

## SCHOOL NEWS

### Principal's Report

#### Welcome to Jilliby Public School 2020!!!

Just wanted to say welcome back to all our returning parents and students and give a huge welcome to our new students and parents who have joined us in 2020. I am pleased to welcome back our hard-working teaching staff, Mrs Wales on K/1, Mr Bof on 2/3/4 and Mrs Bowes on 5/6. I am very pleased to welcome Miss Biviano back this year to take Library and Science. Miss Biviano is an asset to our school and we are fortunate to have her expertise. Come and check out the library where she has cleaned up old mouldy books and rearranged the furniture to make it feel open and bright. We are fortunate to have the support of Mrs Hannan who helps our students in their day-to-day learning and socialising. This term we welcome Mrs Pateman and Mrs Cupidon who are also assisting our students. Mrs Garay continues in her role at Wyong High School and Mrs James has taken on the challenge of filling her shoes with admirable success. To assist her each Tuesday Mrs Kirk comes in and together they make a formidable team who just 'get it done'!!!

We have an exciting year ahead with various events sure to make 2020 memorable. Our Year 3 & 4 students are being offered the opportunity to attend 'Zoonsnooze' at Taronga Zoo, while our Year 5 & 6 students will head off to Canberra. K/1/2 will be off for a day visit to somewhere quite special (Details still in the making!) and I know they will have a fabulous time. I am looking forward to meeting our Grandparents at the Grandparent's Morning Tea this term. We have many sporting events lined up and our upcoming Swimming Carnival with the Small School's Group will be an event not to miss. We have some very competitive swimmers here at Jilliby Public School and I know this is an event they look forward to. In week 3 & 4 we are very happy to be able to offer Learn to Swim classes for students at the Mariners Centre. I am forever grateful for the efforts of our P & C who have purchased our bus, allowing us to offer this service at a very reasonable cost. In previous years the event has been too expensive due to the cost of bus hire. This term you will have the opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher at our Parent/Teacher Evening. In the meantime, should you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to call the school and make an appointment.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
3 <sup>rd</sup> February	4 <sup>th</sup> February	5 <sup>th</sup> February	6 <sup>th</sup> February	7 <sup>th</sup> February	8/9 <sup>th</sup> February
				Short Assembly 2:45pm	
10 <sup>th</sup> February	11 <sup>th</sup> February	12 <sup>th</sup> February	13 <sup>th</sup> February	14 <sup>th</sup> February	15/16 <sup>th</sup> February
				Short Assembly 2:45pm	
17 <sup>th</sup> February	18 <sup>th</sup> February	19 <sup>th</sup> February	20 <sup>th</sup> February	21 <sup>st</sup> February	22/23 <sup>rd</sup> February
School Swim Scheme	School Swim Scheme	School Swim Scheme	School Swim Scheme	School Swim Short Assembly 2:45pm	

In NSW, students must attend school regularly. This means all children between the ages of six and seventeen are legally required to attend school. Attendance is recorded daily and a 'rollcall' is conducted before the first lesson of the day begins.

For the benefit of all children, parents or carers should ensure their child attends school regularly. Any absence from school should be explained within seven days of the first absence. This can be done through a call to the office, a note through Skoolbag App or in writing. To ensure students are where they are expected to be, you will receive an SMS if your child be absent and we have not received notification on that morning. Should you receive an SMS, please contact the school promptly to notify the reason for your child's absence. Sometimes you may receive an SMS in error, please understand that the small inconvenience of receiving an error text far outweighs the consequences if the service didn't exist. A simple call to the office to clarify the error is all that is needed.

Below are some helpful hints for establishing regular attendance patterns.

### ➤ Routine

Setting up a routine is fundamental so is ensuring there is family discipline to keep it going. Give your child a set of tasks to complete every morning before school and every afternoon when they return. (e.g. be out of bed by 7am, have breakfast and pack school bag, get dressed, brush teeth and be out the door by 8am.)

### ➤ Planning & Organising

Achieving a sense of calm in getting ready for school or any other outing can only occur through planning and organising the family. This might include:

- Keeping a family schedule
- Knowing what's required for each day for each child
- Having a central place for processing information and notes.
- Checking the Skoolbag App regularly for updates of events
- Placing the information on the family schedule for all to see
- Going over the family schedule the night before
- Getting things ready the night before wherever possible – clothes, lunches, school bags packed – everything ready to go so you can save precious time when trying to actually get out the door.

