

# Newsletter



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| Calendar                                       |   |  |
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| Term 1, Week 7                                 |   |  |
| Monday 8 March                                 | Playgroup in MPC 8:30-10:30am           |  |
| Monday 8 March                                 | Riverina Open Girls Basketball          |  |
| Tuesday 9 March                                | Riverina Girls Open Soccer<br>Trials    |  |
| Thursday 11 March                              | Years 7/8 Girls Cricket Wagga           |  |
| Term 1, Week 8                                 |   |  |
| Monday 15 March                                | Playgroup in MPC 8:30-<br>10:30am       |  |
| Tuesday 16 March                               | White Card Training                     |  |
| Wednesday 17 Marc                              | ch Riverina U15s League Trials          |  |
| Wednesday 17 March P&C Meeting                 |   |  |
| Term 1, Week 9                                 |   |  |
| Monday 22 March                                | Playgroup in MPC 8:30-10:30am           |  |
| Monday 22 March                                | Riverina Boys Open Soccer Trials        |  |
| Wednesday 24 Marc                              | ch Riverina Boys/Girls Hockey<br>Trials |  |
| Wednesday 24 March Riverina Open League Trials |   |  |
| Wednesday 24 March Parent Teacher Interviews   |   |  |
| Thursday 25 March                              | Athletics Carnival                      |  |
| Thursday 25 March                              | Riverina Netball Trials                 |  |
| Friday 26 March                                | Riverina Water Polo Trials              |  |
|  |   |  |
| Term 1, Week 10                                |   |  |
| Monday 29 March                                | Playgroup in MPC 8:30-10:30am           |  |
| Monday 29 March                                | Riverina AFL Boys Trials<br>Narrandera  |  |
| Monday 29 March                                | Riverina AFL Girls Trials Wagga         |  |
| Thursday 1 April                               | Last Day of Term 1                      |  |

| Term 2 Week 1      |                         |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Monday 19 April    | Staff Development Day   |
| Tuesday 20 April   | First Day of Term 2     |
| Thursday 22 April  | Year 10 Vaccinations    |
| Term 2 Week 2      |                         |
| Wednesday 28 April | State Swimming Carnival |
| Thursday 28 April  | State Swimming Carnival |
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## **Feature Photo**



Congratulations Madeleine signing up with The Crossing Motel as a School Based Trainee. Madeleine will be completing her Certificate II in Business Services.

# Principal's Report

Welcome to our Newsletter with many great events occurring and information for you. With COVID restrictions lifting, we can again meet together to work with parents on the education of their children and enjoy the strong relationship we have. To continue building our work together, we have or will host a number of meetings:

- Parent Teacher interviews, Wednesday March 24, 4:00 to 6:30pm in the MPC. Online Bookings are available through the Student & Parent Portal. Please contact me if you need assistance with this. There will be a COVID-19 Safety plan followed, with physical distancing between adults, sign in requirements and infection control methods in place.
- Year 12 students & parents HSC workshop coming soon
- Year 9 students & parents NAPLAN workshop
   coming soon

We will also welcome parents to other events such as:

- P&C AGM, Thursday March 17 7:00pm in staff common room of A Block
- Athletics Carnival, Thursday 25 March: Parents are welcome

## Staffing 2021

We have been fortunate for many years to have a full compliment of teachers to deliver excellent teaching & learning at Junee HS. The school works hard at attracting and retaining teachers, however we are like many schools now experiencing a shortage of teachers.

Ms Elise Campbell left our school in week 5, causing a vacancy in PDHPE. Despite our efforts, there is no replacement so far. These classes will be covered by current teachers taking "extra" lessons, per the Teachers in Schools and Related Employees Salaries and Conditions Award 2020. We are doing our best to cover classes consistently, as well as making some changes to timetables.

- Year 11 Standard English will merge from 2 classes to 1 with Ms Asmus
- Year 12 Physics and Society & Culture will reduce to 6 periods a fortnight
- At times, classes may be supervised in rooms, with learning still organised for them.
- Ms Jen Hoy returns in Term Two to continue her role as Head Teacher Teaching & Learning, with other staff then available to take on teaching roles

Fortunately all students at Junee High School have access to a laptop, with the majority of learning available in Google Classrooms. This enables students still to access their learning anywhere but without the benefit of an actual teacher guiding, questioning, supporting, providing feedback and leading the learning.

Many staff already go above and beyond in providing excellent learning for students in challenging times and I appreciate their efforts now more than ever. Thank you to all students and their families for their understanding and support of our school.

#### How can you help?

- Be patient and understanding that there is a teacher shortage across the state, especially in key subject areas
- Demonstrate respect and care for school staff, building them up so we don't lose staff due to lack of support
- Encourage teachers to move from city areas to enjoy the country change and experience

 Support those training as teachers or wanting to train as teachers, in order to ensure a larger pool of teachers, especially in rural areas.

