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Term 3 – Week 4

Tuesday 4 August 2015

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Beanie for Brain Cancer Fundraiser

Congratulations to all of our community for the phenomenal effort in raising \$1000 for 'Beanie for Brain Cancer' last Friday. It was wonderful to see all the brightly coloured beanies and the happy smiles raising money for such a good cause.

Mark Hughes sends his sincere thanks to all for the funds raised which will go towards further research of this dreadful illness. Well done everyone!

Chicken Pox

We have a reported case of chicken pox in the school. I am asking all parents to be vigilant for any signs for their children.

Symptoms: Chicken Pox begins with a sudden onset of slight fever, runny nose, feeling generally unwell and a skin rash. The rash usually begins as small lumps that turn into blisters and then scabs.

The rash appears over three to four days. At any one time, the lesions of the rash vary in stages of development. Symptoms usually occur two weeks after exposure to the virus. Early in the illness, the virus is spread by coughing. Later in the illness, the virus is spread by direct contact with the fluid in the blisters.

Risks:

The infection is highly contagious to people who have never had chicken pox or who have not been vaccinated. People at high risk of complications following exposure include pregnant women who have not had chicken pox and who have not been immunised, newborn babies, and some immunosuppressed patients. For further information please call your local Public Health Unit on 1300 066 055

Public Speaking

Best wishes to our 8 students representing their various stages at the Zone Public Speaking competition at various venues across Newcastle this week.

From ES1: Felicity and Ashley; from Stage 1 Liam and Lachlan; from Stage 2 Benjy and Oscar and from Stage 3 Piper and Jackson.

Not only these students but many students from all classes presented confident, interesting and exceptional public speaking performances.

Our public speaking program has been a wonderful platform for the development for public speaking skills throughout our school.

Keeping our Children Safe

Last week I spoke to the students at assembly about keeping themselves safe. I referred to keeping safe around our busy roads, keeping safe in our local environment by not picking up dangerous objects in the streets near our school (glass, needles or syringes) and keeping safe by not talking to strangers in the streets if approached. I explained to students that a stranger is someone who you do not know or your parents do not know etc. It would be helpful if all parents could continue those conversations with their children.

Old Hall Gates

Another reminder to all parents and students NOT to use the gates near the entry to the Old Hall.

This is for vehicle entrance only and I was reminded again yesterday morning how dangerous it can be when parents bring children through those gates when traffic is present.

A large truck was reversing in this area and a parent walked through these gates and behind the truck with three children – unseen by the truck driver.

Parents please use the gates at the back of the old hall and walk around the hall on the canteen side and not through the car park! Or please use the middle gates further along from the crossing or the small pedestrian gate further along towards Glebe Road.

Wendy Cheek
Principal



CALENDAR - TERM 3 – 2015

Week 4 Event

Thursday, August 6	Year 2 Gymnastics
Friday, August 7	P & C Meeting – 1.30pm

Week 5 Event

Monday, August 10	Stage 2 Spelling Bee 2-3pm
	Stage 3 Spelling Bee 12-1pm
	- New hall

Week 7 Event

Monday, August 24	Kinder 2016 Parent Information Session – 6pm – New hall
Friday, August 28	Regional Athletics Carnival

SPECIAL MENTION AWARDS

TERM 3 WEEK 3

KINDER TO YEAR 2 ASSEMBLY

KK	Aja Atticus	Miley
KD	Jack	Imbi
KE	Jacob Jake	Angus Curtis
KH	Tom Ruby	Amelia
1J	Harry Rosie	Lilli Thomas
1C	Chloe Koby	Quillon Freya
1CF	Ty Logan	Ocean Lexi
1W	Tamara Shaykiel	Jarvis Elka
2C	Stella Cameron	Brady Hamish
2B	Charlotte Daniel	Louie Grace
2R	Guilherme Isla	Amelia Alex
2W	Ronan	Eva

YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6 ASSEMBLY

3MC	Seren Hannah	Max
3H	Noah Owen	Brodhi Nate
4A	Amy Gypsy	Bailey
4L	Jeremy Kalani	Poppy
4F	Ethan Lulu	York
5S	Jai	Talara
5W	Kiani Alexandra	Sam
5/6B	Callum Lilley	Michelle
6C	Annika Aedan	Indi
6S	Cooper Niklas	Bas Taj
STUDENT OF THE MONTH	Xavier 3H Kristian 3MC Angus 4A Lucia 4F Lily 4L	Natasha 5S Joseph 5/6B Patrick 6C Charlotte 6S

Assembly times:

Kinder to Year 2 – Wed (New Hall) 2pm (Odd weeks)
Year 3 to 6 – Friday (New Hall) 11.20am (Every week)

DANCE GROUP

Year 5 and Year 6 Dance Groups will be performing at assembly this Friday. All welcome !!

RECENT NOTES HOME

- Kindergarten Excursion - \$25 (Pink note)
- Year 6 Canberra note – Balance of money due (Yellow note)
- Year 6 “Taster Sessions” Newcastle High 12th- August

STUDENT LEAVE OVER 5 SCHOOL DAYS

If your child will be away from school for over 5 school days you must complete an ‘Extended Leave Form’ which will be approved by the Principal. These forms are available from the school office. Thank you.

