



Term 4, Week 9, Friday 4th December, 2020

DATES TO REMEMBER TERM 4

7th December - JI Office Online Booklist Orders Due

8th December - State-wide Transition Day

11th December - Grade 3-6 Swimming Sports

15th December - Grade 6 Graduation

18th December - Last Day of Term - 1.30pm Finish

Kemps Bakery Christmas Competition

Some of our grade 1/2 students have made a fabulous Christmas tree art work. Kemp's Bakery in Kilmore invited local schools to participate in a Christmas art competition and our entry will be on display. If you are visiting Kilmore please pop into the bakery and vote for our entry.



Thank you to families who donated to our Love in Action Christmas Hamper Drive – your generosity is much appreciated and I am sure will help to brighten someone's Christmas Day. It is wonderful for our children to learn about the joy of giving and experiencing the special feeling we get when we are kind to others. A reminder that if you would like to donate your child's unused stationery items from 2020 to someone next year please let the office or your child's teacher know.

CANTEEN NEWS

Please note Quenches cannot be ordered for the remainder of the term. Drinks available to order are Chocolate and Strawberry milk, juices and water.



Congratulations To Our 2020 Newcombe Winners!!



A Word from Mrs Cooney.....

What a busy two weeks we have had since our last newsletter! It has been exciting for our students to be able to participate in some activities and experiences that were restricted during the height of

Covid-19. Our Foundation students have been learning to write letters and

this week they walked to the Post Office to post letters to their families. Our grade 1/2 students went on a walking tour visiting historic sites in Broadford as part of their inquiry unit 'Through Generations'. The F-2 students have competed in their long

distance run and today are participating in a sports day. Next week the grade 3-6's will hold their swimming carnival at Broadford pool. Whilst our grade 6's were unable to go to Canberra this year, last week they participated in an interactive visit to the Australian War Museum and visited many exhibitions and learnt about

Australia's war history. Technology has certainly been an asset to us this year.



Transition 2021

Over the last few weeks our 2021 Foundation transition program has been underway and children have come to school in small groups to familiarise themselves with the school, our staff and the

foundation learning area. These have been a great success and it has been lovely to meet our new students. This week with the easing of Covid restrictions we have been able to host larger groups and next week they will all attend on our whole school transition day.

Next Tuesday is a very exciting day for our students as they get to experience a morning in their future year level. Student placement for 2021 will be finalised after Transition Day and parents will be informed of their child's future teacher in the last week of the school year. A lot of factors are considered when designing grades, and teachers spend many hours placing students in grades based on the best interests of children and providing the best opportunities for their social, emotional and educational needs. I would like to wish our grade 6 students well as they visit their new secondary school on this day.

Book Lists 2020

A reminder to please order and finalise payment for Book Packs and payment of Essential Educational items using the school's stationery supplier's online system by 11th December. The book list and essential education items includes all the consumable resources your child will need for the year and your support will ensure we can provide a high quality education for your child. If you are not purchasing your stationery through JI Office Supplies your child will need to bring their own stationery supplies listed on the book lists to school on the first day of school.

COVID Safe Plan for the Remainder of 2020

There have been some changes to the Department of Education's guidelines. As a result parents can now access the school office in person via the main entrance observing Covid safe practices

(eg. wearing of a mask and social distancing). We are also able to have some visitors on site following easing of gathering limits for indoor and outdoor events. It is exciting that we are able to have some spectators on site for our F-2 sports day today and limited numbers will be able to attend the grade 6 graduation. We are required to record all visitors coming onsite for longer than 15 minutes for contact tracing purposes so please ensure you sign in if attending the school. Given that we are so close to the end of the 2020 school year and the independence which has been shown by our students, we will

continue with our current practices until the end of the 2020 school year for school arrivals and departures.

F-2 Long Distance Run

Congratulations to the winners of the F-2 Long Distance Run

Foundation Boys: 1st – Braxton, 2nd – Fletcher, 3rd – Charlie

Foundation Girls: 1st – Paige, 2nd – Layla, 3rd – Elena

Grade 1 Boys: 1st – Lachlan, M 2nd – Harrison, 3rd – Harry

Grade 1 Girls: 1st – Peyton, 2nd – Megan, 3rd – Poppy

Grade 2 Boys: 1st – Blake, 2nd – James, 3rd – Jett

Grade 2 Girls: 1st – Amelia, 2nd – Evan, 3rd – Millie



F-2 Long Distance Run.....



Grade 1/2 Puppet Show

Grade 1/2 students have prepared a puppet show and shared their shows with other foundation and grade 1/2 students this week. They had some help from grade 5/6 students to develop and write their scripts and in Art they made their hand puppets to match their story.



Thank you to everyone who donated to the LOVE IN ACTION Christmas hamper drive. Mrs Edwards and our school captains dropped off all your wonderful donations today

Mrs Hyde

