Parent Information Afternoon
Thanks to those parents who were able to attend our parent information afternoon last week. If you missed this opportunity for your child’s teacher to explain classroom procedures and expectations, information will be shared in the newsletters over the next few weeks. Parent-Teacher-Student interviews will be held in Week 9 of this term.

“But I Don’t Like to Read!”
Reading should be enjoyable and it is so important to success that it can be frustrating to hear a child say, “I don’t like to read!” If you hear this, be a good listener and try to decide what the reason is.

◼ Is reading difficult? Check with your child’s teacher to see if she or he is having trouble reading at school.
◼ Is it just more fun to be on the computer or watch television? Establish a reading time that is consistent and balanced with screen time.
◼ Is there reading material available about things that he or she is interested in? Magazines, comics, and a wide variety texts can help get children reading again. The Zillmere Council Library offers a range of interesting reading materials and borrowing is free.
◼ Are you modelling that reading is important and valued in your home? Sometimes it is difficult to find the time to read, but it does send a clear message to your child that reading is a life-long asset.

School-Wide Positive Behaviour Support [SWPBS]
For the next few newsletters we will be focussing on our 4 Zillmere ‘Be’ values:

Be Respectful Be Responsible
Be Safe Be Your Best

Please take some time to discuss these with your children because they will hear these spoken about, and will see them displayed. We teach these values to the students at Zillmere State School:

**Be Respectful**
Respect is an attitude of caring.

Respect looks like:
- I look at the person speaking
- I wait my turn to speak
- I listen to what people are saying
- I look after my belongings
- I take care of other people’s property
- I take turns, share and use a happy face

Respect sounds like:
- I am polite and use my manners
- I use a quiet talking voice
- If I need to interrupt, I say excuse me and wait
- If people are speaking, I walk around them.

Parents & Citizens’ Annual General Meeting, Tuesday 3rd March
The Zillmere P&C Association provide so much for your children and we invite all interested parents to be a part of this team. The P&C meet every four weeks at 3:00 pm on Tuesday afternoon [after assembly] in the library.

The AGM will be held on Tuesday 3rd March and we would love to hear your ideas of how to improve our school. If you would like to discuss how you can contribute, or require further information about joining the P & C please contact me via the office, phone 3863 8333 or email: the.principal@zillmeress.eq.edu.au, or see Russell Mitchell, your P & C President.

Warm Regards

Lynette Wood
Principal
I would like to thank everybody that supported the Valentine’s Day fundraiser. It was very successful and the money raised will be used for fun activities. A big thank you to staff who made cakes etc and to Lessa, Will and Russell for helping on the day.

**Interschool sport:** This term we have two boy’s teams and one girls’ team representing the school in the touch football competitions.

**Kids Club:** On Friday nights 5.30pm – 7.00pm The Salvation Army runs fun activities for primary school children grades 3-6. See me for further details.

**Food hampers:** Isee church at Taigum donate food hampers to the school. Please see me if I can help in this way.

**Parenting seminar:** Tuesday 24th at Aspley East S.S. from 9am –10am (free)

**Cricket World Cup:** On Wednesday 25th our senior students and some parents are going to watch Ireland play the United Arab Emirates at the Gabba. I only have a few tickets left if you are interested.

**Parent’s encouragement:** The single most important step you can take to help your child learn is to be an active participant in your child’s education.

Active participation includes: talking to your child about their day, hearing them read, helping with homework and making sure kids go to school happy, healthy and having had plenty of sleep.

**Quote:** “What parents say leaves a marked impression on their children’s hearts. (Dr Scott Turansky)

God bless you

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**Our AGM will be held on Tuesday 3rd March 2015 at 3.15pm, everyone welcome to come along. We will be re electing our committee for 2015.**
Interschool Sport starts on Friday 20th February for years 4, 5 & 6 students. All parents welcome to come along and show their support for their child/ren.

**Zillmere State School’s website is** [www.zillmeress.eq.edu.au](http://www.zillmeress.eq.edu.au) so if you miss any up and coming events you can find that information on our school’s website.

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**Our advertiser of the week is**

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**NEWS FROM JABIRU**

This is what Carey M and Samuel E made at Jabiru, After School Care. **A Fighter Jet** made out of foam wood!

**What we do at Jabiru:**
Every Tuesday, we have the ‘Homework Club’ run by Rita from PaCe.
Every Wednesday, Marvin from the Communities Team of Jabiru, runs an activity around the philosophy of the 5 Outcomes (The new framework of OSHC). Every Thursday, a group of students from The Nudgee College, accompanied by their teacher, visits the kids and play some outdoor games and have fun with the kids. This activity has been going on for almost two years, and provides the kids with an opportunity to engage with older boys in the community. The kids have a lot of fun at Jabiru because of the range of activities offered and the kids are free to choose from a fair few.

Apart from these regular activities, we also participate in gardening activities, cooking, arts and craft and further develop our creative skills.

Any queries, come and visit the Jabiru room at the school (next to the Grade 1 classroom) and have a chat and a cuppa with Neelu (Program Site Manager, Zillmere)

Or call on 0438 542 655 or 3269 0044 to find out how easy and convenient it is to enroll at Jabiru.