



5<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Dear Parents & Carers,

School starts at 8:50am  
School finishes at 3:05pm



happy  
Birthday to  
our JPS-ers  
celebrating  
in  
April:

Mrs Knight  
(in March)

Imogen

Marcus

Paige

Anthony

Scarlett F-G

Elyse

We hope you  
all have a  
super-  
dooper day!



### Principal's Piece: from Elissa

Hi families,

We made it through Term one with lots of new staff settling in, new learning, and kids have established some great classroom routines. Student Free Day this week is around Positive Behaviour for Learning Strategies, and our aim is to have a consistent approach to all behaviours at Jervois. Our behaviour policy will be reviewed before it is shared with the community at Governing Council.

The first three weeks of term two I am on leave, and am in the process of finalising my replacement while I am away. I will advise families through Seesaw when the process is completed. I also wanted to revisit our grievance procedure. If you have something you're not sure on, or want advice or confirmation on, even if you're unhappy with something happening at school with your child, your first point of contact is your child's classroom teacher. If you don't have a resolution after that, then you can escalate the issue to me, and I will work with you to find an amicable resolution.

Don't forget Wheel-a-thon next week, and enjoy this beautiful weather while it lasts.

Elissa

## STUDENT FREE DAY

 Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April,  
school will be CLOSED for all students – enjoy  
an extra, extra long weekend for Easter!!

### Parent/Teacher Interviews

Thanks to all parents who met with teachers for their child's interview session. Almost all families were able to either make it out the school or arrange an alternative option to catch up for a chat about their child's learning. This is one of the important avenues of sharing information about your child's learning journey; an opportunity to discuss strategies for improvement which can be used at home and school to benefit students' development and wellbeing.



### 2023 Wheelathon

Next Friday we are off.....either walking or riding along The Point Road for our annual Wheelathon. This event has been held for many decades at JPS and is traditionally used to raise awareness and funds for World Vision and the African Community we have chosen to support. Mrs Hughes has discovered a YouTube clip to show students 'The Zambia Project', for their understanding of why we raise money and making students aware of people who have very little (including no clean running water) and how much WE take for granted....and how lucky we are to live where we do!

Please ask your family & friends for their donations – with great timing to do this over Easter.....to support this worthy cause! All forms and donations need to be returned back to school on TUESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> April. And remember, if we don't have your signed sponsorship form returned (which is your permission to ride your bike), you will be walking instead!!  
DON'T FORGET YOUR HELMET & APPROPRIATE FOOTWEAR



### Assembly – FRIDAY 14<sup>th</sup> APRIL

Our final Term 1 assembly will be held on Friday at 1:30pm – remember it's an early dismissal for end of term at 2:05pm. We will be burying our new TIME CAPSULE on Friday with all of the bits & pieces we accumulated for our centenary celebrations last year, including some work from all classes, newspapers and special things we thought people may be interested to see when this time capsule is again dug up (maybe in another 10 or 15 or 20 or 25 years' time??). Wonder how old YOU will be then.

## Important Dates and Reminders

### STUDENT FREE DAYS – 2023

TERM 1:	Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> April
TERM 2:	Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> June
TERM 3:	Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> September
TERM 4:	Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> October
	Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> December (School Closure)

### SCHOOL FEES

Remember to either APPLY FOR SCHOOL CARD or PAY YOUR SCHOOL FEES please (EFT, cash or cheque preferred. EFTPOS is also available)! See Jo if you need to chat about a payment plan!

### NATURE PLAY and STUDENT BEHAVIOUR

Unfortunately we heard about some damage being made to a neighboring property, caused by sticks and rocks being thrown on the roof (damaging solar panels), making the owners understandably very unhappy! We spoke to all students and reiterated about caring for other's property and acceptable behaviour with things in the Nature Play area – there has been reported repeated incidents so we have taken steps to reduce the amount of students allowed in the Nature Play area at one time. This has been achieved by rostering classes to have access to the area during playtime, with yard duty supervision centered on strategic areas. While some students are unhappy about having limited access to Nature Play, it has been instrumental in being aware of why we have put this in place.

### TOILET GRUMBLE (again!)

Jo, Michelle & Margaret are really tired of hearing all about inappropriate toilet behaviour – mostly in the boys' toilet. And it's really not cool when we have to go down there and clean up after some boys who just aren't doing the right thing! On a positive note – we have been approved with a painting schedule from the Department and the toilets are on the list (among other areas of school) to have a fresh repaint! So we are hoping this may deter some of this behaviour when the toilets are looking much cleaner, fresher and less inviting to graffiti or mess up (fingers crossed!!).

### CHOIR CORNER

Hello everyone!

Myself and the Year 5s + 6s are slowly learning more and more songs during our Choir practice! We have now completed 3 WHOLE SONGS start to finish! I think we sound pretty good! For those wanting to practice at home the songs are:

- Proud Mary
- Whisper
- Charleston

Remember to use the app to practice on – as Spotify and YouTube will NOT have the correct versions! Another reminder that GIRLS are singing soprano and BOYS are singing the alto parts!

We also had a Choir Workshop on Wednesday of Week 9, I sadly was not able to make it as I had a separate PD training but I am sure the students had so much fun at North School!

Happy Singing 😊

Anna (PCW + Choir Teacher)

**CAMP UPDATE: for Yr 3-6** All permission forms must be returned by TUESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> APRIL please! You can still arrange a payment plan – we just need all the details to be on the return form – thanks!

