

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a wet start to 2024 but that has not stopped our amazing students getting to school and getting into learning! Our attendance this month is 90.1% - a fantastic effort! Our regional target is 92% so let's keep it up. We had 100% attendance in every class at least one day this fortnight, so I am feeling very optimistic about our overall yearly attendance rate! Well done, Julatten!

Our School Captains, Jungala Bara and Kara Dibartolo joined all the other school leaders from the North Coast region of Cairns this week. They participated in a range of team-building challenges and had excellent opportunities to further develop their ten leadership skills: organisation, communication, model behaviours, make decisions, encourage, evaluate, delegate, support, listen and show initiative. I was so proud of our school on the final day where our captains had to present their speech to ALL the Principals ... a mighty effort of courage and resilience to still those nerves and do us proud. Well done, Jungala and Kara!



Over the coming weeks, Miss Walsh will be training with our students and practising for Cross Country! On the last Tuesday of this term, Alexandra Bay SS, Daintree SS and Wonga Beach SS will be driving up the range to have the ultimate running race through the paddocks and cow pats of Julatten. It is going to be a fantastic day and we look forward to hosting this Small Schools' event. It is the P&C's biggest fundraiser for year so if you are free to help in the tuckshop on that day, it would be much appreciated.

It will be a big Week 10 this term, as on Monday 25 March, we will be having our 3-Way Conferences. This is where the Parent-Teacher-Student team have a quick 10min meeting to review achievement, behaviour and goals for Term 2. Appointments will be via the SOBS website in Week 9. Please keep an eye out for the invitation email to register for an appointment time. On Thursday March 28 (last day of term), we will be having an Easter Bonnet parade with the JCC Kindy kids. Please come along to this special morning. Parents are welcome to stay afterwards for a hot cross bun and cuppa too to celebrate the end of term!

We had our first P&C meeting for 2024 last month and our AGM will be held on March 13th at 3:15pm. We will be electing the executive for 2024 at this meeting so please come along if you would like to be part of the process. New parents, you are welcome to come along and just listen in to see what it is all about. Tea, coffee and snacks will be provided and supervision for students will be provided in the computer lab.

We have had a brilliant turnout at Parades this year from our school community. Thank you to all parents who are able to attend and support our students.

Until Week 9...

S. Mason
Sarah Mason
Principal

Term 1 Key Dates

Feb 21-23 Leadership Camp
Mar 8 Life Education visit
Mar 13-25 NAPLAN
Mar 25- 3 Way Conferences
Mar 26 Cross Country
Mar 28 Last day of Term 1
(Easter Bonnet Parade)

Term 2 Key Dates

April 22-24 Year 4-6 Camp
Apr 25- ANZAC Day Holiday
Apr 26- District Cross Country
May 3- TCN Cross Country
May 6 – Labour Day Public Holiday
May 23- Under 8s Day
June 11- School Photo Day
June 14 – Red Ball Tennis
June 18- Cluster Spelling Bee
June 21-23 Daintree SS Centenary Celebrations

We've had such a fun start to 2024 in Prep, 1, 2 at Julatten State School! We have learnt great songs to remind us how to listen and how to get ready for writing. And we've learnt some Auslan sign language to help explain how we are feeling. We are learning new routines, making new friends and exploring our world.



Here's a summary of how our Term 1 is going:

Literacy:

Our Prep students have mastered half of the alphabet and five "Heart Words". They are learning to read letters, say their sound and building their skills at writing the letters.

Our Year 1 and 2 Students have started working in their Literacy groups with targeted spelling, writing and reading tasks. We have four Literacy groups – each one named after an Australian animal.

Ask your child which Australian animal they are.

Numeracy:

We are so excited to be learning to tell the time! We have learnt how to tell when it is "o'clock", as in "7 o'clock". Our Year 1 and 2 students are learning "half past" in analogue and digital time. Some of us are even learning "quarter to" and "quarter past".

No matter what clock you use, check the time with your child.

Science:

Well, our Science experiment, which investigates what plants need to grow, is certainly giving us some surprising results. Plants with 'no water' are growing. Plants in 'sand not soil' are growing. One thing we have learnt is that plants definitely need light.

Ask your child what happened to the plants we put in the cupboard!

