A note from the Principal:

I was very proud of Jones Hill music students as they dazzled us with their talents last Tuesday. Congratulations to Mr David Impey, Mrs Kylie McIvor and Mrs Nat Thompson who organised and skilled the students for the event. The audience were entertained with strings, percussion, African drums and marimbas. The choir sang beautifully and three soloists, Hayden B, Thomas D and Sarah-Rose F played exquisitely. We can look forward to hearing our students again, both at awards night and at parade on Friday.

Thank you to the P&C for running the disco on Friday night. The students had a great time whilst raising valuable funds for the school. A special thank you to all the parents involved with the fundraising committee this year. They have worked very hard this year to raise much appreciated funds for our students.

Our thoughts are with our Deputy Principal Mrs Stacey Seed as she recovers from a recent operation. We wish her a speedy recovery and hope she is well enough to attend awards evening.

I would like to welcome James Watt who has been officially assigned to our school as Principal next year. James has previously worked in the Gympie area and has extensive experience both in small and large primary schools. He is very excited to be joining and leading the Jones Hill school community and continuing our schools proud traditions and academic excellence. He has kindly accepted an invitation to join us at our awards evening and is looking forward to meeting students, parents and staff. I would personally like to welcome James and hope to support him in his new leadership role.

Some important dates:

- Playgroup meeting, Wednesday 3rd December, 12.30pm in the staffroom. To organise playgroup for 2015. Everyone welcome.
- Thursday 4th December, Awards Evening, 7.00pm in the school hall. Family members welcome. Mr Wayne Alexander will be joining us to say his official farewell as he embarks on a well-deserved retirement. He would love to meet with all past and present members of the school community.
- 8th December, Year 6/7 Graduation, P&C BBQ and presentation to Nestle.
- Reports handed out Thursday 10th of December.

Principal Awards:

- Keeley K, maths award for completed maths club challenge.
- Dylan F, 100% with dictation. For sharing his great story that he composed about time travel, titled “Peter and the Portals”. It is a very clever and entertaining piece of writing.
- Striving for excellence in reading, Georgina J, Dakota F and Dana A.
- Subtraction Champions, William M and Maverick E.
- Addition Champion, Tobias M.
- Jordyn R for responsible, safe behaviour when a student was injured and required first aid.
- Tiah K, Finlay L and Daniel D for great phonics work.
- Darcy H and Hayden W for great bookwork and dictation success.
- Reegan S and Scott M for assisting teachers in setting up new classrooms.

Friday will be our last parade for the year. I welcome all parents and family members to join us in farewelling a very successful 2014.

Kind Regards Helen
SWIMMING CARNIVAL RESULTS
The results from the following two races were missed off last week’s Newsletter.
2003 Freestyle 25m
• Event 11 – 1st Andrew V, 2nd Liam B and 3rd Beau A
• Event 12 – 1st Luke V, 2nd Rykah W and 3rd Aidan W

SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK’S MATHS PROBLEM.
• Gina and Tom raise cats and birds. They counted all the heads and got 10. They counted all the feet and got 34. How many birds and cats do they have?

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• Using a table and trying a few answers you eventually solve the problem.
• Congratulations to all the children who attended maths club, we look forward to seeing you next year.

THUMBS UP CERTIFICATES
Parade Friday 5 December at 9:00am in the Hall

40 Tokens – Mackenzie K, Alec O and Mia W

LOST
• Headband lost from school bag on November 14.
  Black with silver studs and blue tartan bow.
• McPaul bucket hat labelled Eva W 3S
Please return to the school office if found.

MRS COLE’S YEAR 1 CLASS 2015 BOOKLIST
Mrs Cole runs a community pencil classroom. Children in this class in 2015 do not need to label their pencils, glue, felt pens or crayons. They will all be collected on day one. Please bring in all items on day one. This reduces everyone’s stress – as all children will have what they need at school when it is needed.

