20 August 2014

Principal’s News

I commence this fortnight with recognition of our very talented athletes. Approximately two weeks ago we sent a large contingent of students to our District Athletics Carnival. Not only did two of our students break the district records for discus and shot put, but as a team, won the overall title. This makes it eleven years in a row that Jindalee State School has been the competition winners. Congratulations and well done team!

I wish to thank Mr Miller, our PE teacher, and the staff who volunteered many hours of time to train and supervise students. This is a wonderful result for the school. Congratulations also to Mr Miller for a fantastic athletics program.

This achievement is certainly another outstanding example of the wonderful work done by staff at our school and highlights our ability to work together as a united team of educators to draw the best from the students we are working with.

Over the last few days you will have received a behaviour matrix home. This is to continue to provide you with information in relation to your child and their achievements. This is not intended to be a comprehensive analysis, simply to keep you informed. If you have any questions or would like to provide feedback please do so to your class teacher or by emailing the school at the.principal@jindaleess.qld.edu.au. We are constantly working to improve our services to you and have developed this as a strategy to assist in doing so. Please note this is a first run and will be subject to some amendments depending on feedback.

This week we expect to receive the NAPLAN reports for this year. Please be aware that these will be sent out to families in accordance with the guidelines for releasing this information. Should you have any questions or concerns in relation to the report please feel free to make contact with the school or your child’s teacher. It must be noted that these results are simply a snap shot in time. They do not represent the full extent of the learning programs covered in class and as a result must be considered as part of a larger student profile rather than the whole story.

Photography Day on Thursday 21 August

Advancedlife photography will be in the Hall on Thursday 21 August to take photos of our Sports teams, music groups and Chess team. For the full timetable, please download the PDF below.

Requests for student leave

What is an exemption and why do I need it?

Every parent of a child of compulsory school age or a young person in the compulsory participation phase has a legal obligation to ensure their child is enrolled and attending school or participating in an eligible option.

Parents can apply for an exemption from this obligation when their child cannot attend or it would be unreasonable in all the circumstances for their child to attend school or participate in an eligible option for a period of more than 10 consecutive school days.

Situations where an application for an exemption may be made include:

- Illness
- Family reasons
- Cultural or religious reasons

If your child is exempted from compulsory schooling, you are excused from your obligation in relation to compulsory schooling or compulsory participation.

The school principal is not responsible for providing an educational program to your child, however they may provide advice on other educational options available.

Who decides to grant or not grant an exemption?

Decisions about exemptions are made by the principal of the school the student attends.

Applying for an exemption

You are encouraged to discuss with the school whether an application for exemption is a suitable option. The school can provide you with an application form for an exemption. It is
important that supporting documentation and evidence are attached to the application.

When a decision about the exemption has been made, you will be informed in writing whether or not the exemption has been granted and if any conditions have been imposed. If you are not satisfied with the decision made, you can make a submission for the decision to be reviewed.

Library News

Reading Challenge

Before the July holidays, a group of Year Six students went to a reading challenge against other schools at Brookfield State School. I am happy to report that the group made up of Chelsea Johnson, Isabelle Lightbody, Bethany Lord, Huy Pham and Antony Shephard, won the Reading Challenge Cup. Thank you to these students who volunteered, because for them, it meant extra books to read. For a number of weeks, we shared morning tea together, so the group could meet together to discuss the books. The best thing was that it was a team effort to win. Congratulations!

Book Week (18-22 August)

It’s Book Week this week and the theme for 2014 is “Connect to Reading”. If you can, come and connect with us in the library. Visit to see the displays and competitions prepared for the children. We would love to see you.

Here are the results of the Children’s Book Council of Australia book competition held yearly, to promote reading and Australian authors and illustrators.


Eve Pownall Award for Information Books: “Jeremy” by Christopher Faille, illustrated by Danny Snell.

Hope you are all connecting to reading!

