



4th April 2025

WHEELATHON IS NEXT WEEK

Hi families,

It's been a very busy few weeks: thank you to all families who attended our three days of Parent Teacher interviews. We hope you found this catch up time beneficial to chat about your child and their educational journey. All families have met with teachers, which is fantastic! With just over a week left of school for Term 1, we look forward to having lots of families involved with our annual Wheelathon. This is an event students' look forward to every year and we appreciate the support you give to help the day run smoothly.

Sports Day was such a great day, with many supporters coming along to share the excitement and see Sturt come home with the win in a very tight contest. The sportsmanship displayed by all students was amazing and we are very proud of the encouragement seen from many students throughout the day. Everyone (students and staff) is feeling tired after a long term and we are all looking forward to the April holidays.

Enjoy the break: rest, relax and recover for a couple of weeks – we will see everyone back on Monday 28th April ready for an action-packed Term 2!

Take care,

JPS Staff (on behalf of Elissa)

COMING EVENTS...

If you haven't already, please pop these dates in your calendar...

11/4	Wheelathon & early dismissal	A super fun day where we encourage our kids to ride or walk to raise funds for our sponsored World Vision Community (you can join us too!) Information has been directly emailed from MSP Photography – please look out for their email (may need to check your SPAM or JUNK). All of the ordering info will be included, as well as the option for sibling/family photos too.
2/5	School Photo Day	

SPORTS DAY RESULTS:

Wow – that was so close.....

STURT 1229

MURRAY 1226

TOLMER 1225



WHEELATHON

It's everyone's next favourite day of the year (after Sports Day)!

Friday 11/4

Next Friday we have our annual Wheelathon. This JPS tradition has been going for well over 45 years, with the route changing over time, adapting to traffic and road conditions: for the past decade (at least) we have used The Point Road as the main route to travel along due to the least amount of traffic using this road, providing a safer transport journey for our students.

- ★ **Why do we do Wheelathon?** *It's always a fun day and opportunity to dust off the bike to ride or walk to raise money for our World Vision sponsorship. In the past, we have sponsored individual children from African places where life is hard and basic needs are few. We now sponsor a whole African COMMUNITY, supporting them to provide fresh running water, and food and education needs for children and their families. This gives our students some understanding of how others' in our world live very differently to us and we are indeed very lucky with what we have and things we can access.*
- ★ **What do I need to do to be able to ride my bike?** *You need to have a bike that is roadworthy, safe & suitable for the distance you are able to ride, has brakes that work and pumped up tyres. We also need your parent/carer's permission for you to ride your bike: by signing and returning the Wheelathon donation & permission form which has been sent home to all families (available from the office if you need another one).*
No signed form returned = no bike riding!
- ★ **How can parents/carers help?** *We have some awesome parents (& a grandparent too!) who have popped up their hands to help – THANK YOU! There's still room for extra riders and walkers to join us on the day: more adults to encourage kids to 'keep going' is always appreciated. A note to indicate who is helping and where will be popped onto seesaw early next week. ☺*

Reminder Wheelathon is on the last day of term, with school finishing at 2:05pm. The bus will run an hour earlier than normal, so your kids will be home early! Only just over a week left to go before holidays.....we have tired kids (& tired staff too); let's smash out the last days of learning and enjoy some well-deserved holidays ☺

Wheelathon through the decades.....



JPS students in the 1990s



Waiting to start in 2004



On the road in 2014

ADMIN NEWS & REMINDERS (from Michelle & Jo).....

PERMISSION FORMS: We use **EdSmart** to connect with families for important communication (excursions etc) and completion of forms, using an **online platform**. Please 'allow' emails from forms@edsmart.com which should show the sender as *JPS Edsmart*. Let us know if you need any further assistance or information.

STUDENT ABSENCES: are to be notified to the Front Office prior to or on the day of absence, by either

** phone call to 85723279 or call/text 0419 618 309

** email dl.0194.info@schools.sa.edu.au

BELL TIMES – Our regular school days look like this:

8:50am Start of the school day

11:05am Recess play time (canteen open on Tuesday & Friday)

11:25am End of recess

12:55pm Lunch play time

1:25pm End of lunch

3:05pm End of the school day (Note: for the last day of each term, we finish school an hour earlier (at 2:05pm), with the bus also leaving an hour earlier than normal)

**** Please do not bring/drop your child to school in the morning BEFORE 8:30am – there is no teacher supervision in the yard prior to 8:30am.**

2025 STUDENT FREE & SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS:

- ★ Term 2: Friday 6th June
- ★ Term 3: Monday 18th August & Monday 1st September
- ★ Term 4: Monday 13th October

SCHOOL FEES REMINDER

THERE IS STILL LOTS OF OUTSTANDING SCHOOL FEES!

