

Tip of the Week:

*If you're searching
for that one person
who will change
your life: take a
look in the mirror*

Morning drop off
Front gate 'Kiss & drop'

Afternoon pick-up
Wait at the front gate:
the teacher on duty will
send your child out to
meet you, or ring
85723279 or
0419 618 309



If your child is late or
you need to pick
them up early?

Ring the office and we
will organise to sign
your kids in or get them
sorted for an early pick
up and sign out

Canteen news

Reminder: NO lunch
orders on Tuesday &
NO Friday Fresh until
further notice; but the
canteen WILL be
OPEN at recess times
Tues & Fri for ice
creams & snacks!

Dear Jervois Primary School Community,

A reminder:

Public Holiday: MONDAY 8th June (don't come to school!!).

Look forward to a long weekend coming up where we CAN get out and do some things! Hope the weather will be kind so we can enjoy some outdoor activities in the Winter sunshine!

Feeling unwell?



We
appreciate
you have
all been
vigilant

with keeping your
children at home if they
are feeling unwell. Any
signs of a cough,
sniffles, fever or
generally feeling unwell
– best to keep them at
home in the warm for a
rest, recovery and
recharge before sending
back to school. We
encourage students and
staff to dress
appropriately for the
weather, drink lots of
water, eat healthy food,
use tissues, sneeze into
your elbow, hand
sanitise or wash with
soap & water regularly,
catch/cover coughs and
let us know if feeling
unwell. It's not just your
own child's health and
well-being, but others
that we need everyone to
consider as well.
Staying home when
unwell minimises the risk
of spreading germs and
infectious colds &
viruses.



School Photos a catch-up day will be
organized for students who were absent due to
illness on Wednesday for our School Photos. MSP
will advise us of a date coming up soon – we will
contact families of students who missed
Wednesday and let them know all the details.
Photos can still be ordered online up until next
Monday 1st June at 11pm.

Contact MSP if you have any questions:

Phone - 08 8391 3951

Email - admin.adelaidesouth@msp.com.au

Sports Day has been postponed until later in
Term 3 at this stage, upon advice from the
Department. At this stage we have not set a date,
but we will keep you posted of any further
updates. This also gives students much more
practice time at the different activities we offer for
Sports Day. Who knows – restrictions may ease
even more by then to allow some spectators?? We
will have to wait to see how things evolve!



*Georgie (Mrs
Shearer) has
had a few days
relief teaching at
JPS. It's been
lovely to have
you back in the
classroom/with
us!*

*We have this
lovely note &
beautiful flowers
in the Staffroom
from Georgie's
garden.
Thank you xo*

Once again, we appreciate your support and
cooperation
We are all in this together!

Mikelle's Moment



Being Happy, Safe and Belonging

because we value respectful relationships, wellbeing and community



Stop and Think

because we value every opportunity for student success



Learning and Leading

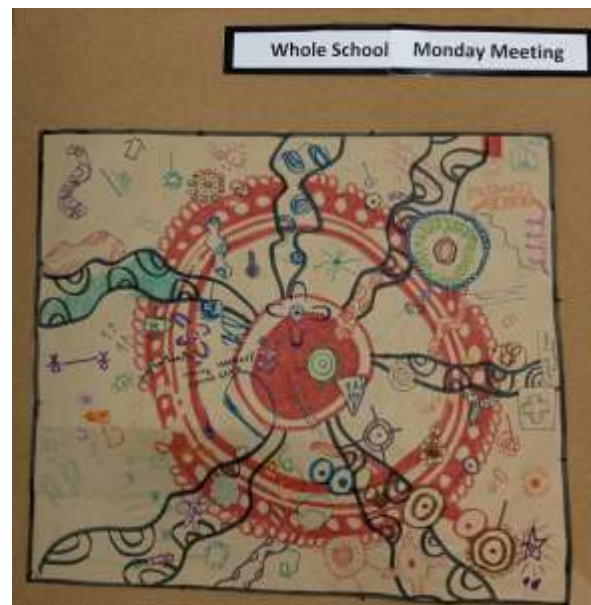
because we value lifelong learning and leadership.



