COMMUNITY NEWS

Wally Wipeout

Wally be at the Jindera Pool
On Sunday 14th February.
It is his last visit for the season, so come along

St Matthew’s
Monster GARAGE &
CAR BOOT Sale
Saturday 5 March
8:00 am – 1:00 pm

ALBURY
603 David St
$2.00 per site. Entry Gold Coin Donation
Proceeds to St Matthew’s Homeless Appeal
...Bring along your treasures
...and make some money

JINDERA PUBLIC
NEWSLETTER

Principal’s Report
Classes for 2016
Students were placed in their 2016 classes on Monday. As we have had a surge in student enrolments this year, careful planning and tweaking of student groups and classes has been necessary. I hope that we can maintain these classes for the rest of the year but Jindera Public School’s numbers are steadily increasing.

Multicategorical (MC) class
The MC class has been established with Ms Renee Foran (teacher) and Ms Tracey McLachlan (SLSO). Mrs Berndt will teach the class on Fridays. Students will all have a “home” class in mainstream and will join this class for many activities throughout the day, depending on the student’s needs and academic strengths.

Multisensory Structured Language Teaching (MSL)
As a matter of priority, the school has purchased MSL is a direct, explicit and systematic tool in teaching literacy. MSL caters for the individual needs of each student and timeframes to success will vary, however, success rates are very high with all students showing progress.

Swimming sport commences for students in Years 2 – 6
Students in Years 3 – 6 and any Year 2 students who are 8 this year and can competently swim 50metres, unaided and unassisted and will compete in the swimming carnival in Week 3) have commenced swimming sport. Swimming sport will be at Jindera Pool on 5/2, 19/2 and 26/2 2016. Students are reminded that swimming is an essential skill to have and swimming sport is an essential sport will be at Jindera Pool on 5/2, 19/2 and 26/2 2016. Students are reminded that swimming is an essential skill to have and swimming sport is a mandatory part of the school curriculum. All students are expected to participate.

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/caregiver in writing. To assist with this, the school has provided a set of school absent notes with the newsletter. 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. If you require an absence note booklets, please collect one from the front office.

Book packs
Thank you to the parents who have already purchased the book packs. These will be sent to the class teachers for use by the students as they are purchased. Jindera Public School does not change school fees or ask for voluntary contributions. The $60.00 book pack will provide most of the stationery requirements for the year in one easy location. Book packs can be purchased from the front office or online by direct deposit and present better value for money that trying to purchase the items separately. For a direct deposit purchase: Account name: Jindera Public School, BSB 032-001, Acc No: 142007, Description: child’s name and bookpack.

Updating information – Use of sporting facilities and media consent
In the coming weeks the children will receive blue notes regarding use of sporting facilities, media consent and parent information updates. Please return these to the school as soon as possible so that the school will have current information.

Parent information update
The school will again be updating all parent information. This is essential in cases of emergency and for ensuring that the school can contact parents/caregivers at any time, for a variety of reasons. Family and parental information, such as employment details, determines the level of school funding and as such needs to be accurate and current. Please assist us to care for your children by ensuring that your contact and family details are current on the forms provided. All information is held in strict confidence and is never made available to anyone without prior permission. Please see me if you have any further questions or concerns about this matter.
Swimming Carnival – Friday, 12 February

The school swimming carnival will be held on Friday 12 February 2016 at Jindera Pool for all students in Years 3 – 6 and any Year 2 students who turn 6 this year and can competently swim 50 metres without an aid or assistance. A permission note was sent home last week with the swimming sport note and parents/carers are asked to complete this and return it to the school by next Friday. Students will also need to nominate and submit entries for the swimming events they wish to participate in, prior to the carnival. Students will walk to and from Jindera Pool and should bring swimming costumes, towel, sunscreen, water in a water bottle, a rash shirt and $1.50 entry if you are not a season ticket holder. Lunch can be purchased from the Pool canteen on the day. A menu will be sent home for parents and students to consider prior. Parents and carers are encouraged to attend.

Year 3 camp – 30, 31 March and 1 April 2016

A two night, three day excursion has been organised for students in Year 3 to Hoveman’s Gap from 30, 31 March and 1 April 2016, where the students will be involved in activities such as low ropes, bushwalking and other adventure – based learning and team building activities.

