

Jamberoo Public School

WEEK 5 TERM 4 2016 NEWSLETTER

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A SMALL SCHOOL MAKING A BIG DIFFERENCE



Thank you to
Mrs Williams for
her help with
making mosaic tiles
for our school.



School Calendar

Wednesday 16th November	-	Wallaby Adoption Ecology Workshop
Friday 18th November	-	School Captain voting
Monday 21st November	-	Butterfly Incursion
Tuesday 22nd November	-	Stage 3 Dragon Tag Gala Day
Thursday 24th November	-	Scripture Assembly
Wednesday 30th November	-	Year 6 Orientation Kiama High School

Dear Parent/Carers

Thank you to all the parents and carers who contributed to the Jamberoo PS survey. A lot of vital information was provided by you all, with a very impressive 18 surveys completed. The data provided by the surveys will be used by myself and the school to improve all aspects of school life and make Jamberoo PS an even better learning environment.

The survey was divided into five questions, here are some common themes that I have summarised from your feedback:

1. What attributes do you look for in a leader?

- λ Good communication & listening skills.
- λ Leads by example.
- λ Sees and works towards the big picture.
- λ Collaborative with parents, students and staff.
- λ Will make big decisions and be consistent.
- λ Not influenced by others.

2. What would you like to see me achieve by the end of the year?

- λ A clear direction for the school.
- λ Settle in and observe.
- λ Develop a relationship with students, staff and parents.
- λ Class structures for 2017.
- λ Update policies on school website.



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3. What are some things Jamberoo PS does well?

- λ Parental involvement.
- λ Extracurricular activities – sport, debating, public speaking, choir, dance.
- λ Buddy programs.
- λ Friendly and supportive environment.
- λ Students are polite and friendly.

4. What path would you like to see the school take for self-improvement?

- λ Parent/Teacher interview process.
- λ More time put into academia.
- λ Meeting individual needs of students.
- λ Year and stage classes eg all Year 3 students in the same class.
- λ Policies being transparent eg discipline policy

5. Additional Comments.

- λ Making the school an even happier/friendlier place.
- λ Students knowing who their teacher will be the next year.
- λ Bullying issues need to be dealt with.
- λ An 'outsider' bringing new ideas.
- λ Consistency in decision-making.

Yesterday was the last day of Kindergarten Orientation for the year. It was fantastic to see all the prospective Kindergarten children enjoying themselves at 'big school' and interacting with the older students. It was also very pleasing to see the many parents who attended the orientation sessions this year. We really appreciated the effort it requires to attend the sessions as we know how busy life can be being a parent and working. A special thank you to all the staff who made this year's Kindergarten Orientation a huge success. A lot of work behind the scenes is put into organising a Kindergarten transition and people do not realise the amount of effort that goes into it. Thank you to all involved, especially Mrs Xuereb!

At the end of this week we farewell our university students; Mr Clayton Whitford and Miss Madalyn O'Connell, who have been working in Walabi and Wurrata. They have been doing a tremendous job working with their supervising teachers and teaching the students in those classrooms. We wish them all the best in their future careers and hopefully we will see them back at Jamberoo PS in the near future. Miss Emily Noaks has one more week remaining in her practicum on Nuninoona. She is really enjoying interacting with the Stage 3 students and is doing a fantastic job educating the learners she is working with.

Chris Speirs
Principal

Library News

Thank you everyone for your support of the Scholastic Book Fair 'Buy One – Donate One to the School Library' Fair. The extra books donated to the library from the fair will have a book plaque recognising each child's donation. Keep on Keeping on Reading.

Although the 2016 Premier's Reading Challenge has closed, Jamberoo readers have already started the 2017 Challenge. An easy way to keep track of the books completed before the 2017 website opens is through 'Oliver'. Oliver and each student's individual Orbit page can be accessed via the Department of Education student portal. The link for Oliver is in the upper right hand corner of the child's home page. Click on Oliver and then Orbit (the little circle icon) on the right.

A student (and teachers) can check books that are currently borrowed, search for titles for leisure and research, check if a book is currently on loan or available, reserve a favourite and view past records of loans. It is easy to recognise books because most searches are displayed with an image of the particular book cover.

Premier Reading Challenge books are marked with a 'bookworm icon' and new PRC books with two bookworms.

What a fun way to find out more about our library and Oliver. Oliver can be accessed at home as well as at school so books out or overdue can be checked before Wednesday's library lesson.



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Christmas Concert – [mark your calendars](#)

Our school's Christmas Concert assembly will be on Wednesday, 14th December, at 9:30 am.

Each student will be involved in two items. We ask that students wear any combination of "Christmas colours" -- red, green and white – for this event. Santa hats or tinsel, etc, are welcome to get us in the holiday mood!

Carols in the Park – [mark your calendars](#)

Each year, our school is asked to be part of Jamberoo's beautiful community event, Carols in the Park, by performing on stage. Please mark your calendars for Tuesday 13th December. In a change from previous years, all students are being asked to **arrive at 6:45 pm for a 7:00 pm start**. Years K, 1 and 2 will perform early in the evening, while Stage 2 and Stage 3 students will perform a little later. Due to slightly rainy weather last year, the order of events moved very quickly. Therefore, this year we have been asked to ensure that all performers arrive by 7:00 pm at the latest, to avoid missing out. Thank you for understanding.

Students are asked to wear "Christmas colours" for this event – any combination of red, green and white. Please see me with any questions.

Mrs McCormack

Wurrata African Drumming Assembly Item this Friday – 11th November.

We will present an African drumming assembly item to demonstrate our recent learning to friends and family, as well as to the school community, at tomorrow's assembly. Please join us!