Library Award – Remarkable Readers

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MAD (40hr famine) or School Event

Ok Jindalee. Let’s get our M.A.D (Making a Difference) on again. Our next event will be the 40hr famine. This time we are doing things differently so that everyone can be a part. The famine this year will be about giving up something that we are used to using in our normal classroom programming (this could be the use of a device, our favourite classroom game, use of hands-on-materials) for a day. Each class will negotiate something that they will ‘give up’ for the day. This will occur on Friday 29 August. As the famine is traditionally 40 hours, it would be great to see if you could sustain this time without technology by also going without ‘screen time’ the night before if this is something that your class chooses to ‘give up’ for the day.

Did you know in some countries children have no access to education let alone a lot of the resources that we have available to us everyday in our classrooms?

HOW?

1. Choose to Participate on 29 August and go without an item for a day (as negotiated with your classroom teacher)

2. Contact Mr Green if you are interested in participating in the 40 Hour Famine

3. Get your MAD card stamped by your classroom teacher

So Jindalee let’s get MAD again and raise awareness about children who are less fortunate than us!

Jindalee State School Chess Stars

On Sunday 17 August students from Jindalee State School went along to Somerville House to compete in the Somerville House Primary Schools Chess Teams Winter chess competition. Once again these students played extremely well on the day and represented Jindalee State School with pride demonstrating confidence, conscientiousness and courage. Congratulations to these students on their results as mentioned below.

Joshua W, Samuel W, Nandish K and Alana M participated in the beginners division. Out of 102 students these children came in the top 34. Congratulations to Alana who did extremely well winning 2 games for her first ever chess competition. A special mention also to Samuel W who showed great courage and perserverance winning 4 out of his 6 games. Joshua W also received a ‘high achievement’ ribbon for winning 4 of his games. Well done Joshua! Congratulations to Nandish who received a ‘credit’ ribbon for winning 3 and ½ games. An outstanding achievement for our beginning players.

The Jindalee team of Luka K, Dudley R, Siddesh K, and Jakobi K played in the novice division and came 13th out of 31 teams. Well done boys! A special thank you to Brendan K who assisted the Good News Team, showing the value of consideration for others. A great demonstration of ‘The Jindalee Way’.

Daniel F, William D, Evan F and Brandon Y played in the open division of the competition. This was Brandon’s first time playing in the open division. The team played really well and came 2nd overall. The Jindalee Open team also received the overall "Open Division Team Trophy". Congratulations boys on this outstanding achievement.
Gardiner Chess Interschool Competition

This event occurs on Thursday 28 August, from 9:00am to 2:30 pm. Parents will need to organise their own children’s transport to and from the event. If this isn’t possible, we might be able to organise transport for students via other parents whose children are attending the event. Students need to be at the venue by 8:30am so that the registration process can be completed by 9:20am. PLEASE NOTE: If your child is being transported to and from the event via another parent (if this is available), they will need to arrive at school by 8:00am. As the event finishes at 2:30pm and we may not arrive back to school in time for the end of the school day, please make arrangements to have your child collected from the front office between 3:00pm and 3:30pm.

Other information

- Children need to wear the Jindalee School Uniform
- Cost is $17 per student
- The teams will consist of 4 (four) players in order of strength
- Registration for tournaments will begin at 8.30am on the morning of the tournament.
- Students need to bring their own food and drink.

If you are interested in your child participating in this event, please obtain an entry form from the front office and return this form along with payment to the front office by Friday 22 August.

11 Years in a row!

Wow! Congratulations to our talented Jindalee State School Track and Field Team.

They have done it again, winning the West Akuna District Track and Field Carnival for the 11th year in a row. The full results of our 62 team members are shown below.

Thank you to Mrs Bird, Mrs Huntly, Mrs Singer and Mr Miller for assisting our team members with training sessions prior to the carnival.

Twenty of our team will now attend the Metropolitan West Track and Field Trials on 26, 27, 28 August.

