Swimming Success

What a great day for swimming at Jindalee when last Friday our team captured the first West Akuna District Swimming Championships in our history. It was an astonishing victory by our young team with every one of the 17 swimmers doing personal bests.

Final points for the day were as follows:

Top Five Schools:
1st Jindalee 188
2nd Good News Lutheran 186
3rd Jamboree Heights 164
4th Brookfield 119
5th Our Lady of the Rosary 85

Congratulations to the following students who all contributed to our outstanding results:


Several of our swimmers were awarded medallions for being in the top three positions for their age group. Congratulations to:

Jasmine Fleming - 1st 10 years Girls
Sophie Dew - 2nd 10 years Girls
Joseph Newell - 2nd 9 years Boys
Josiah Mu - 1st 10 years Boys
Ashley Barnett - 2nd 11 years Boys and 3rd open Boys
Ryan Dew - 2nd 12 years Boys and 2nd open Boys
Remi Gordon - 3rd 12 years boys

Also, nine of our students will be continuing on to the Regional Championships at Chandler on Wednesday, 27 February. They are:

Ashley Barnett, Ryan Dew, Sophie Dew
Libby Elmes, Jasmine Fleming, Ethan Frazer
Remi Gordon, Lydia Kang, Josiah Mu

Thank you to the parents who accompanied the team and cheered them on to success. Thanks also to Mrs Bird who was there to organise the swimmers and encourage them to do their best. We may be biased, but it looks likely that Jindalee will be producing excellent swimming results in the years ahead.

New School Landscaping

The front entrance to our school from Burrendah Road is to undergo a transformation in the next few weeks.

For a number of years, the trees in this area have caused a serious drainage and flooding problem with roots blocking pipes and leaves clogging stormwater drains.

The subsequent effect has been considerable flood damage to the old library room and computer rooms as well as ongoing plumbing issues.

The four trees are to be removed to make way for new planting of shrubs and gardens. Mature plants will be used to replant the area to provide an attractive and practical space for all members of the school community.

The landscaping project will also add to the visibility of our new school sign at the corner of Burrendah Road and Wongaburra Street.

The project has the full support of the P&C association and the work will be undertaken by licensed contractors during the mid-Semester vacation in April.
ARD Visit
The Assistant regional director for Metropolitan West Education region, Mike Kelly, visited Jindalee State School on Tuesday. During his time at the school, Mr Kelly visited classrooms and spoke with teachers and students. He reviewed the school’s 2013 development plan, discussed the teaching and learning targets with the principal and members of the administration team and also reviewed the national testing in literacy and numeracy results for 2012 and discussed school strategies to maximise student achievement in the 2013 NAPLAN to be held in May.

During his visit he also met with school principal, Michael Politis, to discuss Jindalee State School’s specific teaching and learning framework and agenda and to prepare for the Statewide principals’ conference being held in Brisbane on Thursday and Friday of next week for Queensland’s 1300 school principals. The conference will focus attention on the education agenda and the implementation of the Australian national Curriculum.

School Uniforms
Jindalee State School is a uniform school with a school uniform policy and dress code endorsed by our parents’ and citizens’ association. Included with this newsletter is a copy of the school uniform policy which makes explicit the uniform clothing and student presentation. Photographs showing the various uniforms and how they are worn is on the school web site. The school dress code also refers to jewellery, hair, make-up, glasses and general presentation.

As members of our school community, it is expected that all students will wear the uniform every day and present themselves in accordance with the uniform policy. Approval to vary the uniform policy, for example for health, cultural or religious reasons, must be sought in advance. This includes clothing and presentation. Consequences will apply to students wilfully and persistently in breach of the uniform policy.

Any questions regarding the uniform policy should be directed to class teachers in the first instance. Where there is a valid reason for a temporary variation to the policy, teachers are able to issue a short-term exemption yellow card. This allows the student time to obtain the correct uniform.

The uniform shop also has a small supply of pre-worn uniforms available to assist families who need them.

Student Absences
If students will be absent from school on family vacations, parents are required to notify the class teacher and school administration in writing of the intended dates of the absence. Three weeks’ advance notice is necessary to ensure that teachers can adjust preparation and assessments which may otherwise be missed.

The school should be also notified of any daily absences (e.g. illness, injury, special family circumstances) via the school absence email: absent@jindaleess.eq.edu.au or school Absence phone number: 3725 5760. Thank you for your cooperation.

Punctuality
It is important that children arrive at school at or shortly after 8:30am. They must move to class at 8:50am and be engaged in learning at 9:00am.

Statements
Statements were issued last Friday.
Items included in resource fee include:
- Reproduced class materials which complement and/or substitute textbook sources
- Student reference material
- Audio and video recordings
- Additional computer software and system maintenance
- Minor equipment (Maths & Science)
- Materials for subjects where the instruction is extended through providing practical learning experiences in excess of materials provided by school grants & additional learning resources to enhance student achievement
- Stationery, writing and drawing resources

Change of Details
Parents, if you change your address, telephone numbers or emergency contacts, please inform the office as soon as possible so the school records are up-to-date.

Chess Club
Jindalee State School has a Chess Club which operates for two seasons each year. The first of these seasons commences on Tuesday afternoon, 12 March, and continues for eight weeks. The club is open to years 1–7 children and is welcoming of all players even if they are beginners. Here are the main details:

When: Tuesday afternoons, from 3:10–4:00pm
Duration: 12 March 12 – 14 May
Where: In the Old Library above the office
Cost: $10 for the season

Children also have the opportunity of representing the school in regional tournaments throughout the year, if they are selected in the teams. Below is a registration form for parents to fill out and return to the school office by Friday, 1 March.

