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Term 3 – Week 7

Tuesday 25 August 2015

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Board of Studies Assessments

Students across the school K-6 are participating in some trial assessments for the Board of Studies. The Department of Education is developing a wide range of assessments that will cater for the different needs of all students across NSW.

Coming home to some classes are permission notes for students to participate in these assessments – no students will be identified at all – the assessments will be used to provide sample types for 'grading' across the state. If your child receives a permission note we would appreciate them coming back to school as soon as possible – thanks.

Congratulations Rugby League team

Congratulations to our PSSA Rugby League team who defeated Avoca Beach Public school in the final State round of 8 last Friday at Learmonth Park. In a very exciting game with the score at 6 all, The Junction managed to again score and convert to hold off a very determined Avoca team up until full time. Well done Josh, Jack, Orlando, Saxon, Flynn, Taj, Cooper, Marc, Aedan, Logan, Justin, Noah, Axel, Gus, Declan, Max and Tom.

The boys will be now travel to Ballina this Thursday to play against Southern Cross PS. Huge thanks to all parents for their support and to coach Greg Fleming for his mentoring of the team.

Sincere thanks to teachers Brenda Briggs and Jody Cooper for their supervision of the team. Best wishes to all for a wonderful game.



Newcastle Permanent Building Society Maths Competition

Years 5 and 6 students will be participating in the Newcastle Permanent Building Society Maths Competition tomorrow – Wednesday 26th August. This regional Maths competition provides a great challenging Maths experience for all students. Students who do well receive certificates next term.

Newcastle City Council Water Safety Program

All students will participate in a Water Safety program tomorrow run by lifesavers from Newcastle City Council. The program is tailored to the age group of students and goes over basic water safety around swimming pools, beaches, surf, creeks, drains etc.

We are very grateful to participate in this important program. There is no cost to families.

Fathers' Day BBQ Breakfast

Another great Father's Day BBQ breakfast is being arranged for all dads, uncles and grandfathers on Thursday 3rd September outside the canteen beginning at 8.00am. The P&C run this highly popular BBQ each year as a thank you to all the dads, uncles and grandfathers who support our school. Come along and enjoy a delicious breakfast – either pre-ordered (preferred option) or if not, a bacon and egg sandwich with your children. This year we will invite the dads, uncles and grandfathers to participate in some activities with their children during this time.

Regional Athletics Carnival

Best wishes to our athletes off to the Regional Athletics Carnival at Glendale this coming Friday - Jnr Girls Relay: Lily, Natasha, Chloe and Maya, Ned, Eva, Saxon, Mia, Lily, Tim, Noah, Tom and Dimitri.

Book Week Parade.

We will be celebrating Book Week during the last week of school – there will be a Book Week Parade on Friday 18th September (the last day of term) – when children may come dressed as their favourite book character. This is always a really fun, creative and colourful event – very much enjoyed by students. The parade will start at 9.30am for Kinder to Year 2 students – followed by Years 3 to 6 students at 10.00am. Time to put those thinking caps on for costumes. Parents, grandparents and family friends are very welcome to attend.

School Invoices

We still have a large percentage of unpaid invoices for elective band, and dance programs. In good faith we employ tutors to provide these programs for students and families who choose to participate, so it is essential that these programs are paid for by parents who want their children to participate. We have sent home individual invoices over the last three terms and would greatly appreciate these invoices being paid as soon as possible. We also would appreciate payment for class resources, maths programs, grammar and handwriting books where applicable. We issue these materials to all students, hoping that all parents will pay for the use of these by their children as again, we have to pay the suppliers of these goods. Your support would be greatly appreciated – thank you.

Wendy Cheek, Principal

CALENDAR - TERM 3 – 2015

Week 7 Event

Friday, August 28	Regional Athletics Carnival
Saturday, August 29	P & C Working bee – 8am - 2pm

Week 8 Event

Tuesday, September 1	P & C Meeting – 7pm
Thursday, September 3	Father's Day Breakfast – 8am
Friday, September 4	Footy Colours Day – Gold Coin Donation
Friday, September 4	Oakvale Farm Visit - Kindergarten

Week 9 Event

Monday, September 7	Year 6 Canberra
Tuesday, September 8	Year 6 Canberra
Wednesday, Sept 9	Year 6 Canberra
Wednesday, Sept 9	Year 2 Excursion Summerhill

Week 10 Event

Tuesday, Sept 15	Year 1 Excursion Summerhill
Friday, September 18	Book Week Parade (K-2) 9.30am & (3-6) 10am
Friday, September 18	Last day of Term 3

