



15th May 2026

A word from the Principal.....

Hi Families,

It has been another busy and positive few weeks across the school.

Staff have been working closely with Jenna from the Literacy Guarantee Unit to strengthen rigorous instructional routines across classrooms. This work is supporting greater consistency in teaching practice and helping ensure high-quality literacy instruction for all students.

Sports Day was a fantastic success, with great weather and a strong turnout from families and community members. Congratulations to Tolmer, who were this year's winners. Thank you to everyone who helped make the day such a positive event for our students.

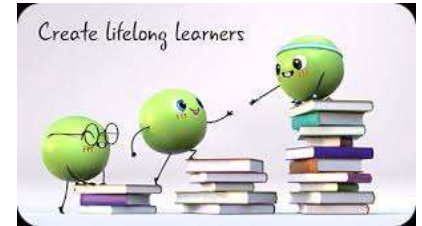
Our Lego Club continues this term and remains a valuable partnership with the Tailm Bend Kindergarten. The program provides wonderful opportunities for children to collaborate, problem-solve, and build connections.

NAPLAN results have now been released. Our Year 5 cohort showed significant improvement, while Year 3 results remained stable. As always, small cohort numbers can have a significant impact on overall results and trends.

Our Effective Learners work continues to grow across the school. Teachers are increasingly using language that supports students to move from their comfort zone into their learning zone, helping children recognise that challenge is an important part of learning and growth. This can also be supported at home by encouraging positive language when your child is finding something challenging. Phrases such as, "It sounds like challenge is introducing itself," or "Are you currently in your learning zone or your comfort zone?" can help children develop resilience, persistence, and a positive approach to learning.

We also held another successful Wheelathon, raising approximately \$1,600 for World Vision. Thank you to all the families, volunteers, and staff who supported this important event.

Take care,
Elissa



Term 3 Reception Starters

If you know of anyone who is keen to join Jervois Primary School for Reception in Term 3, and anytime during next year (2027), please pass on their details to Michelle or Jo asap.

Pre-enrolment information is being collected NOW to enable us to prepare for transition later this term.

CONCERT is EARLY this year. We are trialling something different and holding our School Concert mid-year at the end of Term 2. Please pencil in Friday 3rd July on your calendars as the afternoon to attend our whole school production! More info will be sent home shortly – tickets will need to be ordered & paid for at the time of booking and seats will be allocated on a first come-first served basis, to assist with seating capacity of the venue.

CAMP A Whole School CAMP is planned for the middle of Term 3, which is heavily subsidised by the school and drought funding from 2025. Further details will be shared with all families, including costs and what's planned for camp! It's an amazing experience we plan for all students, with qualified camp educators organising the fun activities.

Reminders for coming events:



Life Ed: Week 6 (complete permission & payment)

Student Free Day: Fri 5th June

Public Holiday: Mon 8th June

Effective Learners:

As a site, we have introduced a new approach to classroom language around our “Zones of Learning.”

The four zones are Comfort, Performance, Learning, and Aspirational.

Each zone has an important place in our classroom, and students are learning to recognise how different tasks and challenges can fit within these areas.

We have been using this language across all learning areas to encourage students to reflect on how they are feeling, when they are being challenged, and when they are stretching themselves as learners.

It would be wonderful if you could begin discussing these zones at home with your child and encourage them to think about where certain activities or tasks might sit within these zones.



Wellbeing update (from Ann)

It has been a lovely start to Term 2 at Jervis Primary School. Students have returned full of energy and enthusiasm, which is evident each morning as they come off the bus and during playtime throughout the day. It has been wonderful to see so many smiling faces and positive interactions across the school.

Our students continue to demonstrate a strong sense of community by eagerly putting their hands up to be involved in school activities and events. A wonderful example of this was the involvement of our Year 5/6 students in organising the blue food stall for "Do It for Dolly Day" in Week 2. The students were effective, thoughtful and sincere in their planning and preparation for this important cause.

The support from families and students was amazing, with PLENTY of delicious blue-themed food generously donated for the lunch stall. There was a real buzz around the school at lunchtime as students lined up to purchase food, while our Year 5/6 students were kept very busy serving customers and handling money responsibilities.