The cost of the excursion will be approximately $220.00 per student and will include all travel, meals, accommodation and activities in the program.

An expression of interest form will be sent home next week for students in Year 3 to indicate their interest to attend. This should be returned by Monday 15 February with a $50.00 deposit to secure a place. All parents will be issued with a payment plan that may assist with organising and completing payments for the excursion. A new excursion to Echuca is currently being organised for Year 4 students, during Term 2 and the major excursion for Years 5 and 6 will be Broken Bay/Sydney during Term 3.

Assemblies for 2016

There will be two full school assemblies per term again this year. They will be led, in turn, by a different class. Assemblies will begin at 2.55pm and conclude at 2.45pm, allowing students to participate in peer reading, writing and singing until 3.25pm.

The first assembly will be held on Thursday, 25 February and will be the SRC inducton assembly. Mrs Simpson’s class will conduct the assembly and further details, including invitations, will be issued in two weeks. Parents are encouraged to attend the SRC induction assembly on Thursday 7 April from 2.45pm.

Scripture (SRE)

SRE will be offered on Thursdays from 12:00pm, starting from Week 5 of this term. SRE will be offered in Catholic and non-denominational scripture, please send the request in writing to the principal before you would like to alter the nominated SRE group, including non denomination on their blue form from 2015, (2016 for new students). If any student wishes to alter the nominated SRE group, please contact the school and allow the staff to deal with the matter. I really urge your cooperation in this matter as schools are to remain safe, non-violent places for everyone.

Parent information sessions

Parent information sessions are an opportunity for parents/carers to meet the class teacher and learn about class and school expectations, routines and learning units for 2016. These will be conducted on Tuesday 16 February (Week 4). The program for the afternoon is as follows:

- 3:30 – 4:00p Tanya Thompson, Police Liaison Officer. Tanya will conduct a meeting for all parents on keeping students safe in the online environment. This session is an essential information session for all parents/carers.
- 4:00 – 4:30p Afternoon tea in the library for all parents/carers and teachers
- 4:30 – 5:00p Meet the teacher. Teachers will conduct their information sessions in their classrooms. Come along to hear about the programs and expectations from the classroom teacher.
- 5:00 – 5:30p Meet the teacher. All teachers will repeat their session.

Merit awards

Our student award and recognition system of merit, silver, gold and diamond awards will continue this year with a few changes. Sport ribbons will no longer contribute to a silver award but age champions will receive a merit award for their achievement. Age champions will be extended to all age groups.

Any student who achieves a silver or gold award in a term will be rewarded with a barbecue lunch at the end of the term. Students who achieve a gold or diamond award throughout the year will be rewarded with a major outing/incentive at the end of the year. This may include a movie lunch outing or a trip to Melbourne. All students who receive a silver, gold or diamond award will be displayed in the office for the class. If you would like any further information about the merit award system, please contact the school.

Kids on Keyboards

Mrs Jacqueline Daines will be conducting Kids on Keyboards on the following dates. Sessions will be for 30 minutes on a Wednesday. If your child is interested in attending this popular introduction to keyboards, please see the office for an information brochure.

Lianne Singleton

For your diary

12th February  
Swimming Carnival
16th February  
Parent Information Session
17th February  
Hockey clinic

Jindera Public School P & C Executive 2015

President:  Angus Brooksbys
Vice President:  Katrina Twyford
Vice Treasure:  Tanja Miller
Vice Secretary:  Lisa Donald
Secretary:  Peter Martin

Canteen News

Friday 5th February

DS—Chris Butler
Ass 1—Melinda Annetts
Ass 2—Michelle Donoghue

Friday 12th February

DS—Kylie Vanveenterve
Ass 1— Tania Miller
Ass 2— Amanda Fenn

Friday 19th February

DS—Marita Christensen
Ass 1— Melissa Wiffen
Ass 2— Angus Brooksbys

Emergency Contacts

Monica/Marta

Special Lunch deals....

All volunteers will receive a free $5 lunch and so will each of their children on the days you work to thank you for your valuable time.

As the canteen plays a valuable role in fundraising, on the weeks the canteen is unable to be opened due to re-stocking, carnivals etc., we will try to recoup losses of funds on those days by holding other special canteen events on the other days that week.

