Welcome to Week 7

Welcome to week 7, it's hard to believe we're over the half way mark already. I've been having such a great time here at Jerrys Plains, I haven't noticed the time flying away.

We are heading onto our Easter break and our celebration day is on Thursday 28th March.

The P&C is holding its first sausage sizzle lunch for our students. Lunch starts at 1pm and we'd like parents to let us know if they and other family members intend to join us for lunch to ensure plenty is prepared.

Students will be participating in some fun events during the afternoon, the students will enjoy an Easter Egg hunt, some Egg based games. To finish off our celebrations we are holding an Easter Hat Parade at 2pm under the assembly COLA. We'd like to invite our parents and younger brothers and sisters to join us for the parade, and to arrive wearing their very own Easter Hat too (just to add to the fun).

The Small School’s Netball team tryouts took place last week in Singleton, with Natalie and Anna attending. Daltyn also participated in trials and went to the PSSA Rugby League trials at Denman. Well done to all of you! Our students learn so much by participating in these events and it gives them the opportunity to participate in full team sports with many other children.

The first planning day for the BILLY CART DERBY was a success with plans drawn up and construction underway. Our dads and pops are welcome to join the children, Mrs Cant and I, each Wednesday at 1pm, to put the Billy Cart together.

We need some materials for our Billy Cart, the most important being 16” pushbike wheels (including tyres) x 4. If you have some, please call the school, they’re a much needed item.

It already sounds like the Billy Cart is going to be a winner and the children are very excited about creating something special with our dads. I understand the time constraints that our dads are under with work commitments, and I appreciate that not everyone can make it because of those reasons.

This is just the first opportunity for dads and pops can take to be involved in our children’s school learning. There’ll be many more to come!!

We’d like our entire school community to come and support our efforts on race day and to promote our fantastic school. Start practicing the flag flying and support cheers now! Race day is on Easter Saturday, 30th March at Gresford. Come and find me on race day, I’ll be the one in school colours flying our flag!

Congratulations to our lolly pop award winners for the week, Clare, Jarrod, Anna, Chelsea and Nat.
Well done to you all!!

Til next week..
Donna Stackman
We had beautiful weather for last Friday's revised date for **Clean Up Our School Day**. I’m so very proud to say, WE DIDN’T EVEN FILL ONE BAG A QUARTER OF THE WAY FULL! Our students should be very proud of this too. They constantly pick up after themselves and are very aware that caring for our environment is every one’s business all the time. The Singleton Argus visited for the event so look out for an item this week in the paper.

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**Jerrys Plains Community Dance**

DATE: Saturday, 27th April 2013  
TIME: 7PM til Midnight  
BAND: MOJO  
COST: $20 per Family or $15 Single Ticket

*Please bring your own food and drink.*

Tickets available from:-  
Kaye 65 764168  
Jeannie 65 764328  
Robyn 0423 416069  
Helen 0408 433249

**COME ONE COME ALL!! FOR A GREAT NIGHT OUT!!**

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Facts about the Dairy Industry

People crave cheese more than any other food...  
Sponsored by the Gee Partnership. Local family proudly producing quality milk.

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**JERRYS ROCKS!**  
- Respect, Organisation, Commitment, Kindness, Safety -
**Book Club**
Brochures have been sent home. Could all orders and money please be returned by Wednesday 20th March 2013.

**Premiers Reading Challenge**
The PRC is under way and all students have been given a reading log to keep track of their progress. There are now some tubs of books in the library with coloured sticker dots on the back of them to indicate that they are part of the PRC.

The sticker dot colours are:-

- **Purple** for K - 2
- **Green** for 3 - 4
- **Red** for 5 - 6

During library time each Wednesday the students are encouraged to borrow some of these books to help add to their reading logs. Last week students also received a bookmark that they can use to track their progress.

Happy reading,

Ms Carmody
**Tavern Roster - Term 1 2013**

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NEWS FROM THE INFANTS ROOM

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Have a happy week!!!

FROM THE PRIMARY ROOM

We have some Primary Classroom reporters keeping us up to date with what is happening in their classroom!! Thanks students.....

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Reading eggs is a computer program for all ages. For 7 years and over you can read books at the library and play games at the gym and buy clothes and pets and a whole lot of other stuff at the mall, there is a stadium, there is an apartment that is your home. For 4 to 6 year olds have a set task. This program helps with your reading, memory and spelling.

It is amazing!

By

Chelsea

Young.

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Reading eggs is a program on the computer. For the primary on reading eggs there is a world that's got a library where you can read books and you can pick your book. There is a stadium were you race the computer in spelling and three other activities. There is a gym too were you play games to help you with your memory. There is a mall where you can buy stuff. There is an apartment that is your home. For the infants they have set tasks to do on a map the infants have a music cafe and much more.

Both of them have little people as you

By Daltyn

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Reading eggs is a program that we do on the computer for all ages. It a little different for the primary because ours is called eggspress. The infants have set activity but primary can go on anything.

We have so many active that we can choose from such as an avatar with an apartment to live in, you can also buy stuff for it. There is a gym that when you click on it, I turn into a game, puzzles and a lot of tricky stuff. It has a library which has a big variety of books that you can go read on the computer and after you have done reading it will give you questions about the book and there is a stadium which you correct the wrongly spelt words.

IT IS AWESOME!

By Natalie

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Easter Bonnet Parade
Plus Silks Markets

When: Monday 1st April 2013
Where: Muswellbrook Race Club
Time: After Race 3

Gold Coin Donation to the Hari Singh Fund
Chocolates and cash prizes to be won

Nutrition Snippet
Quick, Easy Lunch Box Swaps

Choose these simple, tasty options for your child’s lunchbox to give them the energy to get through the day. When you pack their lunches tomorrow, have a think about healthier alternatives.

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For more information about the Eat It To Beat It Program please visit www.cancercouncil.org.au/eatittobeatit or phone 4923 0710.

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