

Newsletter

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Term 1, Week 1

Principal's Report

Welcome to the 2020 school year! I hope you had some time to spend with those near and dear over the holiday period although it has not been a relaxing time for many over the past few months. Bushfires have had a devastating impact across the state as well as other parts of the nation. Our thoughts are with all of the people and communities who have been personally impacted by these bushfires.

Students returned to school yesterday and quickly settled into class routines. We were delighted to welcome our new Kindergarten students Amelia, Charlie, Leon & Lincoln to JPS. This is an exciting time for them as they embark on their primary schooling.

We have had a change of staffing during the break. We warmly welcome Ms Christine Maloney who will be teaching K-2. Ms Maloney has a wealth of experience as a K-2 teacher. We also welcome back Mrs Catherine Browning who is returning full time and teaching the 3-6 class and Mrs Rhonda Bryce who is working Thursdays in the role of Learning and Support. I will be providing Literacy and Numeracy support and Release from Face to Face (RFF) Mondays to Wednesdays. Thursdays and Fridays will be my administration days. We are currently planning Class Information sessions. In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to speak to your child's teacher. Open lines of communication between home and school are important and will enable any matters to be addressed quickly.

Have a wonderful week! *Nyree Taylor* Principal



Upcoming Events

Term 1

Week 1 – January

Tue 28	Term 1 School Development Day
Wed 29	K-6 students return to school
Thu 30	Staff First Aid Training 3:30-6:30pm
Fri 31	SRC Induction Assembly 9:10am

Week 2 – February

Mon 3	3-6 Ukulele Fun & Free Friendship program consent form due
Tue 4	Fun & Free Friendship program Finley Zone Boys Cricket Trials 4:30pm (Tocumwal Rec Reserve) P&C Meeting 7pm
Thu 6	School Counsellor visiting Gymnastics (sports uniform required)
Fri 7	Small Schools Swimming Carnival 9:30am – 2pm (Yarrawonga)



The following notes have been published on CareMonkey. Please ensure you respond before the due date.

- Student Medical Information
- General Consent
- 2020 General permission to publish
- 2020 Publication of student's work or photographs in local media/events
- 2020 Online services
- 2020 Permission to access Athletics

This Week's Events (Week 1)

School Development Day

Teaching, administrative and support staff returned to school on Monday for the Term 1 School Development Day. Teaching staff from Berrigan, Finley, Jerilderie, Oaklands and Savernake completed training in the new PDHPE K-10 Syllabus with Curriculum Advisors, Jane Strachan and Emma Eldridge. SASS staff completed a variety of mandatory training including Code of Conduct and Child Protection and administration tasks in preparation for the new school year.

SRC Induction Assembly

Parents and community members are invited to attend the induction assembly tomorrow, Friday 31st January for students elected to the Student Representative Council for 2020. The assembly will commence at 9:10am and our special guest will be Mrs Ruth McRae, Mayor Murrumbidgee Council.

Next Week's Events (Week 2)

Fun and Free Friends Program

Intereach will be facilitating a Fun and Free Friends program at JPS from Week 2 to Week 6 this term. The program was created to assist young children to build resilience, self-esteem and confidence and to learn important skills and techniques to cope with feelings. In this 4 session program we will look at –

- How our body gives us signals when overwhelmed or worried – 'body clues';
- How thoughts and feelings affect behaviour;
- Recognising how thoughts and feelings affects others;
- Strategies to be a better friend, so that we can build our social support network and feel happier; and
- Coping strategies to better handle difficult situations.

Please complete and return the attached consent form by next Monday 3rd February 2020. Thank you.



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Student Profile

Name: Lincoln

Age: 5

Favourite food: Cheese

Favourite drink: Lemonade

Favourite Colour: Black

Favourite TV Show: Trolls

Favourite Movie: TBC!

