



15th August 2025

NEWSLETTER: TERM 3 WEEK 4

Dear Families,

It's hard to believe we're already more than halfway through the school year! As we move into Week 4 of Term 3, I want to take a moment to reflect on how far we've come and to encourage all members of our school community to keep looking forward with positivity and purpose.

In the last newsletter, I optimistically noted that we had left the "winter bugs of Term 2 behind us"! Unfortunately, that hasn't quite been the case! Like many schools, we've experienced a high number of illnesses circulating, and I want to sincerely thank our families for continuing to support the school by keeping unwell children at home. We understand the disruptions this may cause to your own routines, and we deeply appreciate your effort in helping to break the cycle of sickness.

Despite these challenges, there is so much to celebrate at Jervois. Even with changes such as Ms Hunter being away for a few weeks, our students have continued to demonstrate healthy behaviours and a genuine commitment to their learning. It's been rewarding to visit classrooms and see students engaged, confident, and proud of the progress they're making.

At last Friday's assembly, I shared a simple but powerful challenge with our students for the week ahead:

"Be the best person you can be."

This message is more than just a weekly goal—it's a guiding principle. Whether in the classroom, on the playground, at home, or in the community, I encouraged our students to show kindness, patience, understanding, and a willingness to improve themselves in all that they do.

These are the qualities that help build not just great learners, but great people. And as we look ahead to the rest of Term 3, I hope this message resonates with all of us: students, staff, and families alike.

I leave you with a quote that captures this sentiment beautifully:

"What we know matters, but who we are, matters more." – **Brené Brown**

Let's continue working together to grow & support one another, and make Jervois Primary not just a place of learning, but a place where we all strive to be our best.

Warm regards,

Ann Cracknell,

Acting Principal – Jervois Primary School

Book Week & Book Swap is NEXT WEEK.....we have our annual Book Week parade next Friday 22nd August at 9am. Parents/Carers are welcome to come along to our parade! See info below about our BOOK SWAP: send some books to school and your child can choose to swap them for some different books & bring them home.

We are asking for your help.

If you have children's books at home that you no longer need and in good condition and you would like to donate to our book swap event. Please bring them in (week 4 or 5) and place in the box in the library by Samantha's desk.

In lesson 4 of book week parade day, children will be able to select a book or two to take home. It's a great way to keep books in circulation and for children to discover a new book or two. 📖📖📖📖 Ann Cracknell-

Wellbeing Leader 🌟💖

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**SCHOOL
CLOSED
MONDAY
AUGUST 18th**

There will be NO STAFF on site!

STUDENT FREE DAYS

Term 3: Week 5 Monday 18th August
 Week 7 Thursday 4th September

***NOTE CHANGED DATE

Term 4: Week 1 Monday 13th October

SAPSASA SPORT

Last Tuesday, a group of Year 4-6 students attended the Murraylands District Athletics day at Unity College. Overall, it was a great day with the sun shining and everyone having a good time. In the Handicap (for small schools) we placed 2nd, which showcased everyone's hard work! It was a successful day and a great effort by all involved. Congrats to our students who participated: Lucas, Macy, Lenny, Hallie, Saydee, Elijah F, Rivah, Archer G, Chloe, Hayden, William O, Saxon, Frankie, Hunter, Richard, Laura & Elise ☺

PS – thanks to Chloe & Samantha for supporting our kids and the parent supporters, particularly Jemma who helped staff out with marshalling duties:

THANK YOU JEMMA! ★☺



YEAR 6 HIGH SCHOOL TRANSITION (for 2026 at Murray Bridge High School)

Key Dates coming up for Murray Bridge High School information sessions etc:

- ★ Term 3 Week 9 (Tues 16/9 & Thurs 18/9) Parent Conferences at MBHS
- ★ Term 3 Week 10 (Mon 22/9) Parent Conferences at MBHS
- ★ Term 4 Week 5 (Tues 11/11) 'Getting Ready for 2026' Information Night & Uniform Fit night
- ★ Term 4 Week 8 (Tues 2/12) Transition Day at MBHS – whole day!

We will make sure reminders are given prior to each of these events; via seesaw and some communication may come direct to you from the High School. As always, if you have any questions, please ask us!

Wellbeing Focus – Week 4, Term 3 *(From the desk of Ann Cracknell – Wellbeing Leader)*

Well, it's been a positive few weeks, and as we move into the mid-point of Term 3, there's a lot to celebrate and look forward to!

Our students continue to bring enthusiasm and energy to our weekly Lunch Club events, and we're so grateful for their eagerness to be involved. These moments of connection and fun are what help shape our positive school culture.

We're also gearing up for another exciting event this term – the **annual Colour Fun Run!** This will be introduced during our whole-school meeting on Friday, where students will learn how they can get involved in this vibrant fundraiser. An information sheet will go home with students this Friday, with all the details on how families can register online, and the prizes students can earn. It's sure to be a highlight of the term!



