Dear Parents,

Welcome to our first newsletter for 2013. I would like to welcome the Burgess family to our school community, their daughter Jaime has arrived at the school and is in Year 4. Our new kindergarten students this year are Maurie and Monty Hyles. This means that the Hyles family are now all in the one place—our school.

Isabelle Leseberg and Beatrix Hyles have made the big step up to Primary school. The saga of the changes to the Department are continuing, but we at the “coalface” are told that this is a transition stage. Jugiong Public School will continue to work hard to ensure that our student’s need, educationally, are catered for and will let the other things take their course.

We have a very busy start to our year. Next Friday (8th Feb) is the Jugiong School Invitational Swimming Carnival, all student’s abilities are catered for and a fun day is expected. The P & C will be running the BBQ and parents will be needed to help with time keeping, etc. This will be a great opportunity for parents to get together and cheer their children as they try for their school. The students whose times are good enough will then go onto the Highlands PSSA Swimming Carnival that will be held at Tumut on 22nd Feb. (More information will come in the form of letters later).

The P & C are holding their AGM next Tuesday, 5th February, instead of the usual third Tuesday of the month. The reason for this is that I have been called to attend a Principal meeting in Albury over that week, also it is an opportunity for parents to plan for the swimming carnival that we are conducting on the 8th February.

The school will be holding an information night for parents on Tuesday night 12th February at 7pm. All parents are invited to attend to be informed about handy hints to help their children.

Mrs Lenehan will be attending a professional development course called “Best Start” on Friday 15th. She will be trained in the testing of Kindergarten students, so that the school can start their education to meet their needs.

At this stage, I would like to welcome the staff of Jugiong Public School. These people are the school’s biggest assets. They are a bunch of dedicated professionals who enjoy teaching your children. Mrs Weston will be at the school teaching the K-2 class, library and computers to all students, Monday to Wednesday. Mrs Lenehan is the K-2 teacher Thursday and Fridays, while also taking on the role as Learning Support Co-ordinator every second Wednesday. Mrs Brooker has come back to our school on a regular basis doing music with all the students and other learning activities with the primary. Mrs Peck will come and visit from time to time along with Mrs Knight-Gregson. Mrs Jones has again returned to continue her fantastic job of learning Support for three mornings per week. Also Mr Elsley is back for one day a week to do our maintenance (a massive job with the ageing school and large sloping grounds). Mrs Sheahan continues as our School Administrative Manager and her time along with all staff is dependant of our student numbers.

Regards,
Russell
Did You Know

- In Sparta (the ancient Greek City State), physical process and strength were greatly sort. The Spartan army were famous for discipline and courage. To ensure this all Spartan babies were inspected by the elders at birth and were dropped down a deep cave if not healthy enough.
- The Yurok Indians of North America, when a male-female pair of twins were born, they would kill the female for superstitious reasons.
- The work “lens” as in lens in glasses comes from the Latin word for lentil, after the shape of the lentil seed.

Sun Safe

Jugiong School is a sun safe school, all students will be required to wear a brimmed hat during this term. Sunscreen is available for all students to be worn at recess and lunch time.

If students do not have a “broad brimmed” hat, they will not share other peoples and will be limited in their play activities to extremely shaded areas.

The school does not want to see our students in years to come, become a statistic with skin cancer.

School Hours

Students may arrive at school at 8.40am, where staff will be available to supervise.

Parents may come to collect students for personal reasons at anytime but staff need to be aware that the student is leaving the school.

Bike and Walking Home

Because of the increased number of walkers and bike users at school, they must remain at the weather shed till the bus has left. This way the students are well out of the way of large moving vehicles. Students please remember that it is a fineable offense to not have a helmet (done up) when riding a bike.

I would also suggest that a helmet is worn when riding a scooter as well.

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CHURCH NEWS

ANGLICAN
10:30am - 1st & 3rd Sunday
CATHOLIC
10am Mass
Mass 2nd, 4th & 5th

Hall & Grounds
Bookings: 6945 4336

DEFIBRILLATOR
Located in carport @ Police Stn
Emergency access 24hrs

TRANSFER STATION
Thurs & Sat 1:30 pm to 4.30 pm

BLAZE AID AT BOOKHAM
Calling All Community Groups
If you can cook a cake, bake a slice or roast a leg – we need you!
Harden Shire Council in conjunction with Yass Valley Council has put the call out to all community groups to assist in catering for the BlazeAid Volunteers that are assisting our Farmers after the devastating Cobbler Road fire. BlazeAid is asking for volunteer groups to prepare and serve evening meals at the Bookham Hall.

