JOLIMONT NEWSLETTER - Wednesday, 1 March 2023 Excellence Respect Integrity Care

2023 Year of Humanity

WELCOME

Dear parents and caregivers

We are halfway through the term already and we are off to a flying start! The next fortnight is full of fun with Waste Wise incursions, an Educated by Nature incursion for some classes, the Kindy Hospital incursions and the start of our beach swimming program for our Year 6 students. Please remember that next Monday, 6 March, is a public holiday and students do not attend school.

It was wonderful to be part of our first class assembly last Friday, where the amazing students in Room 17 introduced the school to Jolimont's Year of Humanity. The students ran us through some interesting facts, information about their pen pal program this year, and a heart-warming song with images of their pen pals in the background. Congratulations Room 17 on your presentation, your confidence presenting in front of over 400 people, and your public speaking skills! We are looking forward to Room 2's assembly next Friday, 10 March, where we will also present badges for our Year 6 Care Councillors, Art Leaders, Digital Technology Leaders, and Sustainability Leaders.

Australia's National Be Kind Day falls tomorrow, Thursday, 2 March 2023. According to the dictionary, kindness is defined as the quality of being friendly, generous, and considerate. Kindness can mean different things to different people. The meaning is in how YOU choose to show it; be it through empathy, acceptance, kind gestures, thoughtfulness - the possibilities are entirely up to you. Kindness may mean being helpful or showing empathy, or it may mean doing nice things without expecting nice things in return. Some synonyms for kindness include care, compassion, concern, friendliness, goodness, gracious, helpful, loving, neighbourly, patient, thoughtful and understanding. At Jolimont PS, we value kindness and teach our students about how we show kindness in different ways.

I hope you have a great week ahead and enjoy your long weekend with family and friends.

Robyn Crump Acting Principal

Online Safety

A HUGE THANK YOU to Leanne Broadbent and Carrie Lane and Uniting Children's Counselling Service in Subiaco, for their helpful and thought-provoking presentation last night, called 'Child Centred Conversations: Online Safety'. They provided plenty of practical tips and emphasised the importance of building strong relationships with supportive, open communication between parents and children, and of taking opportunities from a young age to have conversations with our kids about our expectations around online behaviour. If you would like a copy of the handouts about the PACE parenting approach and recommended online safety resources, please see attachment to this newsletter.

Waste Wise Incursion

This week, all students in Year 1 to Year 6, are participating in this educational incursion, exploring new ways to live in a sustainable world with the Western Metropolitan Regional

Council. Thank you to parents and grandparents who volunteered to assist with this incursion. We looked at the top five G.R.E.A.T. behaviours of: gifting, recycling, earthcycling, avoiding, and taking, encouraging students to do better than landfill and get waste in the right place.

Upcoming Events

School Photos

Next week on Tuesday, 7 March and Thursday, 9 March.

See flyer attached for important information regarding photo days and ordering.

All orders must be placed online at <u>kapture.com.au</u> using School Code: 6DBNLM (as per flyer sent home with your child).

Last day to order sibling photos is Friday, 3 March.

Last day to order class and individual photos is Sunday, 19 March.

Faction Swimming Carnival

Monday, 13 March, at Claremont Aquatic Centre, for all students in Years 3 to Year 6, from 11:30am to 2:30pm. All students are to bring their school bag, including dry clothes, hat, towel, lunch, water bottle and sunscreen. Carnival program available from the school admin office. Notes have been sent home, permission and payment slips are due to classroom teachers by next Wednesday, 8 March.

General Information

<u>Arrival at School</u>: We have noticed an increasing number of students arriving prior to classroom doors opening at 8:30am. If your child arrives at school prior to 8:30am, they are required to make their way to the Undercover Area and wait on the benches until doors open at 8:30am. Children should not be on school grounds prior to 8:15am as supervision is not available. We ask parents, who also arrive prior to doors opening, to go to the Undercover Area with your child.

After School: Please depart school grounds promptly at the end of the school day.

Report an Absence: If your child is absent, please notify the school by:

SMS 0437 312 688

Online absence form here

Email jolimont.ps@education.wa.edu.au (please include year level & room number)

Phone 9205 5200

<u>School Email Address</u>: To assist in responding to emails in a timely manner, please use this email address for general correspondence, jolimont.ps@education.wa.edu.au

P&C UPDATE

P&C Meeting

Everyone is welcome to attend our next meeting, our AGM, on Wednesday, 15 March, starting at 5:30pm.

Class Representatives

Have you considered being your class rep this year, or sharing the role with someone? The (unofficial) duties include...

- ♣ Post items in class WhatsApp group (like inviting everyone to the welcome picnic!)
- A Organise a social event once a term, like an afterschool park play
- ♣ Be part of the team for one event in the year
- Organise the end of year teacher gift

Please let your class teacher know if you want to put your hand up!

DADS GROUP UPDATE

Support school learning at home

When fathers support learning from school, at home, this demonstrates to your child that you truly value education and learning. Your job as a parent is to encourage them to discover things for themselves and challenge them to learn and improve. If you can instil in them the mindset that learning is a process that is positive and enjoyable, they will grow up to be lifelong learners who thrive on challenges. Top Tips

- Be willing to help with homework. Discuss what they have to do and how they are going to do it, rather than doing it for them.
- Encourage and praise their efforts to work independently on their homework. This demonstrates self-management skills.
- If your child is having trouble with homework and it is causing stress or arguments, put it aside and take a break. Try again later. If there are still problems, contact the teacher to discuss solutions.
- Encourage them to do their best. If the work they produce is to their ability, praise it when they do well.
- Explore alternative ways of learning. For example, play with them and explore maths and counting, practise their spelling while driving in the car or teach them a new fact.

<u>Upcoming events</u>:

Term 1 event: Dads and kids activities, paper planes and BBQ – Matilda Bay Sunday 26 Mar 3-5pm. More info to follow

<u>Dad joke of the week</u>: Why did the tomato turn red? Because it saw the salad dressing!

How to get involved in Jolimont PS Dads Group activities and updates:

Register at the FP Dads Portal. Takes 60 seconds. Go to <u>thefatheringproject.org</u> > In Schools > Join a Dads Group (search 'Jolimont')

CANTEEN

The canteen is open Tuesday to Friday and to set up a QuickCliq account, click here.

Temporary changes to the canteen – please note as follows:

- closing one week early prior to the end of term 1 school holidays (from Monday, 3 April)
- * reopening three weeks after the beginning of term 2 (Tuesday, 9 May).
- ♣ will be for LUNCH ORDERS ONLY
- * will not be available for cupcakes, cakes, or catering

The online canteen system QuickCliq has been "closed over" during this period of time.

ATTACHMENTS: Kapture School Photos Online Safety