Jindivick Primary School

Promoting: Care, Courtesy, Co-operation, Consideration & Commonsense

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Set in the rolling green hills of Gippsland’s prime dairy country, for the past 130 years Jindivick has been the home of a small rural school with very special qualities. The school community invites local parents of primary school aged children to consider our school as a unique educational option for your child.

What makes Jindivick Primary School (JPS) so special? It is the mix of dedicated and experienced staff, committed parents, good resources and a small group of children who care about themselves, others and the environment. Add to this small class sizes and well equipped classrooms with some of the best views in Victoria, and you have a recipe for learning which is unique.

Philosophy
Our school is based on the philosophy of the ‘5 C’s’. These include taking Care, being Courteous, showing Consideration, demonstrating Co-operation and using Commonsense. These values are the building blocks of getting on in life. The 5 C’s are reinforced daily with the children in order to foster care and compassion to one’s self, others and the environment.

Staff
JPS has experienced and dedicated teachers, who have many years experience in education across Victoria. They are committed to assisting each child to reach their potential in a caring and stimulating environment.

Program
We offer children an exciting and varied program, which encourages children to learn about and question the world around them while being happy and secure in a stimulating environment.

We offer a program that ensures out students are 21st Century Learners. Our sister school relationship with Taqian Primary School in China enables the use of digital technologies.

The curriculum program is based on the AUSVELS (Australian Curriculum) for Government schools and caters for all learning needs. Our school has a strong academic focus. As a result, JPS consistently rates better than the State average in areas such as Maths, Science and English.

Our comprehensive programs focus on the Early and Middle Years Literacy and Maths programs and well as learning about the environment and the role we all have in taking care of it. Children with additional learning needs are catered for through early intervention and extension programs.

Size does matter - small is better!
At our small school, we take pride in the fact that children are nurtured as individuals, not numbers. Australian research shows that there are benefits in small class sizes in primary school. At JPS, this is evident in the way children of all ages get along so well with each other in the playground.

With small class sizes, our teachers can dedicate time to helping children develop effective learning strategies, basic skills and positive attitudes to learning and getting along with others. In addition, this means that classroom management and discipline is more effective and as a result, children and teachers are happier. Children experience a range of different teaching styles, as the teachers work with all children at some stage during the week, as well as their home grade.

Parental involvement
The involvement of parents is encouraged at JPS and parents are welcome into the classroom and regularly assist with programs. In addition, parents can formally be part of the Parents and Friends committee and help raise funds for the school or be on the School Council and assist with the broader management of the school.

Open communication with parents is strength of JPS. We have regular communication with parents through our fortnightly newsletter and semester reports as well as incidental meetings. As part of our ‘open door’ policy parents are encouraged to meet with their child’s teacher at any time to discuss issues of concern.

Our policies on important areas such as homework expectations, discipline, positive behaviour and assessment are readily available to interested parents and input into policy review is encouraged.

Eligibility & Fees
Children enrolling for preps must turn five years by April 30, 2016. We cater for low-income families and have a low fee structure. Each year parents are asked to pay a compulsory Materials Fee to assist with additional resourcing for students and provision of day to day consumables for each student.
TEACHING STAFF 2015
Principal:
Mrs Wendy Arnott
Grades 5 – 6
Senior sport

Ms Nyssa Rowe
Grades 1-2
Music

Mrs Angela Brown
Grades 3-4

Mrs Joan Price
Foundation
Art

Mrs Rosemary Nicholson
Science
A specialist teacher for (Mandarin /Chinese)
The curriculum includes specialist programs in Science/Tech., Music, Art & Drama

We offer your child:
✓ Small friendly rural school environment
✓ Highly qualified, experienced, dedicated staff
✓ Comprehensive curriculum with strong Early Years and Middle Years programs in Maths and Literacy/English
✓ Small class sizes, enabling individual care
✓ Computer to child ratio of 1:2
✓ Programs for children with special learning needs such as Reading Intervention or cross-age activities for talented children
✓ Catering for children with special health and/or behavioural needs.
✓ Strong partnerships between school and home and committed parents
✓ Promotion of Positive Behaviours and discipline programs when required
✓ An open door policy for parents
✓ Large playground with one of the best views in the State!
✓ Environmental awareness programs such as Waste Wise and a vegetable garden
✓ Strong academic performance in Science, Maths and English
✓ Opportunities to experience the ‘big school feeling’ through regular cluster meetings with other small local schools (Labertouche, Neerim District and Noojee Primary Schools. Sports also include Neerim South Primary School and we are part of TEC ( Tarago Educational Community)
✓ Weekly LOTE (Languages Other Than English) lessons in Chinese (Mandarin)
✓ Fortnightly visit from MARC van (Mobile Area Resource Centre).
✓ Cross-age activities as part of the learning routine to help both the younger and older children to get along well.

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ORIENTATION DAYS Two orientation sessions will be held in term 4 this year, for 2016 prep children as well as other children who may be attending our school

Tuesday December 1st 2015 11.30 am – 2 pm
11.30 - Classroom activities
1 pm - BBQ lunch for parents & families

Tuesday December 8th 2015 9 am – 11.30 am
9 – 11 am - classroom activities for children
11 -11.30 am - Playtime (children need to bring a small healthy playlunch
- morning tea for adults supplied