STAGE 2 PUBLIC SPEAKING

Yesterday Stage 2 Public Speaking finals were held. Well done to the following students:- Claire, Connie, Lucy, Jada, Darby, Vincent, Anthony, Ziv, Kristian, Matilda, Max, Monica, Max. We were impressed with the confidence and quality of speeches.

Congratulations to Benjy and Oscar who will be representing The Junction Public School at the Zone Public Speaking at Hamilton South Public School on Thursday 6th August. Good Luck Boys !!

STAGE 2 SPELLING BEE

Next Monday we will be holding our Spelling Bee Championships 2-3pm in the New Hall.

The two winners will compete for The Junction Public School on Tuesday 8th September (week 9)

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

PRC closes in 17 DAYS

Congratulations to the following primary students who have completed their PRC:

Coco, Michelle, Luke, Kate, Oscar, Daisy, Eloise, Finnian, Alyssa, Charlie, Kobi, & Saxon.

A number of Primary students are close to finishing their reading records and they need to have them updated by 21st August 2015.

All Infants students will automatically qualify as the books have been completed as a part of shared reading activities throughout the year.

Mrs Land

RUGBY LEAGUE REPORT BY LOGAN

On Friday, 31st July, 2015 The Junction rugby league boys played in the 6th round of the PSSA rugby league knockout tournament.

The boys played against Jewells Public School at Kentish oval at 10am. It was a great game but we beat Jewells Public School 40 - 4.

We are now the Hunter A region champions. Scone Public School won the Hunter B section. We will now play them for the Hunter Champions.

This game will be played on Friday, 7th August at Learmonth Park.

Good work boys.

Logan Ramplin

REGIONAL ATHLETICS

Congratulations to the following students who have qualified for the Regional Athletics Carnival to be held later this month.

Jnr Girls Relay:- Lily, Natasha, Chloe and Maya

Ned, Eva, Saxon, Maya, Mia, Lily, Tim, Noah and Dimitri.

Well done !!

Lost Property

Our lost property bin is again overflowing !! The weather has turned cool again so please take some time to stop in and see if any items belong to your child.

PSSA ZONE BASKETBALL GALA DAY

The PSSA Basketball teams went to the Broadmeadow Basketball Stadium on Thursday 30th July to participate in the Zone Gala day. We took a boys and girls team, the girls successfully progressed through to the quarter finals. The boys played three games, however they did not progress through. Both teams played extremely well on the day, showing both skill and sportsmanship. Congratulations to those students involved for a successful day.



PAYMENTS AT THE OFFICE

Office Hours: 8.30am to 3.15pm

When paying by cash for events at the school office we ask you have the correct money – we bank every day and do not have change. We also ask if you are making a payment of an afternoon if you can do so by 3pm.

Thank you for your co-operation.

SCHOOL BANKING

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.

P & C NEWS

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

COUNTDOWN TO SPRING FAIR:

11 school weeks to go

P&C Meeting – THIS Friday 7th August at 1.30pm

All members of our school community are welcome to join us at our P&C meeting this Friday 7th August at 1.30pm. The meeting will likely be held in a Year 5 or 6 classroom, but look for a note on the office door to confirm the location. Meetings are a great opportunity to hear about, and contribute to, the things that are going on in your school.

Working & Gardening Bee – Saturday 29th August

We are planning a second working bee on Saturday 29th August to complete the works on the covered walkways that was started last term. In combination, we are looking to hold a garden working bee, to commence a spruce up of our grounds ahead of the Spring Fair. Please drop the P&C a line if you can help out on the day. We will likely commence around 7.30/8am, and go until we're finished – but are hopeful that this might be more of a half-day activity, possibly into early afternoon.

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST – Thursday 3rd September

We are finalising the menu for this year's Father's Day breakfast, which will be held on Thurs 3rd September. We will soon be calling for volunteers to help on the day, and may be trialling a new volunteer sign-up website to see whether it may be of assistance for future events. We will be pre-selling breakfast items through flexischools, with bacon and egg rolls available for purchase on the morning for anyone who hasn't pre-purchased. So, get the date into the diary of dad, grand-dad or that special father-figure in your family.

RUN NEWCASTLE – 13 September

We have set up an official TJPS team for Run Newcastle. If we get more than 100 people signed onto our team, we will be entitled to some sporting equipment for our school. People who join our team do not need to be members of our school community – so, after you've signed yourselves up, ask around friends or family, and get them to join our team too.

Please register at <http://newcastle.runaustralia.com.au/>, register in the Team/School category, select to *Join an Existing Team*, and then join **The Junction Public School – OFFICIAL** team (please don't create a new team, as it won't count towards our numbers).

HOLIDAY RAFFLE

We are finalising raffle tickets, and are hoping to have them available before the end of term. Please keep an eye out in the coming weeks, and start thinking about where you might be able to sell tickets. The prizes have broad-appeal, and so workplaces, sporting clubs and other places you frequent, may be great places to sell a few tickets.

