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Term 1 Week 8

Dear Parents & Caregiver

Students of the Week

Hugo - Respectful - showing honesty in character

Nova – Achiever – striving for competence in maths.

Cross country
Our Jiggi cross country will be held on our school grounds on Wednesday 9th April at 9am. Parents are welcome to attend. The Terania district cross country will be held at Caniaba on the first Friday of next term. The Opals will attend this and the Diamonds will have lessons as usual. Parents will need to transport their children to and from the event.

Athletics
The Terania District athletics carnival is going to be held on Wednesday 25th June. Jiggi Public School is doing the canteen so please keep this day free to help out.

Library days
The Opals have library on Fridays. Please help your child remember to bring their library books back so they can borrow new ones. The Opals are expected to borrow books every week and are expected to read them at home. However, it is always nice to have someone read to you. Remember that making reading an enjoyable thing at home will help instil a love of literature in your child. They are never too old to be read to! Diamonds have their library day on Wednesdays. They are only allowed to borrow if they have a library bag and have returned last week’s books.

To and from school
Every afternoon we have a folder that has a list of where each student is to go every afternoon. If there is a change the parent rings or sends in a letter to let us know. This year has been running very smoothly because parents have been informing us of any changes. Thank you for your cooperation in this. It means we don’t have any anxious children at the end of the day.

PBL
This term we have been learning about our ‘Respect’ rule. So far we have covered personal space awareness, the 5 Ls and speaking politely. We are learning about how to politely greet someone. Our Opals produced and starred in some interesting videos of how to politely greet someone and how not to politely greet someone.

Head lice
It is disappointing and frustrating when you find head lice or nits in your child’s
hair. Please make sure you check your child’s hair regularly and treat if need be.

Hats
Your child needs a broad brimmed hat at school every day. Our sun safe policy is that if they do not have a hat then they stay under the cola for shade. You can purchase a hat from the P&C uniform shop any day for $8.

The Opal’s room
This term the Opals have been doing work about water, the water cycle, catchments and erosion and how we can help to stop runoff into our waterways. They have also been creating some lovely pieces of art work to display in the classroom.
Mrs Stroud-Watts
Principal

From the Diamonds
Contract 6 is due this week for homework. In sport we are focusing on learning specific skills. So far we have looked at hopping, the side-gallop, skipping and the overarm throw. We watched videos of children of different ages performing these skills. The videos, produced by the Department of Education, point out what is required for each skill to perform it proficiently for example landing on the ball of the foot rather than the whole foot. We then go outside and play games which help us to practice that skill. The games also encourage team work and good sportsmanship. We even took some videos of our own using the ipads and compared our movements to those on the videos created by the Department. This helped us identify areas where we can improve ourselves.
Kind Regards
Barb Dobner

Tuckshop
Rostered for duty next Wednesday 26th March is Bek
Please find attached tuckshop menu

P&C News
The P&C has set up a Facebook page, ‘Jiggi P&C’. This is to encourage input and facilitation of communication within the school community. Parents and teachers are encouraged to join. This page will be strictly for P&C relevant posts.
If you have an event or another Jiggi related post or question that is not school related, there is also the ‘Jiggi Post’ Facebook page.
The next P&C meeting will be on Friday April 11 between 6 and 7pm at Pizza Night!
Everyone is welcome to attend.
Jiggi P&C

Pizza & Pasta Night – April 4th
Come and celebrate the end of daylight saving at Pizza & Pasta night Friday 4th April at the hall. This is a fundraiser to keep our Tower Preschool OPEN and we would love your support.
Thanks
Melissa Patroni-Oort

From the Department
National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)
If your child is currently in Year 3, 5, 7 or 9, they’ll sit NAPLAN tests this May. And despite what you may have heard, there’s no reason to panic or start an intensive study schedule for your child.
Find out more:
Sushi train
Brown rice sushi rolls are a nutritious change to pack for school lunches. Unlike white rice sushi, they can be made the night before, and the filling can be adapted to suit your child’s preferences. Pack in a chiller bag with an icepack and include some little soy sauce fish.
Find out more:

School A to Z app
Do you struggle to understand your child’s homework? Does your child need to practise their spelling and times tables? Are you looking for inspiration for projects and assignments? This free homework helper app provides maths and English glossaries, assignment starters and more.
Find out more:
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