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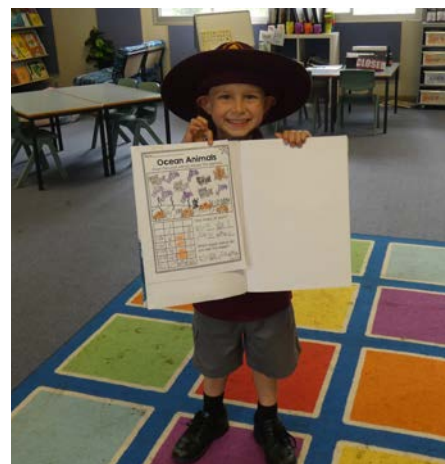
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TERM 1, FEBRUARY 2019 :: WEEK 4



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
February 18	February 19	February 20	February 21	February 22	February 23/24
		Debating day at Manner Park	P&C Welcome BBQ & Meet the teacher night 4.45pm	Short Assembly 2.45pm	
February 25	February 26	February 27	February 28	March 1	March 2/3
			Small Schools Swimming carnival	Clean up Australia Day Short Assembly 2.45 pm	
March 4	March 5	March 6	March 7	March 8	March 9/10
Rumbalara Energy Trailer	Parent Teacher Interviews WHS Information Evening			Long Assembly 2.15pm	Sat 9 - Working Bee

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Attendance

Jilliby Public School prides itself on encouraging attendance of all its students.

Students who are absent from school require explanation from their parents or carers within 7 days of the FIRST DAY of absence. This means if your child is absent on Monday for 3 days and returns Thursday a note must be received by the following Monday or the child will be marked with an unexplained absence. At times students may be involved in activities outside of school but which fall during school hours. (For example attending elite sporting events.) An exemption may be obtained on application to the Principal. Please see the office for the relevant documentation. This should be sought prior to the absence occurring.

It is the duty of the school to contact parents when children are absent and Jilliby PS has a new system in place which will send an SMS to notify you if your child is late or absent. This provides a blanket of safety for your child and reassurance for you that your child is where you expect them to be. It is good practice to contact the school at your earliest convenience once any SMS is received. Sometimes things go wrong and you may receive an SMS after already notifying the school. We apologise in advance if this occurs. Below are some helpful tips about attendance.

School Attendance : Tips for Parents

- Develop good routines: Children NEED routine. These habits are a good foundation that will help kids throughout their school life and into the future;
- Get uniforms, school bag and all school things organised the night before
- Go to bed at the SAME, reasonable time each night
- Get up at the SAME time each morning
- Have breakfast at the SAME time each morning
- Leave for school at the SAME time each day (be on time!)
- Be positive: about school in front of your child. If you have any concerns, talk to the school about the issue rather than create a negative image about school for your child. You will create problems for yourself and your child if you teach them to be negative about school.
- Build your child's problem solving skills: Rather than solving all their problems for them, help your child solve problems by asking them what they think is the best thing to do, or what do other kids do if this happens. Discuss ideas together rather than just giving them the answer or criticising the school. You are a role model for your child.
- Be firm: You are the parent and kids need to feel secure in knowing that you always mean what you say. Don't say things if you can't or won't do it. Kids have plenty of friends, but they only have one mum/dad. Being a parent is more important, more special and much harder than trying to be their friend.
- Develop incentive programs: to encourage and reward the behaviour you want to see. Everyone likes to be rewarded for trying hard and doing their best. Kids respond to small rewards, praise and little treats. Nothing big or expensive, maybe just some time with you kicking a ball, a bike ride or fish and chips! You could also use a chart and put a sticker up for each time the child gets ready for school on time – at the end of the week you could agree on a reward for their efforts. Being positive makes everyone happy.
- Kids need to understand about consequences: If your child does not do what you agree to, or they break the rules, then they need to know that there will be consequences for their actions e.g., no computer or TV, no pocket money or maybe even ask them how they will "make up" for their behaviour. Follow through with the consequence!
- Don't get into arguments: with your child. Kids know how to push your buttons, so instead of ongoing arguments, just say what you need to say and walk away. Tell your child you have made your decision and that it is final. Your child will soon learn that you mean what you say and that arguing will not work. Teenagers are expert arguers!
- Don't take things personally: Kids will often use 'words as weapons' especially when they are feeling frustrated. Name calling, muttering under their breath or saying "I don't love you anymore!" can be very common.



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- Be consistent: You will only confuse your child and create anxiety if you constantly change the messages you give them. If you tell your child they have to be at school every day and then let them stay home because it is convenient or give in to their demands, then the child learns that you will cave in under pressure and that you don't mean what you say!

Principal

There have been a number of rumours circulating about the Principal at our school. At this point in time everything remains the same and there has been no change to the status of Principal at Jilliby Public School. This means I remain the relieving Principal as planned for Term 1. When information is available parents will immediately be informed if there are any changes to the current arrangements.

After School Care

In the last newsletter information was posted around after school care. To date there have been no applications received by our office. If you are interested in using an after school care facility please fill out the forms and send to the office as soon as you can. (See Skoolbag for forms)

Robotics

This week our students were introduced to the Robotics sessions being offered by Tim and Susan Gardiner at our school. We are extremely fortunate to have Susan and Tim's expertise this year and I am grateful for their time and efforts to assist us in providing students with new opportunities. Your child, if interested, will bring home a note requesting your permission to attend the sessions which are organised to run from 2 pm to 3 pm on a Monday during school time for years 4, 5 or 6. This note requires a commitment from you also, as it is hoped the students will compete at the Robocup Dance Competition in Newcastle or the Central Coast this year. Dates are yet to be confirmed but last year this was around the end of June. Students may require private transport to the event.



