Week 6, Term 3  

20th August, 2015

BREAKFAST CLUB
Wednesday 26th August
From 8:45am
Jindera Public School

The SpICE team is hosting a breakfast for all students and families of the Jindera Public School community. The aim is to provide a nutritious and filling breakfast to every Wednesday. The breakfast will commence next Wednesday, 26th August from 8:45am with a free breakfast. To continue this project beyond the 26th August, we kindly ask students and families to donate a gold coin or food item to the following breakfasts, commencing on the 1st September. Food items may include, breakfast spreads (honey, vegemite), tinned spaghetti, tinned beans, milo.

Jindera Public School Food Bank

To support families when it is sometimes difficult to provide meals for the family, Jindera Public School, in partnership with SpICE, is developing a Food Bank.

What is a Food Bank?
The purpose of a Food Bank is to create a collaborative service that addresses food insecurity and to assist members of the Jindera community.

How can I receive food from the Food Bank?
The Food Bank receives a variety of items which include bread, cereals, pasta and tinned food. If you wish to receive items from the Food Bank at any time, order forms will be available each week to be completed and returned to the office every Wednesday morning during the weekly breakfast. Please keep in mind that when completing the order form, some items may not be available due to a limited supply. Food can be collected Wednesday afternoon during school pick-up times or at arranged times with Ms Berndt, Mrs Groch & Mrs Simpson.

For further information, please contact Mrs Berndt on 60263280.
We hope that families will utilise this terrific service

How can I help the Food Bank?
In order to create a sustainable Food Bank service, contributions from families/students from the Jindera Public School as well as food donations from the Food Bank in Wodonga will make this service beneficial to all.

Please place any donated food items in the clearly marked boxes in the front office area.

Principals Report

This week was another very busy week with a lot of interesting things going on. Mr Hill, Mrs Simpson, Ms McLachlan and Alex travelled to Canberra with our Years 5 and 6 students for three days of immersion in civics and citizenship/history learning. Mr Clayton and Mrs Kristonamas participated in the second part of the highly regarded Art of Leadership three day course. I will complete my involvement in the course next year.

The following students were drawn out of the K – 2 star award box and received a small prize this fortnight. Congratulations to our winners, Charlotte Wright, Islyn Delaney, River Manwaring and Tony Iaria (K); Nathan Hardick and Sienna Oehm (Year 1), Lara McMillan, Layla Mitsch and Brock Powell (Year 2), Rylan Doughty (Year 3), Isaac Anstis (Year 4), Molly Simon (Year 5) and Luke Lee (Year 6).

Kindergarten 2016

Jindera Juniors – 14, 21 and 28 August, 4 September
Last week we met our Jindera Juniors for the first session of transition to big school. Twenty – eight children participated in the many pre writing and number activities coordinated by Miss Reivich, our very talented Kindergarten teacher. Tomorrow will be the second session of Jindera Juniors, out of the four week program.

Visiting performances

Toonschool – Monday 10 August
Joffa’s Toonschool visited us last Monday with a very interesting and stimulating approach to teaching resilience and self-esteem. All students who participated left with some art work they had created and an enthusiasm for drawing like the very talented Jeff Taylor (Joffa).

One stop rock shop – Wednesday 9 September
Our next visiting performance is One Stop Rock Shop, an hilarious interactive journey through music styles from Disco to Reggae, Punk Rock to Jazz! This performance is designed to inform, create interest and enjoyment in the various forms of music. It is well – presented and a great experience for everyone. The cost is $6.50 per student. Permission notes will be sent home next week.

Year 5 and 6 major excursion to Canberra – 17 – 19 August
The major excursion to Canberra went off well this week with a packed itinerary and many learning experiences. Thanks to the accompanying staff, Mr Hill, Mrs Simpson, Ms McLachlan and Alex as well as Dallas Lodge for making the excursion possible! All students received the federal government, PACER, rebate in the total costs for this excursion.

K – 2 camp out
An expression of interest was sent home last week to gauge the participation levels in a K – 2 camp out here at the school on Friday 4 December 2015. The concept was very well received by parents/carers and students alike and will be sure to proceed to the planning stage now. The structure of the camp out will be as follows:

○ 3:25pm - children finish school and go home as usual
○ 4:30pm – all K – 2 student campers and their supervising adults regroup at school and walk to the pool for some activities and games
○ 5:30pm – return to school for a dance and games session
○ 6:30pm – BBQ dinner
○ 7:30pm – Movie in the hall while parents set up the camp sites for the night
○ 9:00pm – camp out

Saturday 5 December
○ 7:30am – BBQ bacon and egg breakfast
○ 8:30am – pack up and home

For this activity to be a success it is expected that all participating students who attend will be accompanied by an adult family member who will take responsibility for their child/ren during the course of the evening/night. There will be a charge for catering per family and it is expected that all participants will utilise the school catering. Further details and costings will be sent home in the next three weeks. If you have any further questions or comments regarding the camp out for K – 2, please contact Mr Knight at the school.

