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Cook's Log

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OCTOBER	NOVEMBER
Thu 18 th Pizza Lunch – payment due	Mon 5 th Sausage Sizzle – Free
Mon 22 nd Pizza Lunch	Tue 6 th Melbourne Cup Day
Wed 24 th Prep/Kinder Teddy Bear Picnic – 6pm	NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL
Mon 29 th Showbag order due	Fri 9 th Mini Fete
	Fri 23 rd Prep 2019 Transition 9.30 – 10.30am
	Fri 30 th Prep 2019 Transition 9.30 – 10.30am

Principal's Report

Our parents are very much an integral part of our community!

The PFA (Parents and Friends Association), is a group of parents and friends whose role is to provide support and assistance to the Principal and staff of James Cook Primary School to enhance the quality of educational facilities for all students at our school. It is a voluntary organisation involved in a wide range of school activities. This active and dedicated team of parents are a vital link between the school and the parent body. The primary aim of the PFA is to strengthen their connection to the school and provide a formal structure for parents and others interested in the welfare of the students to plan and organise activities for the benefit of the school, and the ongoing development of students. The Parents and Friends Association provides the opportunity for parents, family members, caregivers and friends to meet, share and become part of a community that supports and encourages our students, teachers and support staff.

The PFA meets twice per term, at 9.00am on a Monday morning, where the school leadership gives their overview of recent school activities, as well as hear the parent body ideas and initiatives. Together we organise family social activities, participate in school activities and are a conduit for communication between parents and the school. Our fundraising efforts are for the benefit of our whole school community.

The JCPS PFA is in urgent need of support and welcomes new members all the time. The meetings are informative, friendly and relaxed, lasting approximately 90 minutes. Parents, friends, family members and caregivers are welcome to attend the meetings. Our next meeting is on **MONDAY 22nd OCTOBER at 9.00am** in the staffroom. We will be planning the activities for this term and forward into 2019. We will also conduct a short tour of the new kitchen facilities, followed by a morning tea. Please come along and support our team of dedicated parent volunteers, we would love to have you along. If you are unable to make it on a Monday, but are willing to help out with the running of some events, please contact the office or myself to let us know of your availability.

A last reminder to everyone that our next newsletter will be distributed via FlexiBuzz and email only. A copy can also be found on the school website. If you have not returned your preference notice distributed last week, please do so asap. Any families requiring a hard copy of future newsletters will need to pick them up from the office.

Anne

"The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members." (Coretta Scott King)



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL



Please clearly label your envelope **Thursday or Friday**

Students can select a 6" Sub, dessert and drink for \$6.00

Order forms/envelopes are available from the office or next to the mailbox outside the office door. Please place completed envelopes to the mailbox and clearly label which day lunch is required. Orders must be placed prior to 9am on Wednesday.

SOMERS SCHOOL CAMP NOVEMBER 2019

Grade 4 and 5 students have been invited to attend the Casey North Network Somers School Camp in 2019. 80 students across the network will be selected to participate in the Nov 11th -15th 2019 camp. More details will be made available early next year. Program information is available at the office or at www.woorabinda.vic.gov.au



Tracie Schwarz

SRC News

This term the SRC has a number of activities taking place.

- Remembrance Day Badges – SRC will be selling Remembrance Day Poppies outside the art room starting from Monday the 29th October. This year Remembrance Day commemorates the 100th Anniversary of the end of World War 1. There are two types of Poppy badges for sale at \$1 and \$2 and also wrist bands for \$3. Please support the RSL.
- Food for Drought Relief – As you may know a lot of Australia is suffering from drought. James Cook are holding a non-perishable food collection to support families in need. There will be baskets placed in each class for students to bring in their donation. Please donate non-perishable food. Canned food, long life and packaged goods are ideal donations. The class that donates the most items will receive a prize from the SRC. You can start bringing your goods to school from Monday the 22nd October until Friday the 9th November.
- Casual Dress Day – There will be a casual dress day on Wednesday the 28th of November to support the SRC in raising funds for our new outdoor furniture. It will be a gold coin donation to wear casual dress and if you donate \$2 you will receive a bag of popcorn.

Mandarin Report

Welcome back to Mandarin Learning in term 4! It was a great start, with us refreshing our learning after the break. The preps have started their term with numbers in Character writing and counting. We are celebrating the second most important Chinese festival- The Moon Festival, also called the Mid-Autumn Festival by making cute rabbit lanterns and other fun Chinese cultural creations. Year Five and Six are busy rehearsing their Chinese shadow puppet show and are getting ready for the stage. Don't miss out! More fun Chinese learning is coming this term!



Annie Zeng - Mandarin teacher

Module Two Report

We had a busy ending to term three and some new exciting events happening in term four. Last term, students performed on stage for the musical and we went on an excursion to Myuna Farm. This term we are starting sports on Friday.

MYUNA FARM

In term two our Inquiry unit was 'Fantastic Farms'. On Friday the 17th of August, module two went to Myuna Farm and learned about all of the animals that live there. The farmers showed us how to care for the animals and we got to milk the goats!



MUSICAL

Last term, the 1/2 students had a fantastic time participating in James Cook Primary School's musical 'The Amazing Race'. The students performed in the scenes focusing on Australia and China. Throughout the term, they practised their singing and dancing skills. On the night of the musical, they were absolute superstars!

FRIDAY SPORTS



For the first four weeks of term, the 1 / 2 students are enjoying sports activities conducted by coaches from Sports Australia. We are working in teams, learning new skills and having great fun.

Miss Brusamarello, Miss Eldridge, Mrs Hemer - Module 2 teachers

Miss Hemer and Mrs Deligiannis – Education Support

Music Report

COUNT US IN

On Thursday the 1st of the November, our students will be participating in Count Us In, a program designed to help celebrate music in Australian Schools. This year's song, One Song, is about the way in which music can bring people together despite their differences and schools across the country will sing the same song together at the same time. You are welcome to join us at Harmony Square in Dandenong, at 10:30am. Our ensemble will perform a short song prior to the main performance at 12:30.

*Mr McPherson
Music teacher*

STUDENT OF THE WEEK - 8/10 – 12/10		
Prep A	Natarsha	For settling in to your new school so confidently
Prep B	Leah	For putting 100% into all tasks and producing amazing work
1/2B	Riley	For showing more confidence and leadership in the classroom
1/2C	Latasha	For being a responsible class member and helpful to others
1/2D	Kevin H	For his fantastic work using a range of addition strategies
3/4A	Kevin G	For settling in James Cook Primary so well
3/4B	Uros	For always putting in his best effort
3/4C	Maddox	For great progress with his reading
5/6A	Najeeb	For performing confidently in all learning tasks
5/6B	Heavyn	For his great effort in her vocabulary writing task
5/6C	Briana	For her fantastic attitude towards her learning all week
Art	Anshika	For making a beautiful "Scratch Art" dot
P.E	Mazuma R	For her steady and consistent efforts

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