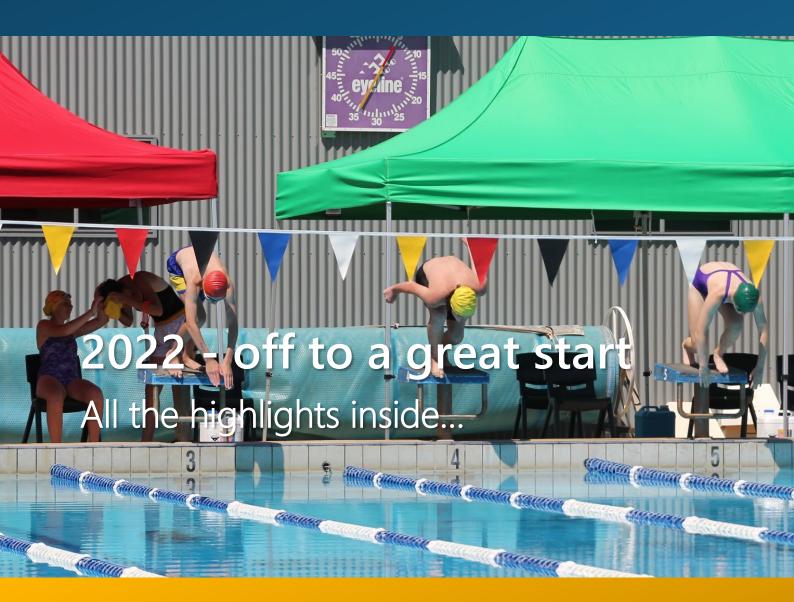


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Calendar Term 1, Week 4 Fri Feb 25 Riverina U15's Touch Footy Trials Term 1, coming events Mon Feb 28 Year 7 and 11 Camp Tues March 1 Riverina Girls Soccer Trials Wed March 2 Year 7 and 11 Campers return

Changes to payment methods

In keeping with the Department of Education policy, Junee High School is **no longer able to accept EFT payments over the phone**.

Cash and EFTPOS payments may be made in person at the school office, or through the Parent Online Payment (POP) facility which can be accessed through the Junee High School website at:

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

You will see the 'Make a Payment' option at the top of the page. Or you can scan the QR code below, which will take you straight to the payment:



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

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Principal's Report

Welcome back everyone, students, parents and staff for 2022. We particularly welcome students coming into Year 7, together with their parents and caregivers.

This year we will be working towards providing stronger and more consistent communication with our parent body, incorporating the P&C and social media channels. We will be holding informal barbecues to give parents an opportunity to meet the Year 7 and Year 11 teachers and P&C, during Term 1. Once restrictions ease, we will formalise these dates, hopefully in the coming weeks. It is also planned to engage our student body in the strengthening of our Student Representative Council and Senior Leadership Team. As part of these communication improvements, we will be seeking parent input into policy and systems updates. Please contact the school if you would like further information.

Junee High School is now in our second year of the Strategic Improvement Plan. Our 2021-2024 Strategic Improvement Plan is available for parent and the community to view on our website. The plan outlines our three strategic directions, including key initiatives, as we work towards improving student outcomes in the areas of reading, numeracy, HSC Bands, student wellbeing and attendance. A focus for staff is on how they use data to reflect on their teaching and to modify their teaching practice to best meet student needs.

Attendance - It is important for all students to be at school by 8:50am to start the school day. If your child is coming late for a specific reason or purpose, please provide a note or phone call with the details and/or reasons. We will be contacting parents where multiple incidents of lateness are occurring, to determine ways that we can support you in helping your child to arrive at school in a timely manner. If you would like to make a time to phone or meet in person, please make contact with the school to arrange a meeting.

Student Progress Report Term 1 – Student progress reports will be completed for all year groups and sent home by Week 8. I hope that we can plan parent/teacher meetings to follow these reports sometime during Week 9 or Week 10. If you require information regarding your child's progress, please make a time to contact either the Year Adviser, the Deputy Principal – Mark Turner or myself.

While the current health orders and pandemic continue to test us, our school system (and many others we rely on) are also being tested. We continue to endure and, in many ways, to prosper as a community, supporting the students of Junee High School. As we now move into the school year under the ever-changing supports and restrictions, I hope that you and your family have been able to support each other. I thank all parents and students that have been able to manage their health issues and I look forward to building a positive learning community with you this year, so that we can continue to support, learn and develop together.

Congratulations to Ms Hounsell and the staff for a fantastic Swimming Carnival last Wednesday. One of the highlights of the day would have to be Mr Hathaway taking out and annihilating the field in the 'Big Splash' competition – even putting on a display and providing an encore! Congratulations to Hammond House for taking out it's tenth swimming carnival in a row.

In closing, I would like to wish all students and parents the best of luck for the remainder of the year, in the hope that can return to a more normal and calming learning environment in the near future.

> Darren Hamilton Principal

JHS 2022 Swimming Carnival

On Wednesday 16 February we held the 60th annual swimming carnival. It was a great day with some fantastic house spirit on display. A highlight of the day had to be Mr Hathaway's first place in the biggest splash competition.

A big congratulations to our king and queen of the pool - Rylee Henderson and Keegan Newman.

