Students of the Week

Callam - Respectful - speaking politely

Millicent – Respectful – showing honesty and character

Happy Birthday
A very happy birthday wish to Atticus & Jacob they will celebrate their birthdays this weekend.
Health. She now works for Redland City Council as an environmental Health Officer. Well done Danielle!

Naplan
13th-15th May 2014
Students in years 3 and 5 will participate in NAPLAN testing early next term.

Annual School Report
Available for viewing
Staff have completed the 2013 Annual School Report and it is available for viewing on the Jiggi Public School website.

Dinosaur Show
Tuesday 8th April
Next Tuesday we are travelling by bus to the Jiggi Hall to watch a Dinosaur Show. The Tower Preschool will join us along with students from Whian Whian Public School. Thanks Miss O’Neill for organising this. Please returned attached permission note.

Cross Country
Wednesday 9th April
We will be having our Jiggi Cross Country around our school next Wednesday. This will start with the senior, 11 year old and Junior boys then girls. Seniors will run 10 laps and Juniors will run 7 laps. We will then have the Juvenile race (5, 6 and 7 year olds). They will run 3 laps. Parents and friends are welcome to attend. I have a feeling we might get a visit from Mr Stewart on this day!

Easter Hat Parade
Wednesday 9th April
In the afternoon next Wednesday at 2.30pm our Gems will show off their Easter Hats. Prizes will be given out for eggtroductory categories.

Mufti Day
Thursday 10th April
Money required
Our charity this year is the Australian Cancer Council.
To raise money for our charity students are asked to bring in a gold coin donation and dress in ‘something odd’ next Thursday. A prize for each class for the most odd will be given out.

Anzac Day Ceremony
Friday 11th April 10am
Our ANZAC service will be held next Friday at 10am. Mr John Llewellyn will be our guest speaker. All parents and friends are invited to attend. Please bring a plate of morning tea to share.

Anzac Day March
25th April
ANZAC day falls on the second Friday of the school holidays this year. Students are invited to march with the school in the Lismore March. If students wish to participate they will need to assemble in the Clyde Campbell car park in Lismore at 8.30am. The march commences promptly at 9am. They will be required to be in full school uniform, including a broad brimmed hat. They will also require a drink bottle.

Terania District Cross Country
Note Attached
On the first Friday back next term the Opals will be attending the Terania District Cross Country. Parents are asked to arrange transport to and from Caniaba Public School. The Diamonds will be having a normal school day here with Mrs Dobner and Miss O’Neill. 8 year olds from the Diamonds are welcome to attend & participate however they must be supervised by their parents. Please return the attached permission slip.

Working with Children Check
It is mandatory for all volunteers in schools to complete a Working with Children Check. This is a simple procedure that can be done online at www.kids.nsw.gov.au or over the phone (02) 9286 7276. There is no cost associated with the check when the volunteer box is ticked.
We would appreciate it if all school volunteers could complete the application and forward their clearance number to the school as soon as possible. The process is designed to keep all children safe. If you have any questions or concerns please contact the school.
Photo Book
Mrs Mac has created a gorgeous photo book of our precious Gems.
If you would like a copy cost is $88. Please put your order in with payment at the office.

Michelle Stroud-Watts
Principal

From the Diamonds
From the Diamonds
This is the last week for borrowing from the library.
Please have all books returned next week before the holidays. There will be no extra reading task with homework next week, please ensure books are completed to and including contract 11 before handing in on the last day of school for Term 1. If you have time, don’t forget to write a comment on our blog at www.thediamondsclass.jiggi.net as we will enjoy reading them at the beginning of Term 2.
Kind Regards
Barb Dobner

Tuckshop
Rostered for duty on Wednesday 2nd April is Toni Woods.

P & C News
Remember P&C Meeting will be held next Friday at the hall between 6pm & 7 pm (at Pizza night)
All welcome

Pizza & Pasta night
This Friday April 4 is the Tower Preschool Pizza & Pasta night at the hall from 5pm.
Come along for a drink, great food & listen to some chilled out tunes.
Kirsty Langdon

Quote of the week
“The problem is not the problem. The problem is your attitude about the problem. Do you understand?”
Captain Jack Sparrow

From the Department
School holiday kids and family camps
It’s not too late to book your child into a NSW Sport and Rec holiday camp. There are also family camps available year-round, for an active, family-friendly (and pocket-friendly) getaway. Find out more: http://bit.ly/1hWxTra

Managing screen-time
Helping kids find the right balance between activities, homework and screen-time is a challenge that only gets harder as they grow older. Commonsense Media has lots of useful resources to help – from movie and game ratings to articles like this one on setting screentime limits that are realistic enough that your children will actually follow them. Read the article here: http://bit.ly/1pBlfmk

Books to boost brains
Literacy skills often progress suddenly in leaps and bounds. The secret is to keep kids of all ages reading over the weekends and school holidays. Even 20 minutes a night can make a huge difference to their reading, comprehension and general knowledge. It’s also a great way to settle their minds down before sleep (for adults too!).
If your child hasn’t found a book that grabs their imagination, why not try them on a series book from the Premier’s Reading Challenge list? Here are top suggestions for all ages, including young adult : http://bit.ly/1dLSGC0

Kik, Vine, Instagram – are they safe?
It’s no contest – kids discover and understand new social media long before we adults do. If your child is thinking about creating a new social media account – or complains that “everyone else is doing it”, you can get the facts a glance from School A to Z's technology glossary. You’ll also find information about age restrictions and things to watch out for: http://bit.ly/188OerY

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Choosing the right lunch box is important
* Make sure children can open all containers and lunch boxes easily. Practice this at home first
  - Check that containers can fit inside the insulated lunch box bag
  - Ensure children can easily take off any food wrappings
  - Make markings on the food wrapping to show children where to start
  - Check that all bottles of water can be opened
  - Small, easy to open containers are excellent for cut up or canned fruit, cut up vegie sticks or salad, homemade muffins

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Thursday, 3 April 2014