Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It’s hard to believe that we are already at the end of Week 4, with only six weeks left of this school year students and teachers are very busy consolidating their learning and preparing for upcoming assessment. During the last two weeks we have had some very hot days and I have reminded students that they need to keep hydrated particularly while outside the air-conditioned classrooms. Please reinforce this message and remind your child/ren to take small frequent sips of water rather than huge ‘gulps’ at the end of a lunch break. I have encouraged students to bring along a water bottle, but these should only be filled with water. Juices, sugary drinks and milk are not appropriate substitutes during this weather.

Next week our school will be undergoing our Discipline Audit, all state schools in Queensland have or will shortly be going through this process. Our Auditor, Mr Jones, will arrive bright and early on Wednesday morning. During his visit he will be talking with students, teachers and parents about our school with a focus on how well Zillmere State School is doing in providing a ‘safe and supportive’ learning environment. Results from this audit will be used to help determine the future focus of SWPBS Team.

Small School’s Swimming Carnival
The Term 4 swimming program is now well under way with students making great progress in further developing their swimming skills. This year Hendra and Hamilton State School will be joining us for our swimming carnival on Thursday 27th November. MacDonald’s Bracken Ridge are again supporting this day and will be providing meal deals for our students to purchase with all proceeds going to our school, order forms will be sent home prior to the day. A huge THANK YOU to Mr Chiapello and his team for their continuing support of Zillmere State School.

Book List 2015
Next week your child/ren will be bringing home their 2015 book and stationary requirements. Next year the school will not be preparing book packs for students. Details on how to order these essential resources are included with the book list. While there is no expectation that you will purchase from this supplier, teachers have been very specific in selecting quality resources that will meet the learning needs of students, if you choose to purchase items from another source please select the same, or similar quality item.
Senior’s Graduation 2014
Preparations are well under way for this special event, this year it will be held at the Geebung RSL. Students and Miss Niven have been very busy fundraising for this event. Next week a Sausage Sizzle has been organised to support their efforts, orders will be taken up to Monday morning. Please contact the office if you have misplaced your students order form. Thank you to Mr and Mrs Marsters for organising this fundraiser. Next week Lilly and Natasha, accompanied by Chappy Sarah, from Shorncliffe State School will be attending our assembly to present the senior class with a generous donation towards their graduation. This will also be an opportunity to thank Chappy Sarah for all her work with us while she was relieving for Wal. I encourage you to come along and help thank her.

Christmas Tree Display
This year our school has been selected to participate in the “Deck the Halls of the Hypermarket” Christmas tree decorating competition. Mrs Aldis and the 1/2 class have been very busy making decorations for their entry. The theme for our tree is ‘UP-cycle’ a very sophisticated version of recycling. The donations made to the Zillmere State School tree will go to our Chaplaincy program. The trees will be on display during November and December.

Enrolments for 2015
I would like to remind parents that enrolments for Prep in 2015 are now open, if you have a Prep age student (children born between 1st July 2009 and 30th June 2010 are eligible for enrolment in Prep 2015) please ensure they are enrolled as soon as possible, contact the Office for enrolment packs.

P&C Meeting
This month’s meeting will be held on Tuesday afternoon at 3:15pm in the Library. Please come along and support the important work this dedicated group does for our school.

G20 Public Holiday
A reminder for parents that Friday 14th November is a public holiday

Parking in the Staff Car Park
For student safety reasons this car park is reserved for staff only. Please DO NOT use this area as a drop-off or pick-up zone. YOU ARE PUTTING STUDENT SAFETY AT RISK.

Warm Regards
Tracey Clark
Principal
What's up in 1/2?

We have been busy in 1/2 this term and as the year end approaches we are only going to get busier.

**English:** We have been learning to write procedures. We have made some play dough and used that play dough to create an animal. When we finished our procedure Mrs Aldis, Mrs J or chappy Sarah had to follow our instructions to make the animal. This really made us think about being careful with what to include in each of our commands. Next week we will start poetry and present a poem to the class.

**Maths:** We have been doing lots of work on number and place value. We have also revisited time, money and 3D shapes.

**Geography:** We have been learning about special places and how to and who cares for these special places. We are looking at how different places are special to different people. We are also learning that the different environments of these places require different care.

**Something Special:** Christmas has come early. 1/2 have been given a 6ft Christmas tree to decorate which will be on display at Aspley Hypermarket from 19th November. We have to have the decorations made in time, so for the next two Friday afternoons 1/2 will be working hard on completing the decorations for our tree.

**Reminders:**
Swimming is each Thursday
Library is on a Wednesday
1/2’s parade presentation will be in week 6

This term in Science we are learning about Living Things. Year 1/2 has a class pet named Sparkles, he is a blue fighting fish. We are caring for him by making sure he has clean water, air to breathe and food to eat. We have learnt that the needs of living things are: Sunlight, Water, Food and Shelter. We have learnt how to draw

We continue to enjoy our reading groups and try our best each day to work towards reaching our individual reading goals. It is important to encourage home reading with your child each night, this can be reading a bus timetable, shopping list, story book or a recipe.
The Year 4/5s have completed a composition using the notes do re and mi, and the rhythmic elements of crotchets and quavers (ta’s and ti ti’s). They created their piece with counters and match sticks. This is Liana Masters' composition.
School Awards

Yr 6/7 Winners of Recycling Award

Class Awards

Aim High Awards

Matthew, Marcus & Harmony

Spelling Awards

Jessica, Bodhi, Gabriel & Jiya

Class 2/3 Assembly Presentation

Yaleela, Mateo, Akelo & Glevin

Pen Award

Commonwealth Bank Awards

Makayla, Toni, Ally, Rebecca & Yeshua

Theo, Jaccel, Gabriel, Simone, Jessica & Eden

Amber Furuya

Yaleela, Alkirea, Laylanee, Tainui, Ashton, Mervin, AJ and Maeva

Joey & Brooke
Hi! The school term is flying by we are now half way through and soon it will be school holidays again. I have been really encouraged by the friendliness of our students, their respectful behaviour and attitude. It is so good to see all the students in full uniform and also involved in swimming with appropriate swimming clothes etc. I was talking to the ladies that volunteer to teach religious education each week and they were saying how well behaved the students are – a good name spreads – so let’s make Zillmere State School a great name in our community.

