



ST JOHN'S

Term Dates to Remember

Thursday 18th September

Last day of classes for Term 3
2.30pm: End of Term Assembly -
Dr Jan Milburn Room

Tuesday 7th October

First day of classes for Term 4

Friday 10th October

2.30pm: Assembly -
in the Assembly Hall

NEGS Calendar Link

<http://negs.nsw.edu.au/calendar/>

Head of St John's

Shannon Rosewood

Holiday wishes

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the students and their families for their wonderful support throughout Term 3. As you can see, it has been such a rich and rewarding experience for our students in so many ways, made possible through the support of the School by our families. I would also like to take the opportunity to thank the dedicated team of staff in the Junior School who all work so tirelessly to enhance the educational experience for your children.

Here are just some of the highlights of the past ten weeks.

Live Life Well@school - working in our garden, playing in the sandpit, daily fitness and Well Being Day activities.

Maths, maths and more maths!

Reading – K-2 Literacy program, DEAR and MultLit implementation

Science Day and Science enrichment - Bebras Australia Computational Thinking Challenge and Education Perfect's World Series in Science

Sport! Saturday hockey, netball and soccer. Gymnastics!

Transition terrorised the community!

Book Week celebrations

The Paper Plate Challenge

Kindergarten and Transition Orientation programs

Well Being Day

Chess competition

DaVinci Decathlon

Grandparents' Day

Spring Fair

CAMP!!!!!!

Have a fantastic holiday!

Coming Events

An End of Term Assembly will be held next Thursday (18th September) at 2.30pm in the Jan Milburn Room. There will be highlights from camp week.

Term 4 starts on Tuesday 7 October. A reminder that students will be wearing Summer uniform. This includes the following:

Girls – blazer, summer dress, straw hat, short white socks, black shoes, yard hat and cap for sport.

Boys – blazer, blue shorts, white short-sleeved shirts, knee-high blue socks, tie, cap and yard hat.

Blazers to be worn with jumper if weather cool.

A reminder that all uniform items are available from the Uniform Shop (generally open Wednesday and Thursday). Contact telephone number is 6774 8700.

The Year 7 Orientation program will be held in Term 4. Two days of activities will be held on 6 and 7 November in the Senior School. Students will participate in a variety of 'taster' lessons in Languages, Science and Mathematics, as well as assessments and the creation of a Year 7 Survival Kit. PE activities and Design and Technology tasks will be an exciting part of the program. New students to NEGS will also be invited to this day, giving our St John's girls a fantastic opportunity to make new friends.

Our Year 6 parents and students are invited to celebrate their St John's Junior School journey at a special luncheon at Petersons on Sunday 23rd November.

A Celebration of Learning will be held for Kindergarten to Year 6 on 27th November at 6pm. This will be a wonderful way to congratulate our young learners and afterwards share in a carol service in the NEGS Chapel. All students are expected to attend this formal school event.

Transition students will celebrate their year at a Transition Graduation Ceremony. This will be held on Tuesday 25th November at 4.00pm.

All St John's students will be excited to hear that plans are afoot for the Activities Day at the end of the year. This will take place on Monday, 1st December. Plans involving jumping castles, mazes, art and craft and a swim are in the making.

Families are invited to share in the NEGS Carol Service on Tuesday, 2nd of December. This will commence at 5pm in the NEGS Chapel.

Year 5/6 Da Vinci Decathlon Wrap Up

On Friday, 5th September, a combined team of very keen students from Year 5 and Year 6 attended the NSW Northern Da Vinci Decathlon held at TAS. The day was packed with exciting and challenging activities across 10 different disciplines.

Our team went head to head with other teams from our region, performing well in all areas. Below is a photo of some the girls completing the engineering challenge which required them to build a structure out of pasta and marshmallows, incorporating the pyramid shape.

Congratulations to the St John's team! They certainly did our school proud.

Grandparent's Day

What a fantastic day at St John's Junior School. Grandparents played chess (thanks Mrs Ward!), constructed clocks, created family trees and played numeracy and literacy games. Thanks to all the Grandparents who made the day so special.

