will be no rehearsal for Junior and Intermediate Bands on Friday this week. All band rehearsals will finish for the year on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December.

Thank you everyone for your support of our band program this year. Thank you, Mrs Fitzgibbon

### END OF YEAR CHRISTMAS PARTY NOTES (Notes home today)

YEAR 1 & 2 – Pink note

4A, 4F, 4L, 3W, 3/4CR & 3B – Orange note

### CHRISTMAS MEAL DEAL

The Canteen are offering a 'Meal Deal Day' to students. Order forms went home last week.

Kinder to Year 2 – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December - \$7.50 (Pink Note)

Year 3 to Year 6 - Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December - \$7.50 (Bright Blue Note)

All orders need to be at the Canteen by: Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Dec.

Please note: **THERE WILL BE NO OTHER LUNCH ORDERS ON THESE DAYS!!!**

## FUNDRAISING FOR FIJIAN SCHOOLS

Congratulations to the 44 piano students from The Junction Public School who took part in the 'Piano For Schools Annual Fund Raising Concert' and assisted in raising \$5659.55 for LGS South Pacific, which sends books and educational resources to remote Fijian Schools. This year, 20 pallets (over 10 tonnes) of resources have successfully reached their recipient schools.

Congratulations also to Georgia and Jemima and Zoe who won an air ticket to Fiji for their sponsored piano practice contribution.

**Pre-Christmas toy cupboard clear out!** Please support us in helping make this Christmas special for the children of Fiji. We would gratefully receive your unwanted....

**Old laptop computers / Educational activities and games for any age / Mega blocks, Duplo or Lego in any quantities / Unused drawing books or art materials / Books from baby to year 6 / Jigsaw puzzles for any age group / Balls, frisbies, outdoor games.**

Please do not send Happy Meal toys, clothes, old soft toys, or dolls.

**There will be a box in reception to receive your donations. Many thanks for your support.**

Vinaka!

## UNIFORM SHOP

**THERE ARE NO EFTPOS FACILITIES FOR THE UNIFORM SHOP.**

**Payment for orders is by Cash or Cheque only – Cheques payable to: The Junction School P & C.**

**The Uniform Shop is open on Mondays - 8.45am to 9.15am**

If you are unable to make it at the above time, you may pick up an Order Form from the front office and place the order and leave payment (Cash/Cheque only) and your order will be filled.

The new style white shirts (with embroidered logo on pocket) are now available - price \$25.

Thanks, Donna Reay

## SCHOOL BANKING

Newcastle Permanent Building Society and Commonwealth Bank offer school banking to our students. Parent volunteers process the money on the banks' behalf in our school library immediately after roll call on Mondays.

## LIBRARY NEWS

Could all students return any library books they have at home to the school library for the end of year stocktake. Thank you

## P & C NEWS

### **FINAL Olive Tree Market BBQ – THIS Sat 6<sup>th</sup> December**

Thank you everyone who has volunteered for the final OTM BBQ this Saturday. At the time of writing, we only need **ONE more person** for the 10-11.30am shift if possible to make the roster up to five people. After six wonderful years of association with the Olive Tree Markets, this Saturday marks the P&C's final BBQ. While there are markets also to be held on Sat 20<sup>th</sup> December, the P&C has decided that, based on past experience, it will be too difficult to fill the roster after school has broken for the holidays. Please contact Liz Ginters via the P&C email or [elizabeth-g@bigpond.com](mailto:elizabeth-g@bigpond.com) if you can help.

### **Teacher's Thank You Morning Tea – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

–Thank you to those who have offered to help with the 'Teacher's Thank You Morning Tea' this Friday. If you are "bringing a plate" – please deliver to the staff room on Friday morning. Anyone who is coming to help set up, please meet in the staffroom at about 9.30am or thereabouts. The morning tea is put on by the P&C each year as a simple way of saying "Thank You" to the wonderful teachers here at TJPS. If anyone else needs additional information, please contact me at the P&C email.

### **Mango Tray Fundraiser – Pick Up Date - Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

Mango Tray orders can be collected on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December from the **Old Hall** at school pick-up time (3pm). At the moment we know of people who would like to pick up through to 5pm, so at this stage we will have volunteers available for you to pick up from (around 2.30pm to 5pm). If you need to arrange a different time to pick your order up, please contact the P&C via email, or drop a note to the front office, so that we can make sure we have volunteers available to help you collect your order.

If you are available to help us with the distribution of orders on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December, between 2pm and 5.30pm, can you please drop us a line.

### **After School Care / OOSH - 2015**

If you missed the information night a few weeks back, you can get online at [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au) and register for an information pack for After School Care with the new operator for next year. There is also information about how to register for before and after school care for next year.

## Run Newcastle

Last Sunday, a large contingent of TJPS families participated in Run Newcastle. Last we heard, we had close to 80 people who were a part of TJPS Team. It was particularly great to see so many Year 6 kids represented in what had clearly been a co-ordinated effort amongst themselves. It was a fun, albeit warm, morning out, supporting a wonderful cause – JHH Adolescent Unit.



**Carols By Candlelight** – There is a tentative date of Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December for a Carols By Candlelight evening at school. Details are yet to be confirmed, but please pencil this date into your diary.

**Thank You** - Thank you to Kim Forbes who once again has done a great job in getting us all organised for Run Newcastle.

### Upcoming P&C Events

Date	Time	Event
5 Dec	11am	P&C Thank You Morning Tea for Teachers
6 Dec	All day	OTM BBQ
8 Dec	2.30pm-5pm	Pick Up Mango Orders – Old Hall
12 Dec 2014	Evening	Carols By Candlelight (TBC)
6 Feb 2015	1.30pm	P&C Meeting
3 March 2015	7.00pm	P&C Meeting & AGM
10 Oct 2015	TBC	Spring Fair 2015

**P&C EMAIL LIST** - Please send me a note at [junctionpandc@hotmail.com](mailto:junctionpandc@hotmail.com) if you would like to be on the P&C email contact list. You will receive general notices of P&C activities, as well as meeting agendas

and minutes. This is a great way to keep up with the P&C and stay involved in school.

Julie Wharton  
Acting P&C President

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## THE OLIVE TREE CHRISTMAS MARKET FESTIVAL Newcastle’s Leading Art & Design Market

**Biggest Market of 2014!**

**Art, Design, Fashion, Produce, Music & More!**

**Shop Local and Handmade this Christmas!**

**Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 9am-3pm**

**At: The Junction Public School**

Saturday December 6th will see The Olive Tree Market come alive at a Christmas Market Festival with over 170 stalls showcasing the unique work of almost 200 of Newcastle’s most Talented Contemporary Handmade Artists & Designers. If there is one market you should visit in 2014 this is it!

## PERFORMING ARTS CONCERT

Congratulations to our dance groups, choir, strings group, tap groups and instrumental soloists performed to many parents and friends displaying their wonderful talents last Thursday night. We are so fortunate to have such brilliant creative and performing arts programs at our school.