Jindalee State School (JSS)

1. Zyera - Female - Age: 10 - Girls 10 Shot Put - 3rd 6.12m
2. Matthew - Male - Age: 10 - Boys 10 Shot Put - 1st 8.25m
3. Thuwanon - Male - Age: 13 - Men 200 Meter Run Prelims - 3rd 30.13,
   Men 13 Discus Throw - 2nd 24.00m
4. Katie - Female - Age: 12 - Girls 12 4x100 Meter Relay (1)
5. Kyra - Female - Age: 12 - Girls 12 Shot Put - 1st 9.36m RECORD,
   Girls 12 Discus Throw - 1st 28.95m 27/08/2014
6. Shaylee - Female - Age: 11 - Girls 11 High Jump - 3rd 1.21m
7. Piyaphan - Female - Age: 13 - Women 13 800 Meter Run - 3rd 2:58.90
8. Bayley - Male - Age: 10 - Boys 10 Long Jump - 3rd
9. Matthew - Male - Age: 10 - Boys 10 Discus Throw - 3rd
10. Libby - Female - Age: 12 - Girls 12 4x100 Meter Relay (2) - 1st 59.97
11. Jasmine - Female - Age: 11 - Girls 11 High Jump - 1st 1.34m,
   Girls 11 Discus Throw - 1st 25.10m RECORD
12. Ethan - Male - Age: 12 - Boys 12 100 Meter Dash Prelims - 3rd 14.18,
    Boys 12 High Jump - 1st 1.40m, Boys 12 Long Jump - 2nd 4.13m,
    Boys 12 Discus Throw - 1st 31.40m
13. Zac - Male - Age: 12 - Boys 12 High Jump - 3rd 1.30m
14. Kennan - Male - Age: 13 - Men 13 Discus Throw - 3rd 22.61m,
    Men 13 High Jump - 3rd 1.20m
15. Josh - Male - Age: 11 - Boys 11 Shot Put - 2nd 9.47m
16. Isabelle - Female - Age: 12 - Girls 12 Long Jump - 3rd 3.75,
    Girls 12 Discus Throw - 2nd 21.72m, Girls 12 4x100 Meter Relay (3) - 1st 59.97
17. Jamie - Female - Age: 10 - Girls 10 Discus Throw - 2nd 18.44m
18. Brock - Male - Age: 12 - Boys 12 Shot Put - 1st 9.15m,
    Boys 12 Discus Throw - 3rd 25.80m 27/08/2014
19. Maddy - Female - Age: 12 - Girls 12 200 Meter Run Prelims - 3rd 30.27,
    Girls 12 4x100 Meter Relay (4) - 1st 59.97 26/08/2014
20. Coen - Male - Age: 11 - Boys 11 High Jump 1st 1.20m
21. Jindalee State School - ‘A’ Girls 12 Year Olds 4x100 Meter Relay 1st 59.97,
    Katie, Libby, Isabelle, Maddy

Two of our Jindalee Teams also broke West Akuna Track and Field Records

Kyra broke the Shot put record by throwing 9.36m and Jasmine broke the 11 Girls discus record by throwing 25.10m.

The overall school points for the Carnival:

1. Jindalee State School JSS - 363
Bike skills course for Year 4

Towards the end of last term, our Year 4 students participated in a course to improve their bike riding skills. Students learned basic techniques and practised fundamental skills intended to make them safer when riding a bike.

The course was conducted by local cycling advocate Gillian Duncan, a qualified cycling skills educator. Gillian taught students the basic road rules and the importance of being visible on the road, as well as a range of safe mounting, braking and cornering techniques. The course culminated in an activity where students had to negotiate a simulated intersection on the school oval, providing the chance to practise new skills in a safe environment.

This valuable course was made possible using funds obtained from the P&C and the students really enjoyed the opportunity.

