

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

It's really hard to believe we are now in week 10 – last week of Term 2. What a busy first semester we have had!

Class Reports

First semester reports will be coming home to you tomorrow - Wednesday. These reports are an assessment of learning progress for your child for the last two terms. At any time if you wish to further discuss the content of these reports - please make contact with your child's class teacher.

Band Fundraiser this Thursday – Sausage Sizzle

Band members are holding a sausage sizzle this coming Thursday as a band fundraiser to fund instrument repairs, new instruments, music scores and the general running of all four bands. Students may purchase a sausage sandwich with sauce for \$2 – this is an easy lunch for the end of the week – no pre-ordering required. Thank you for support of our band.

Stage 1 Technology Enrichment Days

Congratulations to all Year 1 and 2 students who participated in the Technology Enrichment days last week with Miss Chaffey.

Year 1 students created informative presentations about bees. Firstly they drew their own bee and then turned it into an animation using Doink Animation app. Next they created a talking avatar and recorded their presentation using their own voice. Both of these videos were recorded with a green background so they could be combined with a third video of a flower in the Doink Green Screen app. Students loved exploring how using a chroma key allows them to remove certain colours from a video, allowing them to combine multiple videos into one awesome final product.

Year 2 students took on the role of a tour guide at an aquarium and presented a talk about the sea creatures in one of the tanks. They drew and animated a number of sea creatures using the Doink Animation app, also using a green background which they could remove later. To record their tour commentary students wrote and then presented their talk in front of an actual green screen and then imported the video into the Doink Green Screen app where they were able to remove the green background to reveal their sea creature animation and a water background. All students thoroughly enjoyed the process and created outstanding videos. These videos can be viewed on our school website.

Stage 3 Design Challenge

Stage 3 students (Years 5 and 6) have been really enjoying their History unit on Ancient Civilisations which has culminated in some outstanding presentations from all students on their particular cultural civilisation. Students have come in 'character', made some amazing artefacts and shared their new knowledge with all their friends in class through their stunning presentations. This evening they are opening up their classrooms between 5pm and 6pm to all parents to come and view the results of their studies for this term and share in the unique experiences in each room. This aspect of experiential learning is what we are focussed on in our school plan and in our strategic directions for 2015-2017 where students have the opportunity to 'demonstrate their learning'.

Well done stage 3 students and their teachers!



Kindergarten and Class Enrolments - 2016.

It is time to begin looking at Kindergarten enrolments and all class enrolments for 2016. If you have a child, or know of a child who is within our intake zone and is intending to enrol for Kindergarten or other classes for next year – please contact our office and provide details for our data base. Thank you.

Thank you

Thank you to all families who supported the P&C Movie night in such big numbers last Friday night. It was great to see the huge numbers who were at the theatre in support of the P&C fundraiser, Thanks as well to our P&C with yet again another successful fundraiser.

Wendy Cheek,
Principal

Staff Development Day - Day 1 Term 3

On Monday 13th July staff will be engaged in reviewing the strategic directions in our school plan, developing Maths formative assessment tasks, rubrics and tracking tools, as well as English and History units for Semester 2. We will also further add to the rounds of compliance training as required by the Department of Education.

CALENDAR - TERM 2 – 2015**Week 10****Event**

Tuesday, June 23	Year 5 & 6 open 'Museum Classrooms' – 5pm to 6pm
Wednesday, June 24	Year 1 & 2 – Design challenge open classrooms – 3pm-3.30pm
Thursday, June 25	Year 3 & 4 design challenge displays 12.30pm in classrooms – Parents welcome!
Thursday, June 25	Band fundraiser – Sausage sizzle lunch – Whole school
Friday, June 26	Last day of Term 2

CALENDAR - TERM 3 – 2015**Week 1****Event**

Monday, July 13	STAFF ONLY RETURN – Staff Development Day
Tuesday, July 14	STUDENTS RETURN
Friday, July 17	P & C Meeting-Spring Fair updates – 2pm

Week 2**Event**

Tuesday, July 21	Musica Viva – Whole School
Wednesday, July 22	BandLink – Ncle Jockey Club
Thursday, July 23	BandLink – Ncle Jockey Club
Thursday, July 23	Year 2 Gymnastics starts (Sport Uniform to be worn)
Friday, July 24	Zone Track Athletics Carnival

Week 3**Event**

Tuesday, July 28	Zone Athletics – Field + 800m
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YEAR 1 & 2 DESIGN CHALLENGE

Parents and friends of Year 1 and 2 students are invited to view the wonderful designs for the unit 'Changing Lands and Skies'. All Stage 1 classrooms will be open from 3pm to 3.30pm tomorrow (Wednesday 24th June).

