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Calendar

Term 3, Week 4

Fri 12 Aug Selwyn Snow Excursion
Regional Athletics Carnival

Term 3, Week 5

Mon 15 Aug Trial HSC Exams Commence
PASS Excursion Canberra/2 days
Wed 17 Aug Legal Aid NSW Guest speaker
Thur 18 Aug GEO Big Breakfast

Term 3, Week 6

Tues 23 Aug Self-Select EMPOWER
Information Session 6:00pm
Wed 24 Aug Future Directions CSU

VOLUNTEERS WANTED6

Feature Photo



Junee High School prepares for AgVision 2016 to be held on-site on Wednesday 7 September 2017

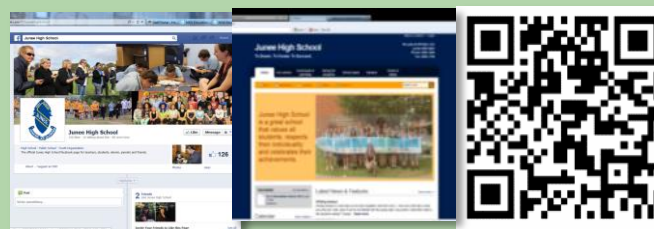
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Looking for school documents?

NEW! Download the Junee High School Skoolbag App

Please note that most of our school documents such as newsletters, excursion notes, information booklets etc can be found on our school website:



You can find us at: www.junee-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

Principal's Message.....

Fraze's Phrase: *Respect your parents: They went through school without Google or Wikipedia"*

Anonymous

Education Week

The 2016 theme was 'Shared stories, better learning, stronger communities'.

Thank you to parents, students and community members who joined in with us over a number of days and activities to celebrate Education week 2016. It was encouraging to see our partner schools of Eurongilly Public School, Illabo Public School, Junee Public School and Junee North Public School working with us to host the Education Week showcase at the Athenium, with a number of parents and community members able to attend. Thanks again to Nicole Barton from Junee Shire Council for her assistance.

Sentral Parent Information Session

Thank you to the staff and parents who were able to attend this session, discussing the way in which our new Parent-Student Portal can further connect our school with families. Our next session will be on 8 September, starting at 6pm "Helping your child with maths"

Gas Leak Evacuation

On Tuesday 8 August, we had to evacuate the school due to a suspected gas leak. I commend the staff and students for their quick and responsive organisation to quickly move to the evacuation points. We were fortunate to also have an impressive response from Junee and Wagga emergency services and plumbers. Our site was checked and made safe, allowing learning to continue from Period 4 onwards.

Olympics

With the great event occurring at the moment, one strategy to increase "Belongingness" is our Olympics roll call activity. Each roll call has drawn out a country that they will support, gain points for that countries medal tally as well as gain points for a Trivia question competition each morning. The winning roll call will secure a special morning tea!

Tell Them From Me

We will again participate in the Tell Them From Me school survey, allowing students, parents and teachers their input about Junee HS. Students will be allocated time during class in the next 2 months to complete this survey, as a follow up from the term 1 and previous year's surveys.

Parents and staff will be provided with instructions and a login to complete the survey. Parents may complete the survey here at school, where we will have dedicated electronic devices available from the office.

School Ball

Our School Ball is a major event in the Junee High School calendar, with many students already picking out their outfits and practicing their dances. Decorations have been planned and the P&C have agreed to again manage supper.

Just a reminder that entry to the School Ball is still conditional upon student's behaviour, attendance and uniform. While no student is excluded yet, there is still the risk that a student may not be allowed to attend the School Ball, due to misbehaviour, not enough attendance at school and not regularly being in school uniform. If you are concerned that your child may be excluded or have questions about the School Ball, please make an appointment to speak to me.

Self-Select EMPOWER

2017 will see our Self-Select EMPOWER class continue.

We will hold an information session at our Learning Centre on Tuesday August 23 2016 to explain the Self-Select process, as well as distribute application forms. These classes will be available for Stage 4 (Year 7 & 8) and Stage 5 (Year 9 & 10).

Staff positions

I congratulate Mr Mark Turner who was appointed Deputy Principal and Ms Prue Asmus, who was appointed Head Teacher English/History. Both won their positions through merit selection and I again thank the panel members for their efforts in this role.

Be your best. Be respectful. Be responsible.

