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Newsletter – Term 3 Week 9: 21 September 2018

A message from the Relieving Principal

Mrs Robyn Bishop

Dear parents and carers,

Our last Newsletter for Term 3 and I would like to thank you all for your support and friendship during the last 6 weeks. I have been asked to stay on at Johns River until the end of the year while Ms Quinlivan continues on leave.

You may have noticed Mr T, Miss Craig and myself moving like little work ants around the school lately. We have been busily piecing together the External Validation report which will be presented in Term 4. External Validation is an opportunity for schools to discuss their judgement about their practice. We are looking forward to showcasing the great things being done at Johns River Public School. A big thank you to Mrs Wade who has worked closely with both Mr T and myself to ensure lessons are running as usual and the day to day activities are being managed without disruption to the children's education.

Two very important notices that I ask you to please be aware of and consider.

This week we held the **Road Safety** Training Day for many local schools. This training highlights the responsibility of parents and schools to ensure the safety of all children especially around drop off and pick up times. The first thing to consider is how and where you are parking at drop off and pick up times. Whilst we are a small school we are still governed by the same safety considerations of a large school. It only takes 1 car and 1 child for things to go horribly wrong. PLEASE park on the school side of the road with your car facing the flow of traffic. PLEASE do not allow your child to enter into the car from the driver's side. If accessing the car from the safest (curb) side is not an option then please ensure you are holding your child's hand and supervising them into the car. If your child is riding a bike to and from school, they must have a correctly fitted helmet on at all times. When crossing the road, riders are to dismount and cross while walking their bikes. Any child who is walking home will need to supply written information to the school advising when this is to occur. It is a recommendation of Transport for NSW that all children under 10 years of age

should be accompanied by an adult when walking to and from school.

Late arrivals and Early Pick Ups

If your child is arriving to school at any time after the morning bell has rung, you are required to sign them into school. If you are collecting your child early from school you will also need to sign your child out of school. All early leavers and late arrivals will be recorded on the schools electronic roll. PLEASE NOTE: If the class is outside of the classroom when you arrive/leave you will still need to sign your child in/out.

A very big **congratulations** to all the students who represented our school at the Soccer Gala Day. I was very proud of the never give up attitude and sportsmanship displayed by each and every one of our students. While we didn't take out 'first place', we certainly received many compliments from other schools for our ability to walk over to the other teams and shake their hands after a well-played game. You can all be very proud of yourselves.

In the lead up to the school holidays I would like to wish you all safe journeys whether you are traveling or enjoying a relaxing time at home. Happy Holidays!

Thank you

Robyn Bishop

Coming Events

Week 10

Thurs 27 Sep	Y-PEP Child Protection education program
Fri 28 Sep	Final day of Term 3

HOLIDAYS

Term 4 Week 1

Mon 15 Oct	School resumes for students & staff
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Week 2

Thurs 25 Oct	Ms B – 3MAPS Principals meeting Ms B – CHCOS meeting Ms B & Mr T – 3MAPS staff meeting
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NEXT P&C MEETING
Friday 2 November 9am

BUNNINGS BBQ FUNDRAISER



A HUGE thank you to everyone who volunteered to help with the P&C Association's Bunnings BBQ last Sunday. Our total profit for the day was \$826.00 and we couldn't have done it without the help of volunteers:

Graham Manning, Beth Bailey, Tabatha Horvat, Robyn Bishop, Dave Eade, Josh Tomasone, Rhonda Craig, Sarah Britton, Margaret Clunes, Trevor Clunes and Janene McKay.

ROAD SAFETY DO YOUR PART

Teachers from Hannam Vale, Herons Creek, Upper Lansdowne and Lake Cathie Public Schools joined Mr Tomasone on Monday to participate in a Road Safety Education training day at the school. Part of this training required each school to complete a self-assessment on the current state of road safety in their school community and an action plan to improve it. There are many aspects of road safety that could be improved at our school, and we need the support of the wider community to ensure the safety of students. Over the coming weeks, a range of information will be distributed to families in an attempt to raise awareness of the importance of road safety around the school.

TERM 3 ASSEMBLY

Thank you to everyone who celebrated with us at the Term 3 Assembly today. A special thank you also goes to the school's P&C Association for donating the sausages for the sausage sizzle lunch and to Mr T for being head chef today.

CLAUDE UNICOMB ANNUAL MEMORIAL TROPHY SCHOOL SOCCER GALA DAY

Well done to all students who participated in the Soccer Gala Day at Moorland on Friday 7 September. It was a wonderful day of fun, physical activity and great sportsmanship.



**HAVE A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE
SCHOOL HOLIDAY PERIOD.**

**SCHOOL RESUMES
MONDAY 15 OCTOBER.**