Dear Parents and other care providers,

Over the holiday period, Mr Polities continued to experience a level of ill health that has led to him being unable to return to work for the next few weeks. As a result, I will be filling in for him for a period of three weeks. It is expected that at this time, Mr Polities will be fit and well to return. This term also sees the appointment of Louise Whittinger to the role of Acting Deputy Principal, the confirmation of Leisa Cave and Caroline Duffus to continue in their acting roles and the commencement of Ms Emma Nolan in Prep. I would like to congratulate and welcome staff to their positions and hope that they find these roles professionally rewarding.

Substantively I am the principal of Graceville State School and come to Jindalee with many years of experience as a principal. From my initial observations, there are certainly some aspects of the school that I am learning from and believe that I will be able to contribute to during my time here. Over the next few weeks I look forward to working with the staff, students and the community to continue the work already commenced this year. As an outsider coming into a school, I do make various observations in relation to behaviour, standards and so on. As I visit classes, I can see why the parents I have spoken to, speak so highly of the school. There is certainly some great work occurring with students, a very professional community of educators and some very innovative practices. The students I have met also have made a very good impression in relation to their level of engagement in class and the general behaviour; certainly some fine examples of the Jindalee Way.

This term, a continuing theme for school improvement is the development of a school-wide pedagogy. This is essentially an approach to the way we do our work of teaching. In simple terms it can be described as the art of teaching. This term will also see the students in years 3, 5 and 7 undertake their NAPLAN testing. Please be aware that unless a child is exempt or withdrawn from the testing, it is expected that all children in these year levels participate. Data from this testing assists us to further refine the programs offered to students and provide support as required.

The 2013 NAPLAN tests will be conducted in all Queensland schools on:

Tuesday 14 May: Language conventions and Writing tests
Wednesday 15 May: Reading
Thursday 16 May: Numeracy
Friday 17 May: "Catch-up" tests for students absent on scheduled test dates.

Should you have any questions in relation to this testing, please direct these to your child’s class teacher in the first instance.

As some of you may have noted, outside the school office, a number of trees were removed over the holidays. This work was undertaken with the approval of the P&C and authorised through the school. Unfortunately, when the planning process was undertaken, it was noted that the ANZAC memorial pine tree also in that area was unfortunately rotten. As a result the tree was also removed. Presently, Assistant Principal Teaching and Learning, Caroline Duffus, will be organising for a replacement tree through the Australian War Memorial. Whilst it is unfortunate that this tree was in need of removal, it will be replaced in due course.

I look forward to spending the next few weeks at Jindalee and meeting many more families as we commence our work for the term.

Bill Carey

Rosemary McKenzie 7DB and Paris Jacobs 7DB (pictured left) had their drawings of Brisbane printed in a book that was put into the time capsule placed in Brisbane City Hall. This capsule will be opened in 2059. Congratulations to Rosemary and Paris.
School ANZAC DAY ceremony
Wednesday 24 April, 9:45am
Jindalee State School will be holding the annual ANZAC Day ceremony in the school hall on Wednesday, 24 April. The ceremony will commence at 9:45am, with all students and parents/friends seated in the hall by 9:40am.

The Senior Strings, Senior Band and Combined choirs (ie. Year 3,4,5 and Senior Performance ensemble) will perform during the ceremony. Performing students are required to wear their performance uniforms (black pants, white performance shirt, black sock, black shoes) for this event. Students should wear their performance uniforms to school on Wednesday, 24 April, and bring a school uniform to change into after the ceremony.

Band and String performers will be required to meet at the Instrumental Room at 8:30am on Wednesday, 24 April to assist with moving required equipment down to the hall and then assist with setting up in the hall. Choir performers will come down to hall at 9:00am.

Anzac Day Memorabilia will be on sale at the school office from Monday, 22 April, ranging in price from 50c to $2.00. Students can go to the office any time on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday to purchase items.

Lest We Forget
They shall grow not old,
As we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them,
Nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun,
And in the morning,
We will remember them.

Laurence Binyon

Centenary Suburbs RSL Sub Branch
ANZAC service:
Thursday, 25 April
The Centenary Suburbs RSL Sub Branch will be conducting an ANZAC Day service at the War Memorial Gardens, Mt Ommaney on Thursday, 25 April.

School student leaders, Student Councillors and other interested students are invited to join in with the "Old Diggers" to march from Loffs Road (adjacent to the Mt Ommaney Police station) to the War Memorial.

The march will commence at 8:00am and participating students are requested to assemble at the starting point by 7:45am.

The service will conclude at 9:00am and parents should arrange to meet with students at the Centenary War Memorial Gardens (cnr Arrabri Avenue and Dandenong Road, opposite the Fire station) after the Service.

Jindalee Students Selected for West Centenary Music camps
Congratulations to the following students who have been selected for the West Centenary Honour Music camp to be held at Alexandra Headlands, 3-6 June:

- Anna Woolston
- Annika McMillan
- Jenna White
- Jamie Gu

Congratulations also to the following students who have been selected for the Intermediate Camp, being held at Middle Park State School 3-7 June:

- Paris Jacobs
- Joshua Rosen
- Abhinand Vasudevan
- Liam Sands
- Gemma Rigby

To be selected for these music camps is a great honour and required students to audition for places.

