

Jewells Primary School Newsletter

Principals' message

On Tuesday the school leadership team met with the Director Educational Leadership and representatives from the Leadership and High Performance Unit, to carefully examine the teaching, learning and leadership practices within the school. This was a very intensive inspection of the school vision, values, plan and operational practices. I am extremely pleased to inform the schooling community of the commendation received for the reform journey in progress since the beginning of this year.



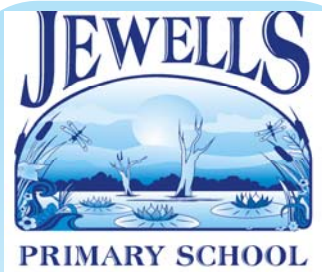
An unintentional outcome from this has been my absence from school due to an invitation to work alongside the Leadership and High Performance Unit in supporting other schools through external validation processes, peer principal welfare support and state-wide principal development. The benefits to Jewells Primary School from my involvement are the increased links to learning alliances across the state, whereby our teachers will have access to a plethora of evidence informed and research based professional learning that will improve the quality of teaching and student learning across the school.

I would like to thank and congratulate the leadership team for their cohesive work in driving our planned initiatives and in assisting with the clear and focussed leadership of the school. I am cognisant of time out of the school though and have looked to strategically minimise this whilst still providing system support to colleagues across the state.



Staffing Changes

The school has had several staffing changes of recent as temporary teachers become successful in gaining employment; some staff have commenced maternity/paternity leave, and other staff have had to take leave due to illness. As you can appreciate, this can impact the quality and consistency of programs and initiatives that the school has operating. Such staffing complexities occur from time to time and require responsiveness as well as strategic consideration regarding the capacity to continue to run certain programs. The leadership team and I have endeavoured to employ quality casual teachers to replace, but when this cannot occur due to complexities in supply/demand, there may be times when classes have to be split. This is always the last resort, and unfortunately an unintentional outcome.



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23rd August 2018
Term 3 Week 5

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Important Dates

AUGUST

Mon 27 Aug—Fri 7th Sept

Year 2/3 Swim School

Thurs 30 Fathers Day Stall

Fri 31 Fathers Day Afternoon

SEPTEMBER

Thurs 6 Backyard League

Wed 12 Interrelate

Thurs 13 Backyard League

Thurs 20 Backyard League

Jewells Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will be

OPEN 8.30am-9.30am on:

Mon 3 Sept

Mon 17 Sept

Paid orders can be left at the
office anytime.

Payment by POPS or Credit
Card

**Volunteers are appreciated !
Thank you !**

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Increasing the profile of student leaders

Mrs Mansfield has canvassed staff and will be working closely with the school leadership team to increase the profile and activities of our student leadership group. Our student leaders are an amazing group of students who will soon become an increased presence and voice in ascertaining what is working at Jewells Primary, what is not working, what we can do to improve our practices and increase community engagement. Watch this space!

Healthy Canteen

Thank you to our canteen volunteers for initiating some wonderful changes to the canteens healthy foods initiative. Student leaders have developed a small student survey to further inform their pursuit for improved healthy choices.



Student Absences

Attendance at school and being on time everyday has a huge impact on a child's learning. The school monitors attendance very closely and is supported in this process by the Departments Home School Liaison Officer. Time absent from class on a regular basis can have a negative accumulative impact. Please be considered in the time your child is absent from school.

Have you changed your address, mobile or emergency contact numbers?

Please urgently update the office if you changed ANY contact details. We have very sick children presenting at sick bay and often not one of their emergency contact numbers are now relevant. We absolutely need your CURRENT contact details for every child. Please notify the office with any changes in these details as they occur.

Road Safety

Parents and community members are asked to be mindful of parking on or next to the school crossings. This could result in some significant injuries to children and or a fine if caught by police and or rangers. Please act in a safe manner around school crossings.

Barry Croft
Principal

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K-2 Assembly

The next K-2 Assembly will be held on Monday 3rd September at 2:55pm in the hall. Selected students from 2W will run the assembly. 1J will be doing a short item. Visitors are welcome to attend. Please sign in at the office on arrival. Please ensure mobile phones are on silent and background noise is kept to a minimum.

Competitive Aerobics

Good luck to our two Competitive Aerobics Teams will compete in the National School Aerobics Competition on the Gold Coast on Saturday 25th August. Woop Woop!

Stage One Father's Day Afternoon

Years One and Two are holding an afternoon of entertainment and fun to celebrate Father's Day, on **Friday 31st August from 2.30 pm until 3.25 pm**. Please meet your child at their classroom and enjoy a range of great activities. We hope our dads, grandfathers, uncles and special friends are able to join us for an enjoyable afternoon.

The Stage One team

Enroll NOW for Kindergarten 2019

If you are interested in enrolling your child for 2019 please contact the School Administration Office on 49487300 for details.

Interviews will be held in Term 3 Week 7

Parent Information Session is in Term 3 Week 8

Looking forward to welcoming you to the Jewells family

RESPECT ASPIRE BELONG

Father's Day Invitation

Year One and Year Two fathers, grandfathers,
uncles and special friends
are invited to join Stage One on

Friday 31st August 2018
2.30 pm – 3.25 pm

for a fun afternoon to celebrate Father's Day.

Please meet your child in their classroom
and enjoy these great activities together!

Room 2: Pet Rocks and Wall Hanging

Room 3: Games, Construction and Find a Word

Room 4: Paper Plane Making and Portraits

Room 5: Tattoos

We hope you are able to join us.



