











Welcome to Week 7 it's newsletter time once again! We have a lot of things scheduled over the coming weeks: Interviews, R-3 excursion to Adelaide, YEL, Wheelathon, P&F BBQ stall – lots of opportunities for our students as well as parents to be involved with support for our students and the school!

Parent Teacher Interviews are scheduled for Week 9: Monday 22/3, Tuesday 23/3 and Wednesday 23/3. Teachers have set aside times during the day and before and after school offering a variety of timeslots to benefit all families. It is appreciated for families to make appointments with their child's teacher to benefit their learning and development. All the details of the booking process is included with this newsletter.

Online bookings can be made using this link: https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code?code=zyppp

Or go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and enter the event code: ZVDDD

### **Bus: Winery Stop**

We are very fortunate to have the bus run to pick up students at Willow Point Winery. Unfortunately over the last few weeks there have been reports of unsafe behaviour while students are waiting for the bus. This is a great chance for our students to show our chool foundations of being happy, safe & belonging and stop and think. It is a good time to remind all our

school foundations of being happy, safe & belonging and stop and think. It is a good time to remind all our students of appropriate behaviours while waiting for the bus. We are also keen to hear about the 'good news'; students and/or families showing our school foundations.

NAPLAN In Term 2 we have annual NAPLAN testing for Year 3, 5 & 7 students. More information will be sent home to families with students in these year levels. If you have any concerns about the NAPLAN process, please catch up with Kimberly (email <a href="mailto:Kimberly.rathjen613@schools.sa.edu.au">Kimberly.rathjen613@schools.sa.edu.au</a> or ring/pop into school).

## Have you returned these forms?

- Family permission booklet
- ICT information what we have at home
- 2021 Choir return slip (Yr 4/5 class)





Harmony Week is next week, officially Harmony Day is Sunday 21st March. We will celebrate our JPS Harmony Day next FRIDAY 19th March with all things ORANGE! Come dressed in a splash of ORANGE, we will provide ORANGES for students to eat and will be doing some activities during the week. Harmony Week: 'EVERYONE BELONGS'

### School Attendance

We need to know if your child is:

- \* Late to school (arrive after 8:50am)? Please sign them in at the Front Office, or flick us a text on the school mobile 0419 618 309 to let us know they have arrived
- \* Absent? All absences must be notified to school: via the School Stream app, text to the school mobile, phone call, or pop into the office.
- \* Early pick-up? All students must be signed out at the Front Office (and crossed off the daily bus list if applicable).

Your support with our attendance requirements is appreciated to help us know who is and isn't at school, and for end of day bus needs.





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### Kimberly's Corner



We are flying through the term, with lots of great achievements and plenty of things on the go. Our assemblies and whole school reading are in full swing. The 6/7 class split off into pairs or small groups and either listened to the R/1's read or the older students read to them. The 2/3 and 4/5 classes also split into pairs or small groups to read to each other. One of our Site Improvement Plan goals is 'Improve achievement in reading.' All staff have completed various training to improve our delivery in the classroom and we are constantly challenging our practice to ensure the students are developing the skills and knowledge needed. Watching the students engage in whole school

reading and confidently participating shows me we are on the right path. Another way to build on skills learned in the classroom is reading daily at home. Students can read to their family members or be read to by their family members. Reading can be incorporated into the night or morning routine.

Morning muster meetings are occurring weekly. Each class had covered a number of kilometres towards their destination.

It is exciting to see many students achieving their personal best and asking for more time to complete more laps. I cannot wait to see how far we can run by the end of term. This week's morning muster was slightly different. We have had a few issues in the school with equipment being damaged or left out in the weather, containers being left in the yard and rubbish finding its way onto the ground, especially on canteen days. To solve these issues



we asked each class what 'We could" or "I could" do to solve the problems. Together as a whole site will looked at one issue and then each class had a go at developing solutions. Posters were created and they will be displayed outside of the library. It was great to see the students taking ownership and thinking of fantastic solutions. Let's see how we go cleaning up our school and looking after our equipment.

