FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Carers and friends of the school community,

EDUCATION WEEK – Open classroom

On Tuesday 20th May, all our teaching teams opened their classrooms to help celebrate Education Week. Education Week is recognised as one of the most important dates on the school calendar as it provides opportunities for JSA to showcase our teaching and learning programs, engage families in joint activities as well as develop positive relationships between school and home. I was thrilled to see so many of our families enjoying the classroom environment and the students excitement of mum, dad, nana, grandpa, brother or sister visiting the room to see them. On the other hand, for some of our students it was not a pleasant experience when there are so many unfamiliar faces in the class. Regardless of the students response, staff and family members managed to support our students through the session and it proved to be a very enjoyable afternoon.

A special thank you, to all our families who took time out of their busy day to attend the open classroom session. Thank you to the staff for a very successful afternoon.

Amaze Certification

JSA applied for DEECD funding to complete the AMAZE Certification process being shortlisted for the funding grant of $8,000 for the certification process. On Friday 23rd May, Kate Day from Amaze met with the School Leadership Team to outline the process. Schools undertaking ASD Certification receive professional development, consultation and support from an advisor with extensive knowledge of ASD and inclusive teaching practices. They also have the opportunity to undertake a robust quality assurance process. Schools that have undertaken ASD Certification have found this a valuable process to reflect on and strengthen their practices in relation to students with ASD, and students with additional needs in general.

As part of Victoria’s implementation of the More Support for Students with Disabilities National Partnership, the Department will sponsor up to 15 schools to undertake ASD Certification.

ASD certification requires schools to develop a representative team from across their school to work towards achieving ASD standards for education settings.

Schools that meet the requirements of the ASD Education Standards will receive certification status within the first year. We hope to hear the outcome of the shortlisting process very soon.

2014 TERM DATES:

- Term 1: 30 January – 4 April
- Term 2: 22 April – 27 June
- Term 3: 14 July – 19 September
- Term 4: 6 October – 19 December

School Council

School Council met on Thursday 22nd May. At the general meeting we appointed Steve Shenman to the Vice President vacancy. We now have all our office bearers in place for the 2014/15 year. Thank you Steve for your support in the role.

For your information, Lisa Sette our School Council president, can be contacted on the email address: sette.lisa1@edumail.vic.gov.au

School Council endorsed the 2014 Annual Implementation Plan. Copies of the AIP can be located on the school website.

The revised Motor Vehicle Restraint Policy was also endorsed by school council. Please see Carlee if you would like a copy of any of our policies.

Healthy Together Hume

JSA are currently undertaking a new enterprise to increase student and staff health and wellbeing through the promotion of healthy eating and physical exercise among other things. This is an initiative of the Victorian Government run in conjunction with Hume City Council. As a result, a health and wellbeing team has been formed which includes staff from various areas of the school and also a parent representative. On Thursday 22nd May 2014, we had 2 members of Dianella Community Health attend our meeting. They were able to give their input and direct the team about the next steps required in the process of moving forward with the program. In the future we will be sending home surveys to parents to gain their opinions about health and wellbeing at our school.

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

Letters to families were sent home last week. Thank you to families that have read and returned notices.

The Data Collection will take place during Terms 2 and 3. No personal or identifying information about any student will be included, however, if you decide you do not wish information about your child to be included in the Data Collection, you can opt-out by signing and returning the opt-out consent form.

More information about the Data Collection is available on the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development website at: http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/necd/Pages/necd.aspx or you could contact the Principal if you have any further questions.

School Performance

Some classes have commenced rehearsals for this year’s school performance. The school performance is always a very enjoyable and popular event on the school calendar and I encourage you to mark this in your diary. Emily Chow is our school performance coordinator and she is in full swing planning for the community event. The school performance will be held on Wednesday 10th September and Thursday 11th September. More information will be provided closer to the date.

Staffing

Lauren Tippett will be commencing maternity/family leave from 23rd June. Elizabeth Smith is due to return from family leave on Tuesday 5th August. For the short period in between, Cara Zenner will take on the Sub School Leader role of Early Years A. Cara will be replaced in her teaching role to allow her to support the teams across the sub school.

Whilst the changes are unfortunate I have every confidence that the teaching teams and students will be well supported through this phase. Please contact your sub school leader if you have any questions or concerns.

Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday - Monday 9th June

The school will be closed on this day.

Family Support Meetings

Our next Family Support Meeting will be held on Thursday 19th June – Later/Middle Years curriculum/programs – Presenters: Christie Giannakis and Kim James in the Professional Learning Centre. An invitation is extended to all family members to attend on Thursday 19th June. Please mark these dates in your diary.

E-Learning Survey.

We are again conducting a parents’ survey to determine the use of technology by our students at home and how much time they spend daily and across a week using technology.

This year we are particularly interested in the games students are playing, the themes of the games and the censors rating of the games (this should be found on the software package).
Cyber Safety is important too, especially to our older students. We are asking what rules, restrictions etc that you have in place and if you would like some cyber safety training.

Once collated, we will give collected feedback to parents as we did last year.

The survey is being distributed by hard copy today to all students.

**Fundraising**

Our next Fundraising meeting will be held on Thursday 19th June at 10.30am in the PLC. We always welcome new members to the committee. Please feel free to join us.

**Special lunch order day:**

Thursday 12th June: Please have the money and order form returned no later than 6th June.

Annual Shopping Tour:

Saturday 25th October: More information will be sent home soon.

**Wanted:**

Any donations of unwanted magazines (for collage work) to the Art Room would be much appreciated. Just send them in with your child to be passed on to the Art Teacher—Rosy.

Reminder: Our newsletter is published each fortnight and will provide you with important information about the school and events that may be of interest to you. I encourage you to read the newsletter that will be sent home with your child, emailed to you or on the school website


JSA also has a Facebook Page administered by the leadership team. https://www.facebook.com/JacanaSchoolforAutism

Like Us On facebook f

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Room 5

We like to use our imagination during construction. Puzzles are fun.

We have been swimming and bowling.
Welcome to Room 16. We are having a lot of fun this year with swimming and doing some fun science experiments.
Room 18 and 20
Sensory and games
program

This term we have been doing rotation of sensory activities and turn taking games
High Road to Reading

Join Australian authors James Phelan and Andy Griffiths on an exploration of books and reading!

High Road to Reading brings authors to Victorian public libraries – whatever your reading passion, you’ll find an event to entertain and inspire you.

Coming up at Hume Libraries

James Phelan
The thrill of the write

Join James Phelan, the author of 21 novels, including thrillers, young adult and middle-grade fiction.

Friday 9 May 2014, 10–11am or 11:30am–12:30pm
The Age Library,
1093 Pascoe Vale Road,
Broadmeadows

Bookings essential: Tel (03) 9356 6900

Andy Griffiths
Up the treehouse!

Join in the fun with Andy Griffiths, one of Australia’s most popular children’s writers, with more than 20 bestselling books, including the JUSTI and BAD book series. (For children aged 7+)

Saturday 7 June 2014, 2–3pm
Craigieburn Library,
75–95 Central Park Ave,
Craigieburn

Bookings essential: Tel (03) 9356 6980

FREE ENTRY

Information:
www.humelibraries.vic.gov.au

For more High Road to Reading events across Victoria:
slv.vic.gov.au/high-road-to-reading
WEEK ONE

Tuesday 1 July
ICE SKATING
Cost: $15
Come and carve up the ice at one of the best indoor ice rinks in Victoria, the Medibank Ice House.
Bring: Lunch or spending money and socks.

Thursday 3 July 2014
PAINTBALL SUNBURY
Cost: $25
Not only is Sunbury paintball one of the first under 18 paintball facilities but it is also great fun, it tests your skills of endurance, quick-thinking, leadership and teamwork. During this activity you will be running around purpose built battle-fields. Whichever battle you’re thrown into, you can be sure of an amazing day of fun. Your day will begin getting fully kitted with camouflage and protective gear. To ensure your safety and enjoyment you will be given tuition and supervised by staff throughout the day.
Bring: Light comfortable clothing, enclosed shoes (runners are fine), change of clothes if it is going to be a wet day. BYO drinks BBQ lunch provided.

WEEK TWO

Tuesday 8 July
INDOOR ROCK CLIMBING
Cost: $15
Cliffhanger Climbing Gym offers the most diverse range of graded climbing walls in the country. With two dedicated bouldering areas, a huge range of training aids and a dozen lead climbing walls set by some of the best route setters in Australia, you won’t be bored!
Two hours of climbing
Bring: Spending money for lunch. Wear enclosed footwear and comfortable clothing.

