



Junee High School

Newsletter



2022 School Spectacular

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Calendar

Term 4, Week 9

Thurs 8 December JHS Presentation Night 6pm

Term 4, Week 10

Mon 12 December Tirkandi Inaburra Cultural Excursion

Wed 13 December Surf Trip Departs

Thurs 15 December Activities Day

Fri 16 December Surf Trip Returns

LAST SCHOOL DAY OF 2022!

Term 1, Week 1 - 2023

Friday 27 January JHS Staff Development Day
 Office Open for **UNIFORM COLLECTION** 10am-12pm

Term 1, Week 2

Mon 30 January JHS Staff Development Day
SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSED

Tues 31 January Year 7, 11 & 12 students return

Wed 1 February Year 8, 9 & 10 students return

Term 1, Week 3

Mon 6 February JHS Swimming Carnival

Feature Photo



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Principal's Report

Dear Parents, Students and School Community -

As we rapidly wind up the end of school year, we pause to celebrate with Recognition Assemblies, Presentation Night, and Semester Two Reports, as we look back at the great year we have had at Junee High School. Throughout this year, students have had increased wellbeing and access to external opportunities for both academic purposes and rewards. I also acknowledge the ongoing support of parents and the hard work by all teaching and support staff that makes these events and support happen to such a successful level!

Highlights of 2022

There are three activities that really stand out for Junee High School this year.

Wellbeing Day

South Sydney Rugby League stars, Latrell Mitchell and Cody Walker drove all night after playing against this year's Premiers – Penrith Panthers at Penrith, arriving in Wagga around 4.00am to come to our school on the Friday. Mr Luke Carroll, ABC Play School star was the MC for the day and conducted a fantastic Q&A session with the school. Through the morning, the players were able to mingle with the students and staff, provide insight into the world of elite sports representation and create a wonderful and inclusive atmosphere while explaining their own personal stories of their lives.

School Spectacular

Junee High School was proud to be represented by our students – **Amy, Emily, Laycie, Natalie, Breiana and Aleasha** – who make up our Aboriginal Dance Group and had the privilege of dancing and performing with the Aboriginal Dance Ensemble and 4700 other students at the 2022 School Spectacular. This performance will be televised in this coming Saturday 17 December at 7pm on Channel 7.

The girls were amazing ambassadors for the Junee High School and there will be further great news coming early next year regarding other opportunities for our Aboriginal students.

Year 12 fundraising – Ronald McDonald House

Reaching the grand total of over **\$10,000** Mr Andy Bedford, Mr Brent Hathaway and the Year 12 students made a fantastic fundraising effort throughout the year,

in collecting a significant amount of money for such a small group, congratulations to the whole team!!

Year 12 HSC Students of 2022

The Year 12 Graduation was able to be conducted with a large crowd of family, friends and students in attendance at the assembly. This is an important part of the graduation process that many schools have missed out on for several years. In Term Four we were also able to host a Year 12 Dinner with friends and family. A big vote of thanks to Mr Andy Bedford and Mr Brent Hathaway – Year Advisers, Ms Elaine Bunyan, Mrs Lisa Harris and Mrs Tash Harpley for organising the Graduation and Presentation Assemblies, awards and associated functions. Additionally, a big vote of thanks to Mrs Natalie Phillips for the hosting of the Year 12 Dinner.

Higher School Certificate results and ATAR's will be released this Thursday. We hope that all of our Year 12 students achieve marks that they richly deserve, with the first round of university offers after this date. We wish you all the very best for your collective futures!

Welcome to new staff

Mr Matthew Lagan becomes our latest permanent member of staff, accepting a position in our Mathematics Faculty that will be effective from the start of 2023. We welcome Mr Lagan and acknowledge his support and work with students as Year Adviser and the Empower Study Program.

Mr Aaron Merchant has accepted a temporary Mathematics teaching position, having completed a Graduate Recruitment Program in 2022. His expertise in Mathematics and Science will be invaluable in the faculty.

Mr Keiran Pingiaro will be joining the PDHPE faculty and will also work across other subject areas for 2023, in a temporary position.

Farewell to staff

We are sadly farewelling the following staff at the end of the 2022 school year:

Ms Hannah Whyte – Teacher - PDHPE/TAS

Ms Emily Lynch – Teacher - Support Unit

Mr Dominic Jones – School Psychologist

We would like to thank them and acknowledge their service to Junee High School and wish them all the best in their new endeavours.