The Learning Pit

because we value challenge, effort, persistence and progress

At Monday meeting this week students took some time to talk and learn about Reconciliation week and the theme of **'In this together'**. In groups with a student from each class (so we were connecting from JP through to UP), we did an 'I see, think and wonder' about the Reconciliation week poster. Key messages which were shared included being connected, coming together, being respectful, kindness, chatting and sharing stories, family time and belonging.



Every student then had an opportunity to add their own mark or symbol onto our Reconciliation art work: So proud of what we created together. Our black and red school colours are a feature and the display is in our front office.

The year 4-7 students have also been engaged in Aboriginal perspectives in their curriculum recently and teacher planning has been supported by our Indigenous SSO Lauren. Our JP teachers have always had a strong phonics program and this year we have introduced a phonological awareness program

called Heggerty. Phonological awareness (sometimes referred to as 'sound awareness') is the awareness of what sounds are and how they come together to make words.

"The degree of outcome in reading progress appears to be directly related to the presence and nature of phonemic awareness training."

Dr. David Kilpatrick, 2015

Heggerty is occurring across our partnership and involves 10 mins a day of explicit teaching and practice. Our JP teachers and R-3 students have given this a red hot go, and along with small group work taken by Mrs Abbott, we are already seeing some great progress and achievement. Here is our progress this year already:

Year 1 - 79% improvement; Year 2 - 70% improvement, and Year 3 - 95% improvement.



I am grateful for the continued support & understanding of staff and families as we continue to navigate COVID guidelines & focus on learning for students as our core business. Mikelle Miegel

Wellbeing Words

Hello! Hope you are all going well?! The term is now flying along and we are all embracing 'normality' as much as possible at school.

Last newsletter I mentioned that I would share some information and advice from the 5 ways to wellbeing organisation. The one I want to share with you today is **CONNECT**. We hear the word all the time, but as we often do at school, I thought I'd look up its definition and etymology (history). A google search said connect means: *'bring together or into contact so that a real or notional link is established.'* I really liked that it had the word **notional**, meaning that even if a physical connection cannot be made, a distance one is still relevant – very appropriate while social distancing! I then discovered that the word is of Latin origin, 'con' meaning **together** and 'nectere' meaning **bind**. Connections for wellbeing is all about relationships; they have an immense impact on the way we feel.

Do you notice how you feel after being with certain people? Some people just make us feel good, while others can have the opposite effect.

Having close relationships (family and close friends) as well as connecting with others in the wider community are both important for our wellbeing. *"Developing healthy social relationships can increase our feelings of happiness, security, belonging and self-worth."* This is true no matter what a person's age is, so I encourage you to make time to connect with others: Schedule a phone call, organise to have lunch or coffee with a friend, go for a walk with someone, even giving a friendly smile and greeting to a passer-by provides positivity to both the giver and receiver!

So, to help maintain or improve your wellbeing, get connecting!

Amanda 😊

<https://5waystowellbeing.org.au/5-ways/connect/>





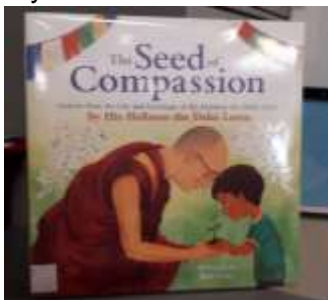
This August, grab your best mate and walk 30 minutes a day for 30 days to improve your health and raise funds for Australians living with vision loss.

**REGISTER FOR FREE TODAY
AND START FUNDRAISING**
www.pawgust.com.au



Shelley's Sharing

Over the past few weeks, I have been thinking about compassion. The word comes from the Latin 'com' = with and 'passio' = feel: so a rough definition is that it is to do with 'feeling with' the other person. It's not sympathy (feeling sorry for) but rather coming alongside and walking the journey with someone else. Even if you do it in silence. Sometimes silence is even best ☺



I found a wonderful book in the library here at school, written by the Dalai Lama. This man has typified goodness, kindness and love for all the years he has been the spiritual leader of the Tibetan people. He is known worldwide for his gentle graciousness. In his book, he explains how it is important to nurture the 'seed of compassion' inside us. He says it is his job to help other people to do this; he also says we need to realise that we cannot change the past, but we can learn from it. However, he says, we **can** change the future! What a great thought!

