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Newsletter



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2021 Term 4 Weeks 7-10

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Calendar

Term 4, Week 11

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| Thursday 16 Dec | Last day for students & Teachers |
| Friday 17 Dec | Holidays Commence |

Term 1, Week 1 – 2022

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| Friday 28 Jan | Staff development day |
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Term 1, Week 2

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| Monday 31 Jan | Staff development day |
| Tuesday 1 Feb | Students years 7, 11 & 12 return |
| Wednesday 2 Feb | All students return |

Term 1, Week 3

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| Friday 11 Feb | School Photos |
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Merry Christmas

From all the staff at Junee High we would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and best wishes for 2022. We hope you have a safe holiday break and we look forward to seeing you in 2022.



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Feature Photo



Principal Mr Hamilton with Mia, Sophia, Jake, Tenaya & Maddison 2022 captains.

Principals Message

Dear Parents, Students and School Community,

In a very busy last two weeks of Term Four for Junee High School, we are rapidly winding up the end of year recognition assemblies, celebrations and Semester Two reports. I would like to congratulate the students for getting through this semester, one full of obvious trials and working from home pressure, the ongoing support of parents and the hard work by all teaching and support staff. I do hope that the wider school community of Junee High School will have a more settled year in 2022.

Year 12 Graduation Assembly

Year 12 have finally completed their HSC Examinations, a month after they usually cease in mid- November. The Year 12 Graduation Assembly was conducted with a small crowd of immediate family and Year 11 students which culminated in a small function with parents and staff to celebrate the end of 13 years of schooling. A big vote of thanks to Mrs Elaine Bunyan – Year Adviser, Mrs Maree Speer, Lisa Harris and Tash Harpley for organising the Graduation Assembly, awards and associated functions in a very special range of events under trying circumstances. Additionally, a big vote of thanks to parents Mrs Lisa Harris and Mrs Natalie Phillips for the enthusiasm and organisation of the Year 12 Dinner.

Higher School Certificate results and ATAR's will be released late in the holidays, January 20, 2022, with the first round of university offers after this date. Given the amount of external impact for you as a cohort over the last 2 years, this figure is not a defining number, it is more an indication and reflection on how you have grown as a resilient person and able to take on life's hurdles in the future. We wish you all the very best for your collective futures!

2022 Senior Student Leadership Team

Congratulations to our new Captain and Vice-Captain team for running the Year 12 Graduation Assembly. In their first official capacity, all the student senior leadership team were very measured and great ambassadors for how they led the formal proceedings for the outgoing Year 12 students.

Presentation Assembly and Last Week of School

The Presentation Assembly which will be streamed live and recorded on Thursday 9 December, will have links emailed to families prior to the event for both livestreaming and the recorded event. Another big vote of thanks for the tireless work from the team to put this together, Mrs Elaine Bunyan, Mrs Tash Harpley and the team. Congratulations to all award recipients and the recognition of hard work will have a link to access the stream on our website.

As we move towards the last week of school, there will be a large range of activities to wrap up the year. Week 11 will contain student interest-based activities predominantly on Tuesday and Wednesday with the last day for students and teachers on Thursday 16 December. This fun filled week will cap off a year that many will be glad to see the end of, hopefully 2022 will provide less interruptions to learning for all involved at JHS.

Cooler Classrooms

We are in the final stages of having our Cooler Classrooms project completed. Commissioning of classroom units was conducted in Week 10 and all of the classrooms are expected to be up and running from the start of Term One in 2022. This will help support a consistent and happy learning environment in each learning space.

Farewell to Staff

We are sadly farewelling the following staff: Ms Tracey Harper to Temora High School as a Careers Adviser, Ms Mel Mack to Billabong High School, Ms India Burden to Tumut High School as an Agriculture teacher, Ms Ruby Foxlewin to Goulburn High School.

Mrs Leonie Cooper, our School Administration Manager, will not be returning in 2022. She will be taking leave and retiring in 2022. The school thanks you for your service in this position over the last 5 years and we wish you well in your retirement.

Rewards Events

It is extremely disappointing that a number of our reward and related opportunities were cancelled this year. These events highlight our close knit community. The School Ball and Surf Trip should be two major

school events that we should be celebrating and highlighting in our social media and newsletter information. I look forward to seeing these return in 2022 and the opportunity for students to be involved in these two long running and successful events.

Attendance Matters

Attendance will continue to be a focus in 2022 and is crucial for learning success at school. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children. It is imperative that students are at school on time to be prepared for learning each day and to take full advantage of the supports in place. If you would like to meet to discuss your child's attendance, please make an appointment to meet with me to discuss how we might be able to support your child in getting to school on time or other related attendance concerns.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

As we head into the Christmas break, I hope that all students and staff have a very well deserved and safe holiday. We as a school family look forward to seeing all the students return refreshed and ready for learning in 2022. There are two staff development days on Friday 28 and Monday 31 January.