#### Learning Adjustments

In our Term 1 Progress Reports for students and parents, there is a column noting Learning Adjustments. If you would like to discuss the learning adjustments made for your child, please contact their class teacher.

# Learning adjustments can be made to the way the curriculum is taught and the way students learn.

This personalised approach to teaching and learning delivers rigorous, meaningful and dignified learning programs. Students, parents/carers and schools work together to develop tailored, personalised programs to help students get the most out of their school life.

Adjustments enable students with disability and additional learning and support needs to access syllabus outcomes and content on the same basis as their peers.

Under the <u>Disability Standards for Education (2005)</u> all principals and teachers have legal obligations to ensure that every student is able to participate in the curriculum on the same basis as their peers.

This does not mean every student should have the same experiences.

On the same basis means that students with disability should have the same opportunities and choices in their education as students without disability.

This can be achieved by making reasonable adjustments according to a student's individual circumstances.

## **Understanding Adjustments**

Adjustments are actions or modifications made to enable students to access educational content and outcomes.

More information can be found at: <a href="https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/disability-learning-and-support/personalised-support-for-learning/adjustments-to-teaching-and-learning">https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/disability-learning-and-support-for-learning/adjustments-to-teaching-and-learning</a>

#### Absence and Leave

Thank you to parents who send in notes for their children or respond to our text messages explaining their absence, as this is a Department of Education requirement.

Parents of children from Kindergarten to Year 12 must ensure their children attend school every day. On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstances e.g. attending a funeral.

Parents must provide an explanation for absences to the school within 7 days from the first day of any period of absence. Where an explanation has not been received within the 7 day timeframe, the school will record the absence as unjustified on the student's record.

More information about compulsory school attendance is available online at: <a href="https://education.nsw.gov.au/student-wellbeing/attendance-behaviour-and-engagement/school-attendance">https://education.nsw.gov.au/student-wellbeing/attendance-behaviour-and-engagement/school-attendance</a>

#### Uniform

Thanks to all students who regularly attend school in the correct school uniform. Our P&C run an excellent uniform shop with all proceeds going back into supporting students at school. A reminder that Riverina Sports apparel and hooded jumpers is not school uniform and should not be worn at school during normal school uniform days.

With colder weather approaching, new orders for school jackets, jumpers and pants will be placed by the P&C soon.

# Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) and the Honours System

Our 3 B's reflect the expectations of families and society of what is expected of people.

Be your best Be responsible Be respectful We continue to recognise the positive contributions students make each day, in being their best, responsible and respectful. Recognition is made through the Honours System with students receiving points for themselves and their house. 5 points are allocated every week to each student with no negatives, attendance above 80% and no 'N' warnings. I look forward to congratulating the winning house at the end of the term, as well as students that have moved up in the Honours System.

For those students who have been involved in a negative issue, a reminder that you may not be permitted to represent the school if you are on a monitoring book, have attendance less than 85%, have 'N' warning letters unresolved or have been recently suspended. Students and parents can always check their positive and negative entries via the Student & Parent Portal.

The School Ball held in Term 3 is always a fantastic event that we would like every student to be involved in. An early reminder that the School Ball eligibility is dependent upon following the 3 B's specifically about regular attendance, positive behaviour and regular wearing of school uniform. In previous years, students have missed excursions, representing the school and attending the school ball because they have not consistently followed the 3 B's.

#### School Photos

Thank you to our Photographers, MSP, for their efforts to photograph everyone available this year. An extra feature we are working with MSP on is a" Virtual Tour". There will be a team at Junee High School on Friday 12 March videoing and taking photos of the school. They will be capturing the school on film in order to compile a virtual tour of the school, allowing people to view the school through our website. They will be capturing images of students and staff in action, as well as the vast range of facilities we have. I look forward to sharing this completed tour with you soon.

Be your best. Be respectful. Be responsible

Scott Frazier Principal

# What's Happening In Careers

## Defence Forces Information Sessions March 2021

#### **Tuesday 9 March**

Sydney: Gap Year Virtual Information Session
Register at the following link
https://www.defencejobs.gov.au/events/eventsdetail/iqbkrmb

6.30pm – 8.30pm | Online

#### **Tuesday 16 March**

Albury: Navy Careers Information Session
Register at the following link
https://www.defencejobs.gov.au/events/eventsdetail/jm0gh9g

6.00pm – 7.00pm | Albury Defence Force Recruiting Centre

#### **Thursday 25 March**

Albury: Defence Careers Virtual Information Session
Register at the following link
https://www.defencejobs.gov.au/events/eventsdetail/77rbecr
6.00pm – 8.00pm | Online

#### **Tuesday 30 March**

Wagga Wagga: Army Reserve Information Session
Register at the following link
https://www.defencejobs.gov.au/events/eventsdetail/yxm8fgv

6.00pm – 7.00pm | Wagga Wagga Army Reserve Depot

## Year13 Expo

17 May 2021, 9:00 am - 19 May 2021, 4:00 pm

#### Online

Not sure what you should be doing with your future or keen to know more about your dream career? The Year13 Expo is coming back during National Careers Week in May to sort you out.

