



19th September 2025

Newsletter: Term 3 Week 9

Dear Families,

Students in years 3 to 6 are currently undertaking their progressive achievement testing (PAT), and it has been pleasing to see the focus and effort they are putting into these assessments. The information we gain from PAT testing is valuable in helping us track progress and plan for future learning. It is also a tool to identify whole school trends in Maths and Reading.

We are also looking forward to our upcoming Colour Run, which is always a highlight for students and families. At the time of writing, we have already raised almost \$4,000—a fantastic effort! A big thank you goes to our children and staff who have been such great sports in supporting this event. Special mention must go to Dave and Tam, who bravely volunteered to be slimed to support our fundraising efforts—much to the joy of the students! Thank you to all families who have supported us so far, and we encourage contributions where possible, as every little bit helps.

This past week, we were lucky enough to welcome the Murray Bridge High School Band, who performed a range of popular songs. The students thoroughly enjoyed the concert—there was plenty of singing, clapping, and smiling all around. It was wonderful to see such talented young musicians inspiring our children.

Looking ahead, on Monday we will be visiting Mannum Community College to watch a performance presented by their junior school. We are excited to experience what they have created and are grateful for the opportunity to connect with another school in our partnership. These experiences strengthen relationships across our schools and open up valuable learning opportunities for our students. And while some of us will be at Mannum, the year five and six choir students will be practising their singing at Murray Bridge North School.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support of our school community. Take care, and enjoy this beautiful spring weather.

Elissa

Our love and thoughts are with Margaret – she has taken some time off to have a knee replacement. Best wishes for your recovery Margaret – we miss your friendly face at school 😊



**SCHOOL
CLOSED
MONDAY
OCTOBER 13th**

(Staff attending training)
Have an extra day of holidays
before you come back for
Term 4!

STUDENT FREE DAYS

Term 4: Week 1 Monday 13th October



SAPSASA SPORT - ATHLETICS

Laura & Lucas represent Murraylands for the SAPSASA State Athletics Championships held in Adelaide on Monday 22nd September. Laura will compete in High Jump, while Lucas will compete in the Shotput event. Good luck to you both – we know you will do your best & represent JPS & the Murraylands with pride!

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 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!



📷 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! **Entries close Tuesday 30th September 2025.**

Find out more and enter here: www.flow.landscape.sa.gov.au/26-31-regional-landscape-plan

Wellbeing Focus – Lunch Club (From the desk of Ann Cracknell – Wellbeing Leader)

Great job, Harvey, Norina & Darcy the birthday boy from last Thursday, working on Lunch Club for the R/ Yr. 1 class.



PIC•COLLAGE

Take care,
Ann Cracknell

Wellbeing Leader – Jervois Primary School ☀

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.



BOOKWEEK



Thank you for your book donations. Children had a good selection of books to choose from and were able to go home with 1 or 2 books 📖💡💖



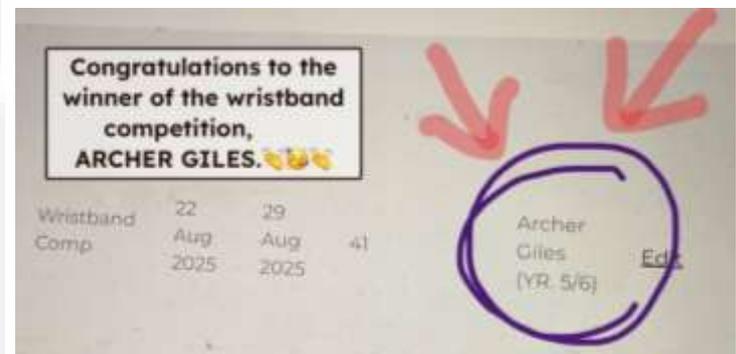
COLOUR RUN FUN

It's getting closer: Our COLOUR RUN FUN day is next Friday (last day of Term 3)!

Most students have been busy fundraising for their colour run.....and we have almost reached our whole school target of \$5,000: what an awesome effort!

We have set some targets throughout the campaign to encourage kids to keep their fundraising pages ticking over. The SLIME target has been surpassed, so SLIME DAY is this Thursday and everyone is super keen for the 'slimees' to get all green and slimy!

We have reached over \$3500 for our Fun Run, so it's Time to Slime. Teachers and students can volunteer to be Slimed this Thursday. Children will be asked if they wish to be part of this. Children will need a change of clothes if they have been picked to get "Slimed". Stayed tuned for more info. 😊



And the 'slim-ees' are:

- ★ DAVE
- ★ TAM
- ★ OLIVIA M
- ★ RILEY M
- ★ ELIJAH M
- ★ DECLAN

They got SLIMED!!

Everyone was there to cheer on the slimers 😊



Playgroup FUN

Reminder:

NO PLAYGROUP

Monday 13/10

(it's a Student Free Day)



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

Getting Ready For Terr **4**

October 20th: Welcome Back
October 27th : Fairy Tales
November 3rd: Doctor, Doctor
November 10th: Space
November 17th: Lets Build
November 24th: Summer Holidays
December 1st: Christmas
December 8th: End of Year Party

MONDAYS
1.30-3PM
 COME ALONG AND HAVE SOME FUN!
 Located in the Jervois School
 Library



JERVOIS
 Primary School

2025/2026 ENROLMENT INFORMATION

About us

Jervois Primary is a regional school with approximately 90 Reception to Year 6 enrolments across four small classes. The Australian Curriculum is implemented throughout all classes, with all students engaging in specialist learning of Science and HASS.

