A note from the Principal:

Under Eight’s Day
I want to congratulate all the younger students on their exemplary behaviour and enthusiasm whilst taking part in the Under Eight’s Day activities. It was a fun filled day with students creating beautiful wands, clucky chooks and butterfly paintings. The children enjoyed weaving their way through obstacle courses, building Lego creations and happily moving from one activity to the next collecting stamps for their passports along the way. Thank you to the school leaders, teachers and parents who helped make the day a great success. It was a pleasure to have the children from the Goodstart Learning Centre and younger siblings join us for the day. We look forward to returning and joining us for the Teddy Bears Picnic in term 3.

Staffing
I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Sandra Fahey for her work with the children in Prep F, and wish her all the best as she starts her maternity leave. I welcome Mrs Sara Dawson who will be replacing Sandra for the rest of the year. The children are familiar with Sara as she has been based at Jones Hill since the beginning of the year as a support and special needs teacher. Sara is keen to meet with all parents, so please drop in and say hello when you drop off your little one.

Thank you to our P&C
Last Friday was the official day to thank P&C members and school volunteers for the great work they do in providing resources and activities for schools. At parade our Prep students presented a beautiful certificate and yummy gift basket of goodies as a thank you to our P&C president, Mr Delisser. A scrumptious afternoon tea was provided by Jo our tuckshop convenor for the members of the P&C and parent volunteers. It was great to have a large number of parents attend.

On behalf of the staff and students of the school, I would like to thank again all volunteers and members of our P&C who invest time in fundraising, working bees and other activities to ensure every child is given the best possible resources to facilitate their education. Our P&C is a hardworking, resourceful group that meet once a month on a Tuesday. We welcome newcomers to join us on the 2nd of June at 7.00pm in the library. You will be able to help us eat the delicious gift from the students whilst having an input in the direction of the school.

Cupcake Day
Congratulations to Mrs Hurren for organising a great fun fundraising activity. The students excelled with their decorative ideas and enjoyed eating their creations, whilst raising much valued funds for cancer research.

Congratulations to the following students on winning their category:

PF – Mackenzie
PM – Dakota F
1B – Keira H
1N – Rochelle
2B – Brady
2G – Charlie Mc
2/3C – Rachel D
3R – Breanna T-E
3S – Chloe S
4N – Thomas D
4/5L – Ethan H
5W – Zali W

5/6B – Elisabeth Y
(Whole School Winner)
6/7C – Kearna B
6/7K – Hazel B

UPCOMING EVENTS:

TERM 2 2014

28 May 2014
Brainstorm
P-3 – 9am
4-7 – 11:45am

29 May 2014
Fanfare

2 June 2014
P&C Meeting

9 June 2014
Queen’s B’day Holiday

18 June 2014
Long Distance Events

20 June 2014
SPORTS DAY

21 June 2014
Fundraiser ‘How to Train your Dragon 2’

15/16 July 2014
2/3C Barambah Camp

TERM 3 2014

6 August 2014
School Photos
Language Perfect
A number of students have been taking part in an online language perfect competition. The following are our results so far.

- 385th overall globally (out of 1125 schools)
- 26th overall in the 51-100 students category (out of 167 schools)
- 16th in Australia for the 51-100 students category (out of 96 schools)
- 49th overall in German (out of 805 schools)
- 7th in QLD for the 51-100 students category (out of 31 schools)
- 3rd for German in the 51-100 students category (out of 100 schools)
- 41st for German in Australia (out of 550 schools)
- 11th for German in QLD (out of 124 schools)

The competition finishes this week, well done to those who are participating, we look forward to the final results.

Reading Strategies with Children
Children use a repertoire of skills and strategies to make sense of the text they are reading. **Our focus this year at the school is to explicitly teach and practice a number of comprehension strategies with the children to improve their understanding of what they are reading.** To help with their reading skills at home, we will share these strategies and how they work through the school newsletters. This week all students will be using a comprehension skill called, “Main Idea”.

