Swimming carnival fun
Junee North students make a big splash!
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Feature Photo

Nicholas takes a breather after finishing second in his 50 m race.
Principal’s report

Reward system

The children are very excited by our new reward and award systems. Parents will soon notice lots of new signs around the school promoting our 3 expectations of Responsible, Respectful and Safe Behaviour. Congratulations to our first Green level raffle winners last week: Mattie, Aimee, Makayla, Tyler, Logan, Cody, Dimity-Lee, Atticus, Tangiora, Ellie, Mikayla, Samuel, Maddison, Luke, Sarah and Lincoln.

Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to all of the students who attended and participated in Tuesday’s swimming carnival. I know that the K-2 children had lots of fun in the small and program pools, whilst the Year 3-6 students participated with great enthusiasm. Special congratulations to those students who attained a place in their race. Place ribbons were presented at yesterday morning’s assembly. Trophies for our age champions will be presented at tomorrow’s assembly.

More on swimming

We were somewhat disappointed in the number of children who did not attend the carnival. Parents need to ensure that if your child did not attend, a note explaining their absence is sent in to class teachers. We will be evaluating our carnival and looking at possible changes to the format. Again we value feedback from parents in this matter. It was also noticeable that we have many students with limited swimming ability. We will again be offering the Learn to Swim scheme in Term 4 and I encourage parents of non or limited ability swimmers to consider enrolling your child in this program. Unfortunately we are limited in the number of students we can take into this program – this is to ensure small enough numbers in groups for safety and quality of instruction. We will be discussing other possible ways to assist with developing the swimming skills of our students – parental suggestions are welcome. At the end of the day it will involve a cost to our families for any form of swimming instruction to occur.

Media permission

Attached to today’s newsletter is a media permission note. We request that all of our families complete and return this form as soon as possible – notes need to be returned to your child’s class teacher. Note - our new Kindergarten parents do not need to complete these as they have already returned theirs.

Contacting parents

There have been several occasions already this term where myself or the office staff have attempted to contact parents without success. It is vitally important that we have the latest parental and emergency contact numbers. If you have changed address or phone number please contact the office staff so that this information can be updated.

Active After-School

Our popular ‘Active After-School’ program commences again next week. Notes regarding this are attached. A reminder that the K-2 group is on Mondays and the Year 3-6 group is on Tuesdays. Permission notes are available for interested students from the office or may be downloaded from our website.

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New canteen Items!

As part of our efforts to promote our Healthy school Canteen policy, we now have lots of healthy, tasty treats available for the children every Monday and Friday. The children have had fruit and jelly cups, fruit kebabs, muffins to name a few. Lollies are no longer available from the canteen and we are encouraging our students to make these healthier options.

A huge thank you to our hard-working canteen volunteers and to our co-ordinator, Janette Tailford.

Text Book Fees

Each year we provide at a vastly discounted rate, several textbooks for students to use in their classroom learning activities. These have now arrived and the children have commenced using them. Below are the costs for each stage. Prices vary due to the variety in texts used by each stage. Invoices are being posted to parents in the mail this week. We would appreciate your prompt payment of these fees:

K-2 : $32
Stage 2 (Year 3 & 4): $22
Stage 3 (Year 5 & 6): $25

New assembly seating

We have continually struggled with fitting in all of our wonderful parents and students at weekly assemblies. Unfortunately the size of our hall makes these very squishy and often hot events. Whilst we do have the COLA area, the time needed to set up and pack up the assembly, as well as the poor acoustics in this area (not to mention the amount of dust blowing through regularly!) means that this is not an option either on a weekly basis. This week we are trialling a change to our seating arrangements for our Friday assembly. Let’s see if this works!

REMINDER: No hat – play in the shade

Merit Awards

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Semester 1 SRC members

At last Friday’s assembly our newly elected Student Representative Councillors were presented with their badges. These children will represent their classes for Terms 1 and 2, with new elections being held in Term 3 to ensure lots of leadership opportunities for our students. They will be organising lots of fun fundraising events throughout the year as well as providing our students with a voice to suggest ideas and improvements we can make.

swimming carnival pictures

Charles did a terrific job competing in the 8 yr races!

Our K-2 children enjoyed lots of fun activities

Latham students cheering for their team

Semester 1 SRC members proudly wearing their badges!
Patrick was a terrific competitor – he can still smile after swimming all that way!

Johanna and Caitlin get ready for their first race of the day

Parent Information Sessions

A reminder that our teachers will be holding their information sessions next week – a note was sent out last week detailing days/times. Please contact the office if you require any further information.

Community News

Junee Soccer Club

24 hour Cancerwary Bowloath in aid of Can Assist will be held at the Junee Bowling Club from Friday 15th 6pm to Saturday 16th 6pm. Nomination forms available from Junee Medical Centre $60.00 per team of up to 12 players extra players $5.00 a head. Teams can be pairs triples or fours over the duration of the event. BBQ and other food available during 24 hours.

Any enquiries Junee Medical Centre 69243022, 69242088 or 0449137920.

Illabo Melodrama Group presents The Eye of D’Nile

Friday and Saturday nights Illabo Showground Pavilion 8,9,15,16,22,23 March 2013. Cost is $40.00 per head includes dinner. Bookings essential to Diane Belling on phone 0467 523 192

P&C News

A ‘Welcome to Junee North’ BBQ will be held on Friday 1 March, commencing at 6:00 pm. All new and existing families are invited to attend. A free BBQ and drinks will be provided, with some fun activities for the children (and parents!)
WINTER JACKET & WINTER TUNIC ORDER FORM
RETURN BY THE 15.04.13 WITH MONEY

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS – MONDAY & FRIDAY 9.30 AM TO 2.30 PM
(LOCATED IN THE CANTEEN)

Please indicate quantities required

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CONTACT NUMBER

The Dry & Cosy Jacket is Fully lined with Polar Fleece, has a concealed hood, two external pockets, one internal pocket and 2 side entry pockets lined with polar fleece. There is one at the canteen if you would like a look.

There is also a Tunic at the canteen for anyone who wants to see what it looks like.

* If ordered outside this time small or single orders attract a small charge of approximately $12.50 which will be added to the cost of the jacket.

** Orders must be sent to the school by Friday the 15th of March to ensure they are back by Term 2. Payment must be included with the order (cheques to be made out to Junee North P&C). We will ring when your order is ready to be picked up. If you have any questions please ring Jannette on 0438281802.
Junee North P & C
2013 NRL Tipping Competition

To start the 2013 fund raising off, the P&C are again running a footy tipping competition.

We are looking for parents, grandparents, students or any keen person looking to be the best tipster at the end of the 2013 NRL Season.

A cost of $10 per person to enter and tipping sheets will need to be dropped off at either the School Office or Post Office by Friday afternoons (in some cases Thursday afternoons).

With the 2013 NRL season starting 7/3/13, we would need names and money handed to the school office by February 22nd.

I/We are interested in the NRL Tipping competition and would like more information.

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Note: We have an option of entering tips online this year, with all participants able to view the ladder and check their progress at any time.

I/we have the ability to enter tips online: Yes/No