Chess Club

I give permission for my child in Class ...................

Name: .................................................................

to participate in Chess Club Tuesday afternoons for season 12 March to 14 May.

Parent’s Contact
Mobile Number: ...................................................

Cost $10.00 (enclosed)

(Return this permission to the office)
Uniform Shop
The Uniform Shop will be CLOSED Tuesday, 5 March and Wednesday, 6 March.

Games Night
The Games Night was previously advertised as being on Saturday, 23 March 2013. We have decided to hold it later in the year, after the Fete, as an end-of-year get together. . . . so stay tuned for a date and get thinking about the theme. . . . Heroes and Villains! JSS P&C.

Tuckshop Volunteers - Urgent
Volunteer work for our school community is hugely appreciated and vital for providing an environment for our kids that is both positive and inspiring. Volunteering to our roster one morning a month 9:00-11:30am has advantages far greater than the time contributed - meeting other mums is valuable, tea, coffee and canteen lunch pleasurable.

If you can't volunteer, a list of items wanted as 'donations' is available. Tuckshop committee members are valued for their input regarding decisions such as equipment purchases right through to menu inclusions.

Meetings are on the second Tuesday each month from 2:00-3:00pm. Some committee members will no longer have primary schoolers, so we look forward to new parents joining up in 2012. Please phone the Tuckshop directly (during school hours) on 3725 5719 or the school office on 3725 5777. Melissa Wilkin, Tuckshop Convenor

Cross Country Training
Commences: Monday 18 February 2013. All children in Years 4-7 are invited to attend Cross Country training on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 7:45am to 8:20am on the oval. See last week’s Newsletter for full details.

Calendar of Events
Term 1: 29 January to 28 March (9 weeks)

February
21 Hands on Education - Yr 2
22 Interschool Sport starts
25 Visit by Sue from Jacobs Well - Yr 3
25 Evergreen Rainforest - Prep Pay by Wed.13th
27 Met West Swimming

March
12 Chess Club starts
14 Jacob’s Well - Yr 3

Assembly Dates

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School Crossing Supervisor
Relief School Crossing Supervisor Position
A position exists at our school for a relief school crossing supervisor. If you would like to help out in the school community and get paid to do so, please contact Elizabeth Vince (Road Safety Officer) on 3813 8607.

Tuckshop News
We are slowly filling up the roster although this week is very lean. If you could help on the fourth week of the month, please contact me in the tickshop on 3725 5719 or email me at mwi32936@bigpond.net.au

Tuckshop Roster
25 February - 1 March
Tuckshop Direct: 3725 5719 Melissa Wilkin
Office: 3725 5777

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Jindalee State School Uniform Dress Code Policy

The Jindalee school community has adopted a school dress code which requires all students to wear the school uniform. As well as readily identifying our students the uniform also assists students to build pride in themselves and their school. It's a requirement that students comply with this uniform and dress code policy.

Clothing
A copy of the school uniform clothing articles is included below.

BOYS: Day  Formal  Royal blue and white 1/16” check shirt
   Grey shorts plain cotton or cotton blend no patterns or logos,
   Black school shoes or black joggers, grey socks
   Blue broad brimmed school hat

   Winter  Add royal blue and gold tracksuit or jacket, blue pullover
   Sports  Royal blue shorts (plain cotton or cotton blend, no pattern or logos, no sheen)
   Yellow polo style shirt, blue collar, school motif or logo (only at Uniform Shop)
   White or black sports shoes or joggers with minimal colour pattern). White socks
   (Skate shoes and slip-ons or similar are not suitable for school wear)

GIRLS  Day  Summer  Royal blue and white 1/16” check dress with short sleeves
   Black school shoes or black joggers, white socks (in Winter royal or navy blue tights may be worn)
   Blue broad brimmed school hat

   Winter  Royal blue and gold tracksuit or jacket, blue or gold pullover
   Sports  Royal blue culottes, skirt or Royal blue shorts or “skort”, Yellow polo style shirt, blue collar, school motif (only at Uniform Shop)
   White or black sports shoes or Joggers with minimal colour pattern. White socks.

In addition there are special shirts designed for both Prep students and year seven students which may be worn in place of the yellow polo style shirt with the sports uniform, a performance uniform for bands and choirs, and a Tech Crew polo shirt for members of the “Tech Crew”.

All Shirts worn buttoned, tucked in and shoes securely fastened with laces same colour as shoes.

Jewellery
Students may wear a wrist watch or medical bracelet if required. Students with pierced ears may wear sleepers or studs only. Students required to wear a religious or cultural symbol must first seek approval from the principal. These items if approved must be worn in an inconspicuous manner underneath the uniform.
No rings or other jewellery is permitted to be worn.

Hair
Hair must be naturally coloured and be kept clean, neat and tidy at all times. If hair is long it should be kept out of the students face and tied or plaied if longer than shoulder length. Ribbons, hair ties and bands must be plain and in school colours of blue and gold. Short hair must be evenly cut all over. No tracks, symbols or patterns are to be cut into hair.

Makeup
Makeup including nail polish may not be worn at school. Sunscreen lotions are encouraged provided they are white or clear.

Glasses
Prescription glasses and sunglasses may be worn. They should have plain frames and colour

Parents are responsible for providing their child with the appropriate uniform and ensuring that it is worn correctly each day. This will ensure our school is able to maintain the standards our community expects as appropriate.
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