**ROCKY ROAD final update** Check out Mrs Hughes' Wellbeing News – all the final ROCKY ROAD sales info is in there. Thank you, thank you, thank you for your support with this fundraiser – it has been AMAZING! Huge thanks to Mrs Hughes, Elyse and the kids who all helped to make this massive amount of RR bars (and they DO taste delicious!). Maybe we will have to have this option AGAIN later in the year (perhaps Father's Day or before Christmas?) as another fundraiser for school.....hopefully that's been enough time for Mrs Hughes & Elyse to recover from all their Rocky Road making!!





YEL (Young Environmental Leaders) – Term 1 Forum @ Monarto Safari Park





# MRS. HUGHES' WELLBEING BITS...

## SOME TAKEAWAYS FROM MY STUDENT WELLBEING LEADER CONFERENCE...

Last week I was lucky enough to go and hang with a whole heap of other wellbeing leaders to learn more about what I can do in my role to support and improve our student wellbeing here at JPS.

It was a BIG 2 days!

The words 'belonging + connections + relationships' kept popping up over the 2 days.

This is where I think I fit in...developing those connections + relationships with our staff, students, parents as well as the wider community.

We need to strive for our students to be feeling happy and school should be a place where they feel safe and a place they belong.

It needs to be a whole school approach where all parties work together to create this positive learning environment.

Another takeaway was the need to keep adding to our children's emotional toolkit. This little toolkit is what allows children to select various learnt or personal tools (strategies) that will help guide them through a challenge or roadblock in their life.

These different tools are aimed to fix the problems and control negative emotions and swap them for positive feelings and events.

We might look at a few of these tools over the next few newsletters so we can be working on them together... these tools help build resilience.

Anyway... these were just a few of my takeaways. I hope you found them interesting too!



**THANKYOU SO MUCH TO THOSE FAMILIES THAT GAVE UP PART OF THEIR SUNDAY TO PERSON THE EGG AND BACON STALL@ THE CAR BOOT SALE ON SUNDAY! IT WAS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED + IT WAS FUN PLAYING SHOPS!**



**Final rocky road update... we ended up with a grand total of 257 bars which means we made \$2570.00 – the cost of ingredients = approx \$1500.00 so that means the r-2 crew get \$750.00 to pop towards their Term 2 excursion and the 3-6 crew get to pop \$750.00 towards the cost of their Term 2 camp. Every little bit helps Thanks everyone that ordered some..**





Rocky Roads have headed home. Hope they are YUM! Thanks for those that ordered some



IT MUST BE NEARLY EASTER .. HOW LUCKY ARE WE TO HAVE THE VERY BEAUTIFUL MRS. GRIVELL. THANKYOU MARGARET FOR ALL THE EASTER JOY YOU BRING TO OUR YOUNGER PEOPLE HERE AT JPS.



We made 257!!!! which means we may have made around \$1500 which will go towards our big kids camp and little kids excursion. THANKYOU (that's if my maths is any good)



# Monday Maths



Sorting by attributes



PIC-COLLAG

THE NEXT P AND F CATCH UP IS AT GCS... (THE GERMAN CAKE SHOP) @ 9.00ISH ON WEDNESDAY 5TH APRIL.

OOPS... GCS IS CLOSED THIS DAY SO CATCH UP WILL NOW BE AT MYSTICAL FLAIR.

JUST POP ALONG IF YOU CAN.

WE REALLY WOULD TO SEE YOU THERE!





# community notices and coming events



**nab AFL Auskick**

## JOIN THE FUN!

**JERVOIS FC**

Jervois Oval

Thursdays 5-6pm

Jake Fix 0467 828 715

Centre starts: **March 9**

[play.afl/auskick](https://play.afl/auskick)

**Auskick registration:**

To register, simply go to

<https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/9b331c>.

Auskick is FREE with the use of the \$100 ORSR voucher (on the final payment screen, select 'I have a government voucher'. Enter your 10-digit Medicare card number + child's ref. number. Select apply & program cost will reset to \$0!).

THE MURRAY BRIDGE PLAYERS & SINGERS INC.  
presents

## LEGALLY BLONDE

Music and Lyrics by Laurence O'Keefe And Nell Benjamin      Book by Heather Hach

Based on the novel by Amanda Brown  
and the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer motion picture  
Licensed exclusively by Music Theatre International (Australia).

MURRAY BRIDGE TOWN HALL | MAY 2023

OPENING NIGHT 12/05 - 6:30pm for 7:30pm start

13, 19, 20, 26 & 27 @7:30pm | 14, 20, 21 & 27 @2:00pm

BOOK TICKETS - [mbplayersandsingers.com.au](http://mbplayersandsingers.com.au) or Ray White MB

## RECYCLE, EARN & PLAY

Our school is taking part in the Wonder Recycling Rewards campaign this term.

Help us collect bread bags so we can earn points to redeem on new RHSports equipment.

It's simple! All you need to do is keep your empty bread bags and send them to school with your kids! We will then place them in Wonder's pink collection box and post them off to be recycled. The more we collect the more points our school earns!

**Collections close 7th July.**

**Tip for collecting:**  
Use one empty bread bag to collect a bunch of other bags.

**Did you know?**  
Last year, schools collected over **10 tonnes of soft plastic**, that's the weight of an elephant!

**LET'S GET COLLECTING!**

A great holiday activity for the whole family:

## NATURE PLAY SA FOREST FESTIVAL at KUITPO

during the first week of the school holidays

Check out all the info about the day and book tickets here:

[Nature Play Kuitpo Forest](https://natureplaysa.org.au)

or go to [natureplaysa.org.au](https://natureplaysa.org.au)

*Enjoy the holiday break and have a Happy Easter. If you are travelling, stay safe!*

*See you back at school on MONDAY May 1st for an action packed Term 2 ☺*