Attendance Matters 2023

Attendance will continue to be a focus in 2023, with associated and increased factors around:

- arriving to school on time
- staying at school
- fractional truancy

We will continue to work with families and children and collaborate with external agencies for support. It is vital that students attend school every day, as it is crucial for learning success at school.

Staff Development Days 2023

There are two staff development days at the beginning of the 2023 school year. The first is on **Friday 27** and also **Monday 30 January 2023**. The front office will be closed on **Monday 30 January**. If you require any uniforms, please come to the front office on Friday 27 January.

Please note that the office will be closed on Monday 30 January 2023.

Students return date for 2023

Year 7, Year 11 and 12 students return on **Tuesday 31 January** and all other students (Years 8, 9 and 10) on **Wednesday 1 February**.

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. Thank you for once again for your support in 2022. We as a Junee High School family, look forward to seeing all the students return refreshed and ready for learning in 2023.

Mr Darren Hamilton
Principal

School Spectacular 2022

Sunday the 20 November, Junee High's Aboriginal Dance group ventured off for a week-long excursion to Sydney to perform at the invitation of the Department of Education Aboriginal Arts Program to the 2022



Schools Spectacular. The dance group consists of Aleasha, Amy, Breiana, Emily, Laycie and Natalie. The girls were fortunate enough to participate in Bangarra's Youth Program earlier in the school year where they learned and created choreography, alongside other rural and remote schools via zoom. This experience led to the opportunity to audition to be part of the Schools Spectacular performance, as part of the Aboriginal Dance Ensemble, which is led by Sidney Saltner, Sani Townson, Mitchell Harrison-Currie and Amberlily Gordon. Throughout this term, the girls have worked tirelessly to learn the choreography via video links during two double periods each week. During the week in Sydney the girls danced their feet off, performing through full days from 8:30am to 3:30pm to ensure that all 180 Indigenous students in the invited ensemble from across NSW had learned the dance to the standard that the team held.

Their hard work and commitment paid off as the girls did JHS proud in their four final performances over Friday 25 November and Saturday 26 November.



The Bangarra team have subsequently approached the girls, to submit applications to be part of the Aboriginal Dance Company which is run by Bangarra and the D'Arts for 2023.

We are so very proud of these young ladies and encourage all of our Indigenous students to consider these opportunities as they arise next year.

Thanks to [Steph Cooke MP](#) for acknowledgment in such a prestigious forum.



Mrs Cherie Smith
Aboriginal Education Officer

Honours Awards – Week 3-6

Congratulations to the following students who received an award this term, week 3-6. Each award contributes points towards the School Honours System.

Year 7

Angus, Tommy, Billy, Evie, Katelin, Jack, Lucy, Mia, Garrett, Thomas, Oliver, Cooper, Kaden, Darcy, Matthew, Hannah, Harley, Jack, Seth, Henry.

Year 8

Ethan, Bailey, Talia, Hayley, Eli, Riley, Emily, Liam, Declan, Emerson, Zachary, Jack, Samuel, Caleb, Dasean, Riley,

Henry, Ethan, Cameron, Matika, Laine, Jarrell, Jack, Bryce, Charli.

Year 9

Nate, Damon, Makayla, Madeleine, Macey, Ryan, Lane, Evelyn, Aliya, Breiana, Charlie, Jazmin, Noah, Alexander, Madison, Dakota, Maddison, Amy, Arya, Ruby, Taneisha, Bobby, Thomas, Madison-Leigh, Layla, Ayla, Alesha, Maverick, Sharnika, Fletcher, Natalie, Emily, Harry, Paige, Nathan, Alexa.

Year 10

Montana, Chloe, Emily, Allan, Isaac, Hannah, Riley, Cody, Noah, Brodie, William, Caidence, Eve, Katie, Sophie, Bailey, Erica.

Year 11

Russell, Madeleine, Teejay, Josephine, Macey, Claire, Benjamin, Jazmin, Rohan, Maddison, Dakota, Holly, Jasper, Lachlan, Ryan, Codan-Wayne, Chloe, Paige.