SPECIAL MENTION AWARDS**TERM 2 WEEK 9****KINDER TO YEAR 2 ASSEMBLY**

KK	Miley Isabella	Atticus Oscar
KD	Felicity	Joe
KE	Fin	Noah
KH	Leighon Oliver	Aidan Myer
1J	Ryder Lalita	Kevin Sofia
1C	Zahra Audrey	Samuel Billy
1CF	Kimmika Beth	Louis Boden
1W	Abbey Oliver Amelie	Regan Eli Thomas
2C	Cameron Oliver	Lan Mako
2B	Ace Anna	Louie Phoebe
2R	Boston Claudia	Maiya Paige
2W	Isabella	Harry

YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6 ASSEMBLY

3W	Hunter	Lily
3MC	Jonah	Kip
3H	Brianna Charlie	Yorygi
3K	Kate Zenon	Jade
4A	Courtney	David
4L	Kalani	Ned
4F	Theo Michael	Sophie
5T	Max Chloe	Felix David
5S	Jet Ethan	Grace
5/6B	Jordan Brayden	Lilley
6C	Bronte Joshua	Oliver

6S	Lara Jack	Alyssa
Choir Awards	Luca Charlotte	Ella

Assembly times:

Kinder to Year 2 – Wed (New Hall) 2pm (Odd weeks)

Year 3 to 6 – Friday (New Hall) 11.20am (Every week)

RECENT NOTES HOME

- **Musica Viva - Whole School - \$8.50**
- **Year 2 Gymnastics – Term 3 - \$36 (Green note)**
- **Year 4 Deposit (GABC) - Deposit due this Friday – (Orange note) – Nov 4th, 5th, 6th - \$50**

****** Please place notes/payments in an envelope or sandwich bag and encourage your child to place it in the Red Box in the office foyer – not to the class teacher. If you are paying for multiple events or have more than one child at school you can place all permission slips in the one envelope – you only need to write your credit card details on one of the notes *****

NATIONAL CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA

During the first two weeks of Term 3 the National Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disabilities (NCCD) will occur. This national data collection will provide all Australian schools, education authorities, governments and the community with information about the number of students with a disability; the type of disabilities; the location of students with a disability and what adjustments are provided for these students. This information allows governments to better target support and resources for students with disabilities.

If your child receives additional assistance in school they may be included in this collection. Personal details such as student's names or other identifying information will not be provided to local or federal education authorities. If you would like further information about issues of privacy visit the Public Information Notices on www.education.gov.au/notices.

If you would like to read more about the data collection, the letter of information can be found on the school website. Anne Keating

STATE PSSA RUGBY LEAGUE

Last week, Cooper and Taj attended the NSW PSSA Rugby League State Carnival at Cronulla. The boys were part of the Hunter Representative Team. They played 7 games in 3 days, with the semi-final played on Remondis Stadium, which is the home ground of the NRL Cronulla Sharks. The boys got to meet many of the Sharks players too. The Hunter team finished in third place in the State Competition with a draw in their final game. Cooper and Taj played great and enjoyed the wet muddy conditions. They should be very proud of the way they represented their school in this strong competition.



PSSA STATE AFL CARNIVAL

From 19th to 21st of May the PSSA State carnival for AFL was held in Blacktown. My team (The Hunter Wolves) played (6) games over three days, three on the first day, two on Wednesday and one on Thursday. Hunter competed strongly throughout the carnival but unfortunately only won one game, putting us in 12th position. I was voted as the player's player by my teammates, coach and manager and was presented with a Guernsey signed by the whole team, the coach and the manager. It was an awesome experience and I made lots of new friends. By Josh



CAMP AUSTRALIA NEWS

As we are almost at the end of another fantastic school term, we have started to collect a large number of school hats and jumpers. Please make sure that you check the lost property box located at the service. All items will be transferred over to the school lost property after 2 weeks.

Just a reminder to all The Junction families that school concludes on Friday 26th June and Camp Australia will resume normal operational hours from Tuesday 14th July for yet another exciting term.

If you have any questions or queries regarding our service please don't hesitate to speak with Felicity or any of the friendly Camp Australia staff. Contact the service on 0450 267 282 or visit our website at www.campaustralia.com.au.

UNIFORM SHOP

THE UNIFORM SHOP IS OPEN ON MONDAYS
8.45am to 9.15am

ONLINE UNIFORM SHOP ORDERING!

Want to place your uniform shop order online? Simply go to www.flexischools.com.au and click "Register Now". You will be sent an email with further instructions on how to complete the registration. Once registered, you can start placing orders immediately. The Uniform Shop will still open Monday mornings in the Old Hall from 8.45am-9.15am.



