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A message from the Relieving Principal

Mrs Robyn Bishop

Dear parents and carers,

I would like to start by thanking everyone from students, staff and community for welcoming me so warmly into Johns River PS while Ms Quinlivan is away. It's a lovely place to be and I am enjoying working with each and every one of you.

A huge congratulations to the Years 4 – 6 Students who went off to the STEAM day at Moorlands PS last week. They actively engaged in many activities which included: building rockets and propelled boats; playing soccer using spheros; and flying drones. Additionally to this, students had a great time socialising with all the other children who will be joining them on the Sydney excursion.

We also had a lovely representation of students at CHAFFS during the massed choir. It was a fabulous night which left everyone buzzing after we witnessed much talent from students of other local schools.

Sydney excursion is fast approaching. If you haven't finalised payments, please do so ASAP.

Next week staff from the 3MAPS network will join together for a staff development afternoon at Johns River. As the Department of Education moves from 'Continuums' to 'Progressions' of learning we will be working together to develop our skills and knowledge in this area.

During Weeks 7 - 10 your child will be participating in child protection activities. This is a mandatory unit that sits within the PDHPE syllabus. If you do not wish for your child to participate in this unit, you will need to request your child be removed from the lessons. This request must be received in writing. If you have

concerns that your child may be sensitive to this unit of work, please come and see me.

I would like to welcome Shanina Kemp to JRPS. Shanina is joining us in Year 3 and has already made some lovely friendships. Everyone is looking forward to getting to know you better, Shanina!

Thank you

Robyn Bishop

Coming Events

Week 6	
Tues 28 Aug	Mrs B & Mr T – 3MAPS PLAN 2.0 training 4pm – 5pm
Fri 31 Aug	P&C Meeting
Week 7	
Mon 3 Sep	3MAPS Sydney Excursion
Tues 4 Sep	3MAPS Sydney Excursion
Wed 5 Sep	3MAPS Sydney Excursion
Thurs 6 Sep	Y-PEP Child Protection education program
Fri 7 Sep	Mrs B – 3MAPS Principal's meeting Moorland Soccer Gala Day
Week 8	
Thurs 13 Sep	Y-PEP Child Protection education program
Week 9	
Mon 17 Sep	Mr T – Road safety workshop
Wed 19 Sep	Mr T – NSWTF literacy training
Thurs 20 Sep	Mr T – NSWTF literacy training Y-PEP Child Protection education program
Fri 21 Sep	Term 3 Assembly
Week 10	
Thurs 27 Sep	Y-PEP Child Protection education program
Fri 28 Sep	Final day of Term 3



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NEXT P&C MEETING FRIDAY 31 AUGUST 9AM

Originally scheduled for Friday 7 September, but changed to accommodate the Moorland Soccer Gala Day.



The countdown to the 3MAPS Sydney Excursion is on! There is only one week left to finish packing and preparing for departure on Monday 3 September. Participating students, and their parents and carers, are reminded to see a member of staff if they have any questions regarding the excursion.

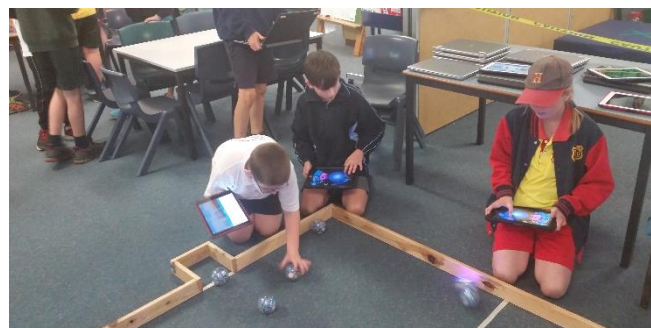
Camden Haven Arts Festival for Schools

Congratulations to those students who participated in the Massed Choir at CHAFFS on Wednesday night. The Camden Haven Community of Schools put on a fabulous concert, showcasing the talent of our local public schools.



YEAR 4-6 3MAPS STEAM DAY

Students from Year 4-6 celebrated National Science Week last Friday at the 3MAPS STEAM Day. Moorland Public School organised activities using Spheros, drones and rockets and finished the day with a science show for all students to enjoy.



Y-PEP CHILD PROTECTION EDUCATION PROGRAM

Included in this newsletter is an information sheet about the Y-PEP Child Protection education program, which will commence in Week 7.

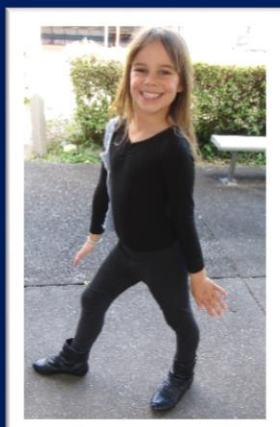
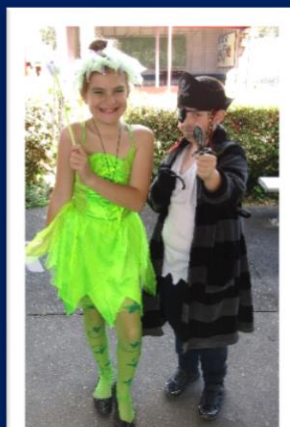
All 3MAPS schools will be participating in the program. Each school will deliver workshops 1 and 4 individually at their own schools. Herons Creek, Hannam Vale and Moorland will travel to Johns River Public School for workshops 2 and 3.

Parents and carers with any questions about the content that will be covered are very welcome to arrange an appointment with Mrs Bishop.



Thank you to everyone who helped the school celebrate Book Week today. The costumes students prepared were fantastic.

A special thank you is extended to the school's P&C Association, who donated copies of the 2018 CBCA books shortlisted for the Book of the Year. These will be a great addition to our library.



Y-PEP Child Protection Education Program Primary School

The Y-PEP program has been designed by a team of professionals from YWCA NSW in collaboration with the program steering committee, consisting of members from Department of Education, NESA (formerly BOSTES), Association of Independent Schools and Catholic Education Commission amongst others.

The program is aligned to the NESA PDHPE Syllabus focusing on the three key themes; Recognising Abuse, Power in Relationships and Protective Strategies. The aim of the Y-PEP program is to strengthen the existing child protection education curriculum outcomes delivered by school teachers.

What are the outcomes?

As a result of this program, children and young people will have;

- An increased awareness of safe and respectful relationships
- An increased knowledge and understanding of rights and responsibilities in relationships
- Increased their skills in recognising, assessing risk and responding to unsafe situations

The workshops are highly interactive to allow students to use multiple areas of learning. Our experienced and professional facilitators deliver the workshops suitable for varying levels of skills and to create age appropriate and engaging content for them to feel safe.

Topics covered;

Sense of Self- Similarities and differences, Introduction to the UN Rights of a Child

Power in Relationships- Rights and responsibilities, trusted adults, power in relationships

Recognising Abuse- Warning signs, body parts, types of abuse- physical, sexual and emotional, safe and unsafe touching and secrets

Protective Strategies- Responding to risk. NO GO TELL, communication



The primary school program will be delivered over 4 weeks with a 1 hour session presented each week. Teachers will deliver workshops 1 and 4. Y-PEP facilitators will deliver workshops 2 and 3. The follow up workshop is an *optional extra* which can be delivered by either your teachers or the Y-PEP facilitators.