**Principal’s News**

As the end of term approaches, so do our closing times for our scheduled Parent / Teacher interviews. They have been a wonderful success during the past two weeks of this term. As the year progresses, anytime you have any concerns regarding your child you are encouraged to contact your child’s teacher and arrange an interview.

Last night’s combined K-6 school disco was a success. Thank you to all who came and supported this event. Thank you to the staff that supported supervision throughout the evening.

We are looking forward to celebrating the festivities of Easter with our annual Easter Hat Parade this afternoon – commencing 2pm. As one of the head judges I feel the decisions will not be easy. It has been pleasing to see so many children putting so much effort into their own designs this year. The three categories for today’s judging are ‘Brightest Easter Hat’, ‘Most Creative Easter Hat’, and ‘Best in Show’. The three judges are myself, Mrs Emma Lakeman, Ms Louise Filan-Davis and Mrs Katie Clarence.

**NAPLAN** - National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy 2015. On **12th**, **13th** and **14th May** students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 in all Australian government and non-government schools will undertake NAPLAN assessments. The results for the tests will provide important information for the schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child’s level of achievement. Each student level will be reported against the national minimum standard.

The Timetable for **NAPLAN** is:

**Tuesday 12 May** – Language Conventions test and a separate writing test

**Wednesday 13th May** – Reading test

**Thursday 14th May** – Numeracy test

**Friday 15th May** – catch up tests permitted on 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th May

We do ask that students be in attendance on all three testing days unless absence is unavoidable through circumstances like illness. It is not possible for any tests to be ‘caught-up’ beyond Friday 15th May.

As mentioned last week ANZAC day is fast approaching. Once again this year our students have been invited to march with the Belmont RSL Sub-Branch on Anzac Day, Sunday 25th April. Reminder that full summer school uniform is required. Participants are also invited to wear family medals and those must be worn on the right breast. All children and families are invited to march.

School concludes for Term 1 **today Thursday 2nd April** and resumes for students for Term 2 on **Tuesday 21st April**. Please note that **Monday 20th April** is our School Development Day and is a student-free day. Our staff will be engaged in professional learning throughout this day. Thank you to our staff for their outstanding effort and dedication throughout the term and thank you to the many parents and caregivers who have supported us in so many ways.

A reminder to parents and carers that children are not to enter our school premises during the holidays. I would also ask parents to be vigilant if you see people on our school grounds who should not be there to ring **School Security number 1300 880 021 or the local police**.

Have a safe and Happy Easter.

Mrs Emma Lakeman
Stage One Mother’s Day Event: Stage One will be holding a variety of Mother’s Day activities on Friday 8th May from 2.30pm to 3.25 pm in the Year 1 and Year 2 classrooms. Mums, grandmothers and aunties of Year 1 and 2 students are invited to attend. More information will be included in the next newsletter. Year 1 and 2 Teachers.

Basketball News: Congratulations to Josie and Korbyn who were both successful in being selected at the PSSA Zone Basketball Trials. They will now represent Jewells as part of the Hunter Region teams at the PSSA State Basketball Carnivals to be held at Wollongong in late April and early May. Well done to you both and good luck! Helen Clulow

P&C News: The P&C would like to thank all our canteen volunteers who dedicate their time to making such a difference, contributing to the funding of Jewells Primary School and putting smiles on our students faces. To all the Term 1 helpers, Fay Tzavellas, Robyn Powell, Karyn Caddies, Kayleen Robards, Jenny Hilzinger, Lisa Toole, Renai Fibbens, Tarnya Devine, June Butler, Melissa Hinchev, Carmen Williams, Jenine Boxall, Kerry Martin, Liz Kekovski, Anna Kekovski, Mia Sales, Nathan Ramsay, Dianne Williams, Daina Lackey, Lorraine Gibson, Kylie Iles-Jones, Ros Thompson, Nicole Coulter, Selina McCabe, Krys Kelly, Belinda Player, Glenda Watts, Jenni Rose, Janine Mason, Denise McGuigan, Trish Franks, Alana Fagerstrom, Angela Naylor, Suzi Anthony, Georgina Morris, Leslee Brown and Olga Banks, thank you so much. If you would like to be part of these amazing teams, please contact Jenny Hilzinger 0401 519 141

Student Success: Congratulations to Anakin who after winning the Orienteering School Championships (10 year old boys), coming 1st in NSW for the State Championships, he placed 5th in Australia overall - information provided by Melanie Trotter.

The YOU CAN DO IT program is a school-home-community approach to helping young people achieve to the best of their ability and experience positive social-emotional well-being.

This term we are looking at:

**Organisation**

Setting goals can help me be more successful at a task.

The Canteen will be closed on Wednesday 22nd April, and will reopen for Term 2 on Friday 24th April.
Term 2 Canteen Roster, 2015 – Canteen Open Wednesday and Friday Term 2

Thank you so much for volunteering your time in the school canteen. The canteen roster is complete for Term 2. Don’t worry, you haven’t missed out, this roster is constantly changing and help is always needed so if you are available Wednesday or Friday anytime and you’d like to be part of the wonderful fun we all have please call Jenny Hilzinger 0401 519 141

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Capri Kitchen and Bathroom Centre were established on 8/8/08. We are a local independent business dedicated to our local community and who proudly make and manufacture all our kitchens locally in Cardiff.

We offer a lifetime warranty on all hardware and 25 years on our workmanship.

We want to support Jewells Primary School with the following offer:
We will donate $1,000.00 to Jewells Primary School for every kitchen (valued over $10,000) sold through your newsletter.

All the customer needs to do is to present the newsletter voucher at their free kitchen consultation and with any kitchen purchase over $10,000 we will donate $1,000.00 to Jewells Primary School.

[Logo of Capri Kitchen & Bathroom Centre: "You Dream It. We Create It!"]
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**The Conservatorium Youth Choir**

“Life is a song worth singing...why don’t you sing it?”

Is your child interested in singing better, working as a team, developing their harmony singing, making new friendships and having a good time?

Then join in the fun!

Entry: No audition – enrol through Conservatorium Office

Ages: from 8 years (Year 3 onwards)

Rehearsals: Monday’s 4.00pm - 5.30pm

Description: The Conservatorium Youth Choir endeavours to foster excellence in musicianship and a love of music as well as to nurture young voices. It is available to all children from the age of 8 years from public and non-government schools and welcomes new members throughout the year.

The CYC participates in various activities around the region and perform in a range of Conservatorium and community events; often in collaboration with the Conservatorium’s other choirs. They experience music from a variety of cultures, exploring many styles and incorporating different musical and vocal techniques. New members are welcome at any time throughout the year.

Director: Christopher Blake

Cost: $105.30 per 9 week term (GST inclusive)

Contact: The office on (02) 4921 8900 or email: conservatorium@newcastle.edu.au