Week 4

20 May 2019

John Purchase Public School

Advance Together: Strive for Excellence



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THE CALENDAR

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For future dates please refer to the "calendar" tab located on the school website www.johnpurch-p.schools.nsw.gov.au

TUES 21 MAY NAPLAN	<u>WED 22 MAY</u> NAPLAN	THURS 23 MAY Kindy Incursion "Under the Sea" NAPLAN	<u>FRID 24 MAY</u> NAPLAN	MON 27 MAY 9.10 AM 5.45PM Parent meeting regarding school reports
TUES 28 MAY Sports Leaders Day K-2 AFL Clinic	WED 29 MAY K-2 AFL Clinic Zone X Country	THURS 30 MAY 2.05 pm Assembly Training Band Performance	THURS 6 JUNE JPPS Athletics Field Events	

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Assembly

From time to time parents like to speak to their children's teacher and we would like to facilitate this process. Please make an appointment via the school office so that a message can be given to the teacher. We ask that parents do not engage teachers in conversations during morning assembly when they are supervising students and listening to the messages. We thank you for your understanding and support with this.

Helping Children Make and Keep Friends

There is an article below from *Parenting Ideas*, which helps parents and teachers promote critical friendship skills in children and which helps children explore what to do when friendship problems occur. The guidelines support our *Friendly Schools* program, which is implemented from Kindergarten to Year 6. Please note our school does have a *Parenting Ideas* membership if you would like to watch the webinar mentioned in the article for no cost.

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insights

Helping children make and keep friends

by Michael Grose



Enjoying healthy relationships has a tremendous impact on your child's wellbeing and their overall success at school. Many children who experience behavioural problems at school have difficulty interacting with their peers.

Coach your child in positive social skills

Children who develop healthy friendships generally have a definite set of social skills that help make them easy to like, easy to relate to and easy to play with. If your child is struggling to make friends consider coaching them using this three-pronged approach:

Be open: Some children close themselves off to forming new friendships, preferring to stick to one or two friends. Encourage your child to be open to forming friendships with a wide variety of children in and outside school and in doing so encircling themselves with many friendship groups

Be inclusive: Encourage your child to include a wide number of children in their games and activities rather than restricting the possibility of joining in to certain children. Healthy friendship groups are open and inclusive of others, while unhealthy relationships, such as cliques are restrictive, one-sided and full of gossip and criticism

Be aware: Encourage social awareness in your child. For instance, a socially-aware child would be discrete when giving out birthday party invitations at school, being protective and sensitive to the feeling of those not invited. This level of social awareness doesn't necessarily come naturally to all children, but it can be reinforced by parents and teachers

Encourage friendships with both genders

The primary school age is an ideal time for children to form friendships with both genders. This is particularly valid if your child has siblings of their own gender, or don't have siblings. It's through these early relationships that we gain the confidence to mix with different genders in later life. Forming friends helps to break down the mystique that can form, when a child has little contact with the 'other' gender.

Understand the impact of gender on friendships

Research shows that boys' friendships groups are more inclusive and less changeable than friendships enjoyed by girls, particularly those in the eight to twelve year age group. Be prepared to support your daughter through the hurt of friendship breakdowns and remind her that new friendships are just around the corner. Help her reflect on her own place in a friendship breakdown, and be open to restoring a relationship once emotions are in check.

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Remember, friends of a feather flock together

If you think that your child doesn't have as many friends as a sibling or other children their own age, don't be too alarmed. On average, children usually have only two or three significant friendships at any one time. It's the quality rather than the quantity of friendships that counts. If you are concerned that your child lacks friends at school encourage him to take up a variety of extra-curricular activities. It's easier to strike up a friendship with someone when you have something in common.

Above all else encourage your child to be friendly by talking to others, showing an interest in what other children do, offering help when needed and being willing to enter a new game or social situation. Consider teaching your child, if necessary, alternatives to fighting and arguing when there is disagreement and conflict within groups.

As your school has a membership with Parenting Ideas, you can attend the upcoming webinar -Teach girls to build each other up- at no cost!

About the webinar

Join Parenting educator Collett Smart in this special webinar that will show you how to help girls create positive peer relationships and provide practical advice and ideas to help them navigate tricky situations including toxic friendships, cliques and bullying.

When

Wednesday 29 May 2019 at 8:00 PM AEST.

Price

This webinar is \$37 per person to attend, and is free of charge to families at schools that have a Parenting Ideas membership. Use the voucher code below to register.

How parents can redeem the voucher

 Click this link: https://www.parentingideas.com.au/parent-resources/parent-webinars/webinar-teach-girls-tobuild-each-other-up

2. Click 'Add to cart'

3. Click 'View cart'

4. Enter the voucher code FRIENDSHIPS and click 'Apply Coupon'. Your discount of \$37 will be applied to the order. This voucher is valid until 29 June 2019

- 5. Click 'Proceed to checkout'
- 6. Fill in your account details. These are the details you will use to login to your account
- 7. Click 'Place Order'



Michael Grose

Michael Grose, founder of Parenting Ideas, is one of Australia's leading parenting educators. He's the author of 12 books for parents including *Spoonfed Generation* and the best-selling *Why First Borns Rule the World and Last Borns Want to Change It.* His latest release Anxious Kids, was co-authored with Dr Jodi Richardson.

