



Jerangle Public School Newsletter

Week 3 – Term 2
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From the Principal's Desk

Welcome back to Term Two which should prove to be almost as busy as Term One. Our dedicated crew of students are already hard at work delving deeply into this term's content. We will be studying a number of mini-themes, some as a whole school and others split into Infants and Primary. Infants will be investigating the science of water as well as continuing on their quest to find evidence of Jerangle's past in the current day. Primary students will be expanding their understanding of how light travels and the effects that different materials have on light. They will also explore the history of Australia post-federation with a focus on our British heritage and the contributions made by those who have migrated to Australia. In Personal Development and Health all students will be navigating through the physical and emotional changes which occur as they grow older, relevant to their current stage of life.

Clearly we will be very busy working through all of this as well as participating in the many wonderful and varied opportunities which our students are presented.

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Welcome Miss Fitzgerald

Miss Liz Fitzgerald (Miss Fitz) joined us at the commencement of Term Two direct from her exploration of the United States. She will be teaching four days per week during this term filling the position vacated by Miss Tangye as well as covering Miss Coyne's maternity leave. From Term

Three Miss Fitz will teach each Monday and Tuesday. Liz is keen to develop her skills in a small school as lovely as Jerangle and will be an asset to our learning.

Congratulations Miss Coyne

Miss Coyne's baby boy, Logan, made a smooth entrance into the world late on the second last day of Term One, reportedly sporting quite a crop of dark hair. He was born weighing in at 3.5kg and measuring 50cm although I am sure he has grown an awful lot since then.

Cold Weather

Thankfully I had the internet connected to the school residence last week so I am now able to check out each week's weather in advance. However, I don't need the experts Bureau of Meteorology to convince me that it is getting much colder. As the winter woollies get dragged out from the back of the cupboard please take the time to ensure jumpers, long pants, gloves and beenies have either a name or initials written in them so that I can return them to their rightful owner.

Students are welcome to have their food heated up at recess and lunch. Toasted sandwiches or wraps, noodle or soup cups or leftovers in a microwaveable container are a great way to keep the cold at bay.

Easter Hat Parade

Thank you to the playgroup families who joined with the Jerangle students for our Easter Hat Parade on the last day of Term One. Everyone had a great time decorating their hats and proudly strutting with them down the catwalk.

Rivers Athletics Carnival

The Rivers athletics carnival will be held will be held at Nimmitabel Public School on Thursday 18th May (Week 4). I apologise for the later than desirable notice but there was some difficulty selecting a suitable date for all schools involved. Notes will go home shortly.

The district athletics carnival for eligible students will be held the following Wednesday, 24th May (Week 5).

NAPLAN

This week all students in Years 3 and 5 will be undertaking the NAPLAN assessments. Please ensure that these students arrive at school on-time to allow a smooth implementation. It is always worth remembering that these tests can only capture a moment in time and are only one of many tools used to gauge student progression and understanding. Please reiterate to your children that NAPLAN is just like any schoolwork and they should not feel pressured to perform any more than they would any other day.

ICAS Digital Technologies and Science Assessments

Students in Years 3-5 will again participate in the University of New South Wales assessments this year. Term 2 will see students participate in the Digital Technologies and Science papers. These pressure free assessments are a great way for students to develop their ability to participate in standardised testing and receive a certificate from the University for their efforts. The School will meet the cost of participation for all students.

Harry Nichols Rugby Shield and Girl's Touch Football

Congratulations to Darcy and Jess who represented Jerangle's sporting might at Cooma Showground on the first Friday of Term. Both students played valiantly and did Jerangle proud as members of the small-schools sides.

LEGO ROBOTICS!!

A very excited group of students helped a very excited teacher unpack the new Lego robotic kits during Week 1. The School has purchased 2 Lego WEDO 2.0 kits for the Infants students and 2 Lego

EV3 kits for the Primary students. These kits will provide the opportunity for students to build Lego machines and control them using the iPads. Students will be able to code the robots to carry out particular sequences of actions to perform a set task. In addition the Primary kits will also incorporate the use of sensors, such as light and proximity to provide information back to the robot and allow it to carry out the programmed action.

As a person who, when first exposed to a pre-Google internet in Year 4, predicted that it would fail, it is clear to me that we need to develop technology skills such as coding in our students now to allow our them to be ready for the technology and jobs of their future.

LMBR Training and Implementation

LMBR or Learning Management and Business Reform is about to arrive at Jerangle Public School. Friday 19th May (Week 4) will see the old finance system switched off and the School's bank account closed and cheque book disused. On Monday 22nd of May (Week 5) the new system will go live and electronic transactions or cheques will be issued from the School's funds by the Department of Education in Sydney. This is a significant change which has required a vast amount of effort and training to implement. However the new system will allow several much easier methods of purchasing and also provide parent with the additional opportunity to pay for school activities electronically. Helen is still very busy readying the school for the transition so please continue to be extra kind to her in the coming weeks.

P & C Thank you.

Thank you to Lisa, Gennene and Helen who volunteered their time on last Friday night and Saturday morning to feed a ravenous group of athletes at the Australian Rogaining Championships. Their selfless volunteering has again raised money for the P & C to put towards the myriad of wonderful experiences that are students are able to participate in.

Jerangle Playgroup



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 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

Jerangle Public School Planner Calendar - Term 2, 2017					
T2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	8 May	9 May NAPLAN	10 May NAPLAN	11 May NAPLAN	12 May
4	15 May	16 May P & C meeting-1pm	17 May	18 May Rivers athletics- Nimmitabel PS	19 May
5	22 May LMBR Go Live Day	23 May ICAS Computer Skills	24 May District athletics carnival	25 May	26 May L31-Cooma North PS (MTA)
6	29 May	30 May ICAS Science	31 May	1 June	2 June
7	5 June	6 June	7 June	8 June	9 June
8	12 June Queen's Birthday public holiday	13 June	14 June	15 June	16 June
9	19 June	20 June	21 June	22 June	23 June
10	26 June	27 June	28 June Miss Coyne returns Small school's day (Location TBA)	29 June	30 June Last Day-Term 2

Jerangle Easter Hat Parade