Honours Awards – Week 7-9

Year 7

Delaney, Charlotte, Cody, Aleasha, Lyla, Billy, Ashton, Rylee, Brayden, Emily-Lee, Jennah, Jack, Archie, Lincoln, Khya, Zabrina, Lucas, Rhys, Laycie, Matilda, Tayla, Gregory

Year 8

Ashton, Pheobe, Ethan, Montana, Talia, William, Riley, Emily, Talia-Rose, Patrick, Liam, Declan, Jack, Charlotte, Daniel, Amelia, Samuel, Nate, Caleb, Cameron, Billie, Matika, Jarrell, Ruby, Jack, Charli, Tahlia, Lisa

Year 9

Nate, Damon, Makayla, Candice, Ryan, Lane, Evelyn, Charlie, Noah, Josh, Madison, Dakota, Ellie, Ruby, Mattie, Thomas, Madison-Leigh, Ayla, Alesha, Sharnika, Lachlan, Fletcher, Cameron, Natalie, Emily, Cody, Harry, Nathan, Clare, Seth, Alexa

Year 10

Chase, Nikita, Samuel, Montana, Chloe, Kyran, Isaac, Chelsea, Kate, Christian, Noah, Brodie, William, Minka, Caidence, Nate, James, Ella, Eve, Elyse, Katie, Henry, Cooper, Sophie, Bailey, Jhye, Erica

Year 11

Jack, Russell, Madeleine, Teejay, Josephine, Macey, Evi, Claire, Jazmin, Tahlia, Rohan, Maddison, Jasper, Holly, Charlie, Lachlan, Ryan, Codan-Wayne, Chloe, Levi, Paige, Deklin

Mr David Fellows

School Spec Excursion

Year 8, 9, and 11 students travelled to Sydney to watch the School Spectacular, to see the great performances by some very talented students from around the state, including our Bangarra Girls Dance Group.



Ms Mel Hyland
Music Teacher

School Payments

You can make payments by scanning this QR code, which will take you to the payment area:

Please include your **POP receipt number** in the space provided on your child's permission note or remittance slip.



Girls League Tag

Years 7-9 girls league tag team travelled to Wagga to participate in a League Tag Gala Day. The girls won their first two games against Murrumbarrah and St Paul's, placing first in their pool. The girls played a tough game against Gundagai in the semi-final, however, fell short. It was a great day with the sun shining and lots of smiles. Players player was awarded to Rylee.



Rotary Driver Training Simulator

Year 11 and 10 students have recently participated in the Rotary Driver Training Simulator. Students experienced the dangers associated with driving under the influence and risks of distractions such as phone use.



Ms Olivia Hounsell
PDHPE

Community News



Want \$500 to help you with school costs?

saverplus

Saver Plus is a financial education program for families and individuals on a tight budget to develop life-long savings habits.

To join Saver Plus, you must:

- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card AND an eligible Centrelink payment*
- ✓ Be studying yourself OR have a child in school (can be starting school next year)
- ✓ Have regular income from work (either yourself or your partner)*
- ✓ Be 18+ years old

*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible

Here are some of the school costs the \$500 can be used for:



For more information, please contact your local Saver Plus coordinator:

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Dominic Perrottet MP
Premier of New South Wales



Dear Parents,

As the 2022 school year draws to a close, I wanted to thank you and all parents, students and teachers for your extraordinary efforts this year.

I also want to let you know about a new program that will ease pressure on household budgets by helping to pay for your children's school supplies at the start of the next school year.

From 12 December 2022, NSW parents can access a \$150 Premier's Back to School NSW Voucher for each child in primary school, secondary school or home-schooling in 2023.

Vouchers can go towards the cost of school uniforms, shoes, bags, textbooks, or stationery purchased from registered businesses. You can apply for the vouchers via the Service NSW app, and for more information, visit service.nsw.gov.au, call 13 77 88 or attend a Service NSW Centre.

This new program is part of our plan to give families a more secure financial start to the year.

It has been fantastic to see so many students back in the classroom and thriving in 2022 after so many disruptions, and 2023 is shaping up to be an even bigger year for education in NSW.

We're rolling out a new, back-to-basics curriculum; making changes so students are even better prepared for employment and further education; doing more to recognise and reward our best teachers; and making it easier for parents to connect with your children's education.

It's all about taking those important steps to make NSW education the best it can be, so we can set up our children for future success.

Thank you again for all your efforts this year. I wish you and your family a safe and happy summer - and don't forget to download your Premier's Back to School NSW Voucher from 12 December.

Yours sincerely,

Dominic Perrottet MP
Premier

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Lunch orders close each day at
10:00am.