Canteen News

At the P&C meeting of 15 August, our canteen supervisor of the last 7 years, Fay Tzavellas, announced her resignation. This signals the end of an era for our canteen and Fay's massive contribution will be missed. At the end of the year, Sue Giles will also stop working at the canteen as her grandson moves into high school. Fay (who has done all the cooking and ordering for the



canteen) and Sue currently work on the canteen every Monday morning and every Friday morning – and they are the people in charge - so their departure will leave big gaps in our rosters.

We have also had a couple of our volunteers resign because of work commitments and for health reasons. However, some new volunteers have come on board, other volunteers are now returning following surgery, and the canteen has been able to remain open.

We will desperately need more volunteers for Mondays, so please consider whether you may be able to help. We always welcome more help for Wednesdays and Fridays as well (even in a reserve capacity). The shifts available are Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays either morning (9 – 12.30) or recess (1.30 – 3) or a full day, and you can choose to work on the canteen weekly, fortnightly, one shift a month or one shift a term. We can fit you in around your work rosters and holidays. Full-day workers have their lunch provided; and we are trialling a new system whereby all full-day volunteers will receive a \$5 voucher for their child to spend at the canteen that day, and morning volunteers will receive a \$2.50 voucher for their child to spend at the canteen that day. If we have more volunteers, we may also be able to open on extra days, so if you would like to help, but could only do a Tuesday or Thursday, please let us know.

The canteen is streamlining their menu to help the volunteers manage in the short term without Fay and Sue; and to help our transition into a Healthy Schools Canteen (which has to be in place by 2019). A new initiative to help the children move towards a healthier canteen is the sale of little fresh fruit snacks for 20c. The children will get a stamp on their card each time they purchase a fruit snack and after 10 stamps, they will get a \$2 credit to spend at the canteen. This initiative will continue for the rest of term 3. We will also not be selling hot food at recess until further notice (after current stock has been used).

In the future, we are hoping our School Parliament can select menus for special 'theme' days at canteen, for example a Pizza Wednesday, or a Sausage on a roll Monday, and children can pre-order their lunch for a bit of fun and variety.

If you wish to volunteer, please collect a volunteer form from the canteen or the school office and return to either place, or email on jewells_pc@outlook.com and a form could be emailed to you.

	September			October		
	Monday	Wednesday	Friday	Monday	Wednesday	Friday
	3 Sept	5 Sept	7 Sept	1 Oct	3 Oct	5 Oct
9-12.30	1 Allexys 2 Sue G	1 Karyn C 2 Crystal C 3 Ruth S 4 Denise McG	1 Sue G 2 3 Kerry M 4 Nicole C 5 Jenny R	Holiday	Holiday	Holiday
1.30 - 3	1 Allexys W 2 Suzi A	1 Karyn 2 Ruth 3 Crystal C	1 Ruth 2 Jenny R 3 Anna H 4 Daina L			
	10 Sept	12 Sept	14 Sept	8 Oct	10 Oct	12 Oct
9-12.30	1 Allexys 2 Sue G	1 Karyn C 2 Crystal C 3 Jewell B 4 Ruth	1 Sue G 2 Lorraine G 3 Janice M 4 Moana M 5 Leonie R	Holiday	Holiday	Holiday
1.30 - 3	1 Allexys W 2 Anna H	1 Ruth S 2 Crystal C 3 Ros T	1 Ruth 2 Lee M 3 Karen M 4 Suzi A			
	17 Sept	19 Sept	21 Sept	15 Oct	17 Oct	19 Oct
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1.30 - 3	1 Allexys W 2 Celeste?	1 Ruth S 2 Crystal 3 Shane McG	1 Ruth 2 Ros 3 Pauline 4 Celeste			
	24 Sept	26 Sept	28 Sept	22 Oct	24 Oct	26 Oct
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SAFETY around schools



ROAD RULES IN SCHOOL ZONES:

Pedestrian crossings
 You cannot stop within 20 metres before a pedestrian crossing or 10 metres after a pedestrian crossing unless there is a control sign permitting parking.
Maximum penalty: \$439 and two demerit points

Double parking
 You may not stop on the road alongside to another vehicle at any time even to drop off or pick up passengers.
Maximum penalty: \$330 and two demerit points

Parking on a verge
 You cannot stop or park on a verge area (footpath, nature strip, dividing strip or kerb).
Maximum penalty: \$183 and two demerit points

When kids ask "the" questions...
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Interrelate is a specialist organisation with over 90 years' experience teaching sexuality and relationship education in NSW schools. Interrelate educators are highly trained and skillful presenters.

The topic of sexuality is handled with sensitivity, openness and humour. The program offers an interactive approach to learning, with a variety of audio-visual materials, discussions and games.

Session 1: Where did I come from?
 1-hour session: Years 3-6

Session 2: Preparing for puberty
 1-hour session: Years 5-6
Years 3-4 can attend at parent's discretion

Date: Wednesday 12th September 2018
Specialty books are available for purchase on the night.
 Keep a look out for flyers (coming home with your child before the program) outlining session content.



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Dear parents and caregivers,

If you love covering books then we would love your help in the library!



1. You can come into the library to cover the books.
2. You can take some books/contact home to cover them.

We would really appreciate the help ☺

If you are interested please ring the school and leave your details or email sarah.mcdonell1@det.nsw.edu.au

Thank you,
 The Library Team