Main Idea is recognising what a text or paragraph is about. Main ideas are the most important ideas and are usually written at the beginning or end of a paragraph. They are supported by details in the relevant paragraph. The main idea of the whole text is usually found in the first or last sentence of a page.

Once students have become proficient in identifying the main ideas of a text, they are able to summarize the text (information) by reproducing them in order. A very useful side effect of the specific teaching of main idea is that students are able to use this strategy to help with their writing. If they first think of what they are going to write about and then list the important items, events, or ideas that support their topic, their writing will be well structured.

Students are successful with this strategy when they can:
- identify the main idea of a text or paragraph;
- separate main ideas from details;
- summarize a text using main ideas;
- transfer their understanding of main ideas and details to organize their writing.

- Parade this week returns to Friday morning at 9.00am for the whole school.
- Play Group will run this Friday at 10.00am in the hall.

Regards, Helen Grogan

BEHAVIOUR LEVEL RIBBONS
Whole School Parade Friday at 9:00am in the Hall


**PLATINUM** – Thomas B, Myles W and Casey B.

JONES HILL SCHOOL CONTACT NUMBERS
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Tuckshop: 5489 0534  [Jo McEwan]
Banking: 5489 0534  [Kate Gwilliam]
Uniforms: 0408 064744  [Jill Wells]
Dental Van: 0412 491905
Polleys Coaches: 5480 4500

SCHOOL BANKING DAY CHANGE
Student banking will now be conducted every MONDAY from 8:15am to 9:00am in the office of the Tuckshop.
SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT (SWPBS) Weekly Update:
What does SWPBS look like at Jones Hill State School:
Weekly Focus:
This week our focus is learning, safety, respect and relationships – toilets. Every class will be engaged in a lesson designed to teach the following expectations:
- Use toilets correctly
- Wash hands after using toilets
- Go directly to and from toilets
- Report any inappropriate behavior or damage to facilities
- Know and use toilet routines
- Use personal hygiene procedures
- Respect school property and use toilets appropriately
- Respect personal hygiene and wash hands after toilet use
- Respect your privacy and the privacy of others

Parents, teachers and students working together make a powerful team!

ECO GARDEN DONATION
With the help of several classes it is hoped to get the ECO Garden up and running again! We have received a big boost in the right direction with Christopher P’s (3R) grandfather (Bill Kross) donating a load of high quality mulch hay. Thank you very much! Donations are always very much appreciated, and this show of generosity is no exception.

If you’re looking for quality mulch hay, Bill runs his business from his Power Road property.

If you have the time and inclination to help out in the ECO Garden then contact the school and let us know. The students are keen but we always have need of adult supervision and ideas.

BREKKY CLUB
Just a reminder to everyone that Brekky Club is on Thursday mornings at 8:15 – 8:45am. A big thank you goes out to Victory Care Services who are sponsoring our Brekky Club and supplying bread, juice and fruit, and sometimes yoghurt and other goodies from time to time.

Thank you also to our year 6 – 7 students who have been helping out preparing and serving.

Parents … would you like to be a helper at our Brekky Club? I would love one or two adults to be a part of running the breakfast program on Thursday mornings. If that’s you please contact our reception to make an appointment to chat to me.

Chappy Russ

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P&C NEWS
Cadbury Chocolate Drive
We are still waiting on several families to return their Chocolate money. Please return to the school as soon as possible. ($50.00 for Variety box or Freddo box or $80.00 for Easter Box). Thank you to all those families who have already returned their money.

Movie Fundraiser
We will be holding a movie fundraiser for “How to Train Your Dragon 2” on Saturday 21st June. The time is still to be advised but we are hoping it will be early afternoon. All tickets will be $12 and available from the office to purchase once the time is confirmed. Please keep an eye open for sale date, as I’m sure they will sell very quickly.

Sports Day Friday 20th June
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We would also appreciate home baking to be sold. It can be delivered to the hall canteen on Sports Day morning. If possible please include an ingredients list with your home baking.

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23 May Parade Awards

Steve Delisser (P&C President) Classroom Star Awards Cup Cake winners

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