CALENDAR - TERM 4 – 2015

Week 1 Event

Monday, October 5	Public Holiday
Tuesday, October 6	STAFF & STUDENTS RETURN

SPECIAL MENTION AWARDS

TERM 3 WEEK 6

YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6 ASSEMBLY

3H	Claire Max	Brianna
3K	Ned Liam	Astrid
3MC	Loki Hollie	Luca
3W	Lily Vincent	Holly Darby
4A	Jessie Hugo	Teddy
4F	Ella Adele	Ava
4L	Oskar Django	Caleb
5S	Grace Ana	Gus
5T	Felix Arkadjya	Mia Neve
5W	Tilly	Yasmin Oscar
5/6B	Jordan Angus	Hana
6C	Cameron Lily	Oliver
6S	Imigyn Alyssa	Tom

Assembly times:

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

KINDERGARTEN 2016

If you were unable to attend the Parent evening here at school last night would you please come to the office and pick up the Enrolment Form and package this week! You will also need to indicate your child's Orientation Day. Thank you.

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.

RECENT NOTES HOME

- Kindergarten Excursion - \$25 (Pink note)
- Father's Day Breakfast (Blue note)
- Year 2 Summerhill Excursion (Green note)
- Year 1 Summerhill Excursion (Purple note)
- Year 2 Interest in joining Band (Yellow Note)
- All families – Raffle Tickets
- All families – Spring Fair Christmas Stall note

YEAR 6 CANBERRA EXCURSION

A reminder to parents to check their child has their Full Winter Uniform ready for the trip to chilly Canberra. Please make sure the boys have long grey trousers and the girls have their grey winter tunics ready, as well as full Sports Uniform (no shorts – tracksuit pants only). **Remember the Uniform Shop will be open next Monday morning if you need to borrow something – this will be your last chance to source items.**

THANK YOU

A huge thank you to parent Anna Rose who spent several hours at school today going through the lost property. Your child may come home today with some long lost items! We are very fortunate to have some wonderful parents in our school community helping out in many ways.

SCHOOL CANTEEN

The canteen are involved with a Fruit and Vegetable promotion until the end of this term. When a student buys two fruit or vegetable items they will receive a coloured pencil. They will then go into the draw for major prizes. Thanks Cath and the Canteen team.

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.



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.



As we count down to October 31 we need help. Here are a few easy ways you can do that.

LET'S GET SOCIAL

Please be a frequent visitor to our FaceBook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Junction-Public-School-Spring-Fair-2015/374092879432389>

#TJPSspringfair

'Like' and show us you care: share, comment or tweet away on all things Spring Fair - and ask your friends to do the same!

SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS

Please consider supporting our sponsors for any services you are due to buy. If you do retain their services, please be sure to say that you are a member of The Junction Public School's community.

Our current sponsors 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 include:

FOUNDATION SPONSOR

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

Proudly supported by Newcastle City Council

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

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

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

Hunter Diabetes Centre: <http://www.aimcentre.com.au/>

WE NEED JAM (CHUTNEY AND PICKLES)

Help us to fill hundreds of jam jars with relishes, preserves, jams and pickles. If you can help us, please contact Belinda at email: belindapearson@hotmail.com to arrange for collection of jars.

CLASS 'CALLS FOR STALL CONTENT'

Have you responded to your children's class 'call for stall content' – if not, please do so now or within the timeframe requested.

STREET FOOD @ THE FAIR

If you're a closet MasterChef or just a great home cook who is interested in cuisines from around the globe please consider running a stall at the event. We already have Mexican nachos, Argentinian pulled pork, Burgers/sausage sizzle and churros to name just a few. We still have lots of room for more food stalls so get your creative hats on and contact email: tjpspringfair@gmail.com if you are willing and able to help.

SPONSORSHIP RAISED TO DATE

We are delighted to say that our sponsorship tally to date (including our Community Assistance Grant support from Newcastle Council) is \$20,000 approximately with other sponsors yet to be confirmed.