### ➤ Involvement and responsibility

Unless you get the children involved and taking some responsibility, you still won't get them to school on time. Try these tips to get their involvement:

- Make it fun
- Give them a couple of simple and clear tasks
- Time their activities and encourage them to beat the clock
- Make them responsible for the items they need each day, such as clothes and equipment
- Good habits are developed.

### ➤ Support

Get support where you can. This might include:

- Linking in to school or community programs such as homework centres, after school activities
- Sharing tasks within the local community, family and friends, such as taking it in turns to monitor children at the bus stop, or sharing pick up and drop off days.

### ➤ Rewards

There's no doubt that parents can at times be left wondering whether all the effort is worth the potential stress of trying to get the family moving, but the accumulated effect of keeping on top of the family requirements can produce great outcomes. Natural rewards such as these will occur for the whole family:

- Children react more positively, knowing what is expected of them
- Boundaries are outlined
- Good habits are developed



## Health & Safety

### Your Child's Medical Needs

Information about allergies, asthma, diabetes and medical procedures helps us support your child's health and wellbeing. Please provide relevant information to the school.

➤ **Please note: Information you provide will only be used or disclosed in order to support your child's health needs or as otherwise required by law.**

### First Aid

Our first aid officer is Melanie James and our sick bay is located in the administration building. If you injure yourself while on site, please go to the office or ask someone to alert the first aid officer. They will assist you.



### Are your details up to date?



Have you moved or changed phone numbers? Please inform the front office with any changes in your living situation so we can contact you if the need arises. We particularly need to keep phone numbers up to date for emergencies. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

## Student Wellbeing

At our school we have very high expectations regarding student behaviour and I am very happy to say that all of our children reach those expectations most of the time. We use a positive approach to student discipline by setting clear limits, recognising appropriate behaviour and applying consequences to inappropriate behaviour. Behaviour that infringes on the safety of others such as harassment, bullying or anti-social behaviour of any kind is not tolerated from anyone and will be responded to appropriately. We understand that children will occasionally make the wrong choice and we work with them to make better choices should that or a similar situation arise again. We encourage our students to let us know if a situation is occurring that they can't handle and we support them by providing them with the skills they need to rectify the situation or we intervene appropriately.

If your child comes home and shares a concern that involves another student at school we ask all parents to contact the class teacher in the first instance or Mrs Docherty if needed. Sometimes parents feel they may be making a big deal out of something and think they are better off waiting. In most cases, dealing with issues as soon as they arise results in the best outcomes for all concerned.

Under no circumstances are parents to make contact with another child in regards to a conflict that is happening at school or on the way to and from school. It is inappropriate and often escalates the problem. If you have concerns or an issue arises please let the school know as soon as you can so we can deal with it appropriately.

## School Calendar

We are currently putting together our school calendar for the term and there are still some dates to be finalised. As soon it is ready we will send a copy home for the fridge and a copy will be placed on Skoolbag. Below are some dates that you may wish to put in your telephone.

1. **Learn To Swim Scheme:**  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February
2. **Parent Meet and Greet**  
Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February
3. **Swimming Carnival – Gosford Pool** (Zone Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March)  
Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February





#### 4. Parent/Teacher Interviews

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March

#### 5. Grandparents Day & Harmony Day

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March

### P&C AGM

The Parents & Citizens Association (P&C) warmly welcome all families for the 2020 school year, and a special welcome to families joining our JPS community this year.

The P&C will be holding our first meeting of the year as follows:

Date/Time: Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 6pm.

Location: The administration building

The meeting will be the Annual General Meeting (AGM) immediately followed by the February General Meeting for 2020.

Please come along to support your school. It is only together that we can build a strong community and supportive environment for our children and staff.

If you have any questions or concerns you would like to raise but cannot attend the meeting please email Tiana McLaren at [tiana774@hotmail.com](mailto:tiana774@hotmail.com).

### Kinder 2020

This week we welcomed our newest members of our school, our Kindergarten students. It has been impressive how well they've transitioned into their new environment and class routines. They are enjoying participating in a range of activities and are making many new friendships. Thank you to our 'Kindergarten Buddies' and Year 1 students, who have been very supportive, both in the classroom and the playground.