Next week is our second governing council meeting for term 1 and over the last few newsletters you would have noticed our member's profiles. For a number of our members this will be their last year as their children are part of the upper primary class moving on to high school. This will leave a high number of vacancies and at this stage our chairperson and vice chair will not be continuing. If you are thinking of joining and not sure what it is all about, please come to one of our meetings. If this is not possible, please speak to a governing council member or myself. I am happy to answer any questions. Governing council is a great space to hear what is happening at school as well as support moving the school forward. Family and community voice is imperative to keeping the school moving!

Interview notes are being sent home. Please take the time to meet with your child's teacher and see the amazing work coming out of the classrooms. If you have any concerns or comments this is a great opportunity to discuss this with the teacher. We are hoping to see as many families as possible. If this time or format doesn't suit please let the front office staff know.

Have a great week, Kimberly

"Obstacles don't have to stop you. If you run into a wall, don't turn around and give up.

Figure out how to climb it, go through it or work around it."

Michael Jordan (former professional basketball player)

Fruit Donation Thanks to Paul and the Wellington-ites who donated some fruit to us this week for students to enjoy; we appreciate your generosity! Thank you ©

#### Student Illness

Children and young people who are unwell should not be at school and must not return until they are well. Please note that we still have Covid procedures in place, visitors to the school must first come to the office to sign in and use the QR code. For those unable to use the QR code, a manual sign in sheet is to be used. The school is still receiving an extra daily clean. Hand sanitizer is available at: the front gate, front office (including a hands-free hygiene station) and in the Library for visitors. Adult visitors still need to continue to observe social distancing and should not come to school if they are feeling unwell.





## Governing Council Spotlight

This week we introduce Jen and Tim from our JPS Governing Council:

Name: Jennifer Brooks, best known as Jen

How long have you been part of JPS? 5 wonderful years.

Students currently at JPS: Ffion in Yr 7

What do you LOVE about our little school? Small, country school, the Staff, kids and its Community

What you hope to learn from your involvement: what is involved in running a school An interesting/funny fact about you: I am fully qualified chef, I am from New Zealand and love working with the elderly.

Name: Tim Law

How long have you been part of JPS? Six, going on seven years

Students currently at JPS: Bethany (Boo) Yr 6

What do you LOVE about our little school? I love the community attitude and the opportunities all three of our kids have had at JPS

What you hope to learn from your involvement with Gov Council: The inside story: So much about a school happens behind the scenes.

An interesting/funny fact about you: My first (but not my only) time eating goat stew was at Heathrow Airport while being detained. (*Hmmm, sounds like an interesting story!!*)

### Parents & Friends (P&F)

Our fundraising for 2021 begins.......Sunday March 28<sup>th</sup> there is a Market/Car Boot Sale at the local Jervois Hall. We are providing a **BBQ bacon & eggs** and **Snags** along with drinks to sell as a fundraiser for school. We have put out a request for donated goods and some of your time to help out on the day. The more things we have donated, the more profit we make!

This year we are concentrating our fundraising efforts to put towards subsidizing costs for excursions and camps for all students, so every family will benefit from our fundraising efforts. BUT we need your help too to make these successful events.

If you can donate any of these things, it would be very much appreciated:

- Bacon
- Eggs
- Bread
- Serviettes

- Tomato sauce
- BBQ sauce
- Sausages
- Onions

- Bottles Water
- Soft Drinks
- Your time to help

Please return the donation form to let us know what you can provide. To lock in a time for the day to help, book through the online booking system – or let Michelle (Front Office) know any of the above!

With Wheelathon at the end of term, we will have our annual **Hamper raffle** – books of 10 tickets will be sent home to each family shortly, please sell your tickets and we seek donations of non-perishable food items to pack into our holiday hamper prizes. More info will come out about this next week.