Spring Fair

A big thank you to all the St John's families who helped make the Spring Fair such a huge success. It was a fantastic day.

Congratulations to all our Framed SerVies Primary Student Visual Art Prize finalists. The students entered two categories - Me myself and I and Seasons. The works were judged by renowned local artist Pat Elkin, with the winners announced at Friday night's cocktail party. The students of St John's would like to thank the organisers of this beautiful art exhibition.

Chess Tournament

Congratulations to our fantastic Year 3 and 4 chess players. They had a terrific day stretching their brains and learning new skills at the Primary Schools One-Day Chess tournament being held in Armidale on Thursday, 4th September. Well done Mrs Ward on having a go against our seasoned professionals. St John's are so proud of everyone's efforts.







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St John's Junior School
SWIM AND SURVIVE PROGRAM
TERM 4 2014

DESTINATION: TAS Pool
DATE: Term 4
TRAVEL: Edwards Bus

St John's will be travelling to the TAS Pool throughout Term 4 as part of their Sport Program. More information will be sent out one the first day back of next term. Please be prepared ready to go in Week 2 of next term with swimmers, towels and goggles.

Kind regards ,

Jess O'Connell
Sport Coordinator

Year 3/4 Camp



Lake Keepit

On Wednesday Year 3/4 were extremely excited, we were departing for Lake Keepit. At first I was not all that excited about the bus trip but some groovy music did the job. **Lydia**

At first we met at school and then we left to go to Lake Keepit, we had an outstandingly funny bus trip. **Alex**



Challenging!

Taking Responsibility!





New England Girls' School &
St John's Co-Educational
Junior School

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Plans are currently underway for a 3 week Maths/Science study tour to Florida in December 2015. The trip is open to current Year 6-10 students. Details are as follows:

Departure: December 1st 2015

Return: December 18th 2015

Cost: Approximately \$11 000 depending on numbers, exchange rate and fundraising

Accompanying staff: Miss Belinda Stone and Mrs Consuela Despi

Accommodation: 3 star, triple share

Flights: Qantas

Transport: Luxury Coach

This trip will require a minimum of 12 students to run. The proposed itinerary is attached.

Please return the slip below with your expression of interest to Miss Belinda Stone by Thursday 19th September 2014.

Yours sincerely

Science/Senior Biology Teacher

I _____, parent/guardian of _____ in

Year _____ wish to register interest for the 2015 Maths/Science tour in Florida, USA.

Signed: _____ Date: / /14

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Orlando Tour

Day 1 - Flight to Orlando to arrive approx 8PM

Day 2 - Shopping Premium Outlets International Drive/IFly

Day 3 - Magic Kingdom YES program Properties of Motion Physics Lab Wishes and Fireworks at night

Day 4 - Epcot - themed dinner under the sea Coral Reef restaurant and watch Illuminations at night

Day 5 - Disney Hollywood Studios and watch Fantasmic at night

Day 6 - Animal Kingdom YES Program Sustainable Practices in Wildlife Conservation followed by dinner at T-Rex Cafe Downtown Disney

Day 7 - Universal Studios with Rebounderz at night

Day 8 - Universal Islands of Adventure with CSI: The Experience at night

Day 9 - Discovery Cove and DisneyQuest at night

Day 10 - Seaworld Animal Training educational program

Day 11 - Aquatica then Wonderworks in the afternoon/night with dinner at Outta Control Magic Show

Day 12 & 13 - Kennedy Space Centre Astronaut Training Experience Space Explorer Adventure & General Admission tickets

Day 14 - Gatorland in the morning / Orlando Science Center in the afternoon / Arabian Nights dinner show

Day 15 - Forever Florida EcoPark Adventure admission morning/ Clean the World volunteer program afternoon with dinner at the Rainforest Cafe Downtown Disney

Day 16 - Boggy Creek Airboat Ride followed by Farm Tours of Ocala on route to Tampa

Day 17 - Busch Gardens Team Building Scavenger Hunt

Day 18 - Crystal River Manatee Experience private group tour/ Clearwater Marine Aquarium

Day 19 - Horse surfing at Bradenton with Beachhorses / drive back to Orlando for evening flight back out to Australia

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