**Principle’s Pen Continued…**

**Upcoming Events** - Please keep an eye on the ‘date claimers’ section of the newsletter to know what is coming up. This is because other staff are not on site as early as I am but we will have someone there for the bus at around 8:15am. The following dates are days that I am currently aware of:

- **Wednesday, 22nd November**
- **Thursday, 23rd November**
- **Monday, 27th November**
- **Wednesday, 29th November**
- **Friday, 1st December**

**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 4 Students of the Week: Lachlan “For great questioning and knowledge in science” and Keilan “For great information and sentence structure in history.”

**Jondaryan Cricket Carnival Photos**

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**2017 Attendance Rate**

**Goal Attendance Rate - 96%**

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**Week 6 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.’

**Principal’s Pen**

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community members,

**Term 4 assessments** - Just for your information the bulk of our term 4 assessments will be completed during weeks 6 and 7. There are other ongoing items but this is when the regular ones will be done.

**Mystery cards** - a few weeks ago I received a package of hand-made Christmas cards in the mail for us to use with our students. They are wonderful cards but there was no address or information about who sent them to us. Does anyone have any clues about where these came from as it would be great to say Thank-you to the person responsible for this donation.

**Christmas Gift Wrapping** - as a fundraising activity the P&C has organised for our school to do the gift wrapping at Dalby Shopping World at the start of the holidays. We have been given 5 dates to do the wrapping, they are December 9th, 11th, 15th, 18th, 20th from 10:30am-3:00pm. Please can everyone put some times in your diary to assist at this fundraiser. We will organise a sheet for a roster later in the term.

**Darling Downs Zoo Trip** - Just another reminder about our trip on the 30th November. It is $15 a child including lunch and will be a great end of year reward for all the students.

**Sports visitors** - it is great for us to have a number of visitors coming over the next few weeks to teach our children about a number of different sports and also help develop their motor skills and fitness. It is greatly important for our children to be active and the saying ‘healthy body, healthy mind’ is something I strongly believe in. Over the next few weeks we have- Sam Reeves (cricket), Darren Burns (rugby league) and Peter Easing (table tennis) visiting us to work with our students. The students are looking forward to these visitors.

**Life Education** - on Friday, 24th November we have the Life Education van visiting our school. This is a Queensland Government program that has many life skill focuses. Our junior class will be doing a session around healthy eating, personal hygiene, benefits of physical activity and sleep and ways of keeping safe. The senior class will be doing a session around factors that influence someone’s sense of self-worth, techniques for effective communication, strategies for managing stressful situations and medicines and drugs and the consequences of misuse. Both are presented in an interactive way and I am sure Harold the Giraffe will make an appearance! Also in the afternoon there will be a parent information session from 2pm. A note is with the newsletter today with a return slip for your child/children and also for the parent session if you would like to attend. [Continued over page…]

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**Tuckshop**

**Week 6:**
- Mini Meat Pies - 4 for $4.00 Thecla & Amanda
- Wraps (Ham / Chicken & Salad) $3.50 Thecla & Amanda

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**Date Claimers**

**Term 4**
- 30 November Darling Downs Zoo Awards Trip
- 7 December - Awards Night
- 8 December - Clean up Day

**School Holidays**
- 9th Dec to 21st Jan

**Term 5**
- 22 Jan - Term 1 Begins

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