2015 BOOKLISTS
Booklists for 2015 were sent home with students last Friday. This is a voluntary fundraiser run by our P&C committee. All money raised is put back into the school. If you wish to participate please send your completed booklist to the school office before Wednesday 10 December. Orders can be collected and paid for from the Nextra Newsagency (Goldfields Plaza) from 13 January 2015. Booklist can now be viewed on our Website.

P&C NEWS
School Disco
Our first school Disco was held last Friday night and was a huge success. Thank you to all the students who braved the weather to join us. Everyone had a wonderful time.
A big thank you to all the parents who gave up their Friday night to help in the canteen or supervise. We really appreciate your help. Also a big thank you to Mr. Impey for helping with the music and lights.
A special mention to Gympie Party World (The Reid Family) for their kind donation of glow sticks which were sold to the students, made the hall look great.
We will definitely hold another disco next year!!

Free Dress Day
A Free Dress Day will be held on Thursday 11th December. Gold coin donation. All monies raised will go towards new home readers for 2015.

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle
A reminder our next BBQ at Bunnings is on Monday 22nd December. Helpers are still needed. Please leave your name at the office if you can spare a couple of hours.

Thanks to all the parents who have supported our fundraising activities this year. We have been very successful and raised some much needed funds for our school.
Wishing you all a safe & merry festive season and we look forward to your continued support in 2015.
Jones Hill State School Fundraising Committee

Kind Regards Helen Grogan
UNIFORM NEWS
Our shirts are remaining the same and we will now have black shorts and a black combo for girls (skirt with cotton bike pants attached underneath) in the same cotton - back breathable poly fabric as our shirts. These will be embroidered with JHSS in emerald green (same colour as our shirts) on the front. These will not be available until the end of January. I am hoping we will have them in time for my big sales day on Friday 23rd January/early February. The idea is to replace these as your child grows out of what they are currently wearing so as not to incur any added expense with a hopeful roll out into the full school uniform in 2016. Any questions can be directed to me on 0408064744 between 7am and 6pm weekdays. Thanks, Jill Wells.

P.S. Don’t forget our big sales day on Friday 23rd January, 2015 from 9am til 1pm. We’ll have a big rummage sale on second hand uniforms as well, gold coin donation! Any helpers would be greatly appreciated on those days, please let me know if you can help, even if for an hour or two.

PLAYGROUP
There will be no playgroup December 12. Our last day will be this Friday December 5. Please bring a plate of food to share.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT
The Gympie Choral Group and St Peter’s Anglican Church invite you to A Christmas Concert in their Church at Lady Mary Terrace. Sunday December 7 at 2pm – Admission by donation – Palliative Care Benefits – Afternoon Tea provided (5482 4374)

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY HOTSHOTS
Gympie and District Junior Tennis Association coaches Brett Cottrill and Matt Watkins will be conducting 5 Fun Tournaments and coaching clinics in the holidays on Monday 15th Dec and Wednesday 17th Dec (1st week) and Monday 19th Jan, Wednesday 21st Jan and Friday 23rd Jan (Last week) at The Reg English Memorial Tennis Centre on Cartwright Rd. The tournaments will be held from 8.30am until 12.30pm with morning tea and lunch included. Costs are $25.00 for 1 event, $45 for 2 events (week 1), $95 for 1 event, $45 for 2 events and $60 for all 3 events in Jan. Great prizes and plenty of tennis for all. Levels from beginners to advanced are welcome. Family Discounts. Enquiries and bookings to Brett Cottrill 0417 746795.

Entries for each tournament close 10.00am 1 day prior to the event.

Centenary Scout Group invite you to a Movie Fundraiser
Into The Woods
Come and join us for this evening of fun to help Centenary Scouts
Where; Sovereign Cinema, Monkland Street, Gympie
When; 15 January 2015 18.20
How much; $12.00
Call Sandra for your ticket 0458279683
Or buy on the night!
Find us on Face Book: Centenary Gympie Scout Group

Awards
November 28