



Dear Jervois Primary School Community,

It's been another HUGE term and year at JPS, finishing with us saying farewell to our group of Year 6 students as they end one adventure and begin another; journeying off to High School for next year and beyond. It's been a crazy couple of weeks with graduation, lots of family and staff farewells, some new faces popping in; and meeting all our little newbies we will be welcoming next year!

So sit, back, relax and take it all in as we present our final newsletter for the year: chock full of fond memories and best wishes as we celebrate all that is and was our JPS of 2022.....

HUGE THANKS to the wonderful people who support our staff to enable us to offer all of these extra things we need additional hands for. We managed to celebrate the school's 100th birthday in style with a couple of BIG events – a HEAP of planning and time went into this from a group of volunteers and staff who put in an amazing effort.....the contribution you each gave to make this happen is so gratefully appreciated not just by us, but all of the people who came to enjoy the festivities and reminisce about their time at JPS. It has re-ignited the passion for our little school with so many great memories rekindled and friendships reformed.....it was a wonderful thing to see and be a part of!

THANK YOU to our Governing Councilors: Bianca, Craig, Danielle, Elyse, Jo, Maria, Mel & Zoey: for the time and effort you have provided to support leadership and staff with decisions and discussions based around what we do at JPS. It's always a learning curve for us all and we appreciate your commitment to our school.

Thank you to our helpers who have been able to support a few fundraising events this year: your efforts are very much appreciated! We are hoping to fire up our P&F for 2023 and get that up and running again to support the school!

And to all our volunteers who help out in so many different ways – parents, grandparents, aunties, uncles, friends, community members and others outside our school community:

THANK YOU EVERYONE!

Final reminder: Admin Staff will be onsite next week on Mon 19th and then Wed 21st – Fri 23rd Dec if you need to collect reports or anything else. Reminder to return your BUS permission forms for 2023. Orders for Yr 6 uniform & swimming (in Wk 3) forms will be out first week back in Term 1.



2023 Term 1 starts MONDAY 30th January
All Staff will be back at school on Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th of January





Elissa's Last Words for 2022

Hi families,

Well the end of the year has arrived. While we say goodbye to staff members Georgie Shearer, Rachel Edwards, Kiri Thompson, and Elise Hams, and our graduating year sixes. We welcome Ereena Walawski, Chloe Schaeffer, and Tam McGavin to our staff for 2023. These teachers will be starting with us next year and I look forward to see them develop new relationships with our children and families.

Last Friday I was in Murray Bridge for our twice a term portfolio day. We celebrated the appointment of a new Literacy Coach in the portfolio; I am very much looking forward to tapping in to her knowledge. Professional development in the holidays will be around Phonics, which Tam and Ann will be attending. I am excited to see the knowledge and new learning they will bring back to the site.

On another note please ensure you stay safe during the potential flood risk. I will keep families informed over the break if there are any developments which will affect us as a school community. Also, Jervois Primary is looking for volunteers!! If you can spare a little bit of time to support us in an excursion or a camp now and again, or maybe hear some kids read, then call us!! There are a few requirements you will need to do, but we will support you through the process. Middle of Term One is a workshop that will help you get all of your paperwork in order, such as working with children checks etc.

Have a lovely break with friends and family, and I look forward to seeing everyone well rested and recharged in 2023.

Elissa



School Reports

Today your child will bring home their School Report for Semester 2. Teachers spend many hours compiling information from Term 3 and 4 learning across all subjects to give you a snapshot of how your child is progressing as a learner. Time is taken to give comments to support their progress, also highlighting areas of strength and those which need further development. Please take the time to read your child's report and discuss it with them – it gives you and also your child the tools to build a plan to support them to become a deeper and more independent learner, whatever their level. As always, if you would like to discuss any aspect of your child's report, or their learning – including social skills; please contact your child's teacher (seesaw message or email is best) or contact the school office and we will pass on any messages for/from you.