Go [#TJPSspringfairvolunteers](#)

P & C NEWS

COUNTDOWN TO SPRING FAIR:

8 school weeks to go

Responses Required – Father's Day Pre-ordering, and Help Needed

There's many requests for help / volunteering at the moment. Pre-ordering closes next Monday 31 August for Father's day breakfast. Here's your one-stop set of links. More info follows below. If you have any questions, please drop the P&C an email at junctionpandc@hotmail.com

FATHERS DAY BREAKFAST – Thursday 3rd September

To help out on the morning of the Father's day breakfast, please sign up at:
<http://bit.ly/1Kdoka1> or use this QR code:



To Pre-order your Father's day breakfast (pre-orders close Monday 31/8/15):
<http://bit.ly/1hSzFBI> or use this QR code



GARDERN / WORKING BEE – This Saturday 29th August. Please sign up for as many timeslots as you can: <http://bit.ly/1JFZD7x>



P&C Email List: Sign up to keep up to date with P&C information:
<http://bit.ly/1ENf5an>



Working & Gardening Bee – THIS Saturday 29th August

Help needed 8am-2pm (approx.). If you have handy skills and can help finish off the covered walkway move, please email us so that we can coordinate the sort of tools / equipment that we need people to bring.

If you are coming along to help with general tidy up, please bring the following if you have them: wheelbarrows, gardening tools, pressure hoses (including hose / extension cords), brooms, rags / sponges, buckets and general cleaning equipment.

Please use the sign up links above – so we know how many people are coming. Please wear enclosed / sturdy shoes, and bring gloves, hat, sunscreen, water bottles etc.

In the event of bad weather, please check the P&C's Facebook page for updates.

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST – Pre-Orders close next Monday

Pre-orders for the Father's Day Breakfast close next Monday 31 August. Please order via www.flexischools.com.au or refer to the links above.

Father's Day – Help Needed Thursday 3rd September

We just need another couple of helpers for Father's Day breakfast on Thurs 3rd Sept. Please use the sign up links above.

If you are not able to use the sign up system, please email the P&C and let us know which shift you can help with, and we'll get you on the roster. We welcome feedback about the new online roster sign up.

P&C MEETING – Tuesday 1st September 7.00pm

Our next P&C meeting is fast approaching. Please join us at 7pm on Tues 1st Sept in the staff room. All members of our school community are welcome.

RUN NEWCASTLE – 13 September

Please join us on 13 September for Run Newcastle to help raise funds for John Hunter Hospital Adolescent ward. Please encourage your friends and family to sign up to **The Junction Public School – Official** team. If we get more than 50 people signed onto our team, we will be entitled to some sporting equipment for our school. You don't need to be a member of our school community to join our team! Register at <http://newcastle.runaustralia.com.au/>, and select to register in the Team/School category. Select to *Join an Existing Team*, and then join **The Junction Public School – OFFICIAL** team.

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

P&C HOLIDAY RAFFLE TICKETS – NOW ON SALE

- Every family will receive a book of P&C raffle tickets today. The prizes have broad appeal, and we encourage you to consider selling them to family members, work colleagues and beyond;
- **Tickets are \$2 each**
- If you do not wish to sell tickets, please return the books to the office
- If you need more books to sell, please come to the office and collect them
- All money and unsold tickets are to be returned to the office
- Every book sold will get your child an entry into the kid incentive draw – there are some great prizes on offer, including an ipad mini, acer tablet, surf lessons, boys & girls backpacks, and more.
- We encourage you to look for opportunities to sell as many tickets as you can
- All other details can be found on the tickets, or please contact the P&C on junctionpandc@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

Thanks for your support

UPCOMING P&C EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event
29 Aug (Sat)	8am-2pm	Follow up working bee and gardening bee
1 Sept (Tues)	7.00pm	P&C Meeting
3 Sept (Thurs)	8.00am	Father's Day Breakfast
13 Sept (Sun)	Morning	Run Newcastle – Harbour Foreshore
17/18 Oct	TBC	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:

- 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.

Want to keep up with P&C news “on the go”?
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P&C*



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@TJPS_PandC



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Julie Wharton
P&C President

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RUN NEWCASTLE
COTTON ON
SUNDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2015

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Earn up to \$1000 worth of new sporting equipment vouchers for your school. Simply register and join your school team !

Friends and family are welcome in the school team !

100% of the registration fee goes straight to the redevelopment of the Adolescent Ward at John Hunter Children's Hospital

COMMUNITY NEWS!!!

TIGERS JUNIOR CRICKET

Competition Cricket – U/11 to U/18 is traditional cricket for players of all skill levels. Teams are graded so players can enjoy it while being challenged. *Registration is \$180.*

Registration Days - Nesbitt Park Clubrooms @ Kotara South on **Fri 28th August 5-7 pm**. Also a final registration day in **early September**, date TBA. Contact the following for the date: president@tigersjuniorcricket.com.au

On-line Registration and Payment - Go to playcricket.com and enter **Tigers Junior Cricket** into search area and follow the links.

For Further Information Please Visit:

tigersjuniorcc.nsw.cricket.com.au

Leaflets with more details are available at the School Office