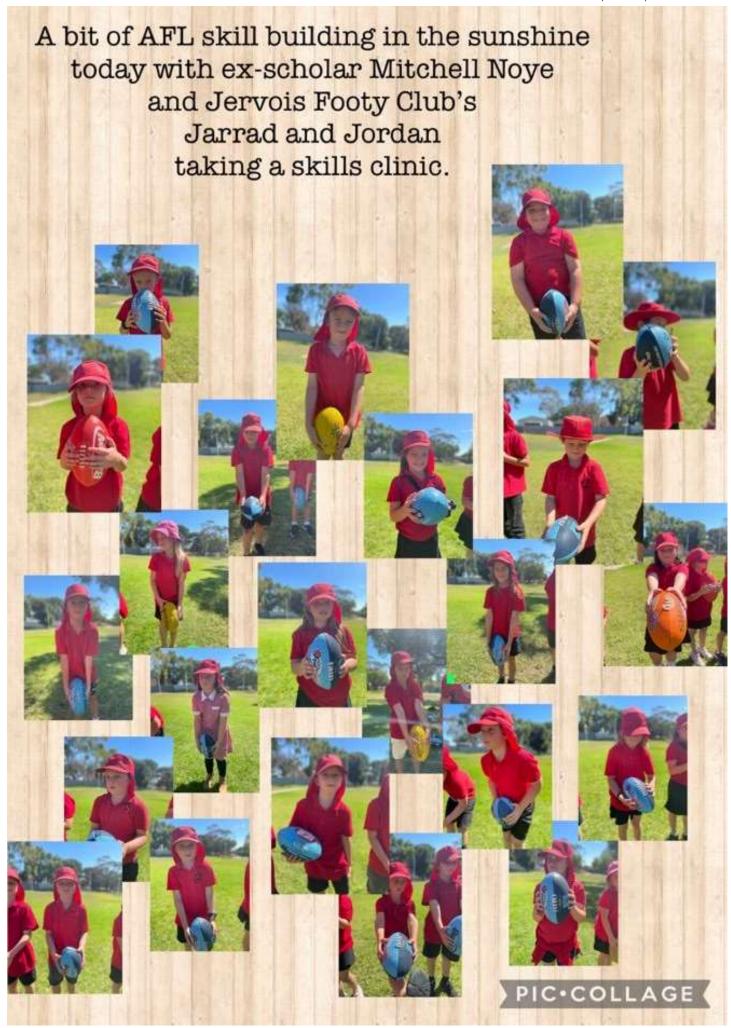
We have locked in a date for a **Pie Drive** near the end of Term 2, an ideal way to stock your freezer for the colder wintry days of winter, with some delicious pies for a hearty warm & easy dinner! Order forms will be sent home to families mid-term 2.

A **Bunning's BBQ** has been booked for Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> August (Term 3) – we will be seeking support with donated items and helpers for the day: this is a great fundraising opportunity to gain outside financial support from the community!

We appreciate any offers of support for these events, with donated goods and/or time to help out. Thanks for helping us to achieve our fundraising goals to support our students! P&F Committee







## Garden gurus

Students from the R/1 and 2/3 class have been busy tidying the garden and harvesting lots of tomatoes, zucchinis, and silverbeet. Lots of produce has been made available for our families to enjoy, for just a donation. The funds we receive are reinvested into things we need for our garden. We have been cooking up a storm, making and tasting zucchini slice – it was very delicious! Some parents were 'instructed' they needed to make it at home as well!! We noticed a few families donating to take home a zucchini or two to make their own slices – what a great way to share our healthy







Scholastic Book Club order forms were sent home with every student this week, offering the opportunity to purchase some super books at great prices. Scholastic Book Club issue two catalogues per term, but we choose to participate in only one opportunity each term.

There is an online option for ordering, check out: <a href="mailto:scholastic.com.au/parents">scholastic.com.au/parents</a> using the LOOP to place your order. You can participate in every Book Club opportunity if you choose – it's completely up to you!

Currently Issue 2 is open, with orders to be returned (with money) to school by Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March.









**Congratulations** to the Crook family who were drawn out to win the family pass (4 tickets) to 'Sesame Street Circus Spectacular' by Silvers!

We hope you have loads of fun and enjoy the circus!!





## **Community news & events**







# TAILEM BEND

TAILEM BEND TOWN HALL 95 RAILWAY TERRACE TUESDAY 16 MARCH 2021 10AM - 2PM

Find out what support is available to help you and your family get through the longer-term effects of drought.

Due to COVID-19, some events may be cancelled at shart notice. Please check our website prior to the event: droughtandflood.gov.au/recovery-assistance/outreach









# SUPPORTING VULNERABLE CHILDREN IN OUR COMMUNITY

16th March 2021, 6:00pm ac.care Murraylands Centre, 29 Bridge Street, Murray Bridge

A forum on foster care and the needs of local young people. Understand the issues in child protection in the Murraylands, Adelaide Hills and Fleurieu Peninsula and how the wider community can support vulnerable young people.