Please consider applying for SCHOOL CARD to check if you are eligible: this will fully cover your child's 2025 School Fees amount.

Please check out the link <https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme#title2> for eligibility and how to apply. It's definitely worth looking into! There is a simple online process, or if you prefer to complete a paper copy of the application just let me know and I will send one home. And if you need any help with it, just pop in or give us a call.

If you need to create a **payment plan**, please contact me and we will create one that works for your circumstance. Fees are payable in full by the end of this term (unless a payment plan is in place).

Thanks, Jo

RECEPTION STARTERS – Term 3 2025 or Term 1 2026

If you know someone with a little person who is almost ready for school and they are thinking about JPS; please let us know.....or send them the link to our registration of interest form:

<https://www.education.sa.gov.au/docs/psp/reception-registration-of-interest-form.pdf>



SCHOOL PHOTO DAY: Fri 2nd May



Say Cheese



School Photo Day is: **Friday 2nd May**

Have your child's school memories captured forever

To order school photos please keep a look out for your email containing your child's unique shoot key & remember these helpful tips:



- Keep a look out for an email from MSP Photography – **Check you junk folder**
- Use the unique shoot key provided in the email to place your order online before the close date. If you have more than 1 student at the school you will also receive a FAMILY shoot key. Use this to order Family photos.
- Your child is not required to hand anything in on photo day.
- If you do not have an email address please collect a spare envelope from the schools front office.
- Please call our office if you require your order to be collected from the schools front office.

Should you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.
email: admin.adelaidesouth@msp.com.au ph: 08 83913951

Keep an eye out for an email from MSP Photography with your child's 'shootkey' to order school photos for this year. Orders must be in before the close date!

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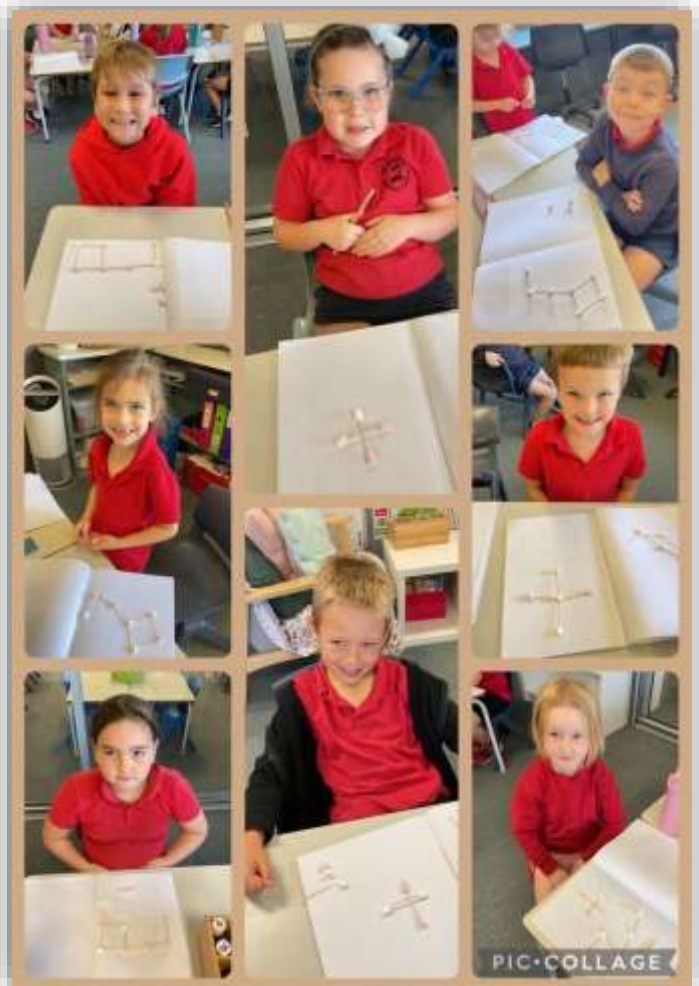
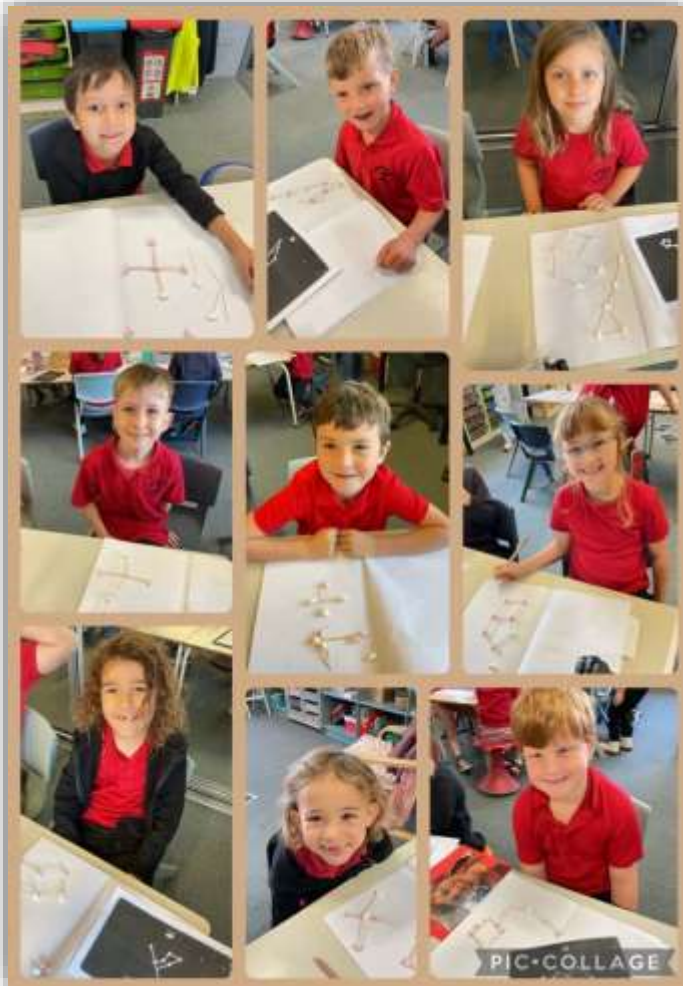


