Principal’s News
Welcome back to Term 1 for the 2016 school year and Happy New Year to you all. I hope all staff and students had a relaxing and enjoyable break. Our school calendar has quickly filled with a term promising excellence, excitement and opportunity.

Some of the events for term 1 include our Swimming Carnival at Swansea Pool on Friday 12th February, our first P&C Meeting on Wednesday 17th February, our parent and carer ‘Meet and Greet sessions’ – details to come, School Photos on Monday 7th March and our Athletics Carnival at Glendale on Wednesday 30th March.

I would like to make a special welcome to all of our new students and their families and invite you all to be actively involved in our school as the year progresses. We have welcomed several new families this year across the school including our new Opportunity Class students and not to forget the smooth start our new Kindergarten students experienced this morning.

Staffing: I would like to welcome back Miss Jackson who returns as Stage 3 Assistant Principal and will be teaching Year 5/6. Welcome to Miss Purdy who was successful through merit selection and is now a permanent member of Jewells staff. Miss Purdy will be teaching year 3 this year. We also have several new staff members in relieving Positions. Welcome to Mrs Bales who will be relieving for Mrs Jones once she commences her maternity leave, we welcome Miss Parkes who will be sharing the teaching responsibility of 5/6 with Mrs Ross. Welcome Ms James who will be relieving in the Library for Mrs Johnson for the remainder of 2016. Mrs Brown has returned from maternity leave and will be sharing teaching responsibilities with Mrs Waters. We also welcome Mrs Connie Hooey as student support.

Our School Executive Team includes:
Mr Les Corrigan – Principal and Principal School Leadership Role
Mrs Emma Lakeman – Co-Principal and Assistant Principal (Stage 2)
Miss Alison Jackson – Stage 3 Assistant Principal (Years 5 & 6)
Ms Sam Burt – Stage 2 Assistant Principal (Years 3 & 4)
Mrs Lisa Waters – Stage 2 Assistant Principal (Years 1 & 2)
Miss Louise Filan-Davis – Early Stage 1 Assistant Principal (Kinder)
Ms Kellie Byrnes – School Administration Manager

Emma Lakeman
Class Organisation: The class structure and teacher allocation is as follows:

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<th>KCF</th>
<th>Miss Filan-Davis &amp; Mrs Clarence</th>
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THE SCHOOL BELL RINGS AT 8.55AM EACH MORNING. PLEASE DO NOT SEND STUDENTS TO SCHOOL BEFORE 8.55AM AS NO SUPERVISION IS PROVIDED.

Jewells Skoolbag App: Our School now has our own Skoolbag iPhone and Android App to help us communicate more effectively with our Parent/Student community. We are asking parents to install our Skoolbag School App now. To install it, just search for our school name "Jewells Primary School" in either the Apple App Store, or Google Play Store. These downloading instructions will help you:

On Apple –
1. On your iPhone open the app store
2. Search for our school name – Jewells Primary School
3. Press install
4. Enter your iTunes password
5. It will commence downloading immediately

On Android/Google Play –
1. On your Smartphone open the Android/Google Play market
2. Search for our school name – Jewells Primary School
3. Press install
4. Your app will start installing immediately

To Open Our School App –
1. Look for our school app icon (school logo) on your phone screen
2. Press the icon once
3. It will open automatically
4. When prompted, select to receive your push notification and your location
5. If you encounter troubles -
   Simply shut down the app and/or your phone to refresh the phones memory.
Correct School Uniform Kindergarten to Year 6: We would like to thank those parents and students who are upholding our uniform standard and would like to clarify our uniform as we approach a new year.

There is a minority of older students wearing either non-uniform items like; coloured sport shoes, coloured hoodies, representative jackets, bike pants or royal blue sport shorts every day; these are not acceptable. Approved jewellery includes watch and stud or sleeper earrings, hair accessories worn by all students should conform to school colours. A lowering of the tone of our school is of particular concern when older students have such a high profile outside our school e.g. attending high school orientation visits.

Uniforms promote a sense of pride and belonging to the school and ensures that all children are regarded in the same way by their classmates. Surveys of parents have clearly shown overwhelming support for a school uniform. As a result of this parents are asked to send children to school in the designated uniform. This includes the approved wearing of specially designed Year 6 Shirts.

Parents of Year 6 students who are experiencing difficulty in following the correct uniform policy because of the replacement cost of uniform items that may be only worn for a short time should contact Mrs Lakeman to discuss possible alternatives.

Thank you to those parents who continue to enforce the wearing of the correct school uniform.

The correct summer uniform for boys and girls is outlined below.

White ankle socks, black school shoes, and a royal blue school hat available from school - with wide brim (Cancer Council approved) are mandatory items to be worn everyday with the school uniform.