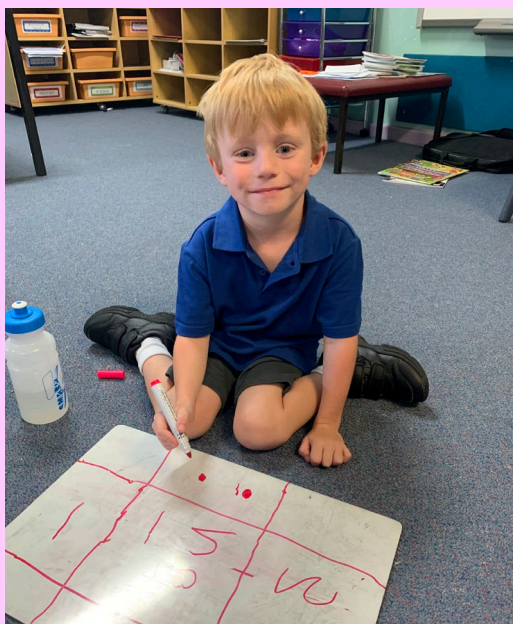
Favourite Holiday Destination: The Park

Favourite thing to do: Watch TV

Favourite Subject: Art

When I finish school I would like to: A vet

Three famous people you would like to have dinner with? Batman, Superman and Hulk



Next Week's Events (Week 2) cont.

P&C Meeting

Our first P&C Meeting for the year will be held next Tuesday, 4th February at 7:00pm in the staffroom. All families are invited to attend.

School Counsellor Visiting

This year, Mr Michael Kruger-Davis is our School Counsellor. School counsellors are primary or secondary teachers who have approved qualifications in psychology and school counselling. They work with students of all ages and their families, from K-12, providing valuable support and counselling and psychological assessment for students with specific needs. Their work activities may include counselling students, assessing students' learning and behaviour, helping families make informed decisions about their child's education, identifying impediments to students' learning and liaising with external agencies regarding students' wellbeing. Michael will make his first visit on Thursday 6th February. On this day, he will be completing a receptive language assessment with all K-2 students. Please phone the office if you would like to make an appointment with him.

Gymnastics Catch Up Session

We are delighted to have Nicole Felmingham return to JPS next Thursday for a final gymnastics session courtesy of the Sporting Schools program. Students are reminded to wear sports uniform on this day.

Small Schools Swimming Carnival

Next Friday, 7th February will see students aged 8 years and over compete in their first Small Schools sports event for 2020 – the Small Schools Swimming Carnival at Yarrawonga. Mulwala Public School is hosting this carnival and the program commences at 9:30am. Mrs Catherine Browning will be accompanying students on the day. Return transport to Yarrawonga will be by the Willawa Bus. Please see CareMonkey for further details.



School Hours

8:40am- 9:10am- Playground supervision starts

9:10am - Morning session

11:10-11:30am - Recess

11:30-1:00pm - Middle session

1:00-1:50pm - Lunch

1:50-3:10pm - Afternoon session



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Housekeeping

School Times

School begins at 9:10am each day and finishes at 3:15pm. Teachers are on duty from 8:40am and we ask that students do not arrive before this time. Upon arrival at school, students participate in the Before-school Reading program in the Library. When the morning bell rings they go out on to the playground with the teacher on duty.

Student Attendance

Regular attendance at school is important. It makes learning easier for your child and helps them to build and maintain friendships. It is also a requirement by law to send your child to school each day unless they are sick, injured, there is a special religious ceremony or there is a serious family incident.

If your child is away or you know they are going to be away you need to supply a note of explanation. It is also important that students attend school on time. If they are late, please sign them in at the office.

Office Hours

Mrs Judy Knight is our School Administration Manager and looks after our office. Our 2020 office hours are as follows:

Monday – Unattended

Tuesday – 9:10am – 3:30pm

Wednesday – 9:10am – 3:30pm

Thursday – 9:10am – 3:30pm

Friday – 9:10am – 1:00pm

When the office is unattended, every effort will be made to check the school message bank during break times.

We ask that any changes to students' afternoon routines on Mondays and Fridays are communicated to class teachers via a note.

Medical Updates

At the beginning of each school year, students with specific health care needs (eg. Asthma, Anaphylaxis, Diabetes, etc) are required to supply the school with an updated management plan and any medication. Please also check the expiry date on medications before sending them to school.

Please remind your child to only eat the foods you pack for them. With the prevalence of children with food allergies, children eating food not prepared by their parent can have serious health consequences. Teachers monitor students while they eat but families are asked to also teach this important safety message.

School Speed Zones

Parents and community members are reminded that 40km per hour speed zones operate across NSW at all school sites on gazetted school days, including School Development Days. The majority of school zones operate between 8:00 – 9:30am and 2:30 – 4:00pm. Motorists are required to drive at no more than 40km/hr through these zones.



IGA Shopper Dockets

Please continue to support and shop at our local IGA. Keep your IGA dockets and place them in the box in the office to earn money for our school. It is now time to put in your January dockets. We thank you for your ongoing support of this fundraiser.



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