Jindera Public School Canteen Roster

Monday each week - Bakery Orders

- Friday 6th March
  - DS: Chris Butler
  - Ass 1: Sam Blackie
  - Ass 2: Melinda Delaney (training)

- Kylie unavailable

- Friday 13th March
  - DS: Jodie Martin
  - Ass 1: Ros McMillan (training)
  - Ass 2: Kristen Brill

- Kylie unavailable

- Friday 20th March
  - DS: Monica Kolhagan
  - Ass 1: Jenn Quayle - all day
  - Ass 2: Bek Twford

- Barb unavailable

- Friday 27th March
  - DS: Marita Christensen
  - Ass 1: Leticia Oehm - all day
  - Ass 2: Melinda Delaney

- Kylie unavailable

- Wednesday 1st April
  - Red Day

- Friday 3rd April
  - School Holidays

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Launch

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Years and 6 major excursion – 17, 18 and 19 August 2015

Years 5 and 6 are invited to participate in the major excursion to Canberra, ACT on 17, 18 and 19 August. The cost of this excursion is $228.00 which includes all meals, transport and attractions. Thanks to the very kind donation from the P&C. Details and an expression of interest form will be sent home before the end of Term 1.

Term 1 assemblies – 3/4B Thursday 19 March

The next full school assembly will be on Thursday 19 March. The SRC from 3/4B will host this assembly which will begin at 2:30pm. All parents/carers are invited to attend.

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Student Welfare and health care plans

Mrs Berndt, the school’s Learning and Support Teacher/Student Welfare Teacher, has been working closely with class teachers and Learning Support Officers to ensure that all students are provided with opportunities to access the curriculum and develop as confident, creative and resilient members of the community. Mrs Berndt is currently meeting or calling all of our new parents/carers and is developing personalised learning plans and student welfare programs for students as required. Mrs Berndt will be acting in the additional role of Student Welfare Teacher until the appointment of a new school counsellor. Mrs Berndt is highly experienced in this area and is available Monday to Thursday to meet with parents/carers and students. Please call the school office if you would like further information or to see Mrs Berndt.

Mrs Berndt is currently reviewing all medical records for students who have identified asthma, allergies or other medical conditions, requiring the administration of a health care plan and medications at school or home. A current health care plan is required by law. It must be prepared and signed by the GP or Paediatrician and returned to school with medications in original packaging, clearly labelled with the child’s name and dosage. Students requiring action plans will receive a letter from the school with the request.

Scripture (SRE)

SRE began this week for all students whose parents nominated SRE. SRE is now held on Thursdays for half an hour. Students whose parents have nominated non-SRE will be supervised in other parts of the school during SRE times.

Parent/Teacher interviews

Parent/teacher interviews will be held during Week 9 of this term, week beginning Monday 23 March. Teachers will send home an invitation and further information shortly. Parent/Teacher interviews are a major component of the ongoing assessment and reporting to parents schedule in the school. It is an opportunity to discuss your child’s progress and any needs they may have. Parents/carers are encouraged to meet and speak with the class teachers regularly throughout the year, whenever the need arises, or to make a time to speak with the class teacher.

The interviews have been organised for the following days. The interviews will run for approximately 15 - 20 minutes between 9.00am and 4.30pm.

Tuesday 24th March—(3-4) Mr. Hill, (3-4B) Miss Blair, (5-6S) Mrs Simpson and (5-6K) Mrs Killenomaks

Wednesday 25th March—(KC) Mr Clayton, (K/1R) Miss Reeves, (1-2E) Mrs East and (2K) Mr Knight

School plan

The draft school management plan was tabled at the P&C and school council meetings on Monday night. This document has been widely consulted and will form the basis of school improvement for the next three years. Our strategic directions for the school plan are:

1. Student learning – focusing on writing and working mathematically
2. Wellbeing, culture and values – focusing on social/emotional, wellbeing of all students; developing a culture of excellence and the broader values of global citizenship
3. Teacher quality and leadership capacity – focusing on teacher quality; teachers as school leaders and student leadership.

This is an exciting time for our school as we collaboratively plan our priorities for the future. The school plan will be published on the school website early next term. If you have any questions or would like to discuss the plan any further, please contact the school.

Car park – Your cooperation is vital (a further reminder)

On the last day of school 2013 a young school aged child was struck and killed in a tragic traffic accident outside a busy Sydney primary school. These horrible images will remain with the children, parents and school staff who witnessed the accident but unfortunately this was not an isolated incident in our schools.

Please do not drop or collect children in the car park at any time. Please do not walk through the car park at any time. The car park is for teachers and school staff only, parents/carers are asked to use the car park between the school and football oval. The risk to students (and parents) is great when walking through car parks. Help us to keep all students safe, please do not park, drop or collect students in the staff car park or walk through the car park.

Parents/carers and students are reminded that a teacher is not on playground duty before 8:55am. Students arriving at school before 8:55am are reminded to sit quietly in the quad area until the bell rings at 8:55am. All students are then to move to the covered netball court and area behind the kindergarten classrooms where they will be able to play handball, skipping, other quiet games or sit and talk to friends in a supervised area. All other areas are out of bounds in the mornings as students are out of the teacher’s view. Students arriving at school after 8:55am should move straight to the covered area. Parents/carers are requested to assist playground duty staff by ensuring that no students are in the unsupervised quad area after 8:55am.

Absence notes

All students absent from school are required, by law, to have an appropriate reason for the absence that is confirmed by the parent/carer/author in writing. To assist with this, the school has created a set of school absence notes are available from the office. Please ensure that an absence note is completed within 3 days of the student returning to school following an absence and given to the class teacher. If your child will be away for more than 3 days, please let the school know. A note explaining the absence is still required when the student returns.

