



Jerangle Public School

Learning Together

Newsletter

Week 3 - Term 3

4th August, 2020



Upcoming Events

Wednesday 5th August
Education Week Activities
Captains Flat PS

Friday 7th August
Tennis commences

Friday 21st August
5-6 excursion to Captains
Flat PS

Wednesday 26th August
Book Week celebrations
Captains Flat PS

From the Principal's desk

A huge welcome back to the adventures of our beautiful little school in Term 3. Somehow in the mayhem that has been 2020 we have surpassed the tipping point of the year and are already enjoying the extra few seconds of daylight each day brings. This term promises to be as dynamic, challenging and ever changing, often at short notice as we improvise, adapt and overcome the very fluid restrictions stemming from COVID-19. I extend my apologies to the parents who are receiving much less notice of excursions and activities as we shorten the planning cycle to and hold off on announcements until we are confident that activities can proceed. I can only offer my thanks for your patience and effort as we manoeuvre and strive to provide the best possible experience we can in the current circumstances.

COVID-19 restrictions

Many restrictions remain in place for now and are planned for consideration by the Department during Term 3. Unfortunately, the outbreaks in Melbourne and Sydney are quite rightly extending many of the safeguards in place at school. A friendly reminder that parents and community members are asked not to enter the school grounds without prior arrangement.

- ✗ Overnight and indoor excursions.
- ✗ The use of bubblers by students is not allowed. Please ensure your child has a drink bottle each day.
- ✗ School assemblies, P&C meetings, family and community days.

Bike Fun day

The boys, Helen and I had an amazing time at our Tuggeranong Bike Day. Ben H. has very proudly recounted the results of his organisational prowess below.

As a school leader It was my duty to come up with a special day for a break from the troubles of school. I decided for a bike day at Tuggeranong. After a recess of planning I finished the permission note and everyone got one two days later. On Wednesday the 1st of July we had to get to school by 8:00 otherwise we would leave them behind so everyone got out of bed 1 hour earlier even the bus driver Letitia.

When we got there, we jumped out of the bus in a storm of only four kids and rushed to the back of the bus. But as we were waiting crazily at the back until Mr Schwetz told us to go and play in the park over next to the bike track/walking path. Then when Mr Schwetz came over on his bike to let us know that everything was out we walked back over to the bus to get our helmets and bikes, we rode through the car-park to a shelter and had a bite to eat. Then we used the track to get to the learn to ride centre, then went to a side parking with a



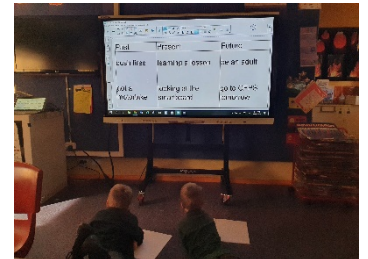
couple of benches and Mr Schwetz went over the rules. The track had a round-about, stop signs, animal signs, give way signs, and three parking lots. After half an hour of that I asked Mr Schwetz if we could go on the Tuggeranong lake circuit and he asked Helen if she would be ok looking after the little kids whilst we were gone, so Ben, Mr Schwetz and I went for the circuit twice. Dylan and Spencer said they got halfway but turned around, so we all laughed and said they didn't have to turn around for halfway because it was the same amount.



We went back over half way and had a play on some really big equipment with metal bugs hanging on to the side. After our giant play Ben, Mr Schwetz and I started to go for a ride back to the learn to ride centre, but about one hundred metres away at a parking lot Ben Govier got a flat tire. And we had to walk back to the park for Benji to play with the young ones. Then Dylan Mr Schwetz and I went for a third of the way and turned around to head back but my bike hasn't been oiled for about eight years and the friction was making it really very difficult to ride so I asked if we could pull over, Mr Schwetz asked if I would like to use his new bike and of course I said yes, so we switched bikes and rode the rest of the way back to the bus like that after we loaded the bikes we went and got Sundaes from McDonalds and started to head home.

Some new Tech for Jerangle

With COVID-19 keeping us in a little more than we would like we are very excited to have our new smartboard in place. Our new bit of kit is much quicker and easier to use (despite the giggles every time I make it do the opposite of what I wanted) and has replaced the antiquated connected classroom with the much quicker, easier and more versatile Zoom. I am very pleased to see the end of the long warm up times, shadows, multiple cords and adapters and everchanging alignment of the touch input to the image that were part and parcel of the old projector.

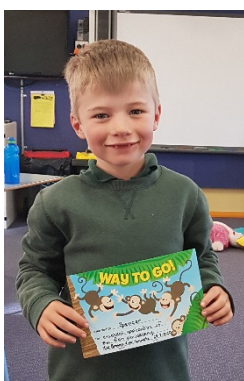


Having sew great of a time!!

Under the careful guidance of Helen, the boys ventured into The Fabric Salon in Cooma last Friday tasked with choosing the fabrics for one of our inward adventures this term. Enormous credit goes to the boys and Helen who laboured intensely (for so long) to find and match the colours and patterns, both for both their creations and to their unique personality. I am very excited to see their efforts come together in the coming weeks and months as they create a very warm, lasting and tangible memory.



Our local legends



Congratulations to our most recent local legend award recipients:

Week 1: Spencer for excellent application of the FiSH Philosophy.

Week 2: Ben H. for an excellent attitude towards tricky tasks.