Details about concerts after the camps will be published in future newsletters.

Little Athletics State Championships
Here are the fantastic results achieved by Jindalee State school students:

- Madison Rogers-17th 400m, 21st 1500m
- Liam Parker-22nd Javelin
- Brock O’Brien-19th 100m, 11th 200m, 4th 60m Hurdles, 6th Long Jump, 16th Shot Put
- Jasmine Fleming- 20th discus
- Ethan Fraser-14th 100m, 7th Long Jump, 3rd Discus

International Competitions
Each year Jindalee State School participates in the International Competitions Program conducted by the University of New South Wales. The six competitions are:

- Computer Skills 21 May
- Science 5 June
- Writing 17 June
- Spelling 18 June
- English 31 July
- Mathematics 13 August

Parents of children in years 3-7 who wish their children to participate, should complete the registration form on Page 12 of this newsletter. Registrations need to be returned by Friday, 19 April.

This year, we have decided to enter some classes in the Computer Skills competition which will be paid for by the school. Those classes will be monitored over time to measure their ICT gain. Parents of the following classes do not need to register or pay for their children in the Computer Skills Competition:

4MI 4G 5H 5W
6K 6G 7H 7DB

All other nominations should be completed on the Registration Form on page 5.
Lego and Robotics Club

Next week Lego Club returns, and more! There will be the following Clubs:

Yrs 1-3: Lego Club in ELR2 Tuesday, second break.
Yrs 2-3: Robotics in Mrs. Almond’s room, Wednesday, second break.
Yr 4: Lego Robotics in Mrs. Foxcroft’s room, Tuesday, second break.
Yr 5: Robotics in Mrs. Huntly’s room Wednesday, second break.
Yrs 6-7: Mindstorm in ELR2 Thursday, second break.

Please hand in your nomination form to the office by this Friday. You can only nominate for one club.

Nomination Form for LEGO and ROBOTICS CLUB

Name: …………………………………………………………………..
Class: …………………
I would like to be in Club: Yrs: …………………

CLASS Newsletter

The current issue of the CLASS newsletter (No. 20) is being prepared and we need advertisers to help sponsor this great publication which celebrates our state’s educational activities. With the support of advertisers, we are able to share the educational developments, opportunities and initiatives available to all students in CLASS schools. Issue 20 details the new History curriculum and direct teaching practices. If you would like to advertise in this issue, please contact Kim Green (CLASS Business Manager) on 0423 437 443 or kgr00100@bigpond.net.au

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.
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2013 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS)

Dear Parents of Years 3 – 7 Students

Each year Jindalee School students participate in the ICAS program conducted by the University of New South Wales. If you would like to register your child for one or more competitions, please complete and return the form below.

All students receive a certificate and an individual student report indicating which questions they answered correctly and their score compared with the rest of the students tested. The tests are an excellent preparation for National tests and the student report is useful for highlighting your child’s strengths and weaknesses. The UNSW certificate and individual student report are also suitable for your child to include in a portfolio.

High quality UNSW certificates are awarded for each year level as follows:
- High Distinction to the top 1% of entrants
- Distinction to the next 10% of entrants
- Credit to the next 25% of entrants
- Participation to all other participating students.

PERMISSION SLIP - Please return THIS section to the school office by Friday April 19

I give permission for my child ___________________________ of ____________________________

to participate in the following 2013 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS):

☐ Computer Skills – 21 May 2013 (no payment required for 4MI, 4G, 5H, 5W, 6K, 6G, 7H, 7DB)
☐ Science – 5 June 2013 ($8.80 GST inclusive)
☐ Spelling – 18 June 2013 ($12.10 GST inclusive)
☐ Writing – 17 June 2013 ($18.70 GST inclusive)
☐ English – 31 July 2013 ($8.80 GST inclusive)
☐ Mathematics – 13 August 2013 ($8.80 GST inclusive)
☐ All of the above ($66 GST inclusive)

Please find enclosed _________________________ entry fee.

__________________________________________________________________________

Date ____________________________

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Please return by Friday April 19

Educational Assessment Australia PO Box 8020 Alexandria NSW 2015 Australia
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Dragons Volleyball Association
Junior Development Program

Looking for somewhere to play volleyball?
Then join Dragons' Junior Development Program! All players of all levels welcome.

Thursday 5:30pm to 7:00pm, starting 25th April
Brisbane Boys College, Kensington Terrace, Toowong
$120 for membership and training for this year
Training will be divided into groups based on age and ability

To register, please contact Michael Lofgren:
E: webmeister@dragons.org.au  P: 0417 005 772

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House Cleaner

Would you like a domestic goddess to come and help to keep your home clean?

I can come to you weekly or fortnightly.

$20 an hour.
References available on request.
Contact Anna on 3279 4203 or 0421 423 996.

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Moggill Markets - Kids Day
Saturday 4th May - 7.30 – 11.00

Moggill Markets are holding a Kids’ Day on 4th May. to cuddle a chook. Parents, bring the children along to the Brookfield Showgrounds on 4th May for a morning which will be informative and fun. It is never too soon for children to learn how important our farmers are to the whole community.

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