How much fruit and vegetables do children need?

We are encouraged to go for 2 fruit and 5 vegetables every day. The amount children should eat depends on their age, appetite and activity levels.

With the emphasis on ‘Go for’ it is valuable if children learn they should be aiming to eat 2 serves of fruit and 5 serves of vegetables every day. The emphasis in education should be on eating a variety of fruit and vegetables (including raw, cooked and different colours). This provides a wide range of nutrients.

The Australian Guide to Healthy Eating recommends that children and adolescents eat the following number of serves of fruit and vegetables per day.

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The recommendations

What is a serve?

A serve of fruit is equal to an average sized piece of fruit, 1 medium piece (e.g. apple) = 2 small pieces (e.g. apricots) = 1 cup chopped or canned fruit

A serve of vegetables is equal to one medium potato, ½ cup cooked vegetables or legumes or 1 cup salad.
Jindera Public School’s best swimmers competed in the Southern Riverina P.S.S.A Swimming Carnival which was held at Lavington Swim Centre last Friday. The children were competing to earn a chance to represent our zone at the Riverina P.S.S.A carnival which will be held in Albury next Monday.

The students performed admirably with several of our swimmers earning the right to swim at the Jindera Public School placegetters were:

Thomas Brooksby: 1st 10 year Boys 50m Freestyle
1st Junior Boys 50m Butterfly
3rd Junior Boys 50m Backstroke
2nd Junior Boys Medley
Rori Kohlhagen: 1st Junior Girls Medley
1st 9 year Girls 50m Freestyle
Sophie O’Connor: 1st Senior Girls Butterfly
1st 12 year Girls 50m Freestyle
Tara Crotter: 2nd senior girls 50m Butterfly
2nd 12 years 50m Freestyle
3rd 12 years 100m Freestyle
3rd senior girl medley
Matthew Keating: 3rd 12 year boys 50m Freestyle
2nd senior boy 50m Butterfly
3rd senior boys 50m Breaststroke
Seth Ross: 2nd senior boy Backstroke
Ben Christensen: 3rd junior boys Butterfly
Hayley Martin: 3rd senior girls 50m Backstroke
Junior Boys 1st in relay
Senior Boys 2nd in relay
Senior Girls 3rd in relay

Congratulations to all our swimmers who represented our school at the carnival and congratulations to Sophie O’Connor, Matthew Keating, Thomas Brooksby, Rori Kohlhagen, Deakin Ross, Seth Ross, Alistair Brooksby, Corey Brown, Jordi Allen and Brett Raymond who will compete at the Riverina P.S.S.A. carnival next Monday.

Before school arrangements
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Student welfare policy
This policy has been reviewed as part of the review cycle, with particular focus on the level system and student discipline. This policy was tabled at the P&C and School Council this week and will be sent home for families to share and discuss.

University of NSW 2015 International competitions
Jindera Public School is offering the students an opportunity to participate in the Australian Schools Competition. The tests, organised and administered by the University of NSW, cover Maths, English, Science, Digital Technology, Writing and Spelling. There is a cost to participate and this must be met by the parents/carers if students want to be involved. A note went home this week and needs to be returned prior to the test dates (included on the information sheet). These tests are a good opportunity for students to compete against other students from across Australia and the globe.

Easter raffle
The P&C is coordinating the annual Easter raffle. Tickets were sent home last week and further books are available from the school office, should they be required.

The P&C would appreciate any donations of chocolate eggs and other Easter items for the raffle. These can be taken to the class teachers. All students will receive a star award for their donations. The Easter raffle will be drawn at school on Friday, 2nd April

NSW state election – Saturday, 28 March 2015
The P&C is coordinating a cake stall and barbecue breakfast for election day, Saturday, 28 March at the school which will be a polling place. Donations of cakes, clearly labelled with the ingredients, eggs, bacon and bread would be greatly appreciated. These can be sent to school on the Friday before, 27 March, or in the morning of 28 March. If you are able to assist with the barbeque or selling cakes and raffle tickets, please contact Angus Brooksby, President, or the school office.
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Congratulations to the following students who received Merit Awards at our last assembly

KC - Meadow Wright, Skye-Lee McLeod, Fletcher Taylor, Xavier East, Charlotte Wright, Zoe Barnes and Isaac Kilmartin.

K/1R - Mattea Delaney, Logan Annetts, Ben Reid and Lily Gueho.

1/2E - James Brooksby, Marley Cheetham, Ashton Kilmartin, Braden Creek, Monique Blackie.


3/4B - Riley Buchan, Sean Lee, Brock Williams, Ethan Manwaring, Adam Jones, William Hawkins, Chilli Bergie and Alisha Van Deventer.


5/6K - Alistair Brooksby, Corey Groch, Deakin Ross, Amy Jones, Ilona Moss, Bo Meehan, Mathew Keating and Brock Finemore.


Class Library Days

Students need a library bag to borrow books to take home.

All books are borrowed for a period of 3 weeks.

Uniform Shop – Winter Uniforms

I will be placing an order for some girls winter uniform next week. This stock will include pinafores and check pants. If you wish to pre order any items, please fill out the expression of interest section below with your name and the quantity you would like to order, and return it to the front office by Tuesday 10th of March.

I will only be ordering very minimum stock, so please pre order to avoid missing out.

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The uniform shop also has the other winter uniform stock available now:

Long sleeve lemon blouses $20, Maroon girls pants $20, Boys grey pants $20, Long sleeve polos $20, Parachute track pants $20 & Windcheaters $30.

Thank you,

Tania Carabott
0410303270