# Junee High School Newsletter



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#### 2020 Term 3 Weeks 1 and 2

#### Newsletter

#### Calendar Term 3, Week 3 Monday 3 August Education week beings: 'Learning Together' Thursday 6 August Advanced Maths HSC Study Day Term 3, Week 4 Trial HSC Exams – Advanced Monday 10 August Maths & Standard Maths Tuesday 11 August Trial HSC Exams - Adv English & Std English Paper 1 Wednesday 12 Aug Trial HSC Exams - Adv English & Std English Paper 2 Thursday 13 August Trial HSC Exams - Chemistry, Visual Arts, Agriculture, Business **Studies** Friday 14 August Trial HSC Exams - Biology, Industrial Tech Timber, VET **Business Services, Music** Term 3, Week 5 Monday 17 August Trial HSC Exams – Physics, CAFS, Legal Studies, VET Metal **Tuesday 18 August** Trial HSC Exams – PD/H/PE, Design & Tech. Investigating Science, Economics (AM) VET Primary Industries, VET Information Technologies, VET Tourism & Events (PM)

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#### Principal's Report



#### Education Week

Education Week will be held during Week 3 (3 August to 7 August). The 2020 theme is "*Learning Together*".

We will be involved in a number of Education week activities, continuing this theme and I welcome parents, family and community members to our various events. Look for our banner at the NSW Public Education display at Wagga's Marketplace.

#### Monday

- Whole school assembly
- Aboriginal Education Team meeting: interested parents & students are invited. 3:30pm in Principal's office or online if requested!
- Year 11 completing applications for 2020-2021 School Captains

#### Tuesday

 Staff professional Learning: HSC ATOMI for Year 11 & 12 students

#### Wednesday

- Empower PM in JHS Learning Centre from 4:30pm
- Subject Selection Evening Online meetings!

You can log into <u>https://bcove.video/33avMT0</u> to watch the meetings and be involved in asking questions by responding to the surveys

Stage 5 2021: https://forms.gle/QNCwvAePn8eAzoeW6

Year 11 2021: https://forms.gle/jNRfLucKHfDYKz3q9

- 5:30 6:00pm Year 8 and 9 students into 2021 Stage 5 electives & Core subjects
- 6:10 6:50pm Year 10 students into 2021 Year 11
- Parents & Citizens meeting 7:00 8:00pm in Staff common room

#### Thursday

• Year 7 to 10 Sport Advanced Maths HSC Study Day

We also host two Taekwondo groups during the week:

- SEAT Taekwondo: Monday
- Shim Jang Taekwondo: Tuesday and Thursday

#### Rewards Week

Each week our target for student behaviour is 15 negatives or less. It was fantastic to be able to recognise and reward students for their excellent behaviour in Week 1 with this week as Rewards Week. Each student received a canteen voucher with Maree putting on extra food and extra specials to cater for the crowds. Well done!!!

#### 2021 Enrolments

We have begun the process of organising our staffing and curriculum based on student enrolments. We have approximations of 250 enrolments again next year, slight growth compared to 2020.

We look forward to seeing the 60 Year 6 students at their first transition day on Thursday 17 September 2020 (Week 8) and supporting them into Year 7.

For students in Year 7 to Year 11, please let me know if your child's enrolment will change next year.

Thank you!

#### School Projects

A number of significant projects have been undertaken as well as new projects coming soon, further enhancing our great school.

- New seating across the school
- Painting of student toilets and various classrooms
- New bell system, allowing music to be played
- Data Projector in the MPC to shine on the back wall

#### School Ball

Get ready for the glitz and glamour of the 'Winter Wonderland' School Ball in Week 10, finishing our school term with this great event. The majority of our students have been fantastic throughout the year and are eligible to attend the function. A few need to make some improvements to make it on the night. We look forward to everyone practising their dance steps for the evening!

With Covid 19 restrictions still in force at the moment, we are discussing some of the evening's activities to keep everyone safe. This includes deciding how we manage:

- Non-staff adults being restricted from school
- Allowing family and friends to see the ball and the well-dressed students
- Distribution of food and how the P&C helpers provide drinks and food

#### Year 12 HSC

In their last term of formal schooling before exams, I wish Year 12 all the best as they continue their journey. HSC Trial exams begin in Week 4, here at school, with students only required here for their exams. Industrial Technology Timber projects are due in Week 6; Design & Technology projects are due in Week 8, with Visual Arts Body of Work projects due in Week 9.

Our school subscribes to HSC Atomi with all senior students and staff having access to the thousands of videos and support on their website.

The HSC Hub is another great resource available: <u>https://www.hschub.nsw.edu.au/</u> The HSC hub contains high-quality, on-demand resources that teachers can provide to their students to help them prepare for their exams.