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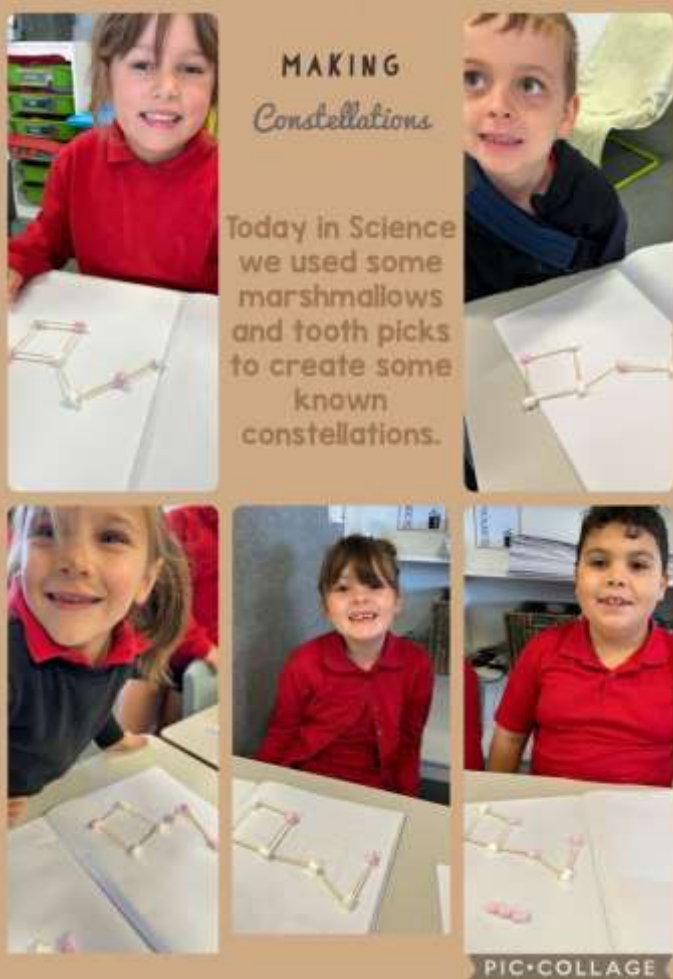
SPORTS DAY



