

# Junee High School Newsletter

## JHS Captains Head to Sydney!

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#### 2018 Term 2 Weeks 9 & 10

#### Newsletter

#### Calendar 2018

Term 2,	Week 10

Tue 3 July Thur 5 July Fri 6 July	WWHS Dance Spectacular HSC Business Studies Day Last Day Term 2
Term 3, Week 1	
Mon 23 July	Staff Development Day – <u>NO</u> <u>STUDENTS</u>
Tues 24 July	First Day – Term 3
Wed 25 July	Motivational Media
Fri 27 July	NSWCHS State Cross Country
Term 3, Week 2	
Fri 3 Aug	Riverina Athletics

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#### **Feature Photo**



JHS Captains head to Sydney to meet the Governor General at Parliament House

#### Farewell Alen!

Last week JHS said goodbye to Alen Chuang after a year in Australia as part of Rotary Exchange Student Program.



Alen thoroughly enjoyed his Aussie stay and assures he will be back again for a visit. Goodbye & good luck Alen.





#### Principals Report

#### Production

Well done to all students who participated in the school production "Meant to Be". For the months leading up to the big week, many staff, students and family members were involved in the preparations and it paid off this week. Numerous have been the positive comments about the efforts and execution of the production and I thank all for their involvement. Thank you to Ms Hyland for her tireless efforts in pulling it all together, but also thanks to the staff who also contributed greatly – Ms Hoy, Mr Bedford, Ms Geaghan, Ms Orellana, Ms Biggar, Mr Logan, Ms Forde, Ms R Heffernan and Ms Meale but also to our Administration staff for tickets and phone calls!

#### **Empower Project**

Congratulations to the Stage 5 Empower class along with Ms Hoy, Ms Forde and Mr Bedford for their Empower Project. In Week 9, we held the culmination event, displaying the skills and results of their project. It was fantastic to see so many parents and community members at the event and seeing our great kids explaining their project.

#### Reports

Students in Year 7 to 11 will receive their reports on Thursday. Due to the amount of feedback a student will receive through their report, we are introducing a reflective part of the report. Students will sit in their year groups to receive their report, then they will complete a reflection sheet about what was said in the report and ways to make improvements. Year Advisors will hold on to these sheets to utilise for further discussions with students and parents. If a student is not able to receive their report on Thursday, they will need to see me to receive their report and complete the reflection page.

#### The Geo Group Australia

Each school holidays, we have been privileged to have the assistance of the team from The GEO Group Australia. We again thank them for their fantastic work in our school over the holidays for such jobs as garden maintenance, especially around the MPC and school entrance; seating refurbishment; and cleaning projects.

#### Junee Shire Council

We are fortunate to have a great working relationship with the Junee Shire Council. In the Winter newsletter from Council, our school was highlighted for three different reasons and I thank Junee Shire Council for their support.

- 1. School Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships
- 2. Empower Project with Junee Community Power

3. Photo of our school from 2017's Colour Run – which can be seen on the Olympic Highway on the outskirts of town.



#### Mobile Phones

Thank you to all the families and students that support our school with the appropriate use of mobile phones of being "Off & Away" during class time. The majority of our students manage their screen time well and only use it during class time when a teacher asks them to use it for various reasons.

An interesting podcast about their use: http://radio.abc.net.au/programitem/pej38b1GML?play =true

#### Staff Update

As a workplace, we have fantastic staff with the majority of staff employed as permanent staff. However, there can still be staff changes regularly and we continue to strengthen our team.

We say farewell to Mr Steven Knox who has retired from teaching. Mr Knox has been teaching for a number of years, with many students enjoying his stories and banter but also his involvement in our Aboriginal Education Team. This position will be filled through a permanent appointment for 2019.

We say farewell to Ms Emma Meale who has been a temporary staff member in the Learning Centre for the

past 3 years. Ms Meale is leaving to explore possibilities in primary teaching, which is her training, but will greatly miss our school, especially her SRC, the Stage 4 students from Learning Skills and the senior students for Empower 6.

We say welcome to Mrs Rhiannon Baxter who is transferring in as a permanent staff member into the English faculty. She will start in the library, replacing Ms Meale before her maternity leave begins in late Term 3.

We are currently in the process of interviewing for the permanent positions of Art, Library and TAS. Art and TAS positions will start in 2019, while the Library position will start hopefully once Mrs Baxter's maternity leave begins.

The Multi-Categorical program will begin in Term three with two teachers appointed through staffing.

The Head Teacher Maths/Science position will be advertised in Semester Two.

Be your best. Be respectful. Be responsible

*Mr Scott Frazier* Principal

#### Guinness World Record Attempt

On Wednesday May 23, 34 students including one parent, one primary student and nine teachers took part in the ABC Star Gazing live Guinness World Record attempt. The students had to keep a telescope trained on the Moon for ten minutes while tens of thousands of other Australians at hundreds of other locations around the country attempted to do the same.



Despite the cold conditions the students applied themselves admirably and easily achieved the ten minute goal. In total over 40,000 people took part and we smashed the old record easily. A big shout out to everyone that took part and for Jen Andersons catering that helped keep the cold at bay.

*Mr Peter Nicoll* Science Faculty

#### Careers Expo 2018

#### Student Report- Harrison Fahy

Year 11 and 12 attended the Wagga Wagga Careers Expo on June 20. A variety of presenters from around the state offered valuable insight into tertiary education, employment agencies and other possible career paths. Pamphlets and booklets provided students with information about job applications, Gap Year programs and how to apply for university, including pre-requisites and early entry options.



#### P&C Report

Although another term is ending the JHS P&C are preparing for the School Ball, Father's Day, Street Stall, Raffles and a Golf Day as part of their continued fundraising for the school.

Thank you to all school staff, P&C members and the community who have supported JHS in their fundraising efforts up until now, we have raised over \$5000 that has contributed to resources for the school.

Julie Shepherd P&C Secretary



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#### JHS Production 'Meant To Be'

















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