Staffing for 2023



Principal

R/1

1/2

3/4

5/6

Wellbeing, ATSI

NITR-6

SSO support

PCW support

Admin & Finance

Elissa Hunter

Tam McGavin

Ann Cracknell

Chloe Shaeffer

Ereena Walawski

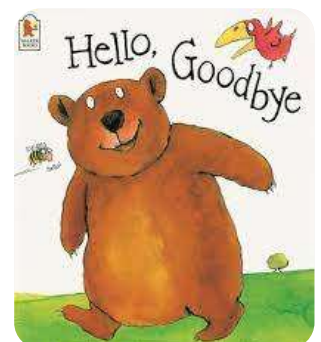
Andrea Hughes

Serenity Gazzola

Elyse, Samantha, Lauren & Jake

Anna

Michelle & Jo



WELCOME to our newest staff members and we look forward to them joining our JPS family ☺

School Concert DVD/USB

Each family will have a goodie pack sent home today, including school reports, newsletter, copy of ordered school concert performance and any other bits & pieces. If you think you are missing something, please let us know ☺



2023 Coming Events (some things to keep in mind for the coming school year)

SWIMMING has been booked in for Week 3 of Term 1 (Feb 13th – 17th) when the weather should be nice and warm! This includes ALL Reception to Year 5 students. Year 6 students will participate in Aquatics later in the year (river dependent), or something similar. There is a cost to families for swimming, which we have kept to a minimum with school subsidies. This year it was \$15 per student and we envisage it will possibly be something similar for next year.

YEAR 6 UNIFORM will be organised first thing back in Week 1 of the new school year. We have a large cohort of Yr 6s next year (possibly 17), so will wait until we have confirmed numbers and get the process happening for shirt design and order information. This year, shirts were \$41/\$46 and hoodies were \$57/\$60 (for kid/adult sizes), so thinking they will be somewhat similar, maybe a little more with allowing for increased costs.....just to give you an idea. We will research suppliers to find local, good quality and value for money options!

CAMP is currently being organised and scheduled for Term 2 in late June. We will focus on fundraising to help with costs, but please be aware there will be a fee per student for this. Camps are an AMAZING experience and we encourage everyone to participate. We will give you the information early in Term 1 so families have time to budget and organise payment plans with Jo, if necessary.

SCHOOL FEES are set for 2023 and the process remains the same – invoices will be issued early in Term 1 including payment options and information about applying for School Card.

CHRISTMAS CROSSWORD PUZZLE

USE THE CLUES TO COMPLETE THE CROSSWORD PUZZLE.

Across

1. One of Santa's Reindeer
3. Santa's Helpers
5. December 25th is _____.
7. Christmas Drink
10. The name of a popular snowman.

Down

2. Christmas Month
4. He hates Christmas!
6. You hang them by the chimney.
8. On Christmas morning we unwrap our _____.
9. ___ to the world!

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CHRISTMAS
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HOLLY



Ann's final Wellbeing Words

"Wow", the last week has slipped past quickly.

The Water Fun Day on Tuesday was chilly but FUN. ☺ Thank you to the staff who organised their water activity, it was great that everyone got to participate in all the activities despite the breezy weather. A big THANK YOU to Bianca Gazzola who cooked the sausages for us ready to be consumed by some mighty hungry people. A huge THANK YOU to our Student Council members also, who helped serve food and clean up after our BIG WATER DAY.

It's that time of year where we need to say "Thank you" to many people.

Firstly, thank you to our parents for supporting the children's learning, staff and community.

A big thank you to our JPS staff who have had a busy year and many times put in those extra hours to make sure our children have multiple opportunities to shine & develop as strong learners & leaders.

Thank you to Margaret and the maintenance staff who keep our school clean, safe and our garden colourful.

Thank you to our parents and community members who have given their time & effort to our school for those recurring school jobs or special events that arise.

Thank you to our Governing Council who put in those extra night hours to attend meetings and focus on the various needs of our school.

To our bus drivers, many thanks for keeping our children safe and to school on time.

We have other local organisations/businesses who have supported our school events & programs, and for this we are very grateful.

REMINDER: Hang on to those plastic bread tags over the holidays, ready to bring them in to the office in 2023. SC will continue supporting the "Bread Tags for Wheelchairs" charity. Our yellow bucket will still be there waiting for more tags!"



Christmas isn't

always easy for some people so **PLEASE** continue to check in on your family, friends and colleagues to ask, "R U OK?" Those few words and act of kindness may make all the difference at this time of year.

WELL DONE TO EVERYONE for getting through another challenging year. Be kind to yourself and others and I hope you take the time to appreciate the good things in our world.

Have a SUPER, SAFE AND FUN CHRISTMAS.

Rest up, Recharge and have some "Me time" over the holidays ready for an exciting positive year in 2023.