#### SCAN TO REGISTER





Hear direct from foster carers about their personal experiences, as well as ac.care leaders about the agency's work supporting young people in the region and how you can contribute. Guest speaker Penny Wright. Guardian for Children and Young Feople in Care. South Australia.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL FOR COVID-19 TRACKING | REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED | CHILDREN WELCOME

In line with our COVID Safe plan for the event, all attendees are required to register individually with contact details at www.mlfostercareforum.eventbrite.com.au





## **Parent Update**

Week 5, Term 1 - 2021

#### Preparing for year 7 in high school in 2022

This year marks the start of a new phase for our education system, as we finalise our preparations to welcome your year 6 or year 7 child to high school in 2022.

Schools are working incredibly hard to ensure they are prepared for the move of year 7 to high school. As a department, we are making sure that your school has all the support they need to make this transition smooth and successful for you and your child.

#### This is a special year for students

It is a unique year, as year 6 and year 7 students will for the first and only time end their primary school journey together.

We want your child to have a positive experience in their final year of primary school. We understand the importance of rites of passage, such as graduation ceremonies, and our primary schools will do their very best to make this a memorable occasion for both year 6 and year 7 students.

#### Enrolling in high school for 2022

This year, families of year 6 and year 7 students will both be applying for and enrolling in high school through the department's statewide transition process.

You will receive details from your primary school early this year about how to apply for and enrol in your local public high school, so 1 encourage you to keep an eye out for this key information.

If you are unsure of which high school zone you live in, you can use the 'Find a school' tool on the department's website at <a href="https://www.education.sa.gov.au">www.education.sa.gov.au</a>

#### Engaging with your new school

There may be opportunities for you to connect with your child's new high school before next year.

Schools will generally have open days, information sessions or principal tours for prospective families to learn about the unique programs, systems and offerings of the high school.

As the situation with COVID-19 continues to change, schools will operate in line with the latest SA Health advice, which may mean alternate and innovative ways to engage. This might include activities such as virtual tours and online webinars. I encourage you to explore how to engage with your local high school by visiting their website or social media pages, or contacting the school directly.

#### We are working together

The move of year 7 to high school is a big change for you and your child. 2021 is going to be a busy year of preparation by our public education system and schools across the state. As a parent, you can feel confident in knowing that we are working together at every level to make the move a success.

#### Where to find out more

Stay informed through your school and the Department for Education's website: <a href="https://www.education.sa.gov.au/7toHS">www.education.sa.gov.au/7toHS</a>

Or share your feedback with the project team by emailing: Year7toHSi3sa.gov.au





# 2021 Calendar

# What's on at Jervois PS......

Wk	Monday	Tuesday		Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7	8/3 PUBLIC HOLIDAY Adelaide Cup	9/3	С	10/3	11/3 SANFL Footy Clinic	12/3 <b>C</b> WSR
8	15/3	16/3	С	17/3 Governing Council	18/3	19/3 C Assembly
9	22/3 INTERVIEWS	23/3 INTERVIEWS	С	24/3 YEL INTERVIEWS	25/3	26/3 C WSR
10	29/3	30/3	С	31/3	1/4 Assembly	2/4 PUBLIC HOLIDAY Good Friday
11	5/4 PUBLIC HOLIDAY Easter Monday	6/4	С	7/4	8/4 RAA Street Smart visit	9/4 C WHEEL-A-THON 2:05pm dismissal
	TERM 2					
1	26/4 PUBLIC HOLIDAY for Anzac Day	27/4 STUDENT FRE	ΞE	28/4	29/4	30/4 C
2	3/5	4/5	С	5/5	6/5	7/5 C
3	10/5	11/5	С	12/5 Governing Council	13/5	14/5 C
4	17/5	18/5	С	19/5	20/5	21/5 C
5	24/5	25/5	С	26/5 SCHOOL PHOTO DAY	27/5	28/5 C
6	31/5	1/6	С	2/6	3/6	4/6 C

Wed 26th May: School Photo Day