HASS – History and Social Studies:

When comparing our lives to "the olden days" we are learning that some things never change. But get ready.....Ms Smyth is about to bring in a record player.

Talk to your child about how you listened to music when you were their age.

English:

We know so much about books – front cover, back cover, spine, pages, title and author. We are really good at identifying characters and setting. We can tell you about the beginning, middle and end of a story.

Read a story with your child and ask them to explain it to someone who hasn't read it.



From the 2/3/4 Room...

I am writing this with a huge smile on my face! The first five weeks of Term One have absolutely flown by! Time flies when you are having fun... 😊

Our Year 2-4 students have perfected the art of lining up quietly and walking around the school in a respectful manner. Our big focus for this term is speaking kindly to one another and staying in 'green zone'. Our bookwork just keeps on improving and I am so delighted to see the students taking pride in their work.

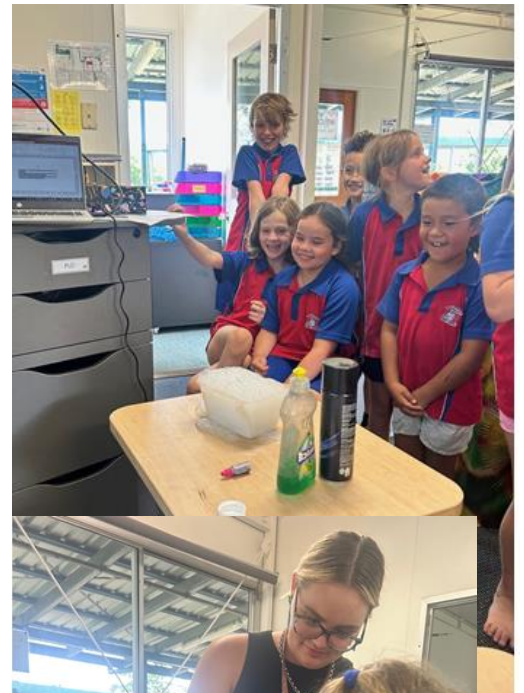
Number has been a focus in our Maths lessons during this unit as well as consolidating our knowledge of algorithms and times-tables. I am sure a few of the students know almost all of their tables. WOW!

Such fun has been had in Science...slime and volcanos just to name a few. The students have really enjoyed investigating the chemical changes that happen in these mixtures and making predictions about why they happen.

I wish all of my amazing Year 3 students luck in the NAPLAN test in a few weeks.

Enjoy these pictures from our first 5 weeks :)

Miss Taylor and Miss Amanda



February Fun in the 4-6 Room!

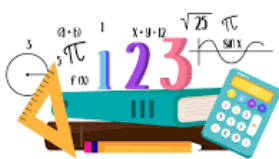
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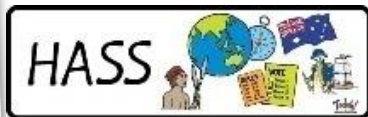
School Captains Leadership Camp 2024- Tinaroo E.E.C.



In English this term, our class has been writing persuasive letters to our Mayor and the owner of some local businesses. We have been putting our skills of using high-modality and emotive language to see if we can make some awesome changes for our school community.



In Maths, we practise the four algorithms every day and have started doing short division and 3 digit by 2 digit multiplication with some upper students. Our Rotations are lots of fun- we do our explicit teaching with Miss Mason, Number of the Day with Miss Jennine to consolidate our understanding and doing Maths Online for 20min to complete online tasks.



In HASS, we completed our States and Territories projects and we're about to embark on mapping the world! The students have been learning the capital cities of various countries... if you have photos of countries your family has visited, or are from another country, we would LOVE to see some photos or maps!



Our STEM Flight unit is flying along! Students have been designing parachutes and balloon rockets and learning about gravity, lift, drag and thrust. It has been really cool learning about the scientific explanations for these incredible inventions!

Homework is handed out and collected on Mondays. Our PE will be 12:30-1:30 on Fridays with Ms Walsh and Health will be 10:30-11am. Japanese is 1:30-2:30 on Wednesdays with Mrs Tandy. Buddies with P-2 is 2:30-3pm on Tuesdays! The Arts will be on Thursdays from 12-1pm.

See you next month with more updates!