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Mrs Leonie Black Principal

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

P&C Election Day Barbecue

Thank you to the many parents who spent time at school on Saturday, hosting the Federal Election Day Barbecue and Cake Stall. Thank you to the cooks who prepared saleable treats for the community to enjoy.

You Are Invited – Information Session: 'Understanding Your Child's School Report'

Parents are cordially invited to attend a presentation, which I have prepared, to help you understand the new school reports, which will become available online at the end of the term. The information session will be held at school next **Monday 27 May at 9:05am** and then **repeated at 5:45pm**, later that day. To plan for adequate seating arrangements, it is appreciated if parents could please complete the RSVP slip further in this newsletter. Don't forget to nominate the time you will attend.

The Role of Praise

Last Wednesday evening, our staff engaged in further professional development regarding feedback. While teachers and parents understand that it is important to use praise, Professor Carol Dweck reminds us not to confuse praise with effective feedback. Dweck states that the kind of praise that is most effective is that which praises students' effort and use of strategies, rather than intelligence. The following ideas from 'Learning Potential' (an Australian government initiative), may be of interest to parents:

Praise the process not the person

Instead of giving your child praise that is about them as a person, such as "You are so clever!" try praising the process they have been through – focus your praise on:

- the strategy your child used, such as "You used some great descriptive words in that story!"
- the <u>effort</u> they put into their work, such as "I can tell you tried really hard to make your writing neat in your workbook."

Be specific

When giving your child authentic praise, one of the most important things to remember is to be specific. Try to pinpoint exactly what your child has done that you like rather than making general statements. So instead of saying, "*What a great picture!*" you could say something like *"It was clever of you to make the koala have fluffy ears in this picture.*"

Be genuine

Authentic praise means being genuine and sincere about what you are praising your child for. Try not to praise your child when you don't mean it, or give your child praise that is over-the-top, like "*That's the best handwriting l've ever seen!*" Instead, try to offer your child authentic praise for real achievements. For example, "*I like how you wrote the letter B. You've stayed on the line and you've written the letter in the right direction.*"

Be immediate

Praise is most effective when it is given immediately. However, try not to interrupt your child when they are concentrating on an activity. This can make them lose focus and reduce motivation to continue on with what they were doing. Instead, wait until they are finished and praise them for their effort when they are finished. For example, *"Gosh, I could see you were really concentrating on your maths homework this afternoon. Well done!"*

Recognising your child's efforts through authentic praise will help with your child's self-esteem and help them to achieve the best possible learning outcomes.

How to Access Your Child's Reports

As previously advised, from this year, John Purchase Public School student reports, will not be sent home in printed form. Access to student reports will be via a secure parent portal.

An information letter has been sent home, detailing the registration process. Please follow the steps outlined in the letter and remember to ensure that your email address is registered with the school in the first instance. Parents then need to proceed through the sequenced steps described. Please do not email the school's software company directly, as this will not assist the process.



Our School Expectations

This week's expectation is Respect: Say "Please" and "Thank you".

Congratulations to the students who have demonstrated our school expectations of **RESPECT**, **RESPONSIBILITY** or who have tried to **ASPIRE**. The latest awardees are published below:

Purchase Prides

Please note that these badges will be presented at the **Week 5** Monday morning assembly (next week). Congratulations to:

Ivan H (3L), Srinika K (2D), Daniel (4N), Chelsea (4N), Chloe 92B), Te Ao-iti (4N) 2 awards, Lachlan T (2B), Aaron G (KF), Mia (4N), Kavan (4LT)

Bronze Awards

Please note that these awards are presented once per term. Bronze Awardees and their parents, will receive an invitation to the Principal's Morning Tea, to be held in Week 10. Names will be published closer to this time.

Silver Awards

Please note that this award will be presented at the **Week 5** Thursday afternoon assembly next week. Congratulations to: Elaine Y (3B)

Gold Awards

Please note that this award will be presented at the **Week 5** Thursday afternoon assembly next week. Congratulations to:

Rochelle N (4/5B)

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Bronze Medallion

Please note that this award will be presented at the **Week 5** Thursday afternoon assembly next week. Congratulations to: Lucy M (6W)

