Term 2 begins
Straight back to learning
Calendar

Term 2, Week 1
- 20 April: Staff development day
- 21 April: Students return
- 24 April: School ANZAC service 1:15 pm
- 25 April: Assembly @ 2:30 pm
- 26 April: ANZAC Day – Student march

Term 2, Week 2
- 28 April: Girls PSSA Cricket Round 2
- 1 May: PSSA Boys & Girls Soccer Rd 1
- 2 May: Assembly @ 2:30 pm

Term 2, Week 3
- 5 May: P&C meeting @ 6:30 pm
- 7 May: Stage 3 Netball Cup
- 8 May: JNPS Cross Country Yrs 3-6
- 9 May: No assembly

Term 2, Week 4
- 12 May: NAPLAN – Years 3 & 5
- 13 May: NAPLAN – Years 3 & 5
- 14 May: NAPLAN – Years 3 & 5
- 15 May: Assembly @ 2:30 pm

Term 2, Week 5
- 21 May: Year 5 Talented REEC visit
- 22 May: Assembly @ 2:30 pm

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Feature Photo

Zoe, Sophia, Paige and Morgan & the rest of 5/6B were straight back into their learning
Principal’s report

Welcome back

I trust all of our families enjoyed a relaxing and happy Easter break and holiday. Term 2 is yet again jam-packed full of events and opportunities. I have attached a calendar with dates for your information. Our calendar on the school website is regularly updated as new events and dates come to hand.

Welcome Mr Maxwell

We welcome to our staff Mr Jared Maxwell. Mr Maxwell is a new Assistant Principal (along with Mrs McDevitt). Mr Maxwell will be teaching 3/4M (formerly known as 3/4P!) I know that Mr Maxwell is very pleased to be part of our wonderful Junee North school community.

Welcome Mr Maxwell!

ANZAC services

This Friday we will be holding a school ANZAC service at 1:15 under the COLA. Parents are most welcome to join us. On Saturday our students are invited to participate in the Junee march. A note regarding this was sent home earlier this week.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN (National Assessment Program in Literacy and Numeracy) will take place for all Year 3 and 5 students in Week 4. Teachers have been providing practice sessions for students to ensure they are prepared for the types of questions they will encounter. I have provided an information letter for parents with today’s newsletter.

We’re straight back into our learning!

Congratulations to all of our students who arrived back on Tuesday showing great enthusiasm. Teachers had them straight back into learning mode with lots of exciting and challenging opportunities prepared for them!

Year 1/2S students had their heads down, engaged in their learning tasks during their morning literacy session.

Paige working with Mrs Lehmann in a Multi-Lit program

Reminders

ANZAC Day march Saturday 25 April – meet at the park by 10:00

Please label all clothing! Our Lost Property crate is full!
Sports news

Cross Country

Our school cross country will take place on Friday 8 May at Loftus Oval. This is for all students in Years 3 – 6 plus any 8 year olds in Year 2. A note was sent home this week. Parental assistance with checkpoints would be greatly appreciated.

Girls cricket

Good luck to our girls’ team when they play in the next round of the PSSA Girls Cricket Knockout. The girls play Murrumburrah Public School at Burns Park.

PSSA Boys and Girls Soccer Knockout

Both our boys and girls soccer teams play in the first round of the PSSA Knockout next Friday 1 May. We play against Junee Public. Good luck to both teams!

Newsletters on-line

This newsletter will be the only one printed for all of our families this term. As per our new system all further newsletters will be sent via our Skoolbag app, email or via our website. Any parents who have not yet provided their email and would like the newsletter emailed to them, please fill in the slip below and return it to the office. Limited printed copies will be available from the office.

P&C News

Next meeting

Our next P&C meeting is set down for Tuesday 5 May. As well as discussing fundraising ideas we will have representatives from the Community Centre discussing their ‘Meal Deal’ proposal. Mrs Thurston will also be discussing the School Plan.

What’s happening in our school?

Assessment for Learning

As part of our School Plan one of our key strategic directions is on ensuring we create high performing engaged learners. One of the ways we will be achieving this is through a focus on our assessment practices.

Research has proven that of the most effective means of improving student achievement is through Assessment for Learning. Assessment for Learning (A for L) is best described as a process by which assessment information is used by teachers to adjust their teaching strategies, and by students to adjust their learning strategies.

