Student of the Week

Digby L – For being attentive in class and ready to work.

Jessie-Rose – for using good manners, waiting her turn patiently and for giving everything her best effort. Well done.

Happy Birthday

Belated Birthday wishes to Fern, who celebrated his birthday last week.

Calendar

**Week 3 - 2016**

- Thursday 11th February  P&C AGM 5.30pm
- Friday 12th February  Nit Buster – Day 1

**Week 4 - 2016**

- Friday 19th February  Nit Buster – Day 2

**Week 5 - 2016**

- Monday 22nd February  Life Education Van at Jiggi Public School
- Friday 26th February  Nit Buster – Day 3

Swimming News

We are all enormously proud of our swimming “stars” who gave their best at last week’s carnival at the Memorial Pool.

A big thank you to our parent “cheer squad” who propelled our swimmers along. Thanks for giving your time and enthusiasm – I’m sure our results would have been different without your support willing our children along.

Club News

Clubs begin Friday week 19th February. The children will be asked to put their preferences on a piece of paper. From this our groups will be formed with older students getting first preferences where possible. We ask that ‘club’ leaders purchase the items necessary and give Mrs Mac their receipts for reimbursement – or if they prefer, the staff will shop for ingredients if a list is given by next week to allow us time to do so. Children are getting very
Term 1 – Week 3

Monday, 22 February 2016

excited! Many thanks to our parent leaders for their time and commitment. It’s not too late if you can offer us your skills. ‘Clubs’ are as follows – Volleyball, Craft, Cooking, Gardening & orienteering, Paper & card making, Movie making/Photo stories, Junk Art Creations, Weaving from natural fibres.

Mrs Close requests any old wrapping paper i.e. Birthday or Christmas wrapping to make recycled paper. Ms Noble requests buttons, bottles tops, containers with lids, cardboard boxes or cylinders, fabrics, wool, magazines – any recycled items for the junk art club please.

Nit Buster Program
There has been an explosion of nits amongst our children and in attempt to eradicate them we have a wonderful team of staff and mums willing to give up their time to individually check, treat and monitor over a 3 week period every child’s hair. To enable us to do this we must have your permission. We urgently request the return of the note sent home recently. We will attach another note with this newsletter for those who may have misplaced theirs.

To further assist this eradication no more ‘spare’ hats will be available. On Friday morning staff will check that all children have a named hat of their own. Having a hat enables children to play outside rather than being confined to undercover play.

Hats are available at the office for $8. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Library News
Sadly over 45 precious library books have not been returned from last year. Please have a search under beds, bookshelves & behind couches so that your child can continue to borrow books from our small, but wonderful library.

- Diamonds library time is Tuesday & Opals is on Thursday.

Life Education
Larnook Public School will be joining us on the 22nd February to explore topics of, Harold’s Mystery Tour, All Systems Go & It’s Your Call.

The cost for this program is $10 for the first child and $5 for second & third child.

A barbecue and cake stall, kindly organised by our P&C will occur at lunchtime. Could parents please supply a cake/slice for this day.

Please return attached permission note and money asap.

Opals
What a week we have had in the Opals classroom. The swimming carnival on Friday was so exciting. I was very proud of the Opals and their behaviour, participation and support for each other. Most students swam in a race and those who didn’t yell and supported their team mates.

This week we have been talking a lot about Positive and Negative Mindsets and I introduced The Learners Pit to the class. The Learners Pit is what to do when faced with a challenge and what we need to do to succeed.

We discussed the importance of making mistakes to learn and that it’s ok to make mistakes. Ask your child about Michael Jordan, the famous basketball player, and how many times he missed shots to one day be successful.

We will be doing art most weeks and if possible I would like all students to bring in an old shirt they can use as a paint shirt, preferably a shirt that is a bit bigger than them so it fits over their school clothes. I know how hard paint can sometimes be to get out of school shirts. Thanks for a great week Opals!

Swimming Carnival
What a turn out we had from the Opals! Thank you to those parents who supported our students. I was proud to know we had the loudest cheer squad during the relay and lilo races. Congratulations to Jake and Millie who will be going on to represent our school at the Zone Swimming carnival later in February. A big congratulations to Millie who was Senior Girl Champion and an even bigger congratulations to all the Opals for winning the Boyd trophy.

Mrs Toniello
Diamonds
Our ‘Star’ ‘Writer of the Week’ is Sol. Congratulations Sol as your work was selected by your peers as the person who tried the hardest.
Our letter for the week is ‘S’ and our mini theme is ‘Aesop’s Fables’ where we discuss the teachings of these ancient stories through writing, drawing and drama.
Our wonderful Diamonds have taken home a calendar and moon chart. If you could help your child observe the moon each night, compare it to the chart and find the most similar phase to draw or paste onto their calendar.
Next week Diamonds will take home a ‘Family Tree’ worksheet. I would be grateful if you could help complete them and include a baby photo as we are exploring everything about ‘ME’, compiling a personal book for each child which I’m sure they’ll be eager to share with you. We are planting sunflowers and strawberries but need a suitable, larger container eg. barrel to grow the strawberries in. If you have any ideas or can help us out, we would be very grateful.
Ms Noble

Homemade muffins are a great way to add a fruit or veg-filled treat to lunch boxes.

Apple & Date Muffins
Materials: 3 apples, chopped; 1 cup boiling water; 200g dates, chopped; 50g butter; 2/3 cup brown sugar; 2 tsp mixed spice; 1 egg; 1 tsp baking soda; 1 tsp baking powder; 2 cups wholemeal flour.

Method: Preheat oven (180C). Chop apples and dates. Add boiling water, butter and sugar. Mix until butter melts and sugar dissolves. Add spice and allow to cool. When fruit mixture is warm, not hot, add spice and egg. Mix well. Add baking soda, baking powder and flour. Mix, but do not overbeat. If mixture is too dry, add a little milk. Spoon into the prepared muffin tin. Bake for about 15 minutes.

Tuckshop
Rostered for Monday 15th February 2016
Baking – Kirsty
Serving: Angela

P&C News

JIGGI P & C AGENDA – 11/2/2016
1. AGM
   - Positions declared open
   - Elect 2016 committee
   - Financial audit for 2015 tabled

2. New financial members for 2016 – gold coin donation

3. P & C Federation 2016 Election – option for Jiggi P & C to vote

4. Ball
   - Posters / flyers
   - Advertising
   - Catering & serving options
   - Bar – selections & pricing, licence
   - Lights / decorations

5. Bunnings BBQ – 7th May 2016

6. Fundraising planner for 2016