On Friday lunchtimes a team of Year 6 and 7 students help others by setting out tables, organising colouring sheets and background music, and serving Milo. This team go above and beyond in their caring for other students. Last week I noticed that in a difficult situation they showed great compassion as they cared for a fellow student. Just sitting with, being with, and listening to someone in their time of need is showing compassion. Let's remember that in the coming weeks, whenever we see someone who needs our support.

Compassionately yours,
Shelley

Asthma Safe

As the weather begins to cool and we continue to face Coronavirus, it is more important than ever to stay asthma well this winter.

We're reminding people whose asthma gets worse during winter, they should be taking their preventer medications daily even when well, to be protected during the coming winter months.

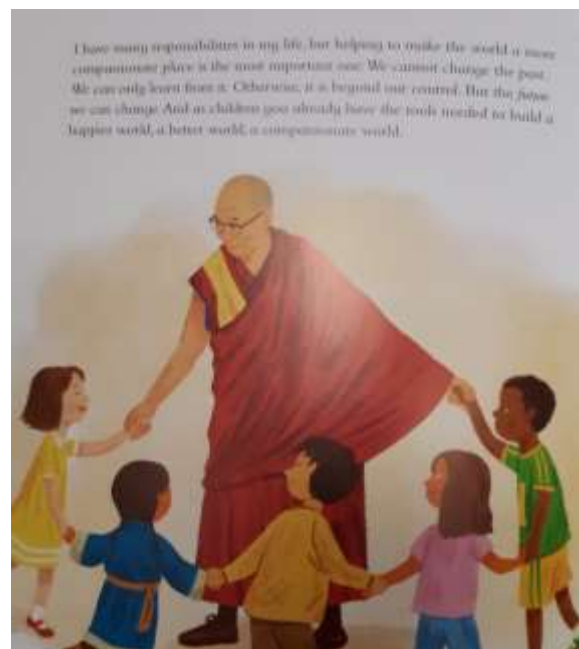
Asthma is a chronic respiratory condition affecting one in nine Australians or 2.7 million people and winter months can make asthma harder to control, resulting in more hospitalisations. Research shows that people who use their prescribed asthma preventer and have a written Asthma Action Plan are less likely to need hospital care, which could help in reducing strain on the health system. www.asthma.org.au

National Volunteers Week

Last week was National Volunteer's Week and although we cannot invite our hardworking volunteers into the school at present, we would like to acknowledge their generous contributions.

We have amazing volunteers who make a real difference to the children and young people in our school. We would like to thank them all for donating their time to work with our children and strengthen our school community.

Our volunteers help throughout the school including in the canteen, classrooms, for excursions (not that we have been able to have any recently!), and in the garden. We also have a group of wonderful volunteers doing valuable work for our school on our Governing Council and Parents & Friends committees. Thank you: we appreciate you all!



Nicki's Garden News

Hi everyone,

Last week was rainy, which is fantastic for our garden (and the environment), but not so good for going outside and gardening, so, instead, we cooked! Recently we harvested lots of delicious granny smith apples from our garden, so we baked apple and cinnamon muffins....Yum! When we cook or prepare our garden harvest, it always feels extra special, because we have experienced the entire process...all the way from sowing the seed to tasting and sharing our harvest.

We put time and effort into growing food in our edible garden, and it's so exciting when we get to taste the result.....everything always tastes better when we have grown it ourselves! We know it is fresh, organic and it hasn't cost food miles (that's the cost of energy and carbon when food has been transported in trucks, before we buy it from the shop). So it's great for us and great for the environment.

Hope everyone is enjoying these sunny late autumn days,
Love Nicki



From seed, to plant, to fruit: we harvested apples from the garden to make delicious muffins. Great to see the interaction between our older & younger students!