Year 7, Year 11 and 12 students return on Tuesday 1 February and students in Years 8, 9 and 10 on Wednesday 2 February 2022.

Thank you for once again for your support in 2021.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and I look forward to seeing you in 2022

Darren Hamilton

Principal

Principal's Address – June High School - Year 12 Graduation Assembly

Good Morning Parents, teachers, students and most importantly the cohort of 2021.

It is a unique situation that as the Principal of the outgoing Yr 12 student body I have been introducing myself to many of the parents of a year group as they walked in rather than that I should have had the pleasure of watching grow as students over the last 6 years.

A graduation ceremony is always such a special occasion - the culmination of years of hard work; the actualization of goals attained, and the acknowledgement of successes achieved. It is also only fitting that today we commemorate the road that they have all travelled together these last few years. It is not a time to reflect on the obvious hurdles faced in learning over the last 2 years, more the resilience and life lessons that were developed and how parents and teachers came together to support you all in allowing such a special group to reach this end point successfully.

It has been a journey that you started with tentative steps perhaps 6 years ago, but one that will hopefully take you to remarkable heights in the future. You have encountered some trials and tribulations along the way...soldiered on and come out the stronger for them. You have experienced exceptional and magical moments and created memories that will be fondly remembered in the years ahead. You have also made a significant step in your health by completing Year 12, and each additional year of further study greatly increases your life expectancy!

Henry Ford wisely said, "**Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress and working together is success.**" As you look back over the last few years, certainly there was a beginning, and thankfully there was also progress and yes - undeniably you have been successful in getting through to this point in your life and education!

I congratulate each of you for the commitment you have made to get to this point, hopefully signalling what will be the start of wonderful things to come. I also congratulate all the parents and wider support network that has helped you through to the culmination of 13 years of education. We all sit together today through a common purpose in mind - to encourage and develop lifelong learning in the young Ladies and Gentlemen who sit before us today.

You must develop strong values for yourself, these guiding principles will affect your lives and professional careers as it is our values that shape the lens in which you will view the world. As you begin the next chapter in your lives, your values will serve as a foundation for your growth and development and will be reflected in the decisions that will influence your path in life and that of others. "Your values should be like your fingerprints, unique in their makeup and proof of where you have been and what you have touched."

The result Ladies and Gentlemen of your coming together, keeping together and working together,

despite the obstacles that you may have faced along the way... that end result is the Graduating Class of 2021. I look and see how proud your family are of these successes and the opportunities that will be afforded to you in the future. Congratulations, we are inordinately proud of you all!

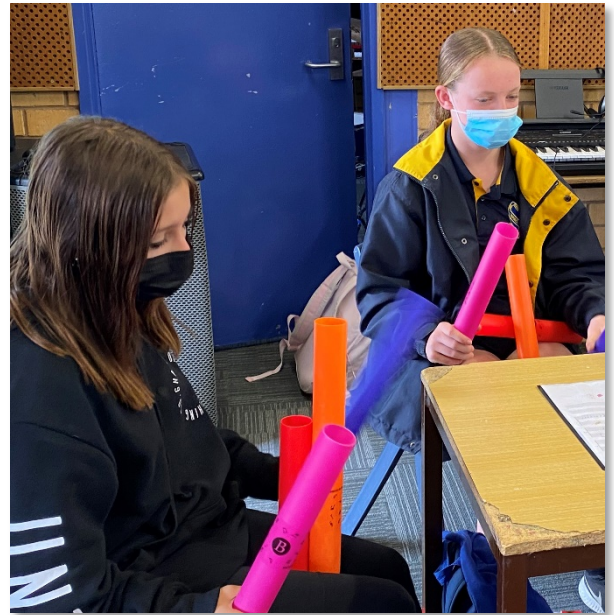
May your years ahead continue to be characterised by empathy, compassion, objectivity and a willingness to take risks.

May you always lead by example and work hard and play straight.

May your successes be many, and your tribulations be few and far between.

We wish you everything that you so richly deserve in the years ahead

Mr Hamilton



Cancelled Excursions

Remaining funds received for the cancelled PASS Origin Excursion and Surf Trip will be returned to the students' cash desk as a Fee In Advance to be utilised in 2022 for elective subject fees and voluntary contributions.

All claimed refunds have been processed and returned to your nominated bank account.

Refunds CANNOT be claimed without written authorisation. In Term 3 authority notes were given to each student who had paid for these excursions.

Any queries please contact Mrs. Cooper in the office on 6924 1666 before next Wednesday 15 December 2021.



Year 7 Music

Ms Hoy's Year 7 Music class playing boom whackers and electric bass guitar.