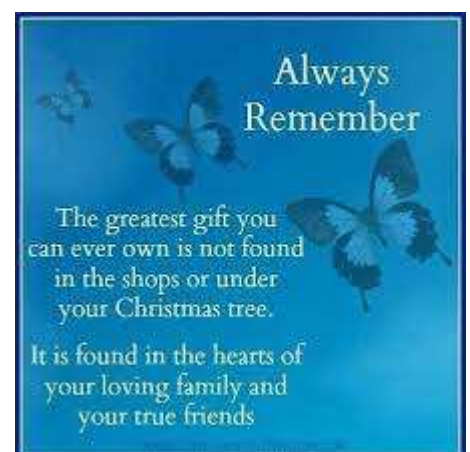
☀️♥️ Cheers, Ann Cracknell Wellbeing Leader

Anna's Final PCW Piece

What a year it's been! First year with in our new Well-being room and my second year here at Jervois! I've LOVED getting to know the Receptions this year and learning EVEN MORE about the rest of the students at JPS! I've seen just about everyone come and visit me in the Well-being room at lunch time for lunch club, as well so many great conversations with students inside the classroom! I am excited for another great year at Jervois next year and cannot wait to spend more time with the students and staff!

Have a wonderful Christmas and holiday break with your family!

Anna ☺



Term 4 Terrific Kids:

- R/1: Olivia M
 1/2: Arabella F
 3/4: Elijah F
 5/6: Georgie F



Presented by Malcolm from the Murray Bridge Kiwanis Club
 (Thanks Malcolm for all your support for many years with Kiwanis & their TK awards)

Student Council

Semester 1

Our Executive: Hollie & Hamish (Joint Chairpersons), India V (Secretary), Maddy (Treasurer),
Committee: Degan, Brea, Laura, Lenny, Olivia, Lucas, Noah (proxy), Veronica, Chloe

Semester 2

Our Executive: Trinity & Georgie (Joint Chairpersons), Taylor (Secretary), Indee D (Treasurer),
Committee: Dylan, Sophie S, Arabella, Cody, Sophie J-S, Paige, William, Miyah & Anthony

Young Environmental Leaders (YEL)

Semester 1: Tiana, Indee, Georgie & Caleb

Semester 2: Madeleine, Jake, Taylor & Lucy



Student Forum (held at Tintinara): Taylor & Caleb

Thanks to our students who have represented JPS for these groups, we know you have grown from the experience and we are proud of how you have taken on the challenge and shared your knowledge & ideas with us all! Many thanks to Mrs Cracknell (SC) and Samantha (YEL) for adult support for these groups, to guide and mentor our students in their roles.

End of Year Class Awards

With support donated from the Taillem Bend Rotary Club and our JPS Governing Council, four class awards were given out today to recognise excellence in a variety of areas over the whole 2022 year, highlighted by class teachers. We thank the TB Rotary Club and our Gov Council for providing these awards; each student was presented with a \$25 gift card and certificate.

Congratulations to:

- R/1: **Veronica F** for leadership qualities she is developing & displaying in Room 1
 1/2: **Koah C** for being a consistent leader & role model to others in the 1/2 class
 3/4: **Xavier C** for being a consistent high achiever & role model to peers in the 3/4 class
 5/6: **Julia P** for being a diligent worker & positive role model to all in the 5/6 class



And now it's time for the sad bits.....saying goodbye!

Farewells

To our families, students and staff who are leaving our JPS community, we say a huge thank you for your contribution and support of our school. Good luck for whatever lies ahead, may your future journey be filled with risk taking, kindness and deep learning!



Students & their families: *Kohan, Rylee, Saydee, Ryder, Jake, & our Year 6s: Georgie, Tiana, Taylor, India, Lucy, Trinity, Liam. Caleb & Hamish* - Good luck as you venture off into a whole new world of learning.....grasp every opportunity which comes your way: remember our foundations and share your knowledge with others. Be a risk-taker and think deeply to become the best possible version of YOU!



Staff leaving JPS: We've taken a leaf out of the graduating students book and used a 'then & now' photo; but with a few more years in-between!! And included a little message from each them



Georgie Shearer our Yr 5/6 co-class teacher, first started at JPS in 2009

"Thank you and farewell to you all. As I reflect on my years at JPS, I feel very blessed to have been part of a wonderful community. I started at Jervois in 2008 doing relief work and then had my first contract in 2009 in the Rec/Yr 1 class, later followed by permanency and working in the Yr 6/7 class. I then went on maternity leave to grow my own little family.