Aligned to NSW syllabuses, the hub is a carefully curated central repository for items created by the NSW Department of Education, including Aurora College and WooTube. There is also third party material available. Find video lessons and other resources for your HSC subjects. Select a learning area to browse or use the search bar to drill down to specific material.

New material is being added regularly from both the Department and external providers to make sure that you have the support you need this year.

The phrase "I have nothing to do" doesn't apply to these students as they have access to the videos and support through the internet or even re-reading their notes, completing past exam papers, summarising topics, talking to others about their notes and learning or even reading books! Any book!

We look forward to distributing information and meeting online with Year 12 parents and students in September. We will speak with the group about the last few weeks of Year 12, the School Ball and Graduation assembly, the HSC exams as well as distribute their final school report.

#### School Attendance

The majority of students attend school all day, every day, making the most of their learning opportunities. I want to remind all about the requirements during the school day.

What are the requirements for students leaving the school grounds during school hours?

- 1.1. All government secondary schools are required to issue a leave pass to students (Years 7 -12) who have permission to leave school premises during normal school hours.
- 1.2. The school leave pass assists attendance officers, police officers and community members to identify students who have permission to be out of school during normal school hours.
- 1.3. Schools should inform the school community about their school leave pass system. Students should be reminded regularly that authorised attendance officers including police officers, can direct them to return to school if they do not have a valid leave pass. Authorised attendance officers will then notify the school that a student has been identified as being out of school without a valid leave pass. The school should investigate the matter and if truancy is confirmed the student's parents must be informed.
- 1.4. The leave pass is only valid on the day of issue. Passes must be valid and contain the

school logo or name, date and time and able to be recognised by authorised attendance officers, including police officers.

- 1.5. Students accompanied by school staff on school sporting activities or excursions do not require a leave pass.
- 1.6. Students participating in regular, timetabled school activities such as vocational education training that necessitate them leaving school premises, day do not require the use of a leave pass. These students should be provided with documentation describing the purpose and duration of these activities. A timetable on school letterhead or bearing the school stamp would be sufficient.

Be your best. Be respectful. Be responsible

Mr Scott Frazier Principal

#### LOCAL TRADES SCHEME!!!



We want to see local tradies getting work at local schools!

Schools are involving local tradies in planned maintenance jobs

at your school with the Local Trades Scheme, a partnership between the Department and hipages.

Tradies registered on the Local Trades Scheme online platform will be eligible to receive and accept leads for a selection of school maintenance jobs at no charge. The maintenance jobs are pre-approved and ready to hire. Invoicing and payment is fast and seamless.

https://hipages.com.au/tradie/about-nswdepartment-of-education-maintenancescheme/

#### Stage 5 Science

Stage 5 Science students engaging with the new STELR Renewable Energy Kits learning about Energy Transfers and Transformations.

> *Mr Fellows* Head Teacher Science





#### Junee High School

# CBCA Awards Shortlisted Books 2020

Each newsletter this term, a shortlisted book for the young reader and older reader categories will be featured from the shortlisted Children's Book Council of Australia awards. These books are available for students to borrow from the Junee High School Library. The following information is from the CBCA website (https://cbca.org.au/shortlist-2020).

#### BOOK of the YEAR: Younger Readers

#### The Little Wave

Author: Pip Harry

Publisher: University of Queensland Press

#### The publisher says...

When a Manly school sets out to bring a country class to the city for a beach visit, three very different kids find each other and themselves. Noah is fearless in the surf. Being at the beach makes him feel free. So where does his courage go when his best mate pushes him around? Lottie loves collecting facts about bugs, but she wishes her dad would stop filling their lonely house with junk. She doesn't know what to do about it. Jack wants to be a cricket star, but first he has to get to school and look after his little sister. Especially if he wants to go on the class trip and see the ocean for the first time.

#### The author says...

What inspired you to write your Shortlisted book? In Australia, I live near the ocean and I was inspired to write The Little Wave after I saw a group of very excited kids run onto a surf beach near my house. They were part of a camp to support families from rural and remote areas. Some of them were experiencing waves, saltwater and sandcastles for the first time. I thought a story about a country class coming to visit the beach would be interesting