Mrs Adela Kíng

Deputy Principal

FROM THE TEACHERS

Round 2 PSSA - Stage 3

Soccer

A's - JPPS 0 defeated by Beecroft 4

B's - JPPS 2 defeated Beecroft 0

Netball

A's - JPPS 14 defeated by Beecroft 24

B's - JPPS 14 drew with Beecroft 14

Round 2 PSSA - Stage 2

T-Ball

Boys - JPPS 1 defeated Beecroft 0

Girls - JPPS 1 drew with Beecroft 1

Soccer

Boys - JPPS 2 defeated by West Pennant Hills 8

Girls - JPPS 0 defeated by West Pennant Hills 3

Miss McDonald

Sports Coordinator

Jessica McDonald

John Purchase Public School Stage 3 Class Teacher



All parents are cordially invited to attend

Understandíng Your Chíld's School Report

A presentation by Adela King

When: Monday 27 May 2019 Where: John Purchase Public School Annexe Session Times: 9:10am and 5:45pm Duration: approximately 50 minutes

To assist in preparation of seating, please indicate your intention to attend on the slip below.

RSVP Please return this slip to Mrs King by **Friday 25 May** 2019.

Understanding Your Child's School Report

A presentation by Adela King on Monday 27 May 2019



Yes, I will be attending this presentation at 9:10am or 5:45pm.

Parent Name: _____

_____Child's Class/es_____



Help us collect Woolworths stickers!

Over the past few years, we have received thousands of dollars' worth of resources from the Woolworths Earn and Learn promotion.

It's easy! Just shop at Woolworths from 1st May to 25th June and you will receive 1 Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 you spend. Place the stickers on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet or drop into the John Purchase Collection Box at Woolworths. You could also bring your stickers to school and place into the collection box in the library.

Ask your friends, neighbours and relatives to collect stickers for us too!

Watch our tally grow on the point's chart that will be placed outside the library as we collect the stickers.

What will be buy with our points this year? The more points we receive the more resources we can order for our students!

Thank you for your support, Mrs Collier



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John Purchase Public School Parents' & Citizens' Association

"Participate and Communicate"

AGM Roles - an appeal to JPPS community

We need to identify 1 position that was not filled at the AGM on 11^{th} March This role is:

• Working With Children Officer

The Working With Children Officer

The JPPS P&C is committed to providing a safe environment and to promoting and protecting the health, safety, and wellbeing of our children. The role of the JPPS Working With Children Officer is to verify that all employees and volunteers who have face-to-face contact with children possess a valid WWCC clearance. In addition, your role is to report any reliable and reasonable concern that a child might be mistreated to the Department of Family and Community Services.

There are two positions, one male, one female. A volunteer has been nominated and voted in for the Male role, so we are seeking one of the JPPS mums to volunteer. <u>Please ask at the office for a nomination form</u>

FROM THE COMMUNITY



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Please note our school publishes events for the convenience of families but does not endorse any activity, person, product



Piano

Small Group piano lessons at John Purchase Public School welcome to watch our Piano lesson



Use our special Piano Book with Our Digital Piano and J & E composed Piano book Learn piano casily and fast

Cost \$25 per 45 min Pay by Term on the first lesson to end of Term New piano book \$14 Piano Tutor Mrs San Rodrigues Wednesday 2:50-3:33 and 3:45-4:30 at Room 5

Email: ie-maticallos, com an with mobile +school name Or SMS: 0424 614 591 + School & child Name,

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Piano individual one to one lesson are anailable Cost 540 per 30 min Contact SMS to 0424 614 391 + School and child name Conductor by Hong Kong Covernment Music Officer

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WHAT'S IN JOHN PURCHASE PUBLIC SCHOOL'S WEEKLY ORGANIC FRUIT & VEG BOX?

FAMILY FAVOURITE STAPLES YOU'LL FIND A GOOD MIX OF STAPLES EACH WEEK: E.G LETTUCE, CARROTS, BROCCOLI, POTATOES, APPLES, ETC.

SEASONAL PRODUCE

THE CONTENTS OF THE BOX CHANGES EVERY WEEK. IT DEPENDS ON WHAT IS IN SEASON AND WHAT IS OF THE VERY BEST QUALITY. THESE 2 FACTORS USUALLY COINCIDE. SEASONALITY EQUALS ABUNDANCE OF HARVESTED PRODUCE, THINK CITRUS & CAULIFLOWER IN WINTER, MANGOES IN SUMMER.

EXAMPLES OF BOX CONTENTS FROM 2019





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HOW DOES IT WORK?

I'M A IT'S SIMPLE, THE SCHOOL'S LOCAL COMMUNITY GETS TOXIN TOGETHER TO DIVVY THE BULK ORGANIC PRODUCE INTO FAMILY BOXES ONCE A WEEK AFTER SCHOOL.

EVER YONE GETS AFFORDABLE TOXIN FREE PRODUCE AND WE SAVE FUNDS TO TEACH HEALTHY EATING CLASSES AT YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL.

FIND OUT MORE AT WWW. MYORGANICSCHOOL, COM WE ARE A SOCIAL ENTERPRISE PROVIDING AN AFFORDABLE ALTERNATIVE TO PROCESSED AND PESTICIDE LADEN FOOD.

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