## UNIFORM SHOP – TRADING HOURS 2020

Please welcome Calli Hicks as the new Uniform Shop Co-ordinator for 2020.

**From Term 1 Week 2 – FRIDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2020 - Uniform Shop hours will be:  
Fridays 3pm – 3:30pm**



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**The school canteen is currently closed. We are seeking a volunteer to operate/manage the school canteen. We will notify all parents as soon as the canteen reopens.**

## 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><b><u>SNAKE BITE KIT</u></b></p> <p>RR PRICE \$69.95 P &amp; C PRICE \$59.95</p> <p><b>SAVE \$10</b></p>	 <p>A green fabric kit with a label that reads "SURVIVAL SNAKE BITE KIT".</p>	 <p>An open black kit showing various medical supplies including bandages, gauze, and antivenom.</p>	 <p><b>SNAKE FIRST AID KIT</b>  <b>Contents:</b>      Bite record, located on back of kit under this instruction card      CPR card located on back of Snake Bite record card      Cox's glycerine ointment 1/2 oz. pack, sterile      15 cm x 7.5 cm Dressing Gauze, 2 1/2 in x 1 in for top leg and      Antivenom 1 vial      Penicillin 100,000 units per vial      Petroleum Vaseline 1/2 oz. jar      Petroleum Vaseline 1/2 oz. jar      10 cm x 2 in. 1 medium weight, 10 cm x 2 in.      Snake Bite First Aid Kit      Split, appears ready \$12.14 (100%)      * Kit color: coated 6000 Oxford polyester fabric-reinforced      KIT can be wiped down with liquid disinfectant.</p>
<p><b><u>CAR KIT</u></b></p> <p>RR PRICE \$89.95 P &amp; C PRICE \$74.95</p> <p><b>SAVE \$15</b></p>	 <p>A black kit with a label that reads "SURVIVAL FIRST AID KIT".</p>	 <p>An open black kit showing various medical supplies including bandages, gauze, and antivenom.</p>	 <p><b>VEHICLE FIRST AID KIT</b>  <b>Contents:</b>      Bite record, located on back of kit under this instruction card      CPR card located on back of Vehicle First Aid record card      Cox's glycerine ointment 1/2 oz. pack, sterile      15 cm x 7.5 cm Dressing Gauze, 2 1/2 in x 1 in for top leg and      Antivenom 1 vial      Penicillin 100,000 units per vial      Petroleum Vaseline 1/2 oz. jar      Petroleum Vaseline 1/2 oz. jar      10 cm x 2 in. 1 medium weight, 10 cm x 2 in.      Snake Bite First Aid Kit      Split, appears ready \$12.14 (100%)      * Kit color: coated 6000 Oxford polyester fabric-reinforced      KIT can be wiped down with liquid disinfectant.</p>
<p><b><u>WORK/HOME KIT</u></b></p> <p>RR PRICE \$134.95 P &amp; C PRICE \$114.95</p> <p><b>SAVE \$20</b></p>	 <p>A red kit with a label that reads "SURVIVAL FIRST AID KIT".</p>	 <p>An open red kit showing various medical supplies including bandages, gauze, and antivenom.</p>	 <p><b>WORK/HOME FIRST AID KIT</b>  <b>Contents:</b>      Bite record, located on back of kit under this instruction card      CPR card located on back of Work/Home First Aid record card      Cox's glycerine ointment 1/2 oz. pack, sterile      15 cm x 7.5 cm Dressing Gauze, 2 1/2 in x 1 in for top leg and      Antivenom 1 vial      Penicillin 100,000 units per vial      Petroleum Vaseline 1/2 oz. jar      Petroleum Vaseline 1/2 oz. jar      10 cm x 2 in. 1 medium weight, 10 cm x 2 in.      Snake Bite First Aid Kit      Split, appears ready \$12.14 (100%)      * Kit color: coated 6000 Oxford polyester fabric-reinforced      KIT can be wiped down with liquid disinfectant.</p>





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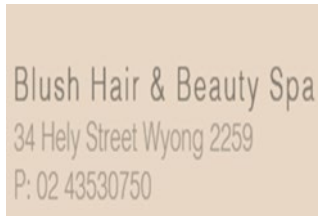
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