After a few years at home with my little people, I returned to Jervois in the Yr 4/5 class and now in the Yr 5/6 class. The time has now come to move on to a new journey in my teaching career. I have many Jervois memories that I will treasure forever, Jervois is certainly a very special little place. Some of my highlights include seeing our Yr 6 and Yr 7 students graduate, attending aquatics, swimming, whole school excursions, camps, wheel-a-thon, deb ball, discos, Sports Days, SAPSASA sport events, Christmas concerts and the 100th birthday celebration. I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy 2023".



Rachel Edwards our 3/4 co-class teacher, first started at JPS in 2012

"I am truly grateful for the opportunity I have had over the past 10 years to work at Jervois Primary School and be a part of a wonderful community. Working with your children has been so rewarding as they have taught me so much. I will miss all the students and parents as well as the many great friendships I have made along the way. I appreciate each of you and your understanding. I will miss my students and wish you all the very best in your future endeavours. I look forward to catching up with many of you in the community ☺"



Sophie Frost class teacher since 2004 who left earlier in 2022

"It is with a great deal of sadness that I announce I won't be returning to Jervois Primary in 2023. I have won a 5 year tenure as Assistant Principal at Eastern Fleurieu School, Strathalbyn R-6 campus. This is a school much closer to home which will allow more family time for me. Over my many years at JPS I have had the privilege of touching the hearts and minds of many young learners. I have met fabulous students, educators, administrators and families and made some life-long friendships and connections.

I thank you for your support, your chats, your smiles and your trust in me as I have had the opportunity to be part of yours and your children's lives. Take care, Sophie xo"



Elise Hams our 3/4 co-class teacher

Elise says: thanks to the staff, students and families for sharing 2022 with me at JPS. It's been a cool journey, but it's time for me to spend some time just being a mum to our twins as they start their kindy journey next year. Kids grow up so quickly and I don't want to miss out on these special times.



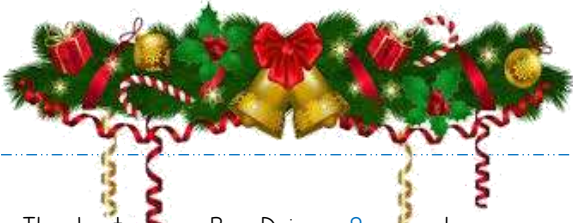
Kiri Thompson our Yr 5/6 co-class teacher

"Hi all. Thank you for welcoming me into the JPS family this year. It has been an absolute pleasure getting to know and teach many of your children in the 3/4 and 5/6 classroom or around the yard during duties. I hope you have a safe holiday break near the river and around your families and friends. All the best in the new year, Kiri ☺"



We will miss you all and appreciate the contribution you have all made to make our school great!





Thanks to our Bus Driver, **Sam**, who gave everyone an ice cream at recess time today. Thanks Sam...we love your kind gesture and thanks to **Sam** and **Geoff** for getting us safely to school and home again each day!

Thanks **Andrew, Craig & crew** for keeping our lawns mowed and all the big and little jobs you do around the place!

We had **Alby** doing lots of stuff around our grounds earlier in the year, thanks mate!

Many thanks to **Margaret** who cleans for us every day – we really appreciate your effort and we are really sorry when things are a bit messy in classrooms sometimes!



Bus for 2023

Have you returned your bus permission form yet?

We need your completed form before students can access the bus for the start of the 2023 school year.

Permission forms have important details for the drivers and us: emergency contacts/drop off instructions etc.

Forms can be returned via email, text a photo or post to us, but we **MUST** have the form **BEFORE** your children can use the bus!

A message from Bianca.....

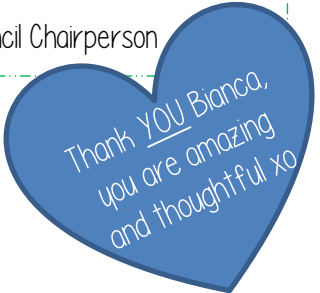
2022, has been a year of change and celebration. We adjusted to the Year 6's as the big kids of the school as well we celebrated our school's 100th birthday. Thank you to our amazing team of staff for all your efforts throughout the year - making the transition to new class structures work so well. Thank you to staff, as well as our wider school community for all the planning, time and effort that went into making the JPS Centenary Celebrations such a success.

To all the families, parents and grandparents who have volunteered their time to support school activities, excursions, listening to reading and to our Governing council members - thank you! In the new year, we'd love for more families can be involved at school. We hope to re-form our school Parents and Friends committee and will share more details about volunteering at school in the new year. Farewell to any families leaving JPS this year. As well to our Graduating Students, we can't wait to hear about your ongoing learning and achievements and we wish you all the best at High School. Also to staff leaving JPS thank you for all you've done for JPS, and we wish you well in your next teaching chapters.

