FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Carers and friends of the school community,

Visitors to JSA
On Tuesday 28th May, Mark Tainsh, Manager Disability & Inclusion and Karen Toohey, Acting Commissioner for Human Rights and Equal Opportunity, visited JSA to tour our facilities and meet staff and students. This was an informal tour and meeting and as usual, I was very happy to provide a guided tour for key stakeholders from government departments to show off the great programs we have here at JSA. I was also able to provide them with both the history of the merger and the student profile as well as some of the challenges we face being a new school. Mark Tainsh was very interested to hear about feedback on the ABLES (Abilities Bases Learning and Education Support) and how we are using this assessment tool at JSA. Mark Tainsh also agreed to provide approximately $1,000 to support the work of trial Professional Learning Teams which I accepted on the schools behalf. It will be an opportunity to fund some of the time commitment to enable the teachers to meet at the same time to discuss student progress.

Professional Learning Teams (PLT’s)
Staff at JSA make a commitment to attending fortnightly professional development (PD). This PD is generally timetabled after school for large group focus, however in terms 3 & 4 we are trialling smaller PLT’s in order to provide a supportive environment for colleagues to meet and discuss individual students and class ABLES data with the view to progress students along the continuum. 9 teachers will make up 3 PLT’s where there will be opportunities for group planning as well as managing specific incidents or situations. Sub School Leaders will convene the PLT’s and a member of the speech team will be there to support the teams. There will be opportunities to invite other key people into the teams as required such as OT or other colleagues.

Staff will have a full day workshop on Building Positive Relationships – facilitated by Peter Cronin.

Relationships with parents/carers will be the main focus for the day as we acknowledge the important contributions that our parents/carers provide to the educational program here at JSA.

School Concert
Some classes have commenced rehearsals for this years school concert. The theme from this year’s concert is “New Beginnings”. It is always a very enjoyable and popular event on the school calendar and I encourage you to mark this in your diary.

Early Years A & B – Wednesday 11th September.

Early Years/Middle Years & Later Years – Thursday 12th September.

Queens Birthday Public Holiday
Monday, 10th June is a public holiday. Students are not required at school on this day.

Curriculum Day
Friday 19th July is a staff curriculum day. Students are not required at school on this day.

2013 TERM DATES:
Fundraising Committee
Our next fundraising activity will be a special lunch order day. This day is planned for Thursday 20th June. Healthy wraps will be added to the menu on this occasion. Lunch order forms were sent home this week.

The fundraising committee have also agreed to organise the purchase of voluntary staff clothing. All profits will be directed towards raising funds for the performing arts as agreed by school council.

We are now in a position to purchase the stage as we have raised sufficient funds to afford it. We have purchased a 3 x Quattro fold and roll stage modules from Select Concepts. Staff and students look forward to using this for our very first JSA concert next term and also future presentations and award celebrations.

Family Statements
Thank you to families that have paid their Essential Education Items. If you haven't already done so, we now have Bpay fully functional and can receive payments by this method.

Donations
JSA received 13 second hand bikes in very good condition from one of our casual relief staff working for us. Kayla Varley and her partner put out the work to friends and neighbours for pre loved bikes for JSA and she was overwhelmed by the response. Kayla and her partner did some minor repairs on the bikes and then transported them to us last week. On behalf of the school community I would like to thank Kayla and her partner for their support and kind gesture. The students are really enjoying the additional selection of bikes on offer for bike riding.

Also a thank you to Nicole and Brad Davies for the donation of a girls bike. This is much appreciated.

Glenroy Lions Club - Auxiliary once again have been able to support the Occupational Therapy Program. Their continued support over the past 7 years has been beneficial to many students. On this occasion the members have provided financial support for the purchase of items for the individual “fine motor kits”. The Glenroy Lions Club donated $889.50 in total which will go towards the purchase of activities that will engage students and improve fine motor skills. On behalf of the school community I would like to thank the members of the Auxiliary for their continued support to JSA.

Occupational Health and Safety Evacuation Drill
On Wednesday, we had a practice evacuation. When the alarm sounded, students evacuated their classrooms and moved to their designated areas on the oval. Most students coped well and that is due to the practises undertaken by the teachers at other times. Well done students and teachers!

E learning Survey 2013 –
Thank you to the parents who took the time to complete and return the surveys. The data we have collected will help inform us about student skills and preferences. We are currently collating them and we hope to be able to give you a summary report shortly.

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Playground

The playground is a very popular part of the school day. The children are able to play with children from other rooms and the equipment helps them to develop their co-ordination and balance, while they just think its fun. 😊
Swimming
The swimming program in Early Years B has been extremely popular. The children are taught water familiarisation, safe entry to the water and some simple strokes.
Muhammed, Shaylee, Mason, Malik, Logan, Zane and Jonathan have been learning about friendship, sharing, turn taking and using our manners.

We enjoying working together and playing together.

We are happy in Room 13!
Later Years Mural

The later years classes have just completed their school mural based on the style of pointillism. Pointillism is a technique of painting in which small, distinct dots of pure colour are applied in patterns to form an image. The students have worked very hard over the semester to achieve a fantastic result. Well done guys!!

Jade Thompson (Art Teacher)
Special Lunch Order Day!!

All Lunch order options are just $5.00!

Date: 20th June 2013

The food options are:
- A Wrap
- A Wholemeal Sandwich
- A White Bread Sandwich
- A sausage roll

The drink options are bottles of:
- Apple Juice
- Orange Juice
- Tropical Juice
- A bottle of water

Select below if your child would like a healthy option of a wrap or sandwich and what type of filling. If they don't want a healthy option there are also sausage rolls available with either juice or water as drink.

Please have the money and order form returned no later than 7th June 2013
Select which food and drink option you would like....

NAME: ___________________ ROOM NO: _____ Lunch Time: ____________

Healthy Food Options:
- [ ] Wrap
- [ ] Wholemeal Bread
- [ ] White Bread
- [ ] Butter
- [ ] Mayonnaise
- [ ] Tomato
- [ ] Lettuce
- [ ] Ham
- [ ] Cheese
- [ ] Cucumber

Other Food Options:
- [ ] Sausage Roll
  Sauce: Y/N (please circle)

Drink Options:
- [ ] Apple Juice
- [ ] Orange Juice
- [ ] Tropical Juice
- [ ] Water

*If you would like an extra Wrap, Sandwich or Sausage Roll, just add $2.00 to the total amount and write your choice below*
- [ ] Extra: __________________

TOTAL ENCLOSED: $ ____________
Electronic Newsletters

Dear Parents

As of the 31st May 2013, there will only be hard copies of the newsletter sent home to families who have advised us that they do not have internet access.

Please complete the form below so that we can email you the fortnightly newsletter. If you do not notify us of your email address we understand that you will receive the fortnightly newsletter via the school website or have nominated to receive a hard copy version.

Corinne Pupillo  |  Acting Principal

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NEWSLETTERS

Student Name: ___________________________ Room Number: ________

Parent/Carers Name: ________________________________

Email Address: ________________________________

☐ I do not have access to the email/internet and require a hard copy sent home with my child.