Mr Scott Frazier
Principal

NAIDOC Debating Challenge

Junee High participated in the NAIDOC Debating Challenge this week culminating in a debate against Coolamon Central School. The debate topic was that 'Traditional song lines should be maintained'.

Our team consisted of Andreas, Zander, Adam and Mae-Rose who were the negative team. Although we weren't the victors on the day, we learnt a great deal about the traditions of our country, made some new friends and had a great time. Well done team!

Ms B Biggar
English/History Faculty



Sports News

Riverina News

Congratulations to Katelyn Russell who is currently away representing the Riverina Lawn Bowls team at Wallsend. We look forward to hearing the results of her competition when she returns.

Upcoming Sport Dates

Riverina Regional Athletics - Friday 12 August 2016,
Albury

Mt Selwyn Ski Excursion – Friday 12 August 2016

PASS Excursion – Monday 15 & Tuesday 16 August
2016, Canberra

JHS Creche

Congratulations to the students who successfully ran the JHS Creche last week during Education Week activities. We were lucky to have 14 young children stop by, which gave the students a chance to practice

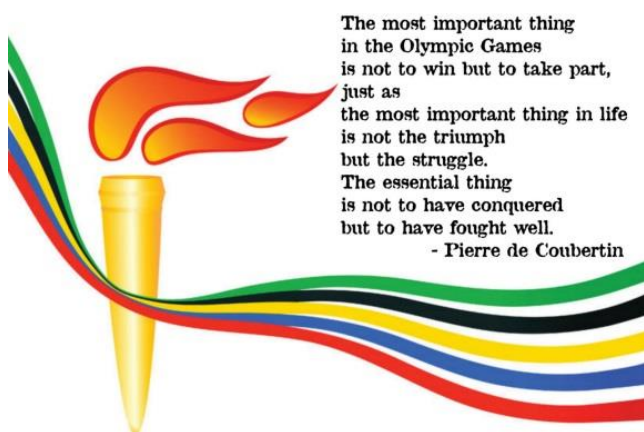


their face painting skills as well as the opportunity to implement playtime activities. We hope to see some of the same young children at Playgroup at our school in a few weeks' time.



Olympic Success

It is a great time of the year to be a PDHPE teacher and watch the many athletes from around the world compete against the best at the Olympics. There are many inspirational stories each day and there is no



greater feeling than watching the athletes' hard work, training and commitment be rewarded. Our school is busy celebrating the Olympics with daily trivia during Roll Call, and multicultural food at the canteen. We also plan to have some lunchtime sport competitions and encourage all students to take part.

Sport Update

This term Junee High School students are making the most of the wonderful facilities that the Junee community has to offer during their Thursday sport periods. Students have been able to enjoy the great facilities provided by the Junee Junction Rec Centre and are participating in rigorous group fitness classes and improving their skills in indoor basketball and soccer. With the upturn in weather students have taken the opportunity to utilise the Junee Golf Club. This has been a very popular sport and the students are enjoying the experience tremendously. Our Junee High School bikes have been getting a work out with a number of students opting to get out and about and utilise Junee's extensive bike tracks. The remaining students have chosen to participate in sports located at school. These include tennis, mixed oval sports, Zumba and mixed MPC sports. Many thanks to the Junee Junction Rec Centre, the Junee Golf Club and the Junee Shire Council.

PASS Excursion

This coming Monday 24 enthusiastic Physical Activity and Sport Studies students are off to Canberra to strengthen their understanding of concepts presented in the classroom. Students will participate in tours of the Australian Institute of Sport and the Canberra Raiders headquarters. That night the students will witness what has the potential to be the match of the season with the competition leading Melbourne Storm taking on the in-form Canberra Raiders. This will provide students the opportunity to witness elite sportsman in action and also to experience and gain a better understanding of what it takes to organise in and manage elite sports events. On the Tuesday students will engage in bush walking and ice skating at the Phillip ice skating rink before returning to Junee High School around 5pm.

Thank you to all parents and students for getting their notes and money in on time.

Ms A Francis
PD/H/PE Faculty



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Invitation

Information Session:
Stage 4 & Stage 5
2017 Self Select
EMPOWER Application

Parent Information Session: 2017 Stage 4 (Years 7 & 8) and Stage 5 (Years 9 & 10) Self Select Class Applications

When: Tuesday 23 August 2016

Time: 6:00pm - 7:00pm

Where: Junee High School Learning Centre (A Block upstairs)

Students, parents and family members are most welcome to attend an information session about the 2017 Stage 4 and Stage 5 **Self Select EMPOWER** classes and selection process.