**iSEE CARE HAMPERS**

iSEE CARE is a non-profit organisation which operates locally within your school community. Each week iSEE CARE helps to support school communities by providing food assistance hampers to families. Several grocery bags of non-perishable food items and toiletries are delivered and distributed every week to your school during the term, helping to supplement a family’s weekly groceries. iSEE CARE understands that sometimes we find ourselves in tough situations and we all from time to time need a helping hand.

If you require one of these hampers please don’t hesitate to contact me (Wal).

*For more information on iSEE CARE and the services they provide please email them at* info@iseecare.com.au

**Day for Daniel:** On this day I had the opportunity to talk to the students about stranger danger and that everyone has the right to feel safe. Please talk to your child about the **3 R’s:** RECOGNISE – I recognise my body clues when I feel unsafe or unsure, REACT – I react by getting away from danger, REPORT – I tell an adult in my life who cares about my safety when there is a problem.

**Year 6/7 fundraiser:** Don’t forget the sausage sizzle we are holding this Tuesday 4th November to help raise money towards the year 6/7 graduation.

God bless you
Wal Greentree
Ph.0409 494 225
Email: walg@chappy.org.au
DOLLARMITES PROGRAM

Zillmere State School takes part in the Commonwealth Bank School Banking Program. This exciting new initiative is a great way to teach our children about good money management, the development of strong financial literacy skills and the importance of saving.

The main purpose of this program is to give children a basic understanding of core financial values in a fun, hands-on way.

HOW DO I GET MY CHILD INVOLVED IN THIS PROGRAM?

To be part of the School Banking Program, your child will have to open a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver (Dollarmite account). This can be done a number of ways:

- Apply at any Commonwealth Bank (make sure you take a copy of your child’s birth certificate and photo identification for yourself).
- If you’re an existing Commonwealth Bank customer you can open an account through Netbank...
- If your child already has a Dollarmite account that’s great, they can start using this account on school banking days.

School Banking Day is every Wednesday.

They will need to hand in their money (no minimum amount) with their yellow wallet and deposit book into their teacher for collection on Wednesday mornings. After the deposits have been processed, the children’s books will be returned to their teachers to be handed back to the student.

Initiatives to keep your child excited?

This year the School Banking Program is themed around the Deep Sea Savers – a magical land created to spark their imagination as they learn:

- Every time your child makes a deposit through the School Banking Program, regardless of how much, they receive a cool Dollarmite token. Once they have individually saved 10 tokens, they can swap them for fun Dollarmites gifts, like handballs, money boxes, headphones and much more!

- All you need to do is fill in & return your rewards card together with your 10 silver tokens to redeem your reward.

- There will also be various rewards, certificates and competitions running throughout the year.
- Another great benefit is that your child will receive bonus interest on their savings when they make a deposit but no withdrawals in a month.
- This program will also benefit our school. For every activated account via the School Banking Program the Commonwealth Bank will give the school $5 for each student who banks through the school’s program for the very first time as well as a commission on every deposit made at school.
Hello to everyone.

We at Jabiru, just like the Zillmere State School, believe and follow in sustainability.

We try to devise our own games by using recycled and reusable material.

Have a look at our cool Chess Board (made by Kasia) and our Checkers Board Game (made by Sam).
You are invited to a Community Christmas Party
Zillmere Community Centre
54 Handford Road, Zillmere
Dec 17th 1.00pm-5.00pm
Please call Celeste to register your attendance 38652880

Santa will bring party packs for all children between the ages of 0-10

Wayne the Magician
Face Painting
Balloon animals
Carols
Fairy Floss, Popcorn
Christmas Goodies

Cafe Lucid
Now open! Next to HGA supermarket
55 Handford Road
Zillmere
Amazing coffee!

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Activities at the Zillmere Community Centre

General Access Consultant & Support
Senior Citizens, Morning Tea Open

Art Classes

Members $15 per class
Non-members $20 per class

10am – 11am

Reading Group

Members $12 per session
Non-members $15 per session

10am – 11am

Dance Classes

Members $12 per session
Non-members $15 per session

10am – 11am

Zillmere Community Centre
54 Handford Road, Zillmere
QLD 4034

Phone: 38652880
Fax: 38654077
info@reoc.org.au

Participants Make Stress Management Workshop a Success

Zillmere Family Accommodation Program would like to thank all those who were involved in the Brisbane City Stress Management and Wellness workshop in October. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.

A special mention to those who desired to pass on packs: Handmade Scarf by Robyn matters (Sunshine Coast): GoodLife Gym Carindale, Success Fitness (Sunshine Coast): Wellness Centre (Sunshine Coast): Australian Lavender (Sunshine Coast):

Mental Health Expo

A great day was had by one and all at the Mental Health Expo and we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who participated. A special thanks to Audrey who would kindly organise and coordinate the event. Over 100 people attended the event and due to the success of the day, we hope to make it an annual event.
If you would like to be part of our Community Advertising please contact Zillmere State School on 3863 8333.