

JOLIMONT NEWSLETTER 2 AUGUST 2017

Dear parents

Welcome back to Term Three and a warm welcome to our new families. We seem to be well into the swing of the term with many exciting events already underway.

As you know, we have been reviewing our Mission, Vision and Values and many of you participated in the recent values survey. Your input as well as the school Board, staff and children has gone towards finalising these documents.

During our visioning work with Dr Wardale these were agreed upon and later ratified by the school Board. We are delighted with the outcome and are working towards their publication during the term.

We are now using Google Calendar which can sync with your device and hope this makes school events and planning easier. Please follow this [link](#) for the website and further instructions.

Barbara Iffla
Principal

[From the Board](#)

At its June meeting the Board was busy reviewing, discussing and endorsing four important school policies in the areas of leadership structure, staff induction, connected curriculum and lesson design guidelines. We continued our in-house governance training and received updates on nature play and solar power projects. The Board also endorsed the school's newly-developed Mission, Vision and Values and discussed ways in which these will be shared with parents and the wider Jolimont community in the coming weeks.

Michael Hodgkins Board Chair

[National Data](#)

Our school is part of a national project about students with disability and/or learning difficulties.

We have been asked to provide data about the number and learning needs of children at our school. The name of the school and the name of the students will not be reported. Information about the different types of needs and the programs and resources the school uses to overcome barriers and support children with special educational needs will be collected.

We believe it is important to contribute to this because it will help Governments and the Department develop better policies that acknowledge the level of resources needed in schools to meet the needs of all students in Western Australia.

[Grandparents Morning Tea](#)

This special event is drawing near. Invitations will be sent home Thursday with the hope that as many grandparents are again able to join us this year. The Book Fair will be open for visitors and purchasing, robotics will be on show and of course the Jolimont's Got Talent finalists will be performing. Sincere thanks the P&C for their support and Michelle Evans for her coordination and Mrs Cutler for her support.

[Jolimont's Got Talent Assembly](#)

Congratulations to the many students, who auditioned for this year's event. We certainly have many gorgeously talented students. The final ten acts will host the next assembly. Please join us on Friday, 11 August at the earlier time of 1:45pm and enjoy the show.

[Semester Two Prefects and Faction Captains](#)

Congratulations to the following students Semester Two Councillors and Faction Captains. Thank you also to the Australian Electoral Commission for their work with classes and the voting process.

Student Councillors:

Sonja Z, Devika J, Kate B, Samuel S, Sagal E, David K.

Faction Captains:

Green: Caitlin L, James M.

Red: Noah C, Bianca L.

Blue: Emily S, Sristhi K.

[Gardener Handyperson](#)

Last term, our long standing gardener/handyman George sadly retired from Jolimont PS. We would like to wish him all the very best for the future and we warmly welcome Scott Brook to the role.

[Teacher Development School - Sharing Our Practice](#)

Over the next two weeks, Jolimont PS staff will play host to over 60 teachers from around the state as part of our role as a Teacher Development School (TDS). Visiting teachers will learn about how Jolimont staff plan, teach and monitor student progress in line with the WA Curriculum, Early Years Learning Framework (EYLF) and National Quality Standards (NQS). My sincere thanks to staff, for their outstanding work in this area and their commitment to sharing exemplary practice with their colleagues.

[Successful Community Grants](#)

Thank you Aden's mum Cara and her employer, Bank West, who provided us with a \$1000 grant towards the Early Years edible garden. This will be used to buy tools and seedlings which will be planted as Spring draws closer.

Thank you also to Mr Staples who successfully applied to Sporting Schools and was successful in applying for funding for the after school athletics program on Mondays. Many of your children are participating in this already.

[Cyber Safety](#)

While the Internet can be a valuable educational tool, it exposes children to dangers and security risks. Fortunately, there is so much that parents can do to help their children stay safe when accessing the web. This resource is developed for parents to understand these risks and what steps to take in order to minimise them, [Keeping Kids Safe in Cyber Space](#).

[Bikes and Scooters](#)

Please remind your children that bikes and scooters are to be walked through school grounds, before and after school.

[Canteen Menu](#)

Please click [here](#) for the latest canteen menu Winter / Spring 2017 and be sure to use this new menu (not the previous Summer / Autumn menu). The canteen is open from Tuesday to Friday.

[Term Planner](#)

Please click [here](#) for the term planner.

P&C

[Scholastic Book Fair and Call For Volunteers](#)

We are very fortunate to be able to run the Scholastic Book Fair again this year! For the uninitiated, Book Fair is a 'pop-up bookshop' containing a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level. A catalogue featuring some of the popular titles for sale will be sent home with your child during the next fortnight. Please make plans to visit our Book Fair with your child.

When: Wednesday, 16 August to Friday, 18 August (before and after school)

Where: Jolimont School Library

Times: 8:20am - 8:40am and 2:45pm - 3.30pm daily

Special Event: Friday, 18 August - Grandparents Morning Tea from 10:00am - 11:00am

Given the popularity of this event, a few parent volunteers are required to 'man the stall' during opening hours. A few minutes of your time is all we ask. No experience is necessary, and it is a great opportunity to see the books on offer and the excitement on the children's faces when they visit the Fair. Please give a hand if you can! To make things easier we are using SignUp.com to organise our Book Fair roster.

Please sign up for Book Fair Roster! Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1. Click this link to go to our invitation page on [SignUp.com](#):
<http://signup.com/client/invitation/6775657374/1942632/false#!1942632/false/false>
2. Enter your email address: (You will NOT need to register an account on SignUp.com)
3. Sign up! Choose your spots - SignUp.com will send you an automated confirmation and reminders.

Easy!

Note: SignUp.com does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact Hazel at hazelhodgkins@ymail.com and she can sign you up manually.

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be open from 3:00pm on the following days for Term Three:

Friday 11 August

Friday 25 August

Friday 8 September

Friday 22 September