Welcome BBQ

This Thursday is our Welcome BBQ. This is more than just a sausage sizzle!!!! Come and meet the teachers, get information about our canteen, Busy Bees After School Care, P & C, Robotics, Classroom Behaviour system and much more. We encourage all families in the school community to come along and help us start the year on a positive note. We especially want our new parents to have the chance to meet everyone and feel included.



Swimming Carnival

The schools swimming carnival will be on Thursday 28th February at Gosford Pool. Please return permission notes and payment to the office by Friday 22nd February.



Parent Teacher Interviews

On Tuesday of Week 6 we have organised a time for parents to come and meet individually with their child's teacher. This is a short meeting to find out how your child has settled in and if there are any concerns. It is intended to give you a brief insight into how your child has performed on early assessments as a starting point for learning in 2019. I encourage everyone to contact Mrs Garay at the office to select an appointment time. You can ring or call in from Monday 18th February.



Rep Football!

On the weekend Will and I went to Port Macquarie to play representative football for our team the Peninsula Piranha's. We came second. We played 4 games on Friday then we played 11 games all up over the competition. My team came second so now we will go to Wollongong for the Semi-finals. Noah

Working Bee

We are having another working Bee on the 9th March, 2019 to clear up the many areas of overgrowth around the grounds which have been impossible to control during the summer. If you can attend please let the office know so that I can cater adequately (Last term we were a few sausages short of a BBQ!). We would love it if you could bring along whipper-snippers, mowers, mattocks, shovels, rakes etc.

There are several gardens which need to be dug out and cleared.

I will need a few ladies to help sort out the store room in the Library if they don't want to get their hands dirty but would like to help. I also have some packing jobs for anyone who would like to stay indoors. If you can come for an hour or more that would be wonderful.

exitStart 8am and finish 3pm.

P&C

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our exiting P & C committee and welcome our new committee. It has been a pleasure working with you all and I know you will continue to support the P&C's efforts and the newly elected members. I welcome our new President - Tiana McLaren, Vice President - Katie Flew, Treasurer - Denise Ellis and Secretary Melissa Moylan. Thank you for taking on these important roles and ensuring our P&C continues to be a valuable asset to our school.

The next P&C Meeting will be held on Monday 11th March at 6pm in the school staff room, all are very welcome to come along.

130 yrs Anniversary committe meeting

Jilliby Public School is celebrating it's 130th Anniversary this year. If you would like to be a part of organising celebration events, please stay after our 'Welcome BBQ' at the school this Thursday and join in an informal meeting to look at lots of ideas. The Welcome BBQ is 4.45 to 6pm and we will meet briefly after that. If you are unable to attend but have some great suggestions please contact the school.







P & C Fundraiser – FIRST AID AND SNAKE KITS

The P & C are selling First Aid Kits below recommended Retail Prices. If your kit needs replenishing or updating then this is a great opportunity. As we are a rural school we have Snake Bite Kits in each of the classrooms and one in the Administration building. You can now have the peace of mind of having first aid kits in your home and car.

There are 3 kits to choose from and the prices are listed with the details below.

All kits are on display in the office area if you would like to have a closer look!

<p><u>SNAKE BITE KIT</u></p> <p>RR PRICE \$69.95 P & C PRICE \$59.95</p> <p>SAVE \$10</p>			
<p><u>CAR KIT</u></p> <p>RR PRICE 89.95 P & C PRICE \$74.95</p> <p>SAVE \$15</p>			
<p><u>WORK /HOME KIT</u></p> <p>RR PRICE \$134.95 P & C PRICE \$114.95</p> <p>SAVE \$20</p>			



Calendar Term 1 2019

Week/Mon	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 Jan/Feb	28 Public Holiday	29 SDD	30 Year 1-6 students return Kindergarten Best Start Assessments	31 First day for Kindergarten	1
Week 2 Feb	4 P&C AGM 6pm Staffroom	5	6	7	8 Long Assembly 2.15pm – Badge ceremony
Week 3 Feb	11	12	13	14	15 Short Assembly 2.45pm
Week 4 Feb	18	19	20 Debate training day at Mannering Park	21 P&C Welcome BBQ & Meet the teacher 4.45pm	22 Short Assembly 2.45pm
Week 5 Feb/Mar	25	26	27	28 Small Schools Swimming Carnival	1 Clean Up Australia Day Short Assembly 2.45pm
Week 6 Mar	4 Rumbalara Energy Trailer	5 Parent Teacher Interviews	6	7	8 Long Assembly 2.15pm Sat 9 – Working Bee
Week 7 Mar	11	12	13 Eureka Science Program	14 Eureka Science Program	15 Short Assembly 2.45pm
Week 8 Mar	18	19	20	21 Grandparents Morning Tea Harmony Day	22 Short Assembly 2.45pm
Week 9 Mar	25	26	27	28	29 Long Assembly 2.15pm
Week 10 Apr	1	2	3	4	5 Short Assembly 2.45pm
Week 11 Apr	8	9 Anzac Day Service	10 Reward Day	11	12 Long Assembly 2.15pm - Easter Hat Parade Last Day of Term 1