Perfect scores: Hunter, Will & Laura



Rm 2: Science & Buddy time



WELLBEING: Lunch & Breakfast Club to fill hungry tummies



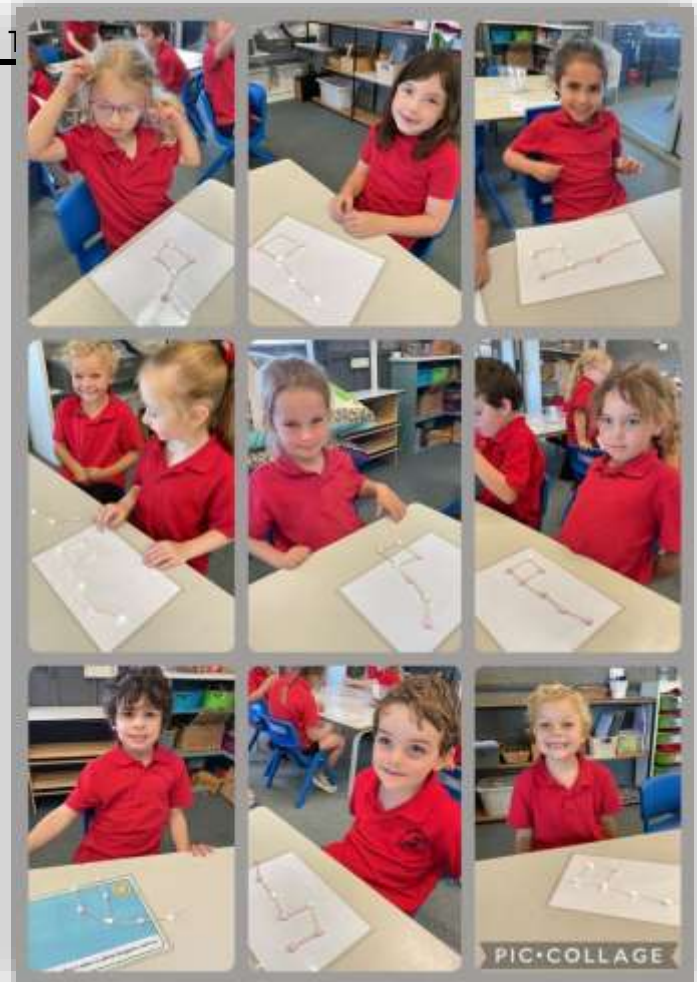
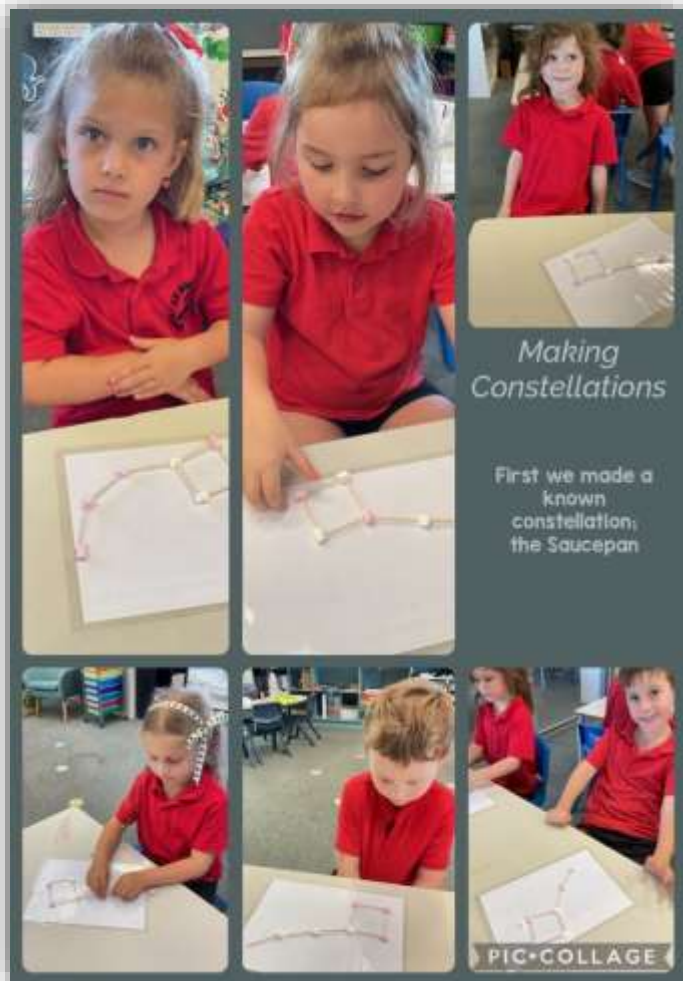
Wellbeing support with some 5/6 and R/1 students helping with Lunch Club in the past weeks.

Thanks to Mrs Cracknell & Sylvia for organising supplies from FOODBANK and all of their planning so we can enjoy delicious toasted sandwiches for lunch on Thursday and some toast for breakfast on Friday mornings! A great way to ensure full tummies for concentration, learning, happy kids & teaching life skills: teamwork, following instructions and cleaning up afterwards!!!



WELLBEING

ROOM 1: Science



Can you help....?

