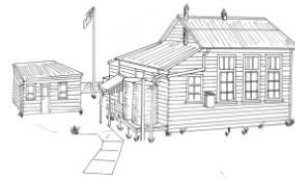




# Jerangle Public School Newsletter

**Week 3 – Term 4**  
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## From the Principal's Desk

Term 4 sees us round the third base of the year and start the manic sprint towards home plate, ready to seize the glory of a home run of a year. However, somehow the distance between the bases seems to triple and the amount of obstacles to overcome between now and then would make a ninja warrior blush and politely excuse themselves, before running from the scene at a rate normally reserved only for Olympic sprinters. Of course I wouldn't have Term 4 any other way. Every single activity that gets crammed into the warmer weather and end of the year presents wonderful opportunities for our bunch of eleven to become smarter, stronger, confident and caring members of our community.

This term infants students are looking into lifecycles in nature by studying mealworms and observing them grow and change. They will also continue to hone their geographic skills within the realms of the school, developing their mapping skills and considering the purposes of different areas and how to care for them. Meanwhile primary students are looking at methods of categorising living things and what features should be used to do so. Not to be out done by the infants students, they should also get the chance to have a close look at a few slimy creatures as well. In Geography, following on from learning about the human features of Australia, students will be researching some of the spectacular natural features of Australia which have made their way onto the World Heritage Register. In Personal Development and Health all students are learning

age appropriate child protection strategies by developing their ability to recognise types of abuse and knowing how to seek help.

Without a doubt by the time Christmas holidays roll around, each and every student (and their parents) will deserve the chance to recuperate from the busiest term of a very busy year. However, until then we will keep our pencils sharp and our rulers handy, ready for whatever this term throws at us.

Michael Schwetz  
Relieving Principal

## Cooma Cup Cricket Gala Day

Last Friday saw a very keen bunch of cricketers head to Cooma for the Cooma Cup Cricket Gala Day. I was quite proud, as I always am when I



show of the Jerangle kids, of the behaviour, enthusiasm and sportsmanship demonstrated by our school. It was particularly heart-warming to see some of the more skilled Year 5-6 teams of other schools pull the wickets in and slow the bowling down for the more varied skillsets present within our team. Particular congratulations are due to Benji who took home the prized cricket bat in recognition of his sportsmanship and effort throughout the day. Jack has more about the day below.

## Cooma cricket

*I went to cricket. I had a bowl and a turn batting.*

*By Jack*

### 2018 School Principal

In the holidays just past Sonja made official her intention to relinquish her position as Principal of Jerangle Public School. Although her impending retirement is unlikely to shock many members of the community, Sonja has deliberately vacated her position to allow it to be filled for the commencement of the 2018 school year. This means, that if all goes well, the community should know who will hold the role of the Principal before the end of the year. It is expected that the recruitment process for the position will commence shortly.

Regardless of the outcome, Sonja's love of Jerangle cannot easily be quelled and we are likely to see her visit the school from time to time as a casual teacher.

### Presentation Night - SAVE THE DATE!!

The 2017 presentation night will be held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December (Week 10) starting at 6:30pm at the CWA rooms. Being just a little too far away to experience the event last year, I am looking forward to experiencing one of Jerangle's premier night of nights. The students are feverously rehearsing their guitar and play performances under the very talented tutelage of Bill and Carolyn respectively. I am sure it goes without saying that I warmly extend an invitation to family and friends of our students and the Jerangle community to join us on the night.

### Woolworths Earn and Learn Stickers

A massive thanks is due to the community far and wide for your support of the school during the Earn and Learn promotion. Due to the groundswell of local support and a few mail-ins from far and wide we managed to collect 6 720 points, worth around \$700 of learning resources. I will proudly show of our collection (or at least I hope to) when they arrive early next year.

### School Swimming

The sharks are hard at work each Thursday morning developing their skills to swim and survive in and around the water. Although securing a

suitable time for lessons has been about as easy as paddling a canoe sideways, the value of learning



to swim cannot be underestimated in an area which has as many bodies of water as Jerangle does. Of course a little bit of training in the lead up to the next year's swimming carnival may be all the leverage we need to pry the cup free of Aaminaby's grasp.

### New Computers

Yesterday afternoon I was greeted by marvellous sight of the first instalment of our latest *technology for learning* rollout. This year's order will see another four laptops, including two larger touchscreen models, join our fleet. In conjunction with the school's purchase of three laptops earlier this year, this brings our fleet to seven current model laptops and two older laptops. This provides an outstanding opportunity to move our technology freely around the school and make the most of our Wi-Fi network. In addition to the laptops, two new screens were also ordered and will be put to good use around the school.

### School Photos

School photos will be taken on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November (Week 5). Notes and envelopes went home on Wednesday. I hope this gives everyone enough time to organise any haircuts or the like they feel are needed for the day. Please ensure your children are wearing full school uniform on the day as all students will have their photo taken.

### Monaro Small Schools Camp

A packing list for the Jindabyne camp has been sent home today. Please read it carefully paying particular attention to the prohibition of aerosols and electronic devices. Students do not need to wear school uniform for the Jindabyne camp.

Due to Gennene's work commitments the bus is unable to take us to Jindabyne. Therefore transport will be by a combination of staff and parent vehicles. Unless organised otherwise, students will travel to and from school as normal on the days of their departure and arrival.

## Canberra Excursion

A packing list will be sent home for the Canberra excursion shortly. Due to the booking times an early departure (approximately 8am) and late arrival (approximately 4pm) will be required. Please note that full school uniform will be required for the Canberra Excursion.

On Tuesday the P&C committed to subsidise the cost of the excursion by \$100 per student. In addition to the funds committed by the school, the possibility of a \$100 per student contribution by parents was discussed. After much reflection I believe to levy this cost within weeks of the excursion could bring undue financial hardship upon families. Therefore the school will make up the shortfall in the short term with the possibility that parents may be asked to make a contribution to smaller excursions throughout the coming year.

## 2018-2020 School Plan

The school plan for the next three years is currently being formulated. Some elements of the plan were discussed at the P&C meeting on Tuesday, however it is likely that a community workshop will

be held to gain further insight in order to develop our strategic directions for the future.

## Jerangle Playgroup



Jerangle Playgroup meets in the school library on Friday mornings from 10am 'til 11:30am. It is a great chance to catch up with what is going on in our local area and tap into a wealth of resources from the School. So don't sit at home with the kids, come along and join in the fun. We look forward to seeing you at Jerangle Playgroup.

From time to time due the Jerangle playgroup may not meet due to the activities of the school, the availability of organisers or the number of children attending that week. If you would like to check on the playgroup before attending please ring Ciara Murphy on 6230 8198.

Jerangle Public School Planner Calendar - Term 4 2017					
T4	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	23 October	24 October P & C Meeting 2pm	25 October	26 October Swimming	27 October
4	30 October Swimming	31 October Jindabyne camp Year 5-6	1 November Jindabyne camp Year K-6	2 November Jindabyne camp Year K-6	3 November L31 training-CNPS- MTA
5	6 November Small Schools Meeting- MTA	7 November School Photos	8 November	9 November Swimming Principal Network Meeting-MTA	10 November
6	13 November Canberra excursion	14 November Canberra excursion	15 November Canberra excursion	16 November Canberra excursion	17 November
7	20 November	21 November	22 November e-Budget Planning Tool Training M&HTA	23 November Swimming	24 November
8	27 November	28 November	29 November	30 November Swimming	1 December Primary Principal's Meeting-MTA
9	4 December	5 December	6 December	7 December	8 December
10	11 December	12 December	13 December	14 December Presentation night 6:30pm	15 December



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