



Jerangle Public School Newsletter

Week 4 – Term 1
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From the Principal's Desk

Welcome to 2017! This year we welcome back our eight students: Arabella and Georgia in Year 1; Ben in Year 3; Jess, Marcus and Jack in Year 4; and Will and Darcy in Year 5. We also welcome Mrs Eva Tangye to our staff as a part-time teacher, teaching two days per week.



While every term at Jerangle is filled with learning and fun, this term should prove to be even busier than normal with our 125th anniversary celebrations less than three weeks away. This term students will be studying the theme '*Me and My School*' as they look into the history of our school, our school today and their place, as individuals, within it.

I will be undertaking the role of Relieving Principal throughout 2017 as Sonja takes a well-earned rest caravanning through Tasmania and the red centre. I previously taught in Newcastle and Nyngan, in the Central West, before trekking north to Jennings Public School on the NSW/QLD border. There I taught as the 'second teacher' teaching small K-2 and K-6 class compositions and discovering my passion for small schools.

I would especially like to make mention of our wonderful parents and the community for

providing such a warm and friendly welcome to me in my first few weeks at Jerangle. This is clearly a wonderful little part of the world and I am very happy to have found it.



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Staffing

Jerangle Public School is very lucky to have a wonderful compliment of staff to assist our students learn and grow. This year will see Miss Lisa Coyne teaching on Wednesdays and Thursdays, as she readies herself for the birth of her baby boy. Mrs Eva Tangye joins us from Cooma North Public School teaching on Mondays and Tuesdays, and is poised to teach Monday-Thursday when Lisa takes three months of maternity leave towards the end of this term. We also welcome back Helen, our School Administrative Manager; Kelsey and Carolyn, our wonderful School Learning Support Officers; Bill our music instructor; Peter our hard working general assistant and Cathy our contract cleaner who continues to make the school sparkle every day. Each and every one of these people help make Jerangle the warm and wonderful school that it is.

125th Anniversary Celebrations and Working Bee

The 125th Anniversary Celebrations will be held on Saturday 4th March, beginning at the school at 9:30am. If you are planning on attending please complete and return the RSVP (available on the school Facebook page) before Monday 5th February.

The next 125th Anniversary meeting will be held on Wednesday 22nd February. The P&C are planning a working bee at the school on Thursday 23rd February to help ready the school for the influx of visitors attending the 125th. If you can spare a little of your time it would be greatly appreciated.

Weekly Assembly and Bike Track Day

Weekly assemblies will be held on Friday afternoons commencing at 2:40pm. Friday will also be our bike track day. Students are welcome to bring their bike and helmet, and ride around our wonderfully designed track during recess and lunch.



Homework

Homework is a valuable opportunity for students to practice what they are learning at school and show their improving abilities to their loved ones at home. It also builds each student's capacity to complete tasks at home readying them for the eventual transition to high school. In consultation with the P&C it has been decided to continue homework in 2017 on a parental opt-in basis. Students participating in homework will engage in home reading, practice their weekly spelling words and complete a number or times table activity each week. Homework has been sent home to all students in Week 4 so that parents can consider if they would like their child/ren to participate.

Small Schools Swimming Carnival

The Small Schools Swimming Carnival was held on Friday 5th February in Cooma. It was wonderful to see our students push outside their comfort zones

to represent our school. Although Adaminaby seized the trophy from Jerangle this year, I could not be more proud of the effort our students put into their swimming nor their faultless behaviour on the day. A special mention needs to be made of the parents who came to support our team and Miss Coyne and Kelsey who volunteered their time to cheer on Jerangle.



Merit Awards



Congratulations to all those who have been working hard to achieve merit awards and certificates. This week we celebrate the achievements of the following members of the school.

Week 3 Awards

Merit Certificate	Ben Hopkins
Work of the Week	Arabella Achanfuo-Yeboah
Sport Award	Jack Hopkins

Arabella's Work of the Week



School Drive Subsidy to replace the Private Vehicle Conveyance Subsidy

Parents who need to drive their children to meet the school bus because the bus does not travel to their property are eligible to receive a subsidy towards the cost of that travel. Previously this has been under a scheme called the Private Vehicle Conveyance (PVC) subsidy. The PVC subsidy is

being progressively phased out and replaced by the [School Drive Subsidy](#) from 17 January 2017.

If you are currently receiving the PVC subsidy to drive your children to school or to the nearest transport pick up point, you can choose to stay on the current PVC scheme covering the existing student(s) or switch to the new [School Drive Subsidy](#) scheme at any time. Assuming the school trip doesn't change, payments will continue for all existing students until they leave school or until you need to re-apply because the student is moving up to year 7 at high school or your address or school changes. If you add any new students, **all** the students (including existing PVC scheme students) will now go onto the new School Drive Subsidy scheme.

You can use the [scheme comparison calculator](#) to determine which scheme is better for you.

The daily subsidy rates for PVC will remain at 2017 levels in 2018 and beyond.

For more information go to <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/privateVehicleSubsidy> or call into the school.

Jerangle Playgroup



Jerangle Playgroup is keen to continue this Year for fabulous art, storytelling and play. The group 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.

Jerangle Public School Planner Calendar - Term 1, 2017					
T1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4	13 February	14 February	15 February	16 February	17 February Assembly -2:40pm
5	20 February RSVP for 125 th due	21 February	22 February Principal Induction- Sydney-MTA 125 Years Meeting 7PM	23 February Principal Induction- Sydney-MTA Working Bee 9am MEG Meeting- MTA	24 February Principal Induction- Sydney-MTA Assembly -2:40pm
6	27 February	28 February	1 March Network Meeting- MTA	2 March	3 March Assembly -2:40pm
7	6 March	7 March	8 March	9 March	10 March L31 Training 11:00- MTA Assembly -2:40pm
8	13 March	14 March	15 March	16 March	17 March Assembly -2:40pm LMBR training -MTA
9	20 March	21 March	22 March	23 March	24 March Assembly -2:40pm
10	27 March	28 March	29 March	30 March	31 March LMBR training-MTA Assembly -2:40pm
11	3 April	4 April	5 April	6 April	7 April Assembly -2:40pm Last day of Term 1

Small Schools Swimming Carnival