Leo, one of our Yr 2 students, has decided to raise some \$\$ for the Starlight Foundation. (Leo, pictured left, with his cousin Hudson)

For those unaware, the Starlight Foundation brightens the lives of sick kids: working in partnership with health professionals to bring the joy, fun and laughter that helps sick kids be kids. From the Starlight website: *"We help kids of all ages regardless of disability, injury or illness because what happens in childhood lasts a lifetime. We believe in happiness because it matters to sick kids' health."*

Leo's mum, Simone, has agreed to run the City to Bay for Leo's effort – that's a massive commitment, so we hope Leo raises lots of \$\$ and Simone trains hard for her big run date in September!!



Here's Leo bio from his fundraising page:

Hi, My name is Leo and I am trying to fundraise \$1000 to help Starlight Children's Foundation. Please help me by making a donation through my page. I got to spend lots of time at Starlight when I was sick last year. I had so much fun and it made my time in hospital better. I hope other kids get to spend time there too if they are sick. It only takes a minute and any money you can give (no matter how large or small) will go a long way to helping me reach my target. Thank you, I really appreciate your support. Mum is going to run 12kms for me so I can reach \$1000 to donate to Starlight. Love Leo

If you would like to contribute to Leo's cause, use the QR code →

Or go to <https://citybay25.grassrootz.com/starlight/leo-love>

We think this is super thoughtful Leo, you're a champ!



Premier's Reading and Be Active Challenges

Every year, we promote the Premier's challenges to our students to encourage regular participation with READING and PHYSICAL ACTIVITY. All students should already be adding any books they have read to the PRC (Reading Challenge) forms – this is something we actively support students to achieve and have, as a school, participated in for many years. Similarly, the PBA (Be Active) challenge is one which is relatively easy for kids to do: either over a 4 or 10 week period, to actively participate in sport/physical activity for 60 minutes on 5 of the 7 days of each of those weeks. It's a simple tick of sheet to record your child's activity, then once completed, sign off to verify and return it to school. There's plenty of time: both challenges are to be completed by late in Term 3, so that's almost 2 whole terms to get both done!

If you need another challenge form: they can be downloaded here:

[PBAC active challenge form](#)

[PRC reading challenge form link](#)

Or let us know and we will send another one home ☺

Happy reading and being active!!

Garden News

Apple picking with help from the 5/6s.....these will be used in the canteen for apple cake, biscuits, dried apples & apple crumble (yum!) for Friday Fresh next term! Keep an eye out for that!!



Community News

Term 1

Week 10

Friday

4/4/2025

Jervois Bluds Netball Club

Training schedule for THURSDAYS,
all trainings now at JERVOIS

START TIMES:

★ SJ 1 & SJ3 at 4:15pm

★ SJ2 at 4:30pm

★ Juniors & Inters at 5:15pm

★ Seniors at 6:30pm



LBBs will start Term 2 at 4:15pm

Teas available on training nights!

Season starts Sat 5th April

Let's go Bluds!!

MID YEAR ENROLMENTS

Does your child turn 4 from the 1st of
May to the 31st of October?
If so they can start preschool through
the mid-year in take, beginning of term 3
this year.

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST NOW!

Tailem Bend
Kindergarten & Rural Care

Bush Bioblitz

Kinchina Conservation
Park, Monarto

Sunday 13 April

10 am - 12 pm or 1 pm - 3 pm

Free

NATURAL LANDSCAPE
SOUTH AUSTRALIA
WATERBURY MOUNTAINS AND RIVERLAND

2025 TERM 1 PLANNER

10	31/3	1/4	2/4	3/4	4/4 Assembly Yr R/1
11	7/4	8/4	9/4	10/4	11/4 Wheel-a-thon Early Dismissal

2025 TERM 2 PLANNER

1	28/4	29/4	30/4	1/5	2/5 School Photos
2	5/5	6/5	7/5	8/5	9/5 Do it for Dolly
3	12/5 Cross Country SAPSASA	13/5	14/5 Gov Council	15/5	16/5 Walk to School Day
4	19/5	20/5	21/5	22/5	23/5
5	26/5	27/5	28/5	29/5	30/5
6	2/6	3/6	4/6	5/6	6/6 Student Free Day

Wheelathon forms due Wed 9/4

Room 3 celebrating HARMONY DAY on 21st March



SAPOL community events coming up:

- * Blue Light Ten Pin Bowling: Wed 16th April
\$5 per ticket 2 session times
10am – 11:30am or 11:30 – 1pm
Online bookings essential: numbers limited
- * Blue Light Boxing Fitness: Term 2 open for
bookings via the Blue Light SA website
Registration is free. Wednesdays after school