BAKERY ORDERS AVAILABLE MONDAYS

Learn First Aid and become a St John volunteer

Become a St John volunteer, a very rewarding experience, lots of fun, learn new skills and attend community events for free.

You have the opportunity to advance your first aid skills, eg Youth development, Bicycle emergency response and many more.

Volunteers usually need once a week for training, share experiences and learn new skills.

NOT JUST WIFI! We have a great program for Juniors 5-8yrs where they learn a bit of fun while learning to socialise as a team, get involved in helping the community and learning basic first aid skills.

St John Cades 15yrs+ develop extensive first aid, communication and leadership skills.

St John Juniors and Cadets have the opportunity to earn proficiency badges throughout the year and provides them with definite skills.

We would love you to bring your great team of volunteers.

Cost, you may ask—absolutely nothing-free which includes a very smart uniform. There may be a cost if we venture outside the training centre to further our skills.

St John Juniors and Cadets meet once a fortnight.

If you are new and would like to come and check us out, please give Lianne a call on 60333225 or 0427439205 anytime.

Our next meeting is Thursday 19th February at 9:30.

Training rooms: 910 Kiewa St. Library

Looking forward to meeting a few new volunteers.
START THE DAY WITH BREAKFAST

Eating breakfast helps to keep your child’s energy and concentration levels up throughout the day. For those with little time in the morning, why not pack something healthy for the trip to school.

LUNCHBOX TIPS

For a balanced lunchbox we suggest:
- A main meal (sandwich, wrap, salad) containing veggies and a protein food (meat, fish, chicken, egg, cheese)
- A piece of fruit
- A healthy snack (e.g. veggie sticks)
- A drink (water is the best choice)
- An extra snack can be included

KEEPING HYDRATED

Always send a full water bottle to school to keep your kids hydrated throughout the day.

HEALTHY RECIPE

ZUCCHINI SLICE

serves 12

2 zucchini, grated
1 onion, chopped
1 carrot, grated
6 eggs, beaten
1 cup self-raising flour
1 cup reduced fat cheese, grated
Pepper to season

1. Mix all ingredients together
2. Pour into a greased slice tray and bake for 30-45 minutes at 180°C
3. Cut into slices and serve
CONGRATULATIONS
TO COLTEN ATKINS
ON COMING 4TH AT TAMWORTH IN THE ABCRA NATIONAL FINALS FOR BARREL RACING

KIDS ON KEYBOARDS ENROLMENTS 2016
FINAL OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN IN 2016!

Tired of running your children to activities and paying excessive fees? Why not consider learning piano/keyboard at school. Fees are low ($120.00 a term) and there are no hidden costs (Book and CD included). Students in Grade 2 to 6 are invited to come along, learn to read and play music, and have fun in a familiar environment. Numbers are limited to one class, which is on Wednesday at 1.20pm (at school). Call Jacqui Dainer on (02) 6025 8273 for details and bookings.

JINDERA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
UNIFORM

Girls Summer Uniform – options:
- Maroon and white check dress with Peter Pan collar, short sleeves, front zipper and pockets in side seams.
- Maroon and white check button through shirt, or short sleeve lemon blouse with a Peter Pan collar, and maroon shorts/skorts.
- Brown sandals/black shoes and white socks.

Boys Summer Uniform:
- Grey shorts and maroon polo top.
- Brown sandals/black shoes and grey socks.

Girls Winter Uniform – options:
- Grey and maroon tartan A-line tunic, lemon blouse and maroon jumper/windcheater.
- Grey and maroon tartan trousers, or plain maroon gabardine trousers, with lemon blouse.
- Grey tights/white socks and black shoes.

Boys Winter Uniform
- Grey trousers, maroon polo top (short sleeve or long sleeve) and maroon jumper/windcheater.
- Black shoes and grey socks.

Sports Uniform

Girls
- Gold polo top with school logo.
- Maroon shorts or maroon netball skirt for summer.
- White joggers and white socks.
- Maroon tracksuit pants for winter.

Boys
- Gold polo top with school logo.
- Maroon shorts for summer.
- White joggers and white socks (maroon and gold football socks for PSSA sports).
- Maroon tracksuit pants for winter.