Well done to everyone involved, and congratulations to the students on raising an impressive \$200 for this very important cause. Your kindness, teamwork and community spirit are something to be very proud of.

I look forward to seeing how the rest of Term 2 unfolds as our students continue to learn, grow and make the most of the many opportunities ahead. As the cooler weather begins to settle in, I encourage everyone to enjoy the sunshine while it lasts and continue to support and celebrate the wonderful potential within our beautiful school community.

Ann Cracknell, Wellbeing Leader 🌻



THANK YOU!



Lunch & Brekky Club



Look at our super keen helpers from Room 2, ready for all the jobs of Lunch Club: making, delivering, cleaning up. All with great enthusiasm and energy. Well done, Iliana, Phoebe & Jordan 🌟🌟🌟



Wheelathon (end of Term 1)



We've had our breakfast, the rain has gone and the sun is shining and we are ready for Wheelathon at 11.30.



What a fun day we had at Wheelathon. Thank you to our parents, friends and grandparents for coming out to support this event and a BIG thank you to our volunteers who worked on keeping us all safe and hydrated. 🙏❤️🌻🌟



Do It for Dolly day - fundraising & supporting a worthy cause 😊



Another great effort by Room 5 with supporting "Do it For Dolly Day". Thank you to parents, students & families who supported this cause. It was a great success with students taking on the responsibility of preparing and running the event.



Classroom learning & activities



Year 3/4 Class: BOOK MAKING 📖

This term we learned all about narrative writing.

We have been working on drafting different stories, editing, rewriting and perfecting in order to turn our stories into books. It has been a great project & we can't wait to share our books with you guys!



Year 1/2 Class: V.I.P. = Very Important Play

The importance of creative play promotes imagination, cooperation, teamwork, thinking, problem solving, creativity, and is lots of fun along the way!

Students working together



R/1 Class: Partner Reading

A relaxing way to learn, share and stretch understanding and fluency with shared reading



Students from 5/6 and R-2 Art Co-operation

Most of our students combined to create a loooooong artwork outside enjoying the sunshine! It's so good to see our older students working alongside and supporting our youngest students!



Y.E.L. Term 1 (Youth Environmental Leaders group)

For term one (19th March) we went too Pangarinda Botanic garden, which is located just down the road in Wellington. The native garden is a 25 Hectare area, and 32 years ago was a plain dirt patch; but now after many volunteers have planted almost 3000 trees, bushes & shrubs, it is a lovely place to go and explore. Spring and Autumn are the best times to visit, as more plants are flowering and animals are out and about. The topic for this Term's YEL session was 'Precious Plants and Pollinators'.

We heard from some very knowledgeable people:

One lady shared her knowledge about everything to do with bees!

Some fun facts:

- 🐝 Did you know that bee breeds size range from 2mm - 15mm when fully grown.
- 🐝 Honey Bees are the most common bees we have in Australia, but they are not native to Australia! They came over in the 1820's when settlers found out they needed more bees to pollenate the apples trees which were also brought over hundreds of years ago.
- 🐝 Bees are vegetarians.
- 🐝 Bees only sting if they are stressed or scared, they don't want to sting.

Another gentleman spoke about what other animals are pollinators; not just Bees and butterflies.

Insects, ants, moths, lots of different types of birds, and native rats too. There are many, many more as well.

We also learnt about 4 main types of water baths we can build/create to help different types of animals; Native Bees, Honey Bees, Butterflies & Wasps

We learnt how to best make bee hotels for the native bees, as they don't live in hives like honey bees.

Term 1 YEL group with Samantha 😊



Admin Reminders

CANTEEN will be open at recess time on TUESDAY and FRIDAY for ice blocks and snacks. Contact Jo or Michelle if you need a pricelist, and look out for Friday Fresh forms coming home each Tuesday!

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 drop your child to school in the morning BEFORE 8:30am – there is no teacher supervision in the yard prior to 8:30am.

Children picked up from school should be collected as soon as possible after the 3:05pm bell has gone – thanks!