For any of our school community affected by the rising river levels, our thoughts are with you at this time and we hope you stay safe over the coming months.

On behalf of Governing Council I'd like to wish everyone, a Very Merry and Safe Christmas and a Happy and Healthy 2023!

Bianca Gazzola — Gov Council Chairperson



It's almost holidays.....yay!

Make sure you spend your holidays doing lots of fun stuff: spend lots of time outdoors, breathe the fresh air, turn off the play stations & switches and GET OUTSIDE! Play some backyard cricket, catch some bugs, fly a kite, make sand castles, mud pies and cakes, go for a hike or run, find a nature trail to explore, go swimming or surfing, camp out (even if its just in your backyard!); and if you're lucky enough to go away on holidays somewhere....have an amazing time!



Graduation: Year 6

Our Yr 6 Graduation was traditionally held at the Wellington Hotel on Monday evening. We had a HUGE group of supporters celebrate our graduating students, who made great (& entertaining) speeches. Georgie & Kiri, their class teachers, spoke about each student during entertaining slideshows depicting photos of each graduate. Elissa & teachers presented each student with a graduation certificate, photo & gift to celebrate their final year at Primary School. Awards sponsored by Murray Bridge Kiwanis for a Graduating Terrific Kid; and SMG Support Task Group for Encouragement & Creative Arts were all presented. Shelyn Wilkinson also came to present the Too Deadly Awards for our ATSI student. It was a great night shared by students, staff & families! Unfortunately due to the impending river conditions, the traditional 'jump in the river' was NOT encouraged....perhaps next year's graduates will be able to continue with this time-old tradition, when things are much safer!

Graduation Awards

SMG (PCW) awards

Encouragement award:

Caleb Weaver

(presented by Elissa for Anna)

Creative arts award:

Tiana Hartwig

(presented by Elissa for Anna)

KIWANIS Graduation award:

Taylor Jones

(presented by Malcolm Allen)

Deadly Award:

Tiana Hartwig

(presented by Shelyn Wilkinson)



Caleb & Elissa



Tiana & Elissa



Taylor & Malcolm



Tiana & Shelyn



Graduation was a great night with several memorable speeches (Caleb's was a classic, and Liam's honest concert interview was awesome)! It was lovely to hear about their highlights and things they hoped for going on to High School. They all did a super job, with some very proud parents & family (& staff) sharing their final Primary School special evening!



A final word from our Yr 6 graduates:

We LOVE seeing how our Yr 6s have grown and changed over the years with us at JPS – just look at these cute photos of their first year at our school, compared to their final year! This week it's all about them and their final year of Primary School.....enjoy!

- The important questions we had to ask.....
- * My Hero & why
 - * Favourite JPS moment
 - * What I'll miss most about JPS
 - * What career path I might take
 - * Words of advice for next year's graduates

Tiana



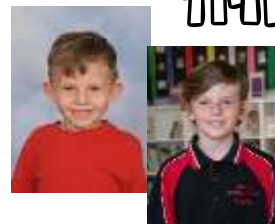
Natasha is my hero, I want to be just like her!
I hope I will become a station manager or an actress

Georgie



My hero is Linnie because she helps and is very kind.
I'll miss the wonderful teachers & students and the small school feel

Trinity



Advice: do the right thing and you won't end up in the office all the time (!!)

Taylor



Fave JPS moment: when I kneeboarded for the first time at Aquatics & didn't fall off!
I would love to be a geologist

Liam



Someone I look up to: Darcy (he's taller than me ☺).
I would like to be a basketballer or paleontologist



India



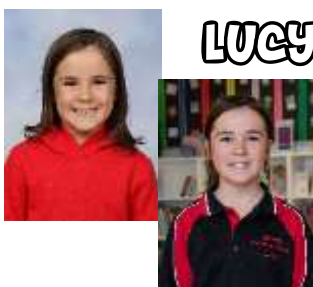
My heroes are my mum & dad because they give good advice!
I want to be an actress or a vet

Caleb



JPS moment: 1st day of school, knowing no one & no friends BUT was brave and didn't care what others thought

Lucy



India (my BFF) is my hero!
I will miss my friends and the JPS Staff



Hamish



My hero is Connor Rozee (he's a good footy player).
Advice: be a good role model for the younger kids





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2023 Key Murraylands Sport Dates