What is Self Select?

The 2017 Self Select classes at Junee High School will be classes for students who are focused on their own learning, enjoy learning with others and learning to a more significant level than the average student.

Students in Self Select solve problems, investigate and strive to explore topics deeply and commit themselves to their learning, often completing over and above the expected outcomes for students at that age level. Students who are committed, enthusiastic and independent learners are invited to **submit an application** to learn alongside like-minded students next year.



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Cultivating Careers in Agriculture

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Can you help?

We are looking for volunteers to help make 700 salad wraps to provide lunch for our students and the many visiting students attending AgVision 2016 at Junee High School.

All that is required is a couple of hours of your time to assist in making the wraps. An early start on Wednesday 7 September 2016 will see the job completed in time for lunch.

Further enquiries please contact the school on 6924 1666.



Mountain Biking TRAINING DAYS

FREE!*

Beginner Training Days

Start to become one with your bike - learn the basics of setting out for a single track ride, balance, cornering, taking the right line and attacking. These clinics, coached by MTBA accredited coaches, will help you to build confidence riding in rough terrain. NUMBERS STRICTLY LIMITED - REGISTER EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT.

Sunday 14th August 1:00 - 2:30pm

To reserve your spot register here : <https://online.mtba.asn.au/ERegister.aspx?E=3296>

* MTBA membership required to participate. A two month free trial is available at <http://www.mtba.asn.au/membership/>

Sunday 11th September 1:00 - 3:00pm

COME 'N' TRY DAY Supported by Mountain Bike Australia, there will be a BBQ available & all insurance requirements are covered by MTBA. See you there!

Sunday 18th September 1:00 - 3:00pm

To reserve your spot register here : <https://online.mtba.asn.au/ERegister.aspx?E=3297>

* MTBA membership required to participate. A two month free trial is available at <http://www.mtba.asn.au/membership/>

All Beginner Training Days are being held at Pomingalarna Reserve

Green Loop carpark, enter via Sturt Hwy, approx. 800m past San Isidore turnoff.



Join the fun and prepare to be part of the first ever Riverina MTB Allschools Challenge.

Represent your school on Sunday 20 November in a team's challenge at Pomingalarna Reserve.

To get the latest Riverina MTB Allschools Information follow us on Facebook, Instagram or connect to [riverinaallschoolsmtb.com](https://www.facebook.com/riverinaallschoolsmtb.com)





***Tell Them From Me* student survey:
Information and consent form for
parents and carers**

Thursday 11 August 2016

Dear Parents and Carers

This term, your school is taking part in the *Tell Them From Me* student survey. The survey will provide us with valuable feedback on what our students think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help them improve. The survey is completed on-line and is run by an independent research company, **The Learning Bar**, which specialises in school-based surveys.

Staff in schools will **not** be able to identify individual students from their responses. To ensure confidentiality, participating students will receive a unique username and password. Where fewer than five students respond to a question, the results will be suppressed. The survey typically takes 30 minutes or less to complete and will be administered by the school during normal school hours. Once the surveys are completed by students, reports are prepared and in most cases are available to schools within three business days.

This survey will help your school better understand how to improve student wellbeing and engagement. It will help the school identify what works to improve student outcomes.

Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary. Your child will not take part if either you or your child do not wish. If, during the survey, your child is uncomfortable, he/she can choose to stop the survey at any time. The majority of questions in the survey can be skipped.


If you do not want your child to take part in the survey, please complete the attached form and return it to your child's school by **Friday 19 August 2016**.


More information about the survey and the research is available in English on the CESE website: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

Mr Scott Frazier
Principal
Junee High School

Dr Jenny Donovan
Executive Director
Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation

***Tell Them From Me* Student Feedback Survey non-consent form**

 If you **do not want** your child to participate in the student feedback survey, please sign this form and return it to your school by Friday 19 August 2016.

 I **DO NOT** give consent for my child/children to participate in the ***Tell Them From Me*** student feedback survey.

Name of student/s

Roll class/es

Name of parent/carer

Signature of parent/carer

Date