2026 STUDENT FREE & SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS

Term 2: Friday 5th June

Term 3: Thursday 10th Sept & Friday 11th Sept

Term 4: Friday 13th November

Important dates

Friday 3rd July: **SCHOOL CONCERT**
(last day of Term 2)



APPLYING FOR A SCHOOL CARD



All types of School Card applications are now online.



You can access the online forms from any device that gets internet, including mobile devices, such as tablets and smart phones, as well as laptops and computers.

Applying online is easy! Simply follow the steps below.

STEP 1

Visit sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard

STEP 2

Select the type of School Card you would like to apply for (for example 'Type A') and follow the prompts.

STEP 3

Complete all mandatory fields.

Please note: you cannot submit your application unless all mandatory fields are complete.

STEP 4

Once you have completed a page click on the 'NEXT' button.

STEP 5

Once you have filled out all pages click the 'SUBMIT' button.

Please note: if you exit the form without clicking 'SUBMIT' your details will be lost.

You can save the form, and return to complete it at another time, by clicking on the 'SAVE' button.



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SCHOOL FEES

Thank you to those of you who have already paid your School fees for 2026.

A reminder to those who haven't yet, this year they are set at **\$306** per student. The government rebate has continued of **\$200** per student for M&S fees for 2026. School Fees payment is now overdue (due by end of Term 1). Prompt payment of outstanding school fees is appreciated.

If you are paying your school fees by cash or EFT, you pay only \$106 per student.

Payment can be made via cash or EFT (BSB 105-060 ACCT 248037140) & include your reference details please.

Contact Jo at school for a payment plan should you need, we are happy to work with you!

Please check out if you are eligible for school card. If you are, your school fees are covered in full, it's all taken care of!

This flyer outlines to easy steps to apply!



For all your finance information or any questions, please contact Jo in the front office.

VOLUNTEERING at School

We LOVE having parents/carers at school to support us, if you're keen please follow these steps to jump on board!

- Volunteer application form
- Working with Children Check (WWCC) clearance
- Responding to Harm, Abuse and Neglect Education & Care (RHAN-EC) certificate of currency – this is an online certified course, which can be done at home
- Principal endorsement

See Michelle or Jo if you have any questions; let us know if there's a particular skill you can share to help out at school!





envisage[®] Free Parent Program

ENVISAGE Families is a supportive peer program designed for **parents of young children who have developmental concerns, a disability or who are neurodivergent.**

The program is designed to help you:

- Feel more **confident and competent** in making decisions for your family.
- Discover **practical, evidence-based strategies** to help you better understand and advocate for your child's needs.
- **Connect with others** who may have similar experiences to your own, exchanging insights and perspectives.

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Murray
Bridge
Library

IN PERSON PROGRAM

3 x FRIDAY MORNINGS
10:30am-1pm



Week 1: July 31
Week 2: August 14
Week 3: August 28



Program Location:
Murray Bridge Library
2/51 South Terrace,
Murray Bridge SA 5253

Facilitated by:



HOW DOES THE PROGRAM WORK?

All workshops are **live and interactive**, mixing information sharing with group discussions and activities.



3 x Weekly Workshop Sessions intensive style program.



Up to 2.5 hours per workshop



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FREE No cost to you. Your child does not need a NDIS plan or diagnosis to participate.



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MARY POPPINS
THE BROADWAY MUSICAL
4th June - 6th June 2026
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A Musical based on the stories of P.L. Travers and the Walt Disney Film Original Music and Lyrics by Richard M. Sherman and Robert B. Sherman Book by Julian Fellowes | New Songs and Additional Music and Lyrics by George Stiles and Anthony Drewe | Co-Created by Cameron Mackintosh Licensed exclusively by Music Theatre International (Australasia).

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Tickets are available now via www.mbhs.sa.edu.au/ or www.trybooking.com/DLBO1

Term 2 Calendar

ASSEMBLY

NO SCHOOL

EVENT

	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
1					School Photos
2					Do It For Dolly Day (TBC)
3					Assembly
4	18/5				
5	25/5				Assembly (our class)
6	1/6				Student Free Day
7	8/6 Public Holiday			Mid-year transition	Assembly
8	15/6			Mid-year transition	
9	22/6			Mid-year transition	Assembly
10	29/6				Concert