



# JIGGI PUBLIC SCHOOL

## THURSDAY NOTICE

1093 Jiggi Rd, Jiggi 2480  
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**21<sup>st</sup> November 2013**  
**Term 4 Week 7**

Dear Parents & Caregiver

### Happy Birthday

A very happy belated birthday wish to Millie who celebrate her birthday last week.



## Students of the Week



Johan - Being a Learner - always asking relevant and interesting questions that help to inspire during class discussions.



Henry - Being a Learner-focussed on his maths-Yay! Master of addition

### Coming events

#### Week 8

- Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November  
Presentation night 6pm

#### Week 9

- Swimming every day
- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December Year 6 orientation

#### Week 10

- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December-  
Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary
- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December Sea Bird  
Rescue Ballina

#### Week 11

- Last day of school Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>  
December

### Staffing

Thanks to Scott and Barb for assisting me on the selection panel last week. We are pleased to announce that Miss O'Neill will remain working with Mrs Dobner on the Diamonds and Sandra Close will work with our Gems for three days a week next year. We welcome Mrs Close to our school. For the last 15 years Mrs Close has been teaching at Larnook Public School, a very similar school to ours. She has extensive experience in Creative and Performing Arts, Physical Education, Health and Personal Development and Science. One of her passions is Environmental Education. The panel were very impressed with Miss O'Neill and Mrs Close and are looking forward to working with them next year.

### Presentation Night

Thanks to those parents who have donated books for the Children's Ward at the Lismore Hospital. The box is still outside the office if you have not already contributed. We are also having a **Christmas hamper** - please bring in non-

perishable Christmas food – basket outside school office.

Thank you also to those people who have volunteered to be a book award sponsor.

We are still seeking sponsors for:

Diamond's Literacy, Mathematics, CAPA, HSIE, Science and Technology and their class award. We are also asking for sponsors for the Opal's; Mathematics, Science and Technology, CAPA, HSIE, PD/H/PE and class award. If you are interested in being a sponsor please contact the office.

### **Swimming**

All of our Jiggi Gems will be travelling to The Summit every day in week 9 for swimming lessons or stroke correction.

Our bus will leave at 12.15pm and return to school by 3pm. Lessons are from 1pm to 2pm. **Students will need their togs, goggles and towel in a plastic bag clearly labelled with their name.** Please note there will be no tuckshop on that week.

The Department of Education and Communities are funding the cost of our two swimming instructors and the P&C are contributing \$10 per student. The school is funding three teachers or teachers aids to create 5 swimming groups. Cost to parents is \$17. If you are experiencing financial difficulties please fill out the attached student assistance form or contact Michelle.

### **Year 6 Orientation**

Our year 6 will be attending an orientation day at Richmond River High School on Wednesday of week 9, 4<sup>th</sup> December.

Please note they will miss one day of swimming. Cost will be the same as it is highly subsidised and the cost for the bus will be the same.

### **Currumbin**

On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December all of the Jiggi Gems will be travelling by bus to the Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary. Mrs Dobner, Mrs Stroud-Watts and Linda will be accompanying the students. We will be travelling in a large bus fitted with seat belts. The P&C are subsidising \$15 per student for this excursion. The cost for parents is \$17. Those students who wish to participate in the high ropes green challenge will need to pay an extra \$12.50.

The high ropes course weaves its way through the tree canopy. Students must meet the height requirements.

### **Sea Bird Rescue**

Week 10 is a busy week. On the Thursday we are all travelling to Ballina to the Sea Bird Rescue. Bus will be leaving at 9am and returning by 3pm. While we are in Ballina the principal from Dorrroughby Environmental Education Centre will be helping us explore rock and sand formations at Flat Rock. Student will need to be at school no later than 8.50am, have a packed lunch and recess, water bottle and school uniform including broad brimmed hat.

### **Media**

There have been recent articles in the media discussing aspects of small schools. Negotiations are currently being sort with the Department of Education and Communities and the Teachers' Federation over the classification, responsibilities and salaries of teaching principals. These negotiations take place every three years. Please be assured that our school funding and staffing entitlement will remain the same for next year. If I have any further information I will inform you immediately.

**Mrs Stroud-Watts**  
**Principal**

### **From the Diamonds**

Congratulations to the Diamonds for raising \$178.30 for their charity for 2013 - Currumbin Wildlife Hospital. We will be presenting a cheque for this amount to the staff at the hospital during our excursion at the end of Term.

A reminder to return all library books before the end of term. This is the last week of homework so please return readers and plastic homework holders so they can be used for next year.

In literacy we have been finishing up our unit of work based on Australian poems including Waltzing Matilda - Banjo Patterson, My Country - Dorothy Mac

Kellar and a poem written by a 10 year old student that won the Dorothy Mac Kellar prize called The Place Where I Live. We have been using the Super Six Comprehension strategies to help us develop a greater understanding of these poems and the language within them. This includes visualising - using our imaginations to bring the text to life and connecting - making a connection from the text to our own life, another text or something that is happening in the world. This week we are looking forward to planning and writing our own poems.  
Kind Regards  
Mrs Dobner

### **Tuckshop**

Rostered for duty on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2013  
Serving – Mareesa  
Cake & Dish of the Day – Cathy

### **P&C News**

P&C held the Monster Garage Sale on Saturday, it was a lovely morning and the rain was kind to us! We had 13 stall holders and a nice crowd of people browsing, swapping and chatting. A very big thank you to all the parents who put in a huge effort, we can't run events like this without that kind of community spirit!! So thank you. We were able to make \$780 on the day with another \$100 to come in after the money board is finished. I do apologise to the kids who were looking forward to the Krispy Creme doughnut stall, we will be making them for the Presentation night instead!

Please remember to bring a plate or two of savoury/ sweet dishes to share at the School Presentation night. Also drop in your hamper contribution to the office. On Presentation night we will be running the money board that we started at the Monster Garage Sale and drawing the winner.. \$2 for a number and chance to win \$100!

I am sure all parents are happy to see Barry back at the wheel.. welcome back Barry best bus driver ever!!  
Louise

### **Cuts to You – Mobile Hairdressing Service**

Children \$10 Adults \$20

Gold coin donation for travel

Phone Tina – 0452065679







### **Lismore Workers Netball Club**

Early bird sign on Day for 2014 season –  
past and present players most welcome.  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2013 4-6pm  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2013 4-6pm  
Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2013 10-12noon  
At Lismore Workers Club, Keen St, Lismore  
Contact Heidi on 0434 204 664 or Trish on  
0439 432 158.