This week also marks **"Bullying No Way" Week**—a nationwide campaign focused on creating safe and respectful learning environments. The theme for 2025 is: **Be Bold. Be Kind. Speak Up.**

At Jervois Primary, we are committed to making sure every student feels valued, supported, and safe. This week encourages all students to be brave, to speak up if they or someone else is experiencing bullying, and to show kindness in their everyday actions.

Bullying No Way Week is a reminder that it takes a whole community to stand against bullying. Whether we're young or old, every one of us has a role to play—by being bold enough to say something, kind enough to support someone, and strong enough to act.

Trusted adults in our school are always available to help guide and support students through any challenges. Together, we can foster an environment where everyone feels safe to learn and grow.

Let's remember:

- ✓ Be bold in standing up for what's right.
- ✓ Be kind in our words and actions.
- ✓ Speak up for ourselves and others.

This is not just a one-week message—it's a daily practice. Let's all commit to making kindness and courage a part of our everyday lives.

As we move further into Term 3, we're starting to see signs of warmer days and more exciting events on the horizon. I hope you all enjoy the sunshine, outdoor activities, and the unique beauty of our wonderful community.

Take care,
Ann Cracknell

Wellbeing Leader – Jervois Primary School 🌻



Playgroup FUN



JERVOIS PLAYGROUP
FUN, LAUGHTER & MEMORIES
PAINTING, COLOURING, GAMES
& MORE

Getting Ready For Term 3!

August 11th : Doctor, Doctor
August 18th : School Closure,
'No Playgroup'

August 25th : No Playgroup
Sept 1st : Building and Construction
Sept 8th : Life on the Farm
Sept 15th : Shop Keeper
Sept 22nd : Fairy Tales

MONDAYS
1.30- 3PM

COME ALONG AND HAVE SOME FUN!
 Located in the Jervois School
 Library

PCW Piece: Kimochis



Meet Lovey Dove!

LOVEY DOVE lives in an auburn nest high atop a Japanese Maple Tree. Her nest has one bedroom, a kitchen, and a playroom with a magic slide where the other characters spend a lot of time after their homework is done. She loves healthy snacks like carrot sticks & yogurt raisins.

Lovey Dove is a communication tool for

- ★ sharing pride without bragging
- ★ celebrating others' accomplishments
- ★ overcoming discouragement
- ★ moving through worried feelings

Lovey Dovey's favorite number is **11** and she loves the colour **LEMON YELLOW**

The Kimochis:
huggable
cloud
bug
cat
LOVEY DOVE

Which one is your favourite?

ART EXHIBITION

Don't miss the chance to pre-purchase your child's art masterpiece! Respond to the Edsmart email sent earlier this week to ensure you let us know of your intention to purchase: we need your response by Thursday 21st August, prior to setting up our school display at the hall. We will mark all sold items, with the remainder offered for public sale over the weekend event. Hope you're able to visit the Exhibition to see our display and all of the other amazing Art on show from local artists.

Community Art & Heirlooms

SALA

South Australian Living Artists Festival
 August, 2025

The 'Community Art & Heirlooms' exhibition will be an eclectic collection of Art and Heirloom Crafts presented from artisans across four local communities, including the Jervois Primary School students.

there will be items available for purchase as well as display only pieces

Exhibitors

Jervois Primary School - Murray Bridge Hand Spinners & Weavers Guild - Riverbank Basket makers

Tailem Bend Community Centre (art & exquisite quilts) - Wine Barrel Craft - Maureen Gibson Hats

Leanne McCulloch Art

Jervois Town Hall

9 William St Jervois

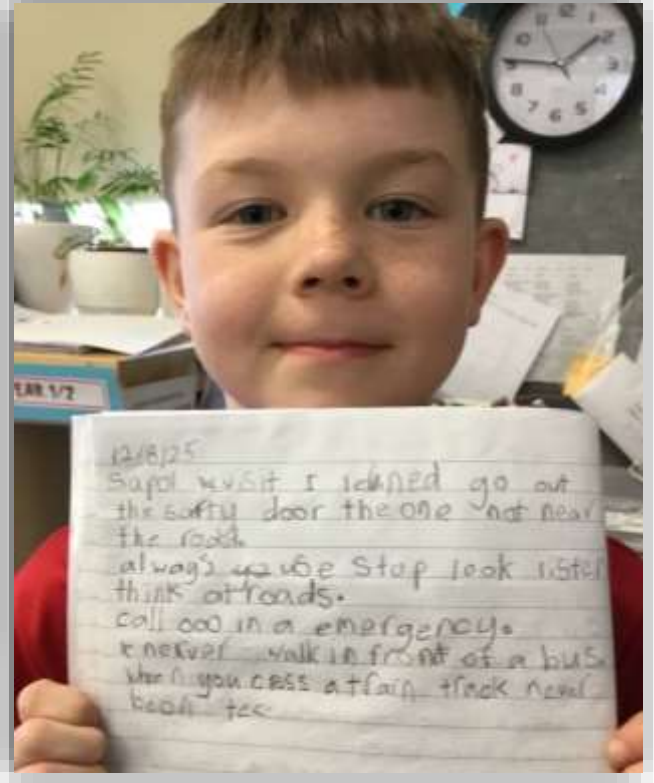
Sat 23 & Sun 24 August 10am - 3pm

Hot soup or afternoon tea will be available for a small fee, with all proceeds going to the Jervois Hall.