A meeting was held in Yass last week between BlazeAid, Yass Valley Council, Harden Shire Council and various community groups. A plan and time line was put in place, with community groups being asked to assist in catering for 30-40 people for a two course dinner, main meal and dessert. Yass Valley groups will be kick starting the effort with the Red Cross commencing on Thursday 31st Jan; meals are required three to five nights a week.

A ‘Casseroles Drive’ is also being set up for those in the community that wish to help out but are unable to get to Bookham. Frozen meals such as casseroles, spaghetti, lasagna, tuna bake or any other simple, yet hearty meal, this can be frozen and sent down to the volunteers. Cakes, slices and biscuits would also be welcomed. If you would like to assist in anyway please contact Nikki Giles at Harden Shire Council on 6386 0135 or nicole.giles@harden.nsw.gov.au or register your interest at the Front Counter.

Donations of meat, vegetables and other items for evening meals, lunches and smo-ko’s can be made directly to the BlazeAid site at Bookham.

If you wish to volunteer your time with BlazeAid and help our farmers you can do so by going to their website www.blazeaid.com or contacting camp coordinators Gary & Colleen via email blazeaid.bookham@gmail.com.

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Help needed to cater for the wonderful volunteers from BlazeAid at Bookham.
If you can cook a casserole or a cake it would be greatly appreciated.
Please contact Jackie on 6945 4244 or benangaroo@bigpond.com for more information.

Jugiong Rural Volunteer Fire Brigade
Subs Now Due
House Block - $5.00
Small Acreage - $10.00
Large Acreage - $2.00 per 100 acres.
Payment can be made at the B.P. Service Station Jugiong

We would like to say thank you to all the people whose hard work protected stock, pasture and buildings at "The Cobbler" during, and following, recent fires there. We are extremely appreciative of the help we received.
From the Coopers at "The Cobbler" and Jim "Silver" Sheahan.

Thankyou
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The Manton Family.

Romani Pastoral Co pty Ltd “Garangula”
We would like to thank all those volunteers with private and RFS units that helped extinguish the fire on Garangula on Friday 28th December. Due to the large turnout and the manner in which all personnel worked, the fire was extinguished and mopping up carried out efficiently and with a minimum of property damage.
Many thanks.

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The Riverina Institute, Business Faculty is offering the following courses by DISTANCE delivery in 2013 through its Leeton Campus:

Certificate III in Business (Course 20119)
Certificate III in Business Administration (Course 17807)
Both of these courses would allow you to develop knowledge and skills to pursue employment and/or further training in a range of business areas. These courses cover skills using current business technology, writing and communication, plus a number of elective units.

Certificate III in Business Administration (Legal) (Course 17812)
Develop knowledge and skills to be able to work as a legal receptionist or an administrator in a legal environment. This course is also suitable if you want to work in non-legal offices.

Statement of Attainment in Processing and Maintaining Financial Records (17820) (MYOB)
Develop skills and knowledge to enable you to process and maintain financial records in an office environment using MYOB software.

Why not gain a new qualification? These Distance courses are offered by the Riverina Institute through the Leeton campus.

For further information please contact the Campus on 02 6953 9600 or email RICourseInfoLeeton@tafensw.edu.au

Enrolments are open NOW. You can register/enrol online for the courses via www.tafensw.edu.au

The above courses may be offered as face-to-face classes at your local campus, along with other course offerings. For other Distance courses, check out the following TAFE website:

http://www.rit.tafensw.edu.au/online/business

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Will & Sandra Weston on the birth of their baby son ‘Alec Jon’.
A little brother for Breeanna, Dan, Ryan and Sid.
Little Alec is the 8th grandchild for Jenny & Jon Weston.

CHRISTINE WISHART’S DANCE STUDIO, COOTAMUNDRA WILL BE HOLDING A REGISTRATION DAY ON FRIDAY, 1 FEBRUARY 2013 AT THE STUDIO, BEHIND THE OLD HOSPITAL BETWEEN 2.30pm – 6.00pm.

BALLET, TAP, JAZZ/HIP HOP & CONTEMPORARY CLASSES AND BOYS HIP HOP WILL BE HELD COMMENCING MONDAY, 4 FEBRUARY 2013.

WE OFFER TAP EXAMS, EISTEDDFOD WORK, LOCAL PERFORMANCES AND END OF YEAR CONCERTS.

FOR ENROLMENTS AND ENQUIRIES PLEASE PHONE CHRISTINE WISHART ON 0269 426 201 or 0427 782 954.