Payment for Uniform Orders is by:
Flexischools (see above), Cash or Cheque
only –

Cheques payable to: The Junction School P & C.
EFTPOS FACILITIES are only able to be used when ordering by the Flexischools system.

If you purchase any second hand clothing items – please delete old names off the items and make sure your child's name is written clearly on all items of clothing. Donna Reay, Co-ordinator

SCHOOL BANKING

Thank you to Jackie Murnain who has donated her time over the past few years to process student's banking on behalf of the Commonwealth Bank. The school would like to thank Kim West who has offered to take over the reins from Jackie. Newcastle Permanent Building Society and Commonwealth Bank offer banking to our students. Parent volunteers, Tanya Fitzgerald and Kim West process the money on the banks' behalf in our school library immediately after roll call on Monday mornings.

COUNTDOWN TO SPRING FAIR:

15 school weeks to go

P&C NEWS

It's hard to believe that we have already arrived at the mid-point of the school year. Next term is going to be a busy one for the P&C as we work towards our Spring Fair, which is a huge undertaking. Please be ready to jump in and help out – as we will need to draw on the full depth of our resources to bring this signature event to fruition. We look forward to the continued support of our school community.

HOLIDAY RAFFLE: HELP NEEDED

We are getting ready to launch our annual holiday raffle, and need some help pulling it together. Prizes are mostly sorted, so jobs include: someone to co-ordinate the tickets (printing and distribution), help with ticket distribution, and processing of incoming tickets. We need a team of maybe four to six people to help with the processing of incoming tickets over a period of several weeks. This might involve choosing one day a week, and partnering with someone to cross-check incoming ticket numbers and count money.

If you can help, please let me know ASAP via the P&C email. Don't worry if you're thinking "but I've not done it before" - I am happy to provide support and guidance. This is a great opportunity to share the workload around, and assist with a tried and tested P&C fundraising initiative. Last year we raised over \$15,000 from our holiday raffle! If you want more details, please drop me a line.

SPECIAL P&C MEETING – FRIDAY 17 JULY 2015 – 2.00pm

Notice is hereby provided of a special P&C meeting to be held on Friday 17 July at 2pm. This will be a "Spring Fair" only agenda, whereby the Spring Fair subcommittee will be providing an update to the P&C and school community. This is such an exciting time for our school. The meeting will likely be held in one of the Year 5 or 6 classrooms. All parents and carers welcome.

FOLLOW UP WORKING BEE

Early to mid-next term, we will be having a follow up working bee to finish off some of the works that we weren't able to complete last week. We may also seek to combine this with a general garden working bee, to tend to some weeding and garden tidy up, ahead of the Spring Fair. Keep an eye out early next term for more details.

FAMILY DISCO – 31st October

We are excited to announce that we will be running a Halloween themed family disco on the evening of the Spring Fair. The time is yet to be confirmed, but the purpose of the evening is to come together as a school community and have a fun evening, after we will all, no doubt, have worked very hard during the day, and the days leading up to the Spring Fair. More details next term.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT REPORT

What a fun night was had at the movies on Friday night. The theatre was filled with almost 600 friends and family of TJPS.

The movie night is a great social event for our school community. It has the added benefit of raising funds, which the P&C then directs back into school resources, as needed. We are beyond thrilled that the movie night raised almost \$4,500. In the coming months, we are gaining momentum with ambitious plans to raise funds to help resource the new classrooms to be opened early next year.

We thank everyone who was able to come along and support this fun event. We already have our eyes on a big movie due for release around the same time next year.

Building Works Fundraising

Some of you may have heard recently on ABC radio that tenders have been called for our building works project. TJPS will have five new permanent brick classrooms next year, as well as a much needed expansion to our admin block. It's an exciting time, and it means that we are getting closer to seeing construction commence.

As you may be aware, the P&C is entering a time where we are providing important support to the school around the building works. The working bee last week was an important first step.

The Spring Fair in October is seeking to raise significant funds so that we can contribute to the internal and external resourcing of the new classrooms (eg air conditioning, landscaping, technology support etc). Events like the working bee and Spring Fair provide opportunities for people to donate time rather than money (although those opportunities also existing through things like the Building Fund).

As we move into this exciting time, there is going to be much help needed from our school community. At the end of the day, we are all working towards providing the best of resources for our children – and the children who will follow them in the future. These building works are a legacy project. Please put 31st October in your diaries - This event will be an "all hands on deck" major event. See elsewhere in today's newsletter for an update and call for help.

P&C Tax Deductible Building Fund? Are you able to Support an important Project?

