



JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

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Principal's Message

On behalf of all staff at Newcastle Junior School I would like to wish all students and their families a happy and safe term break. **Students return Monday 12th October 2020.**

Today Junior School celebrated the end of term with a 'Crazy Hair Day'. It was fantastic to see so many staff and students wearing their crazy hair and have some fun on the last day of term. A big thank you to all the parents who were able to get their children involved.

For the beginning of Term 4 Junior School will continue with the following COVID-19 procedures:

- Parents to drop off and pick up their children using the bus lines.
- Any student who show signs of being **unwell must stay home. We ask you not to bring students** to school who have runny noses, sniffles, colds or coughs.
- Any student who arrives at school unwell or who becomes unwell at school will be **sent home.**
- Junior school will continue to suspend visits by therapists and volunteers.
- Parents and all non-essential workers are not permitted in the school.

This system has worked well and ensures we keep the number of people on school grounds to a minimum and minimise the health risk to our students. I would like to thank all parents and carers for their continued support and understanding of these procedures. For further information please visit the Department of Education's website - <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families>

This term we have been fortunate to have University Interns Demi and Lachlan at our school. Today they are set to complete their teaching practicums with us and I'd like to thank them for their contribution to NJS this term.

Finally a quick reminder that Junior School uses the SkoolBag App. The App allows you to access the schools newsletters, upcoming events, important dates and receive alerts and information. Junior School also has a Facebook page where you can access this information also. It's as easy as searching Newcastle Junior School and liking our page. I encourage all parents to use either SkoolBag or Facebook to ensure they are kept up to date about Junior School.

Happy Holidays !

Graham Finch
PRINCIPAL

DIARY DATES

Friday 25th September - Last Day - Term 3
Monday 12th October - First Day – Term 4
Wednesday 14th October - School Photos

2020 Book Week & Art Show

Due to COVID19 restrictions we have been limited with our whole school events this year. In place of our whole school end of year concert, Classes have produced pieces of art celebrating Book Week 2020. Each class used the book 'A Walk in the Bush' by Gwyn Perkins for inspiration to produce an artwork on a canvas. The story is about the wonders of nature, the funny side of life and spending time with the ones we love. As a result of this work we are putting together an Art Show to showcase these amazing art pieces which will also be available to purchase. A catalogue of the pieces will be released early next term with parents/families getting priority pick on their child's piece.

Canvasses will be sold for \$20 each and this will be the schools major fundraiser for 2020.

Book Week will run in Week 2 - Term 4 (19-23rd of October) and we will have a special dress up day on that Friday, where students can come dressed as their favourite book character. More information about the catalogue and dress up day will be sent out closer to the event.

We can't wait for you to see the artwork!