EXTRA DATES for your diary (TBC = to be confirmed):

PUBLIC HOLIDAY	Monday	Week 7	Term 2	8 th June
STUDENT FREE DAY	Friday	Week 10	Term 2	3 rd July
STUDENT FREE DAY	Wednesday	Week 3	Term 3	5 th August
SPORTS DAY		TBC	Term 3	TBC
SCHOOL CONCERT	Tuesday	Week 5	Term 4	10 th November
STUDENT FREE DAY	Wednesday	Week 5	Term 4	11 th November

(Student Free days for Staff Learning & Development Sessions: often linked to other schools in our area)

Mulch N More donated a couple of bags of sand to JPS for the fire pit which was used by the R-3 classes for their Outdoor Classroom Day on Wednesday. Thank you Charlie for sourcing this kind donation for us!



Thanks to the Rotary Club of Tailem Bend for their kind donation of food which we have passed onto a couple of families. Your kindness and community spirit is truly appreciated.

Thanks to the Afford family for donating a couple of bags of 'chook' feed to keep our chickens happy & content!

We send our love & thoughts to Myrtle (Sophie J-S' nanna) as she recovers from surgery – Thinking of you & hoping your rehab is going well! xx



SC interviews

Name: Ava Age: 10

At school I am grateful for: My friends playing with me, doing banana splits in the little kids playground.

At home, in my world I am grateful for: My dead cat, because she took me through lots of hard time.

I am learning about crazy contraptions A key/interesting word is contraptions

(ask me about this, I'll tell you more!)

I felt tired when I didn't get any sleep when I was awake all night. I was in the **Blue** zone.



Name: Jo Age: Level 43

At school I am grateful for: Working with my friend Michelle.

At home, in my world I am grateful for: my awesome kids and clever dog.

I am learning about The importance of data, A key/interesting word is backup!

(ask me about this, & I can tell you more!)

I felt all the feelings when I was working. I was in **Red** the zones.

Name: Richard Age: 6

At school I am grateful for: Having a great school to go to.

At home, in my world I am grateful for: having a tractor to plant a crop.

I am learning about writing, A key/interesting word is rich.

(ask me about this, & I can tell you more!)

I felt happy when in discovery time when building a cubby. I was in the **GREEN** zone.



Name: Charly Beare Age: 7

At school I am grateful for: all the kindness that we do

At home, in my world I am grateful for: having lots of family.

I am learning about plants and flowers, A key/interesting word is germinate

(ask me about this, & I can tell you more!)

I felt happy the whole week. I was in the **GREEN** zone.

Name: Bethany G Age: 11

At school I am grateful for: My friends and teachers supporting me with problems and learning

At home, in my world I am grateful for: riding my horses, because I can challenge myself riding the horse.

I am learning about food chains, A key/interesting word is herbivores because it is fun to learn about them in science. *(ask me about this, & I can tell you more!)*

I felt happy when I've not had many problems. I was in the **GREEN** zone.



JPS GALLERY



Even though we have not been able to do some things, we have managed to fill our weeks with lots of fun learning indoors and outdoors in all classes. Here is just a



*snippet of bits & pieces from our Term 2 learning, including:
shared reading, gardening & our chooks, cooking, nature play, LLI with Mrs Abbott, whole class & school reading, choir, physical activity, Reconciliation week, R-3 'Bunnings shop', and Milo with Shelley
We love the experiences we share with students at Jervois Primary!*



OUTDOOR CLASSROOM DAY

Our Reception to Year 3 students, along with their teachers and SSOs spent a day outdoors learning in the sunshine – what fantastic weather we had for the day: not too cold and beautiful sun all day to bask in! They shared sausages for lunch, had marshmallows and damper and enjoyed using the fire-pit! A fantastic day of learning out in the fresh air!



*Thanks
Mrs Hughes,
Mrs Frost,
Mrs Cracknell
& Mrs Abbott
Kel, Naomi &
Lauren
for helping us
to share our
Outdoor
Classroom
day – we had
sooooo much
fun!
All the R-3
kids 😊😊😊*