Our school is currently investigating the possibility of "enclosing" the COLA space outside of the new hall. The P&C's tax deductible building fund will be eligible to assist in funding key elements of this proposal.

With end of financial year approaching, if you are in a position to donate to the building fund, please go to: <https://www.givenow.com.au/junctionpublicschool>

You will then be emailed a receipt which you should keep for your tax records. Thanks in advance for your support.

Subscribing to the P&C Email List

To subscribe to the P&C email list, please visit <http://eepurl.com/bfuMIX>.

If you need to contact the P&C, please drop us a line at junctionpandc@hotmail.com.

UPCOMING P&C EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event
17 July (Fri)	2.00pm	Special P&C Meeting – Spring Fair Agenda
7 Aug (Fri)	1.30pm	P&C Meeting
Term 3 TBC	TBC	Follow up working bee and possible gardening bee
31 Oct 2015	12pm-4pm	Spring Fair 2015
31 Oct 2015	6-8pm (TBC)	Family Halloween Disco

Other P&C MEETING DATES THIS YEAR:

- Tues 1st Sept at 7pm
- Fri 9th Oct at 1.30pm
- Tues 3rd Nov at 7pm
- Fri 4th Dec at 1.30pm

Other meetings may be held as required, and notice will be given accordingly. Julie Wharton, P&C President

Want to keep up with P&C news "on the go"? You can:



"Like"
The Junction Public
School P&C
on Facebook



"Follow"
@TJPS_PandC
on Twitter

TJPS PARENT BAND?

The P & C has been approached by a parent with a really interesting idea about possibly drawing on parents with a musical background to form a band that could then perform at school / P & C events. Here's his message:

Calling out to all those with a musical background interested in playing in a parents' band?

I have done this at two previous schools and not only is it a lot of fun but it's a great opportunity to play at functions and help in any fundraising events. Last year the parents' band I was with performed a set of '80's songs at a parents' only 80's theme night. It 'went off' and we raised a lot of money for the school and a charity.

I know we are all busy so by no means is this anything serious other than the casual practice sessions before any potential gig coming up.

Let me know if you are interested and we can begin with a casual catch up at my place in The Junction or at the school.

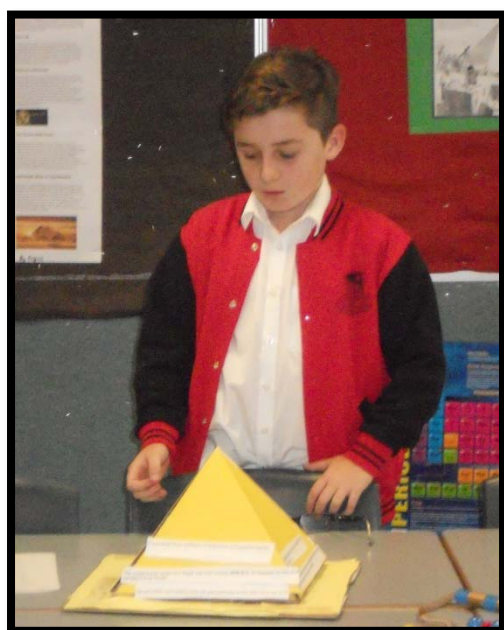
If you are interested, please contact Andrew Olsen:

Mobile: 0407 265736 or

Email: andrewolsen@gmail.com

This might form the prompt for us to organise either an end of year or start of next year parent social event.

STAGE 3 DESIGN CHALLENGE.....



Foundation Sponsor and first Gold Sponsor announced

Those who enjoyed last weekend's Movie Night fundraiser will know that the P&C Spring Fair sub-committee have just confirmed the exciting news that they have secured **Robinson Property** as foundation sponsor for the Fair; our first gold sponsor namely **HK Powder Coating** and silver sponsor **Bodyworx Physio** has also come on-board with other sponsors currently completing required paperwork. We thank our initial sponsors for supporting our school community and look forward to working with them closely to make our Spring Fair on 31 October a huge success!

Call for Fair Banners:

Our Spring Fair team want to hear from you if you (or the company you work for) would like to provide a competitive quotation for the supply of promotional banners for our Fair; if you can help please contact email: tjpsspringfair@gmail.com or telephone: 0421 288 288.

Calling all home chefs: Street Food @ The Fair

If you're a closet Master Chef or just a great home-cook who is interested in cuisines from around the globe we need you to help us design menus and cook 'Fair-Winning food for our Street Food @ The Fair stalls' (cuisine can be Thai, Vietnamese, Malaysian, Chinese, Indian, Greek, Mexican, Italian – whatever you suggest!)

Please contact email: tjpsspringfair@gmail.com or telephone 0421 288 288 if you are willing and able to help!