#### BOOK of the YEAR: Older Readers

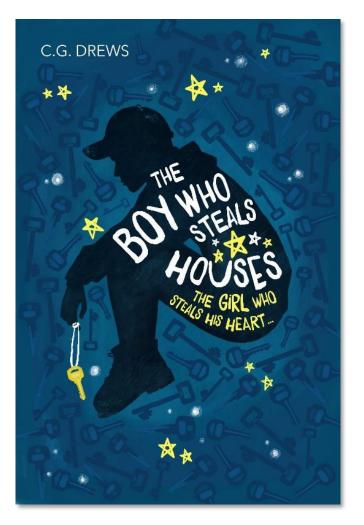
#### The Boy Who Steals Houses

#### Author: C.G.Drews

Publisher: Hachette Australia

#### The publisher says: ...

Sam is only fifteen but he and his autistic older brother, Avery, have been abandoned by every relative he's ever known. Now Sam's trying to build a new life for them. He survives by breaking into empty houses when their owners are away, until one day he's caught out when a family returns home. To his amazement this large, chaotic family takes him under their wing - each teenager assuming Sam is a friend of another sibling. Sam finds himself inextricably caught up in their life, and falling for the beautiful Moxie. But Sam has a secret, and his past is about to catch up with him.

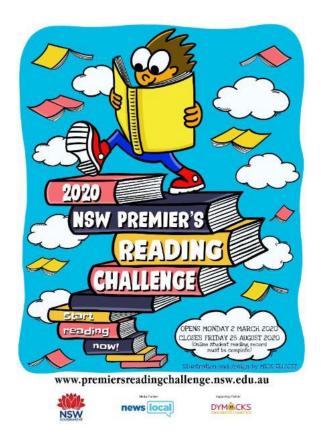


#### The CBCA judges say...

This is a heart-warming read for young audiences. This Queensland author uses a diverse range of literary techniques to develop insight into homelessness, domestic violence and the struggles faced by the two brothers in this story. The creative and compassionate story describes a fiercely overprotective brother who goes to great lengths to keep his autistic sibling safe, and the warmth and humour of the De Lainey family, where they find themselves fitting in despite several obstacles along the way. The narrative is choreographed perfectly, allowing Sam to experience some form of social justice, in a life torn by abuse, disability and poverty. Drew's skill lies in encouraging the reader to make an emotional commitment to characters who are flawed and complex while approaching difficult concepts with warmth and humour. The language has a distinct beat and rhythm which will appeal to teenagers and the writing style is engaging enough to reach an audience that is seeking a cohesive yet creative story. This is a novel filled with heart and is the perfect balance between lyrical and readable.

#### NSW Premier's Reading Challenge 2020

NSW Premier's Reading challenge concludes on Friday 28 of August 2020. Please ensure that all reading records are updated. If you would like assistance with updating your reading record, please come and see me.



#### Please return overdue library books. Individual notices will be emailed to students.

Mrs Speer Librarian/ Year 8 Adviser



# THE WINTER WONDERLAND BALL

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Thursday 24th September 2020

6.30 to 10.30 PM

Tickets \$10 from the Office

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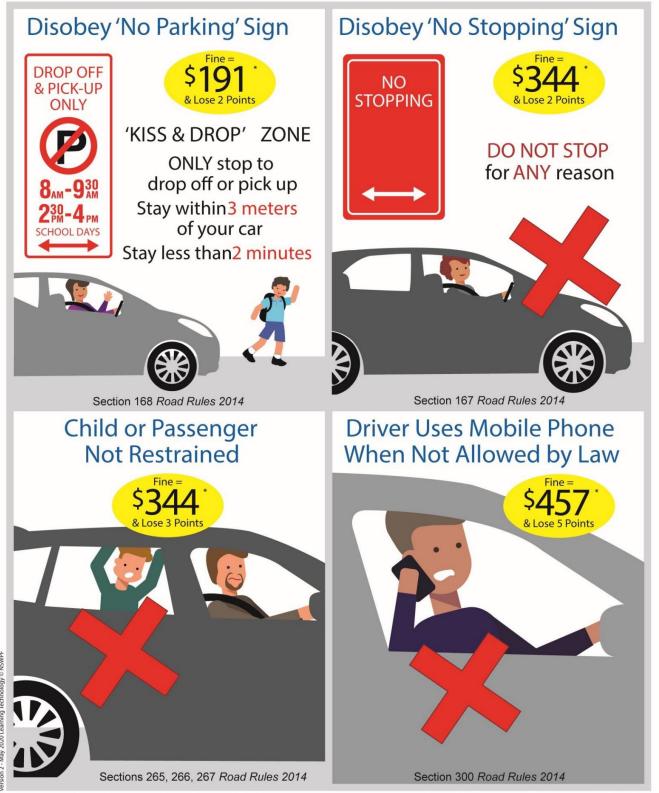
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# DRIVING OFFENCES IN SCHOOL ZONES

With your help, a safer community.



For more information see: Road Rules 2014 http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/roads/safety-rules/road-rules/index.html \*Fines are current as of May 2020. Fine amounts change regularly. For up-to-date fine amounts see: http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/roads/safety-rules/demerits-offences/index.html



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