Wednesday 9 July
FUN GALORE
Cost: $20
Fun Galore includes the fast 440 metre Indoor Go Kart Track and a separate Go Kart drift track, plus a huge two storey Laserforce laser tag maze, as well as Dodgem Cars, Mini-Golf, Bowling, Sumo Wrestling, Pool Tables, Arcade Machines, Fooseball, coin and video games, ATM and a café. There should be something for everyone's interest!
Bring: Lunch or spending money and enclosed footwear for go karts.

Thursday 10 July
SPASH IT UP @ – Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre
Cost: $8
Splash about in the three different swimming pools, enjoy the water slide and various inflatable water activities. Spend this winter by swimming in style.
Bring: Towels, change of clothes, lunch or spending money.
BOOKING AND PAYMENT

PLACES FILl QUICKLY – BOOK EARLY TO SECURE YOUR SPOT!

Bookings Open:
9AM MONDAY 2 JUNE

Bookings Close:
5PM THURSDAY 5 JUNE

Payment
Must be made via BPAY (details on invoice) or in person at any of our Customer Service Centres. 14 days from date of invoice or place will be reallocated to wait list.

Participation forms
Get one by booking. Must be returned by Thursday 19 June or place will be reallocated to wait list.

Broadmeadows Office
1079 Pascoe Vale Road, Broadmeadows

Sunbury Office
40 Macedon Street, Sunbury

Craigieburn Office
75–95 Central Park Ave, Craigieburn

Operating Hours
Monday to Friday 8.15am – 4.45pm

Refund Policy
Refunds will only be given with two working days notice before each activity to Youth Services.

Hume City Council Youth Services
9205 2556
hume.vic.gov.au/youthservices

Hume Youth Services

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| 11.40am – Return 3.30pm | 12.30pm – Return 4.30pm |

| **Thursday 10 July 2014** | **MSAC - MELBOURNE SPORTS AQUATIC CENTRE** |
| **FIFA 14 WORLD CUP TOURNAMENTS** | Broadmeadows Pickup |
| Celebrate the 2014 World Cup at our PlayStation FIFA 14 gaming tournament. Pick a country to represent and take on other gamers in our very own World Cup - you could win some great prizes! Come dressed in your favourite soccer shirt and bring your FIFA 14 skills. Which country will win? Ages 10-18, free |
| Craigieburn Library | 11.20am – Return 3.50pm |
| 3 July, 10-11.30am | Craigieburn Pickup |
| Craigieburn Library | 10.50am – Return 4.20pm |
| 10 July, 3-4.30pm | Sunbury Pickup |
| Sunbury Library | 10.20am – Return 4.50pm |
| 2 July, 2.30-4pm | Sunbury Aquatic and Leisure Centre 20 Ligar Street, Sunbury Youth Central 33-37 Pearcedale Parade, Broadmeadows Craigieburn Youth Centre 59 Craigieburn Road, Craigieburn |

T-SHIRT PRINTING WORKSHOPS
Print your own design on a t-shirt using stencils and fabric paint. Participants must bring their own white t-shirt.
Ages 12-18, free

Craigieburn Library
3 July, 2-4pm

Broadmeadows Library
10 July 2-4pm

Sunbury Library
4 July, 11am-1pm

For all bookings and enquiries for library activities please call 9356 6900.
The Weekend To End Women's Cancer

FUNDRAISING

DINNER DANCE

SATURDAY 16th AUGUST 2014

6.30pm - 11.30pm

CALABRIA CLUB

UNITING LANE, BULLA

Auctions, Major Raffle, Lucky Door Prizes
Live band & Michael Jackson Impersonator
Dress Code: Cocktail with a splash of pink or teal

$90 PER TICKET

INCLUDES: APPETIZERS, 4 COURSE MEAL, BEER, WINE & SOFT DRINK
*SPIRITS AT BAR PRICES*

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO ‘THE WEEKEND TO END WOMEN’S CANCER’ BENEFITING PETER MacCALLUM CANCER FOUNDATION

FOR BOOKINGS PH - DEE 0413 636 245 or CHERYL: 0403 427 899
Eco-Friendly Drink bottles only $10.00 and a great way to show your support for Jacana School for Autism

Name:__________________________
Room:__________________________
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