Our staff members provide quality care and have high expectations for student learning and wellbeing. Student wellbeing is additionally supported by our wellbeing leader.

Enrolment

We not only offer enrolment opportunities in Reception for school beginners, but are also able to accommodate older students with **available spaces across all year levels.**

EXPRESSION OF
 INTEREST FOR
 ENROLMENT



**2025 R-6
 ENROLMENTS
 AVAILABLE FOR
 IMMEDIATE
 START!**

Contact Us:

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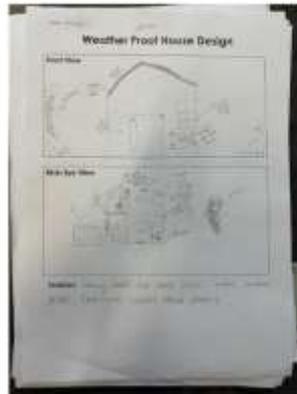
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If you know someone who intends to send their child to Jervois Primary School for Reception in 2026; or any other year level.....please let us know!

Planning for staffing and classrooms is now underway, so it's important we know our student numbers for 2026 & beyond.

Room 3 DESIGN & TECH

In Design and Technologies this term, Room 3 have been investigating how to design and create weather-proof houses. After looking at many different types of houses across the world as a class, each student picked a type of extreme weather they were interested in and began to research how they could create a house to withstand it. They designed, reflected, edited and designed again before creating their houses either out of materials, on Minecraft or makers empire. Here are some of our results!



Koah: I have made a house that will stay safe in a tsunami. It is strong and on stilts so the water will travel through underneath.

Archer: My house is designed to withstand fires. I have built it out of fire-proof materials and there are no trees around. The fire should go right overtop.



Lucas: I have used Minecraft to create an underground house like the ones in Coober Pedy. You can see in this photo the door and ladder that goes down to it. It is good to avoid really hot weather.

YEL

On Thursday 28th August, a few Yr 6 students buried some Cotton undies in 2 different locations, for the Soil Your Undies experiment. This is something we have participated in for the last few years.

Anyone in the Murraylands region can participate, by burying 2 pairs of undies in different locations in the same week. Then in 8 weeks time; dig them up and send them away to be analysed and compared to all the other undies around the district. This soil analysis demonstrates different ranges of composition of the material, depending on soil type, moisture and other factors. We will report our findings after the 8 weeks are up, and we uncover our undies!!



PROJECT: SOIL YOUR UNDIES

WANTED: YOUNG SOIL SCIENTISTS

We challenge you to participate in **PROJECT: SOIL YOUR UNDIES** and test how "alive" your soil at home is.

DIG

BURY 6 INCHES

MARK

WAIT 2 MONTHS

PCW Piece: Kimochis



Meet Cat!

CAT lives in a Cherry Blossom Tree. Cat likes to keep her house tidy and loves to host tea parties. She can be very persuasive and she loves to snack on toasted almond cookies and warm milk.

Cat is a communication tool for

- * Apologising and forgiving
- * Making safe, wise, kind choices
- * Managing cranky feelings

Cat's favourite number is **10** and she loves the colour **PURPLE**

The Kimochis:

Huggtopus

Cloud

Bug

Cat

Lovey Dove

Which one is your favourite?

ART EXHIBITION We displayed our artwork at the local SALA Art Exhibition over the weekend of August 23/24 at the Jervois Hall. We heard lots of great comments about our display, with many people coming to check out the local talented artists we have around our region. Many thanks to Leanne McCulloch for inviting our school to participate – she was super pleased with how the event went and love, love, loved our display and the effort everyone put into their pieces! She was so blown away with this year's event, that she's keen to sign up for it next year, and have us involved again!

We will include our artworks in the local Murray Bridge Show School display section on Saturday September 27th, then after the holidays, the artworks which have been purchased will be sent to their new homes 😊





SEASON 2025 - 26

DISCOVER THE FUN OF ATHLETICS

Ever thought about trying athletics? Now's your chance! Meet new friends, bond with family, and enjoy achieving your personal best.



Join us for a thrilling come-and-try session

September 28 & October 12 8:30am
Murray Bridge High School
\$3.00 per day

Register today at salaa.org.au



TERM 3 PLANNER

10	22/9 Athletics champs in Adelaide	23/9	24/9	25/9	26/9 COLOUR RUN!
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TERM 4

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS – YAY!

1	13/10 Student Free Day	14/10	15/10	16/10	17/10
2	20/10	21/10 Regional Choir Concert	22/10 Gov Council	23/10	24/10
3	27/10	28/10 Yr 6 Aquatics	29/10	30/10	31/10 Assembly
4	3/11	4/11	5/11	6/11	7/11
5	10/11	11/11 Remembrance Day	12/11	13/11	14/11 Assembly Bloomfest – Volunteer afternoon
6	17/11	18/11	19/11	20/11	21/11 JPS School Concert
7	24/11	25/11	26/11 Gov Council	27/11	28/11 Assembly
8	1/12	2/12 MBHS Transition day	3/12 Step Up afternoon L5	4/12	5/12
9	8/12 Yr 6 Graduation	9/12 Pool Day	10/12	11/12	12/12 Assembly – Yr 6

What's Dave been up to?? Painting 'Moo-tricia' so she looks like a real cow!! Planning the makeover of our Centennial Garden along with some P&F members. Dave spent lots of time at other schools around the state sharing his love of BOOKS for Book Week – he had lots of fun, and so did the other kids (we were glad to share Dave so they could experience his amazing-ness too)!

Only 1 more week of Term 3 to go.....then Happy Holidays!