Mrs McCormack and Mrs Martin

Theatresports

We have commenced our 2016 Theatresports competition at Jamberoo Public! I am pleased to see that we have 10 teams from Year 2–6, with many newbies joining some of our more seasoned thespians. Theatresports will be run at lunch time twice a week, over a 4 week period, before we crown our kings and/or queens of improvised drama. I predict lots of laughter, teamwork, quick thinking, creativity and dramatic flair to spill from our hall in the weeks to come. Thanks for taking up the challenge, enthusiastic Jamberoo students.

Mrs Behl-Shanks

Nuninoona Milkshake Fundraiser

Over the next 4 Wednesdays (starting next Wednesday 16th November) the enterprising students of Year 5 and 6 will be selling milkshakes. They hope to raise funds to support their end of year visit to Jamberoo Action Park, aware that their parents have already paid for two camps this year. This fundraiser has the additional benefit of providing a real-life context for their recent financial planning unit in maths.

The order forms will be given to each Jamberoo student on Mondays, with the hope of people pre-ordering their delicious milkshakes (bringing back the form on Tuesday), ready for distribution on Wednesdays. We will have limited on-the-day milkshakes available for those that might be absent on the Monday or Tuesday, but our preference is to know the quantities and buy the milk the day before.

Thanks for your support of what I am sure will be a yummy fundraiser.

Mrs Behl-Shanks

Jamberoo Red Cross Jewellery Stall and Drualla Open House.

Thank you to members of the community who generously donated quality necklaces, bracelets, earrings and watches for sale at the Red Cross jewellery stall at the Kiama Markets.

A reminder that Red Cross members will be serving Devonshire Tea (\$3 for scones, jam and cream, tea or coffee) and the local Rural Fire Service will be conducting a sausage sizzle at the Drualla Open House this Saturday, 12th November. Drualla House (3 doors north of the school) is turning 100 years old this year, will be open for inspection between 10am and 2pm. Come along and enjoy a step back in time and some light refreshment!

Lesley Curnow and Janelle Newberry on behalf of Red Cross.



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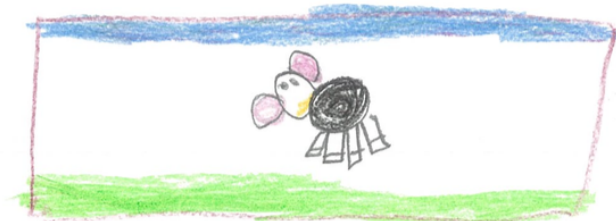
On Wednesday, my son and I attended our last Kindergarten Orientation. We walked through the school gates to be greeted by our smiling senior students. My son was happy to leave me behind and go off with his Year Five friends to class. Upon leaving the school, I was instructed on the school crossing procedure and informed that he was ready for big school. My Year Six daughter came home with an exquisite invitation to her farewell dinner, organised by our Year five parents, who give their time and expertise to make this night truly special for our students. Read on for more news from your P&C:

- P&C Service Award - The quiet helpers within our school, we need your help to recognise these helpers. Fill in the nomination form that is included in this week's newsletter and email or hand it into the office.
- We are seeking your opinion. At present, we run the community BBQ at Kiama Seaside markets each year in September. This year, due to weather and lack of volunteers, we raised \$400.00. Normally our profit is around \$2000.00. The P&C executive feels, due to families schedules been busy, it is time to look at alternative fundraisers that would raise a decent profit for the school. Please forward your opinions/ideas to jambroosecretary@gmail.com, we do appreciate the support we receive from the parents within the school and broader community.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 30th at 7.00pm.

Susan Mills
P & C President

The Mosaic
Birrahlee has kindly made a mosaic
of a Farm - we used tiles to make
a bull and a cow. We really
liked making it because it
represents Jambroo.



written by Neve, Tessa, Ellie, Amy and Josh



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Spirit of Service Award 2016

The P&C are calling for nominations for the 2016 recipient of the "Spirit of Service Award". If you know of someone you believe should be recognised for their contributions to our school, please write their name below and hand this nomination in at the office. Any person volunteering at our school is eligible whether they be a parent, grandparent or community member etc.

I would like to nominate: _____

MERIT AWARDS

Birrahlee	Walabi	Wurrata	Nuninoona
Odin Stubbles	Macson Smith	Jack Maguire	Dylan Adams
Calhoun Wager	Lucas Fagan	Will Fagan	Charli Woolley
Amy Harris	Amarni-Lee Martin	Ollie Moore	Monika Mitrevska
Ellie Linsley	Rylan Aquilina	Jules Frost	Harley Allen
Neve Wilkins	Ruby Palk	Isabelle Ryan	Mathew Maguire
Dimity Blazeovski	Tavish Thomson		

LEARNING HABITS

Indianah Ryan	Ethan Gray	Nina Donnerbauer	Saffron Willoughby
	Talia Mcarthur	Laura Hall	Erin McCormack
	Chloe Adams	William Thomson	Eliza Schweitzer

GOLD AWARD

Neve Wilkins	Talia Mcarthur
Amarni-Lee Martin	Nina Donnerbauer

HOUSE WINNER - Wauchope

Term 4 Chook Roster

Saturday 12th November - Wilkins Family	Sunday 13th November - Wilkins Family
Saturday 19th November	Sunday 20th November
Saturday 26th November	Sunday 27th November
Saturday 3rd December - Wilkins Family	Sunday 4th December - Wilkins Family
Saturday 10th December	Sunday 11th December
Saturday 17th December	Sunday 18th December



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