We also have some GREAT kids incentive prizes. The more books of tickets you sell, the more entries you get into the incentive draw. The incentive prizes this year include an iPad mini, an acer tablet, private surfing lessons, kids backpacks and more.

The raffle will be drawn at the Spring Fair on 31 October.

Kindy Orientation Morning Teas

We will soon be looking for a coordinator for the Kindy orientation morning teas, which at this stage will be held in the first week of November. Preferably the coordinator and volunteers will come from this year's kindy co-hort, as we welcome incoming new parents to our school for next year.

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
7 Aug (Fri)	1.30pm	P&C Meeting
29 Aug (Sat)	Morn/early pm	Follow up working bee and gardening bee
1 Sept (Tues)	7.00pm	P&C Meeting
3 Sept (Thurs)	8.00am	Fathers Day Breakfast
13 Sept (Sun)	Morning	Run Newcastle – Harbour Foreshore
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:



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The Junction
Public School
P&C on
Facebook



“Follow”
@TJPS_PandC
on Twitter

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

In the past 2 weeks the children have made some fascinating sculptures from their clay work, created minions from recycled materials and jewellery making has been another big hit. Each week the children help our Educators come up with weekly themes and topics that become the foundation of our program. If you or your child has any ideas or suggestions on what they would like to see happen within our program, let any of our friendly staff know or pop it into our suggestions box. As we have a lot of new staff members who have joined our team this term, we ask if all families can please bring with them a form of identification when picking up your children from the service. This is to help assist our newest team members in following our policies and procedures within Camp Australia. We thank you for your cooperation and understanding with this matter. For more information on our Camp Australia program or bookings, please visit www.campaustalia.com.au or pop into the service.

Felicity
Centre Coordinator, Camp Australia



SPRING FAIR UPDATE

We're counting down the days until our first School Fair.

Sincere thanks to our select group of corporate sponsors who have pledged support to our event and who are helping us in our efforts to raise funds for the internal and external resourcing of five new brick classrooms to be occupied in 2016.

Our current sponsors are:

Foundation Sponsor:

Robinson Property: <http://www.robinsonproperty.com.au/>

Gold Sponsor:

HK Powdercoating: (02) 4953 6166

Silver Sponsors:

Bodyworx Physio: <http://bodyworxphysio.com.au/>

Central Vein & Cosmetic Medical

Centre: <http://www.cosmeticcentre.com.au/>

Resolve Legal: <http://www.resolvelegal.com.au/>

The Junction Fair: <http://www.junctionfair.com.au/>

3P Surfboards: <http://www.3psurfboards.com/>

[Merewether Veterinary Hospital:](http://www.merewetherhospital.com.au/)

<http://mvol.com.au/merewethervet.aspx>

Call For ‘Expressions of Interest’ from not-for-profit organisations/charities

As our Spring Fair is entirely community focused, we would like to give not-for-profit organisations the opportunity to participate.

All Not-For-Profit organisations are invited to forward an email requesting a stall or a demonstration slot at the Spring Fair as a means of raising community awareness.

Every request will be reviewed on its merits and a total of 5 slots and/or stalls will be awarded.

Please email Expressions of Interest to Eloise Fleck at: sponsorshiptjpspringfair@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY NEWS!!!

NEWCASTLE CITY TOUCH REGISTRATION

Juniors: 6-18 years and Seniors:
Register in September – Comp begins October

Details: contact Kerry Campbell 4946 5877

UNLOAD CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOPS - Register now for Term 3

Unload is back and looking forward to getting our creative story-telling juices flowing in Term 3. Our writing and storytelling workshops cater for all levels with a focus on having FUN and building confidence with language.

Who: Students from Years 3-6

Where: (Classroom 6S) The Junction Public School

When: Tuesdays (3.20pm-4.20pm) (Starting Week 2!)

Cost: \$135 for the term or come and try a class for \$15

Numbers are limited to 15 students.

For further information or to register contact

www.unload.org.au or contact Suzie

suzie@unload.org.au Mob 0409 409 141

FRENCH CLUB..... for 5-12 year olds

Fun after school program at the Junction PS

French club on Monday and Tuesday from

3.20pm to 4.20pm

Lots of fun activities, drama, music & games

Experienced teacher

Supported by fantastic fun activities online at Babelzone

Come and join us for a Free Trial! Enrolling now for Term 3-Monday availability only

Register your interest by phone: Phone: 0402

818034 or email: sandra.peachey@lcclubs.com.au

COOKS HILL SURF CLUB NIPPERS

All Nippers Registrations need to be done ONLINE.

New members & renewing members applications open in August. No registrations will be taken after 30th August.

For more information: www.cookshillsurfclub.com.au

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

Our school is not participating in the Woolworths Earn and Learn this year. However if you are shopping at Marketown, please consider donating your stickers to ASPECT'S Hunter School for Children with Autism. Please place stickers in ASPECT'S box at Marketown Shopping Centre (not here at school). Thank you.



"Beanie Day" Raising funds for the Mark Hughes Foundation