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded age champions:

12 years - Rylee Henderson and Darcy Stubbs

13 years - Talia-Rose Fanning and Keegan

Newman

14 years - Ruby Sweeney and Lachlan Phillips

15 years - Chelsea Crowder and Ryan Crowder

16 years - Kate Foley and Flynn Wattie

17 years - Mia Phillips and Jake Vanzanten

Our winning house for the day was the mighty **Hammond Hornets!** Congratulations to all our participants.

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2022 Zone Swimming Carnival

On Monday 21 February a handful of our students travelled across to Temora to partake in the Zone Swimming Carnival. The Junee High students held their heads high throughout the carnival and were willing to give it their all.

Congratulations to Talia-Rose Fanning and Flynn Wattie who have qualified for Riverina Carnival in the coming weeks.

Ms O Hounsell PDHPE











What's happening in Careers?

Mrs Bunyan Careers Adviser

Cyber Security Webinar – TAFE NSW

This webinar will be held on March 15 during the day. Register your interest with Mrs Bunyan. Get a first-hand look at roles within the booming cyber security sector, and learn more about: how cyber security plays a key role in our future, working in dynamic teams in a cutting-edge field, the amazing and diverse opportunities available, study options at TAFE NSW and career opportunities

Build a Bridge Civil Engineering Camp

The annual Build a Bridge ...& get over it! Engineering Camp will be running again. The 2022 camp will be held in Term 2, Week 1 from Tuesday to Thursday, April 26 – 28, 2022 at Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre. The Camp is a joint initiative of the Riverina Eastern Regional Organisation of Councils (REROC) and COMPACT Incorporated. There is a maximum of 24 places available for students in Years 10-12, which are allocated through a competitive application process. High school students residing in a REROC Member Council town are eligible to apply for a fully funded place. Over three days, students work through all facets of Engineering, from concept to build under guidance. For a sneak peek go to

https://compact.org.au/what-we-do/career-development/build-a-bridge/ Please see Mrs Bunyan if you are interested in applying.

ADF School visit

The ADF recruitment team will be at school on Thursday 24 March. This session is for students who are interested in finding out about opportunities available in the Navy, Army and Air Force. Information will cover ADFA, officer training trade and non-trade roles as well as the very popular Defence Force gap year program. Open to students in Years 10-12. See Mrs Bunyan if you are interested in attending.

White Card training

The annual white card training is booked in for Friday 1 April at a cost of \$110 per person. Students must be 14 by the time of the training. The white card is required by students if they wish to undertake work experience on a building site. Notes will be available from Mrs Bunyan this week. Students will also be required to create or provide a **Unique Student Identifier** (USI) to attend this training.

From the Library

I would like to extend a very warm welcome back to our students in years 8 to 12 and introduce myself to our year 7 students and their families and to any new students beginning at Junee High School in 2022. My name is Mrs Speer as your Teacher Librarian, I am here to:

- support your learning in all subjects,
- assist you with finding information for assessment tasks and homework,
- connect you with any books and resources that are of interest to you,
- suggest and promote reading for pleasure.

The Library/Learning Centre is only open during lunch (except Thursday). Please eat lunch before or after you visit.

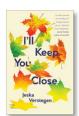
We receive brand new books every month that are available for you to borrow or browse. There are plenty of board games and card games to use. There are also plenty of colouring resources for some mindfulness.

Mrs Speer Teacher/Librarian

This month our new books are:























Covid Intensive Learning Support

In response to the ongoing impact of the pandemic, our COVID Intensive Learning Support Program has continued into 2022, after great success in 2021. The program aims to increase the ongoing support for students' education at Junee High School.

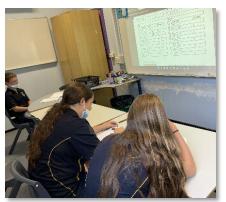
The school has employed additional staff to deliver small-group withdrawal tutoring in literacy and numeracy. This term identified Year 7 and Year 9 students are accessing numeracy foundation tutoring, and Year 8 and Year 10 are focusing on improving writing skills.

Learning will be delivered to each group three times a week with content tailored to student requirements. Students included in this term's tutoring groups have been given a letter for parents/caregivers. Please contact the school if you have any questions regarding this program.

Here are some of the students in attendance this week.

Mrs R Heffernan Learning and Support Teacher





Year 12 Fundraising Success

On Monday 14 February (Valentine's Day) Year 12 students sold and delivered hand-written Valentine's Day cards, with a chocolate. They raised \$80.00 for their chosen charity, which this year is Ronald McDonald House*.

At Wednesday's swimming carnival, Year 12 made and delivered egg and bacon rolls to teachers, then sold sausages and drinks at lunchtime – raising around \$360.00 for a great cause.

The Year 12 students all had a wonderful last swimming carnival. Jack McCarthy won the inaugural Year 12, 25m non-stroke race in their colourful costumes.

A big thank you goes to Mrs Bunyan and Mrs Hathaway for assisting with the students during the day.

*Ronald McDonald House – provides essential support for seriously ill children and their families.

Mr B Hathaway Relieving Year Adviser

Community News

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

The Parish of St Joseph's Junee would like to extend an invitation to all in our Parish eligible to receive the various Sacraments this year.

Reconciliation (For children in Year 2 or above) to be held on Wednesday 22nd June.

<u>First Communion</u> (For children in Year 3 or above who have previously made their Reconciliation) to be held on Sunday 21st August.

If you have a child who would like to participate in lessons and make one or both of these Sacraments this year, please call or email Kellie Salmon by the end of Term 1.

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