Academic Awards

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Fete News

The fete is only two weeks away, please sit down and relax and have a read of issue 6 of The Dirt to see how you can help out!

https://issuu.com/whodunnitgd/docs/issue_6/1?e=0

Please remember to contact your stall conveners to let them know what time/s you are able to help.

Fete Sponsors

We have some wonderful businesses and people who have already pledged their support for our fantastic fete! Please support them as they have been so generous to us. Without them there wouldn’t be a fete!

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Jindalee Pro Shop
Bernie Ripoll MP
Jindalee Care Medical Practice

Forty Winks
Bare Bones Society

Thank you so much to DFO Jindalee for letting us sell our Great Barrier Reef Raffle tickets on Sunday. Harpah, Jacinta, Brylie, Bailey and Aston had an awesome time and did such a fantastic job selling tickets and handing out fete brochures to DFO shoppers. They enjoyed it so much that they can’t wait to do it again this Sunday! If anyone wants to join them and bring their kids along just let me know.

Kara
kjames@fresheyesqld.com
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Chaplain’s News

SU QLD State Conference

Last week was the annual SU QLD State Chaplaincy Conference, which was held at Alexandra Headlands for the week. I was joined by 750 Chaplains and SU staff from all parts of Queensland! We had valuable keynote speakers and electives run throughout the week on topics such as Self Care, Mental Health Issues that Young People Face, Crisis Intervention for Schools and Communities, the Impact of Grief and Loss and many more.

To continue, please click here.

School Assembly Timetable

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We are looking for parents of Kindergarten – Year 6 children across Australia to complete an online survey (15 – 20 minutes). Participants will go into a draw to win one of 10 $50 gift certificates to Coles/Myers. To participate go to:
http://tinyurl.com/childsvq2
Or for more information please contact Rebecca Seward at (08) 6488 4652 or rebecca.seward@research.uwa.edu.au

Partners in Education Study (PIES)
Parents have your say – Does your relationship with your child’s school benefit their outcomes?
University of Queensland researchers are seeking parents of 5 – 12 year old children to tell us about the partnership with your child’s school. The survey takes around 20 minutes and all responses are anonymous. Participating could win you one of two $50 vouchers. To complete the survey, go to: http://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/pies

Are you a parent of a child with type 1 diabetes?
Every day, thousands of Australian children suffer the effects of type 1 diabetes and families struggle with illness management and children’s behavioural and emotional adjustment.
Positive Parenting for Healthy Living is an adaptation of the successful Triple P - Positive Parenting Program offering practical ideas and support for parents of children with type 1 diabetes. This innovative group program is designed to help parents manage their child’s illness, assist children in coping with their illness and emotions, and prevent and manage difficult child behaviour.
Over the next few months and for a limited time only, parents of 2-10 year old children with type 1 diabetes are able to access Positive Parenting for Healthy Living Triple P as part of a University of Queensland research project. Parents will be able to attend the program free of charge, and will be asked to complete 2 sets of assessment measures (questionnaire and family observation) over a 6 month period, as part of the study. Contact Aditi Lohan on (07) 3346 7689 or email diabetes.healthyliving@uq.edu.au, or visit https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/t1diabetes for more information.

Competition opportunities for children competing in Athletics.
Queensland Athletics would like to extend an invitation to any school aged athletes you have involvement with to participate in the inaugural QA Spring Track & Field Carnival. The Spring Carnival will provide a perfect opportunity for students to prepare for upcoming school competitions or to have a hit-out against other students from various regions across South Queensland.
All school athletes of all abilities aged 10-19 years are encouraged to compete. There are no qualifying standards or membership required - everyone is welcome!
To register for the event or to find more information click here.
DATES: Saturday 13 September 8.30am - 1.00pm & Sunday 14 September 12.00pm - 6.00pm
VENUE: State Athletics Facility, QSAC, Kessels Road, Nathan
ENTRY: $10 per event or FREE for Platinum Members
If you have any questions please contact the QA Office.