Miss Mason and Miss Jennine

From the Office

Contact Details: Remember to inform us if your mobile or address has changed.

Student Notifications and Absences: Email: studentabsences@julattenss.eq.edu.au
Phone : 4094 1130.

Please contact the school via phone or email before 9am each day.

Student invoices:

Online: BPoint option as shown at the bottom of the invoice. (Fill in all 4 fields, thanks).

Phone: BPoint 1300 631 073 to make a payment over the phone. (Invoice details required)

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P&C News

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Uniform Prices- Previous style Limited sizes available

Shirts \$20
Shirts long sleeved \$20
Shorts \$6
Jackets/Hoodie \$8
Library Bag \$10

Uniform purchases:

Please contact the P&C directly if you like to arrange to purchase uniforms
pandc@julattenss.eq.edu.au Alternatively, you can call the school on 4094 1130 and make a time.

Welcome to Week 5 🤖 Term 1 is flying by!

Our P&C AGM meeting will be on Wednesday 13th of March at 3:15pm. All executive positions are up for grabs as it's a new year. So, if you are looking at taking up a position, become a member and vote for the position you want!

We are needing new members this year. If we don't fill all Executive positions Julatten SS P&C won't run... that means full price cost for our families on excursions, uniforms, bus travel to and from events, camps just to name a few. The P&C puts money towards these things to keep them at a lower price. So, if you are interested in getting involved with the P&C or just want to see what it's all about, please come along to the AGM! Bring the kids... we would love to meet you - afternoon tea is provided 😊.

Julatten SS Centenary merchandise is still available and is on display in the school library. If you would like to purchase, please contact the school or P&C.

School uniforms and hats are available. If your child / children are needing any please contact the school or P&C to arrange a time to purchase.

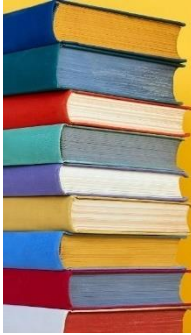
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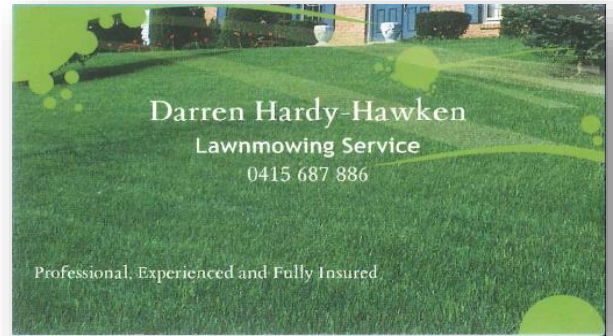
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Little Reminders...

School starts at 9am. There is a transition bell at 8:55am for students to line up outside the classroom.

Tuckshop is on Thursdays. Starts Week 1 (Today). Menu is attached 😊.

Supervision for early students is in the Library from 8am-8:30am.

Students can play outside from 8:30-8:55am in designated, supervised areas.

Parade is on Friday each week from 9-9:20am. Please come along to hear notices and celebrate student achievement.

Homework is not compulsory but if you would like weekly homework, please let your child's teacher know in Week 1 of each term.

If you arrive after 9am, please go to the Office and notify Miss Jennine or Miss Astrid.

Tuckshop Money, Returning Permission notes- please put it in the box next to the Bus Book.

If you have any '3pm pick up' changes, please phone/email the Office and ensure there has been a reply notification. Alternatively, write your message in the Bus Book.

Students need a water bottle and a bucket hat each day. They need shoes on Friday for HPE/Sport.

Staff Meetings are after school on Mondays so all staff are unavailable for appointments.

If you are signing your child out early, please use the *Early Departure Register* at the Office.

If you are volunteering, please use the *Sign In* book at the Office.

Make sure we have your updated phone number. The Principal's phone number is: 0409278787. **If you do not get a text back**, please phone the Office to make sure your message is received.

If your child is away, please email to

studentabsences@julattenss.eq.edu.au or phone 4094 1130.

Please contact the school via phone or email before 9am each day.

Absentee information is required for legal and audit purposes. By law we are required to contact any family whose child is absent for three days running without an explanation. After 10 days we are obligated to report lengthy absenteeism to authorities. Please understand that this is required in all State schools.