(State Carnivals & Championships - unless stated)

Swimming Trials	Friday 10 th March (4.30 - 5.30pm)
Softball	3 rd - 5 th April
Swimming Championships	Friday 5 th May
Unity Cross Country Trials	Monday 8 th May
Boys & Girls Footy Carnival	22 nd - 24 th May
Cross Country Championships	Thursday 8 th June
Netball & Hockey Carnivals	26 th - 28 th June
Unity Athletics Day	Tuesday 8 th August
Boys & Girls Soccer	16 th - 18 th August
Golf qualifying event M/Bridge	Thursday 8 th August
Athletics Championships	Monday 18 th Sept
Cricket	7 th - 9 th November
Tennis	15 th - 17 th November



Keep up those skills during the long summer holidays which kids have learnt at school:

- ** Read to parents, grandparents and siblings regularly and also read stories to your young children! There's nothing quite like a cuddle on the lounge with a loved one while reading a story! Maybe even write some stories!
- ** Practice maths strategies with lots of games like cards, dominoes, dice games.....anything involving counting - try skip counting by 2s, 5s, or 10s
- ** Practice using money when going to the shops, count back change or how much they need to buy something



Lots of outdoor fun, enjoying the fresh air (watch out for the nasty mozzies though)! Most importantly spend time with your family, stay safe and look out for each other!
.....and HAVE FUN!!

PONY PARTNERSHIP will be at the Murray Bridge Riding Club during the January 2023 School Holidays

Bring your kids along to this free program that is about fun and learning a new skill. Meet new friends and enjoy spending time with your child doing a pleasurable activity with ponies. No prior horse experience is required. Call to enroll your family at MMGPN on 8531 1303.

Attend 3 or 4 sessions which are 1 hour duration beginning at 10 am.

Riding club is located at the Murray Bridge Showgrounds near the Men's Shed.

Jan 2023 - 2, 3, 5, 6

Jan 2023 - 9, 10, 12



16, 17, 18 December
170 Adelaide Rd, Murray Bridge

- ★ food stalls
- ★ santa's sleigh
- ★ lawn games
- ★ jumping castle
- ★ kids craft
- ★ drama & carols

CHRISTMAS Festival 2022

\$5 Tickets | To Register Go To:
festival.life.house

Calling all netballers.....

Jervois Bluds Netball club is seeking your registration of interest to play.

Please use the link to log into/register through PlayHQ and sign up for the Bluds!

<https://www.playhq.com/netball-australia/register/f70f72>

It's easy, won't take long and doesn't cost anything to register your interest to play.

For further information, chat to Jo or Michelle or call 0412 697 742

We'd love to have you join us!!!



January School Holiday Activities

Friday 6 January
Lightyear
Family film
Session 1: 10am-12noon
Session 2: 2pm-4pm
All ages

Tuesday 10 January
Bug Craft
3-4pm
Ages: 5-12yrs

Wednesday 11 January
LEGO Stem
Session 1: 10am-11am
Session 2: 2pm-3pm
Ages: 6-12yrs

Thursday 12 January
Jackbox Game Night
Session 1: 4:30pm-6pm
Session 2: 6-7:30pm
Ages for session 1: 16-20
Ages for session 2: 21-25

Wednesday 25 January
Escape Room
Escape the Jungle Temple
Session 1: 10am-10:30am
Session 2: 10:30am-11am
Session 3: 11am-11:30am
Session 4: 11:30am-12noon
Ages: 5-12yrs

Thursday 19 January
Insect Investigators
Children's University
11am-12noon
Ages: 5-12yrs

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children's
UNIVERSITY



So it's finally time for farewell to this bunch of cool kids, some of who have been with us for 7 years! Good Luck, be kind, stay true to yourselves, take risks, grab opportunities, keep learning, laugh, enjoy life and always remember your time at JPS fondly (we hope!)



Jervois Primary School – Yr 6 Graduates 2022
L-R: Georgie Flett, Taylor Jones, Hamish Wohlschlager, Liam Melbourne, Trinity Gibbs, Caleb Weaver, Tiana Hartwig, India ValDeremao, Lucy Watson



Merry Christmas & Happy holidays
from us all at Jervois Primary xoxo



That's a wrap for 2022 from us.....what a memorable year it has been, celebrating the school's 100th birthday and all of the other things in-between! Have a wonderful holiday break, enjoy your Christmas festivities and a well-earned rest!
Love from all the students and staff at JPS xoxo