The Community Art & Heirloom exhibitors acknowledge and thank The Rural City of Murray Bridge and The Jervois Town Hall Committee for their generous sponsorship and support of this event.

SAPOL Road Safety Visit

We had Andrew, a police officer in the library on Tuesday morning to talk to us about road safety. It was well presented and promoted a lot of discussion back in class. What a great opportunity to do some writing to recall safely facts that they remembered. We hope they shared their knowledge with you all! 🚔 🚗 🚲



Sunsafe Reminders

Protect your family – Download the SunSmart Global UV app





Sun exposure during childhood and adolescence is a critical factor in determining future risk of skin cancer—and the damage from UV radiation is cumulative and irreversible. Please take the time to ensure your children are protected whenever the UV is 3 and above to help reduce their skin cancer risk. Download the FREE SunSmart Global UV app from the app store to access the local daily sun protection times today.



Photo competition for young people

The Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board want to see our region through young people's eyes and find out what you think is important!

If you're old enough to use a camera, and up to the age of 25, they're calling on you to show them what matters most through photography – such as:

-  A river or wetland
-  Native animals or plants
-  Bushland
-  People at work or play

This is your chance to showcase the places, people and moments that tell the story of our region.

Your photo could be featured in the updated Regional Landscape Plan 2026-2031 – plus there are some awesome prizes up for grabs!

Find out more and enter here:

www.flow.landscape.sa.gov.au/26-31-regional-landscape-plan



Snap it. Share it. Win it!

Enter your photo for a chance to win some great prizes and show off your skills.

Scan QR code or click here for more info

We want to see the Murraylands and Riverland region through young people's eyes. If you're aged 25 and under get out and get snapping!

LANDSCAPE SOUTH AUSTRALIA
MURRAYLANDS AND RIVERLAND



FATHER'S DAY FAMILY EVENT

Fathers Day Family Night..!
Happening in store at Bunnings Murray Bridge

Thursday 4th September 5pm-7pm.

Details: Book Online at www.bunnings.com.au

Don't miss out - register now

Join us in Store this Fathers Day for a Wild West themed Family Night.

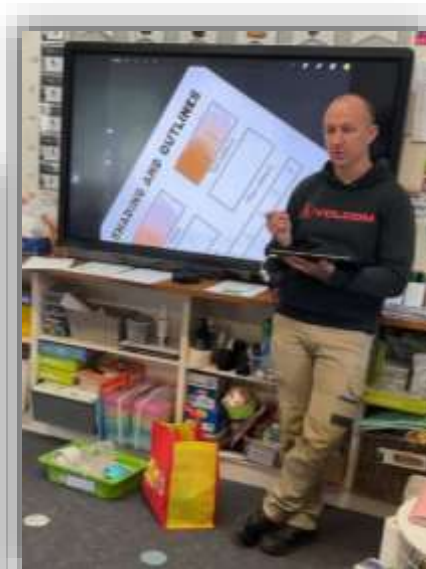
- Enjoy making Dad a Gift Bag of goodies -
- Play some games and take some fun and silly photos. Get your face painted or a tattoo. We will have the Vintage Machinery Club there and a Sausage Sizzle

BUNNINGS warehouse

TERM 3 PLANNER

5	18/8 School Closure Day	19/8	20/8	21/8	22/8 1/2 Assembly Book Week Parade	Art Exhibition Weekend
6	25/8	26/8	27/8	28/8	29/8	
7	1/9	2/9	3/9	4/9 Student Free Day	5/9 5/6 Assembly	
8	8/9	9/9	10/9 Governing Council	11/9	12/9	
9	15/9	16/9	17/9	18/9	19/9 R/1 Assembly	
10	22/9 Athletics champs in Adelaide	23/9	24/9	25/9	26/9 COLOUR RUN!	

What's Dave been up to?? How lucky are we? We had Dave come in and do a whole afternoon of art techniques with our class to support us in completing our artworks for the upcoming SALA exhibition! Dave has also been setting up our display: we are going with a 'rustic' look; utilising some pallets and hay bales – it's going to look a treat! Make sure you go along to the Art Exhibition to see our JPS display! Thanks Dave! ☺.....



We can't wait to see the finished art masterpieces!!