On sport days white sport socks and sport shoes are to be worn.

**Girls’ Uniform**

**Summer Options:** The girls have three options for the summer school uniform

Option 1: - Royal blue check ‘A’ line dress with Peter Pan collar and red tab, **White ankle socks**

Option 2: - Navy blue ‘skort’ (shorts designed to look like a skirt) and pale blue school polo shirt

Option 3: - Navy blue tailored knee-length shorts and pale blue school polo shirt

Sport Day: Royal blue shorts, red polo shirt and white socks

*A light-weight royal blue with red trim jacket may be worn for cooler weather.

**Winter Options:** The girls have two options for the winter school uniform.

Option 1: - Royal blue check ‘A’ line dress with Peter Pan collar and red tab worn with **dark blue tights**

Option 2: - Navy blue tailored pants, pale blue school polo

Sport Day: Royal blue track pants, red polo and white socks

A light-weight royal blue with red trim jacket and/or royal blue sloppy-joe may be worn with the above items.

**Boys’ Uniform:**

**Summer Option**

*Pale blue school polo shirt worn with navy blue tailored shorts

Sport Day: Royal blue shorts, red polo shirt & white socks

*A light-weight royal blue with red trim jacket may be worn for cooler weather.

**Winter Options:**

Navy blue tailored long pants, pale blue school polo

Sport Day: Royal blue track pants, red polo shirt & white socks

*A light-weight royal blue with red trim jacket and/or royal blue sloppy-joe may be worn with the above items.

**Not acceptable:**

**Coloured sport shoes**

Royal blue sport shorts with the pale blue polo shirt

Navy or royal blue bike pants, dance pants or navy track pants

Representative jackets, hoodies, rugby league shorts and socks

Skivvies or tracksuit pants worn under the dress uniform

White socks are not to be worn with tights.
Making Online Payments Procedure

It will be possible for parents to make online payments to the school for amounts owing for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. The payment page is accessed from the front page of the school’s website by selecting $ Make a payment

Items that can be paid include voluntary school contributions, dance, drumming, excursions, sales to students and there is also a category called Other. This is to cover items not covered in the previous headings. Other can be used to make a complete payment of a school invoice.

When you access the $ Make a payment you must enter:

- the student’s name, and
- class and reference number OR
- the student’s name, and
- date of birth.

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system. There is also the option to enter the Student Registration Number and Invoice number if you are aware of them, these are optional fields.

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner, these details are not passed back to the school.

You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child’s account. As a receipt has been issued from the payment page a further receipt will not be issued by the school.

A Powerpoint presentation is available on the Jewells Primary School website to explain further the process to make a payment. You will also notice a new tick-a-box appearing on all paid permission notes eg 

☐ I have made an online payment. My receipt number is: ________________.
Please ensure you complete this line if you have paid online.

Payments must be made before 6pm for Jewells PS to receive the funds the next day.
Ie. pay before 6pm on Monday, Jewells PS will have the funds on Tuesday morning.
If the payment is after 6pm then there will be a 24 hour delay in the school receiving the funds.
Ie. pay after 6pm on Monday, the school will have the funds on Wednesday morning.
Also take into consideration paying on a Friday and the weekend delay.

For any enquiries regarding the Online Payment process please contact the School Administration Office on 49487300.

Thursday 6th February 2014
Come and play Hockey with Souths Girls

South Newcastle Junior Girls Hockey Club is looking for new players.

Girls aged 4-18 and Boys 4-9

All training and games are played on the synthetic turf at Broadmeadow.

Training is Mondays 4.15-5.15 starting 9th February 2016.
Come and Try/Registration day Monday 9th February 2016.

Contact Sue Evans 0415 906 234 sueve@bigpond.com
Katrina Luchau 0439 427 517 katrina.luchau@bigpond.com
Melissa Luntett 0432 011 459 luntett66@optusnet.net.au

Introducing the School Opal Card

The School Opal Card will officially launch its new online application for relevant parents and students travelling in the Opal public transport region on Monday 2 November.

The School Opal Card gives eligible school students free travel on public transport between home and school on trains, buses and ferries within the Opal network. The School Opal card replaces the old paper School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) travel passes.

Who needs to apply?
Many students will receive a School Opal card automatically. It will be sent to their school at the start of the 2016 school year. However, you will need to apply if:
- Applying for an school travel pass for the first time
- Enrolling in Kindergarten
- Progressing from Year 2 to Year 3
- Progressing from Year 4 to Year 7
- Changing name, school and/or address
- Requesting an additional pass as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation

How to Apply? Complete the application at:

For more information phone 131 500.

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