Thank You

JHS would like to say a BIG thank you to John Dietrich Transport & Junee District Co-Op for making it possible to run our Krispy Kreme fundraiser.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



Krispy Kreme Fundraiser

The Krispy Kreme Orders were a great success, with students from Year 11 also making milkshakes and selling donuts for their chosen charity Ronald McDonald House, Wagga, with the two events combined they raised over \$1500 and would like to thank the JHS community for their support.

A special mention to the Admin staff for all their hard work to organise and ensured this event ran smoothly.



Stage 4 Technology

Mr Hathaway's Stage 4 Mandatory Technology students, during Semester 2 have researched, designed, and constructed balloon powered timber boats during the "Toy Makers Unit". The students were lucky enough to attend the Junee Recreational Centre during Week 8 and test their creations under different conditions.

Thank you to Junee Rec Center for free access to the center to test our boats, we really appreciate your support.



Stage 5 Timber

Mr Hathaway's Stage 5 Industrial Technology Timber class have been working tirelessly completing their authentic "Wall Display Mirror" project through semester 2.

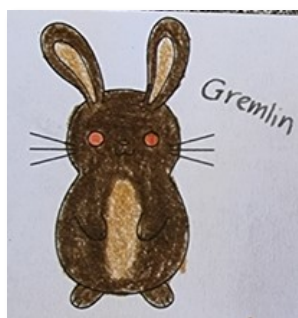


Transition Day 2

Students enjoyed the following activities:

- * Learning skills, where they designed bunnies based on book/movie characters
- * Ag – weighed sheep
- * Peer Support with year 10 and played games, as well as getting dressed in newspaper and had to come up with a fashion design.
- * LOTE – Origami making santas to hang on their Christmas trees at home
- * PDHPE – played battleship
- * History – acted like archaeologists and dug out 'artefacts' from chocolate chips cookies and learnt about Pompeii.

We are excited to welcome them into year 7.



Year 6 Orientation in the Library.

It was absolutely delightful to meet all of the Year 6 student who attended the most recent transition day and spend some time with them in the library. Students were able to explore the collection, move around the space and chat about some of their favourite characters. Each group participated in a small scavenger hunt borrowed from a Canadian library to find different rabbit characters throughout the room (Harry Potter, Wally and Captain Underpants are examples of what some of the bunnies looked like). Each student was given a trio of bunnies to transform into any of their favourite literary characters. Included here in the newsletter is such a minute collection – there were so many bunnies and such a variety of amazing characters!

Library News

Overdue books and end of year borrowing.

Please check your bags and bedrooms for overdue items. It would be less than ideal to finish the year off by sending out invoices for items not returned.

Overdue notices are emailed out regularly to student email accounts. If you are unsure of these items or have questions about these items, please ask. There will be no book borrowing the last two weeks of school.

Mrs Speer



Pink Box at Junee Library



The #PinkBox Dignity Vending Machine dispenses

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to women and girls in need.

#PINKBOX
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Each PeriodPACK contains
6 regular tampons & 2 ultra-thin pads (reg)

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**IF YOU NEED HELP, REACH OUT,
SPEAK OUT, ASK FOR HELP.**

YOUR NEAREST PINKBOX IS LOCATED
JUNEE LIBRARY

Find more information and follow the **movement** at sharedignity.org.au

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1800RESPECT 1800 737 732
BEYOND BLUE 1300 224 636
KIDS HELPLINE 1800 551 800
ASK IZZY askizzy.org.au

Donations for Junee Community

There are many people in our local community who are doing it tough and could use donations of essential, everyday items. Please bring any donations for our Christmas drive to the Learning Centre. Suitable items include:

- un-opened/unused deodorant, shampoo and conditioner, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, pad, tampons, cosmetics, hairbrushes, hair elastics, razors, tweezers, nail clippers etc
- clean, suitable bags like handbags, toiletry bags, backpacks

Thank you.



Dolly's Dream

Below is the Junee High 2021 Year 12 mention in Dolly's Dream newsletter

Junee High School: how 16 Year 12s raised \$7,000 throughout the year

At the start of the year, the Year 12 students of Junee High School, a small rural school in New South Wales, decided that Dolly's Dream was their charity of choice, and they have taken every opportunity to raise funds throughout the year. First time participators in Do It For Dolly Day, the Year 12s designed and delivered a short lesson to the student body during roll call with a focus on kindness.

Students wrote affirmations and hung them on blue butterflies that decorated a school corridor. They also held a cake stall, catered for a principal's conference held on site and prepared and sold hamburgers to the students and staff at lunch – all on the one day! Throughout the year they also ran 'Aromas Café' twice a week where they made and sold hot drinks to the staff, held more cake stalls, an Easter raffle and catered other whole school events. This resulted in \$7,000 of fundraising – an absolutely phenomenal effort from a small school with just 16 Year 12s.



Presentation Awards 2021

