



Jerangle Public School Newsletter

Week 10 – Term 1
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JERANGLE PUBLIC SCHOOL
LEARNING TOGETHER

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Upcoming Events

Friday 12th April

Last Day of Term 1

Monday 29th April

Staff Development Day/Pupil
Free Day

Tuesday 30th April

Students commence

Wednesday 15th May

Charlie the Musical-Sydney

From the Principal's desk

And just like that we have somehow surpassed the one-quarter mark of the school year. It has been a wildly busy and exciting term which has allowed us to put down a solid foundation for the rest of the year. At these natural stopping points, I take great joy in stopping to take a breath, in the same way one would have a rest on the side of a mountain, and enjoy the view that is the academic and personal growth of each student. During today's mammothly busy *"last day of term-Easter hat parade-Easter egg hunt-mufti day"* I took the time to ensue I sat with each student to make sure they got to appreciate the view too.

I hope you have a refreshing and relaxing Easter break. All students return Tuesday 30th April.

Jerangle's very own excursion-mobile

This weekly I proudly drove in our school's very own bus. Our 12 seat Hiace opens up an immense swath of opportunities to take our learning outside of the classroom, access the same facilities that city and town folk take for granted and collaborate with our nearby schools. It has taken several years of saving bits and pieces and a significant donation from our P&C to turn this dream into a reality. If you have been generous enough to drop your cans and bottles into our collection bins then you too have helped buy a little bit of the excitement and adventure that the kids will get to experience. Of course, having a bus isn't all smiles and excitement. It is also a lot of hard work to keep clean, especially traveling up and down the dirt. As you can see the kids are forcing themselves to give it a wash every now and then.



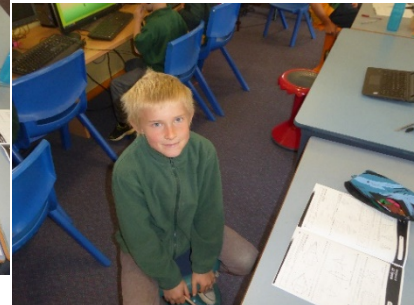
Farewell to the Harringtons

Today we sadly said goodbye to Georgia and Rhonda and with them Gus, Ciarra and Jason as they head north to new opportunity in the Hunter Valley. We will sorely miss Georgia's determined spirit, Rhonda infectious giggle and Gus' can-do attitude along with Ciarra's work with the P&C and playgroup and Jason's easy going and helpful attitude.



Wobble stools wriggle their way into Jerangle

Last Friday we took delivery of our new wobble stools for the classroom. With a curved base the students are free to wriggle around as they work. This is of particular use for a few of our students who appear to be either part mountain goat, part-monkey or some combination of the two. The ability to shift around while they think and work had proved highly popular amongst the kids who have obviously been very spoilt these last two weeks.



Small schools gymnastics fun day



Jerangle had the pleasure of hosting this term's small schools fun day. In a bit of a twist nobody came to visit us, instead meeting us at the Cooma Gymnastics Club. It was all smiles as the kids tucked, rolled, jumped and climbed their way around the myriad of obstacles and I have heard nothing but rave reviews of the day. I have declared myself the **Grand Master Gymnastics Principal Champion** due to the fact that no other principal, teacher or helper was willing to accept my offer of a cartwheeling showdown. Whether I could have actually cartwheeled or not will now never be known.

School photos

Thank you to all the parents who got the kids ready for school photos on such short notice. With our fabulous photographer enjoying some time in Europe, it was a fairly quick turnaround to organise everything before the end of term. Please remember that this year instead of pre-ordering a set of photographs parents can select individual photos to build their own gallery. I will send out a link to parents in the holidays so that they can access the gallery. Please have your orders submitted online before the end of the first week of Term 2 to allow a quick order and delivery of photos to you. Many thanks go to Katie Phillips for her passion and expertise this year. I would love to hear your feedback regarding every aspect of this new approach.



Charlie the Musical

Michelago Public School have invited us to join with them as they travel to see Charlie the Musical, based on Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, in Sydney on Wednesday 15th May. It will be an enormous day, with us first traveling to Michelago at 6:30am before boarding the big bus to Sydney for the 1pm performance. We will then have dinner before doing the trip in reverse arriving back in Jerangle at about 8:30pm.

I am painfully aware that this is a very big day for everybody, especially our Kindies, but this is said to be a wonderful show which it is not making the trip to Canberra; and the kids will have ample opportunity to nap on the bus trip each way. The school will subsidise the cost of the trip and I am happy to investigate the opportunity for parents to accompany the school at their cost if there are spare tickets. Please consider if you would like your children to participate in this experience. I am able to operate the school, in addition to the excursion but It'd be much more fun to take everyone along.