Hear career stories and advice from some incredible humans at the top of their game, plus explore hundreds of exhibitors across all of your post-school options in work, study and travel. Find out more: <a href="https://year13.com.au/expo">https://year13.com.au/expo</a>

# Enter the World of Le Cordon Bleu – Career Residential

20 July 2021, 9:00 am - 22 July 2021, 3:00 pm

16 November 2021, 9:00 am - 18 November 2021, 3pm

Le Cordon Bleu Australia, Sydney

We're opening our doors to high school students in Years 11 & 12, to experience a 'day in the life' at one of the world's leading culinary and hospitality institutions to provide a taste of what a future career in global hospitality will be like.

Meet lecturers and Le Cordon Bleu professionals, hear from industry experts, discover what Le Cordon Bleu hospitality management degree programmes involve and experience hands-on culinary arts with our chefs. See Mrs Bunyan if you are interested in applying.

Find out more: <a href="https://www.cordonbleu.edu/sydney/enter-the-world-of-le-cordon-bleu/en">https://www.cordonbleu.edu/sydney/enter-the-world-of-le-cordon-bleu/en</a>

Mrs Bunyan

# Day for Molly

School Captains Brooke and Oliver handing over Junee Highs fundraising efforts after our cakes stall and dress up Day for Molly.



## Year 11 Camp

Some highlights from the Year 11 Leadership Camp. A very challenging but rewarding trip. Students were pushed to their limits on an overnight canoeing and camping trip. They pulled together to find a camping spot, set up camp, cook dinner and venture on to the next site the following morning.



















# POP (Parenting Payments Online)

Go to the school's website

http://junee-h.schools.nsw.gov.au

and click on \$Make a Payment at the
top and follow the prompts to make a
school payment online with your debit
or credit card.



# Year 7 Camp

Year 7 camp participants are busy enjoying new experiences, building friendships and confidence and stepping out of their comfort zones with the flying fox.

















## Street Smart Handbook

Take a little time and take a look at the latest Street Smart Digital Handbook. This book will assist young people through the sometimes complex issues which will confront their lives.

https://smarthandbooks.com.au/product/nsw-streetsmart/?fbclid=IwAR3QJnGCIYW 3blad Xy1Za98u LcpsjgEdL8O-4kHol-aFyIPOnumBOOer8



# Girls League Tag Competition

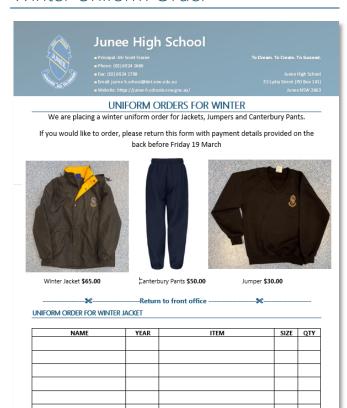
The Girls League Tag Competition was held last Friday in Wagga. The girls played some great games, showed fantastic team work and played every game with a smile. Thankyou to Amanda and Mr Fellows for transporting the team over and supporting them through their day.







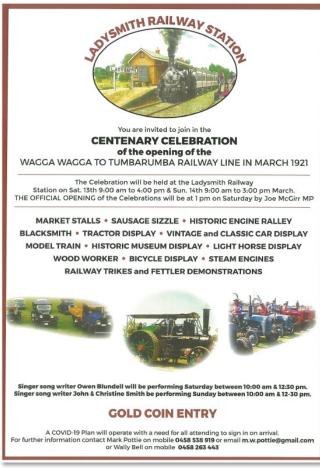
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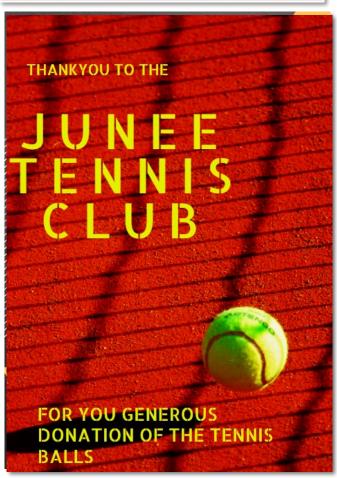
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