Netball clinic
Netball NSW is conducting a five week netball clinic at the school. The netball clinic will be conducted on Tuesday afternoons from Week 7 (25 August) until Week 1 of Term 4 (6 October).

The sessions will be led by a NSW Netball trained coach and some parents will be assisting. Please note that there is no official teacher supervision, however, all teaching staff will be on site during the netball clinics. The sessions will run from 3:30 – 4:30pm each Tuesday for the five weeks. The cost to attend the Netball clinic is $25.00 per student. This very generous grant further reduces the costs to parents/carers and ensured participation by most of our senior students.

Term 3 full school assemblies
Mrs Kristonomas’ K/6 class will lead the Week 8 assembly on Thursday 3 September. We hope that you can join us from 2:45pm.

This week’s newsletter was written and designed by the Jindera Public School Administration team. Please contact your child’s teacher if you have any further queries.

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2016 excursions

Following a parent meeting on 18 June it was decided that Years 5 and 6 will be invited to participate in the Broken Bay/Sydney excursion. Planning for this excursion will happen upon completion of the current Term 3 2016. For the purposes of planning the excursion it will cost approximately $400 per child.

Year 4 – Echuca/Ballarat/Bendigo

Year 4 students will be invited to participate in a new excursion concept in 2016. Costing is currently underway for a Year 4 excursion to Echuca/Ballarat/Bendigo for two nights and three days. Students will participate in activities and experiences relating to transport, federation and Australian history. For planning purposes the cost of the excursion will be approximately $340.00 per child. Further details will be sent home when available. As with all excursions payment plans will be available.

Presentation day – Tuesday 8 December

In an attempt to maximise student participation and engagement in our school showcase event, presentation evening, we would like to conduct our presentation event during the school day. Presentation day will be on Tuesday 8 December 2015 and therefore it will be on the 8th. As with the traditional presentation evening, we will present class and school awards for excellence, achievement and sporting as well as showcase our arts program, with a guaranteed contribution from all students.

Thursday 27th August 9.30am-12.30pm School Hall

Jindera Public School will be holding the annual Book Fair in the school hall on Thursday 27th August between 9.30am-12.30pm. A percentage of all sales is returned to the library as free books, so this is an important fundraising event for the school.

In this week’s newsletter you’ll find a Book Fair flyer that will provide families with a preview of a few of the many books available to purchase. Students will be given the opportunity to preview books prior to the Fair and complete a ‘Wish list’ order form which they can take home for parents to review and return on or before the day with payment for the purchase(s). If books are sold out during the Fair they can, for most books, be re-ordered and will be delivered to school 2-3 weeks later.

- Parents who would like to purchase books with their children on the day are encouraged to visit between 9.30 and 10.30am.
- Students with younger siblings will be given the opportunity to purchase books with their siblings between 10.30-11.30am.
- Individual students will be able to purchase books between 11.45am-12.30pm.

During the Book Fair, parents will have the opportunity to donate-a-book to the Jindera Public School Library. All purchased books donated to the school library will have the child’s or family name inserted into the front of the book.

Our Book Fair accepts cash, cheques (please make cheques payable to: Jindera Public School) and credit cards- Visa and MasterCard are welcome.
Jindera Public School promotes healthy lifestyles to staff, students and their families.

We would like to invite interested children and families to join us for our school version of Step-a-thon.

Our major school goal is to encourage students to walk 10 000 steps each day. The secondary goal is to raise money for Murdoch Children's research Institute.

When you register at step-a-thon.com you will receive a slapband pedometer as part of your kit. Alternatively you can use your own pedometer.

Participating children will be asked to record the number of steps taken each day and to set goals of walking further each week.

On Friday 18th September we will be holding a step challenge day at school to raise awareness of the importance of exercise and to raise money for Children's Research Institute.

Do you have children aged 0-6?

Join us to enjoy songs, rhymes and stories with your children.

This is a fun and interactive program that helps your child with literacy and socialising and also provides parenting information.

It is a FREE program

When: Monday mornings
31 August 2015
7 September
14 September
12 October
19 October
26 October

Time: 9.30am -10am

Where: Jindera Public School Hall
Dight St Jindera

Sound interesting?
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Thank you to the local and community business who have generously sponsored our new PSSA netball uniforms. The girls are very thankful and will be excited to wear the new uniforms and lift the image of the school.

Together, we can make a difference.

DATES FOR THE DIARY
Friday 3rd September
- Assembly Hosted by 5/6K
Wednesday 9th September
- One Stop Rock Shop
Thursday 27th August
- Book Week Book Fair