**Community Notices**

From 1 January 2015, smoking was banned at all Queensland state and non-state schools, and for 5 metres beyond their boundaries.

From 1 January 2015, a 5 metre no smoking area surrounds the perimeter of the school beyond the school land boundary, including all structures in this area, such as bus shelters and car parks. This area does not extend into residential or business premises that share a boundary with school land.

The law applies at all times, during and after school hours, on weekends and during school holidays. It includes the use of all smoking products, including regular cigarettes and devices commonly known as electronic cigarettes.

**Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF) – Round 95**

Gambling Community Benefit Fund Round 95 will open in mid-October and close at 11:59pm on Thursday 30th November 2017. Grants up to the value of $35,000 are available to eligible not-for-profit community groups. Please review the guidelines for the complete list of eligible applicants. For further assistance email: cf@justice.qld.gov.au Ph 1800 633 613 contact Ann Leahy’s Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: http://www.justice.qld.gov.au/corporate/sponsorships-grants/community-benefit-funding-programmes.

**Jimbour State School**

Update on your School Photos

We have individually cropped all the portrait photos ordered and where possible, removed toothpaste marks, spots and replaced missing buttons on the school shirts.

Multiple photos were taken of each class and the best overall photo has been chosen and printed.

Your School photos will be delivered to your school during the week of 6th November 2017.

If you have any queries about your order or to order other photos please contact Donna on 0427 946 368 or email countryschoolphotos@gmail.com

Thankyou for your support.

We enjoyed photographing your children and are proud to have been a part of recording history for your family and school.

End regards

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**Week 4 Term 4 2017**

‘Jimbour State School’s Explicit Improvement Agenda for 2017 is the Teaching of Writing with a sharp focus on sentence structure during term 4.’

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### Date Claimers

**Term 4**

- 31 Oct, 7 Nov - School Swimming
- 2 November - Arts Council
- 3 November - Jondaryan Cricket Carnival
- 7 December - Awards Night
- 8 December - Clean up Day

**School Holidays**

- 9th Dec to 21st Jan

**Term 1**

- 22 Jan - Term 1 Begins

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2017 Attendance Rate 94.8%  
Goal Attendance Rate- 96%

Same day contact: If your child or children are going to be away please make contact with us at school by 9:30am. If we have not heard from you one of the staff will ring to check in with you. Please be aware that this is an Education Department policy that we make contact and is about the safety of the students. We just need to be aware that students are where they should be. Thanks in advance for your support on this.

Have a great fortnight.

Darin May

Student Awards

Congratulations to the following student’s who received awards this past fortnight:

Week 2 Students of the Week “For being organised & ready for work each session” Isaac & Ariana.

Week 3 Students of the Week “For great work & improvement on his independent activities” Alec. “For showing great independent work habits” Alex.

Mrs Reed’s Corner

In our C2C Health Unit, the P-2 class have been talking about personal identification. We have been looking also at external features of ourselves and coming to conclusions that we have similarities and differences between us all. The children got actively involved in our lesson today which considered individual tastes in food. We had a variety of different taste testers and the children had to draw smiley faces (emoji’s) for their opinions on each taste tester. I captured a few fantastic photos of the experience. There were a few interesting faces being pulled and Mrs Fullagar and myself enjoyed a good giggle, especially with the lemon, onion and soy sauce.

It is always a beneficial time when they Jimbour State School children make the trip in to the Dalby Aquatic Centre for our weekly PE lessons in term 4. Each child is catered for due to their swimming ability and with small numbers they get great instruction.

School Swimming

Swimming lessons will continue over the next 2 weeks: Tuesday, 31st October and 07th November.

Due to the costs incurred by the school to cover transport, refunds for non-participation will not be given. Swimming is a vital component of our HPE program and it is expected that all students participate. Our school lessons will be with fully qualified instructors. If your child is unable to participate in a particular lesson then we will require a written note from the parent/guardian prior to the lesson. Those students not participating will be given alternative school work to complete under supervision.

Tuckshop

Week 4 Special: Chicken Wraps - $3.50 Teisha & Katie

P&C

Jimbour SS Working Bee - Monday 6th November, 2pm.

Exemption for Compulsory Schooling & Compulsory Participation

Parents need to complete an application for students who are away for more than 10 consecutive school days for an exemption to compulsory schooling. Exemptions may include but are not limited to:

- Illness
- Family Reasons
- Cultural or Religious reasons

Principals (state schools) are responsible for determining if an exemption is the best option in meeting a student’s educational and other needs, and approving exemptions for students enrolled in their school. More information can be found on the policy “Exemption for Compulsory Schooling & Compulsory Participation.”

2018 Planning

- If you have or know of a child enrolling for 2018, please let the office know as soon as possible.
- If you know you are NOT RETURNING to Jimbour in 2018 (apart from our current year 6’s), please let the office know as soon as possible.

This will assist the school in forward planning for 2018 classes and staffing as HR have changed the timelines for staffing.

For further information, please contact the school on 46636120 or email the.principal@jimbours.eq.edu.au

Prep Open Days

Do you have or know of anyone who has a child turning 5 before the 30th June, 2018? All Pre-Prep students interested in attending Jimbour State School are invited to join us for “Get Ready For Prep!”

Pre-Prep Students will join our school for a morning of fun and activities from 8:45am - 11:00am on the following dates:

Thursday, 26th October, 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd November.

We look forward to working with any new Prep students and parents in 2018.