At our Staff Development Day teachers from our school, Eurongilly and Illabo came together for the first of many workshops on this topic. Teachers will be focusing over the next few weeks on the first key strategy of A for L: Learning Intentions.

So what are Learning Intentions?

Learning intentions are brief statements that explicitly describe what students should know, understand and be able to do as a result of the learning and teaching. Teachers will be using a variety of techniques to ensure these learning intentions are known and visible for students.

One particular way will be using the characters WALT and WILF:

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Please return this slip to the office by next Friday 1 May
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This is to explicitly state what learning is going to be achieved by students.

This is to provide students with the criteria they will be assessed on so they know if they are on track.

We will be providing lots more information as the year progresses. One way in which parents can help at home is simply by asking: What did you learn today? as opposed to What did you do today?

Healthy Lunchbox session for parents

On Friday 1 May parents are invited to attend a special session being run by the Cancer Council. The session will be held at 1:45 in the school hall (just before assembly). Please see the advertisement later in this newsletter.

Lots of learning happening!

This week all students settled in to their learning. These photos show some great learning being done in the classroom:

WALT (We Are Learning To)……..

WILF (What I’m Looking For)……..
Community News

First Communion

First Communion will be celebrated on Sunday 21st June 2015, in St Joseph’s Church Junee. If there are any families who are interested in participating in this Sacrament could they please notify St Joseph’s School on 69241717 or email me on drumm@ww.catholic.edu.au before Fri 1st May.

Preschool Reunion

We would like to invite any kindergarten students who attended Junee Preschool last year, to come back for a reunion party.

When: Thursday, 30 April, 4.30pm – 5.30pm
Where: The new Preschool yard
Bring: Plate of party food to share
Please ensure your child is accompanied by an adult, as supervision of children will not be provided.
Hope to see you there!

Premier’s Reading Challenge

Many of our students participate in the Premier’s Reading Challenge each year. The Reading Challenge concludes on 21 August, with all books read being entered on-line into your child’s reading log. If you would like your child to participate just google Premier’s Reading Challenge simply go to the Premier’s Reading Challenge site. Your child needs to log on using their school internet user name & password (if they have forgotten, please contact Mrs Commins). There are a set number of books per year level which must be read in order to complete the challenge. We have most of the PRC books in our library. If you need any assistance please contact Mrs Commins or Mrs Thurston. Let’s see if we can get as many children completing the challenge as we can!

Uniforms

Our new short-sleeved shirts with the school logo have arrived and they look fantastic! We will be phasing out the wearing of polo shirts as they are not part of our correct uniform. The cost for our new shirts will be $18. The new long sleeved shirts are still coming – hopefully in the next 2-3 weeks (cost of these to be advised but they should be about $20). Parents who have ordered winter jackets and tunics will receive these shortly. Unfortunately our jumpers have been a little delayed but we are hoping they will be here within the next two weeks.

A reminder of our winter uniform requirements:

GIRLS:

Winter tunic, white long sleeved button-up shirt, blue school jumper with logo, navy tights & black shoes OR

Royal blue slacks, white long sleeved button-up shirt, blue school jumper with logo, white socks & black shoes

BOYS:

Long grey trousers, sky blue long sleeved button-up shirt, blue school jumper with logo, grey socks & black shoes

School winter jackets, royal blue scarves and beanies may be worn on colder days – these are all available from our uniform supplies. Hats are still to be worn in the playground.

Sports uniform (to be worn only on designated sport/PE days): royal blue tracksuit pants, sports polo shirt, school blue jumper with logo, white socks & joggers

Maggie, Cody & Elizabeth show our correct winter uniform
The simplest way
to get your kids loving Fruit & Veg.

Come to our Healthy Lunch Box Session

Eating more fruit and vegetables could be the simplest change you can make to improve your family’s health!

The following session is available for all parents of Junee North Public School’s students:

Date: Friday 1st May, 2015
Time: 1.45pm

The Healthy Lunch Box Session highlights the importance of packing a healthy lunch box. Parents who attend receive a free ‘show bag’ containing a healthy lunch box kit, planner and other great resources to help improve vegetable and fruit intake for the whole family.

Please register with the school office if you wish to attend.

For more information visit
www.eatittobeatit.com.au
or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit
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