



JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL

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Issue 3

DIARY DATES – Term 1

Week 5 – 22-26/2/21

Thursday Hockey SA Visit

Friday Bizzy Bugs
R-6 Assembly

Week 6 – 1-5/3/21

Monday SSSA Swimming @ Marion

Tuesday RAGE Training

Friday **JCS Sports Day**
Story & RhymeTime

Week 7 – 8-12/3/21

Monday **ADELAIDE CUP HOLIDAY**

Friday St James Sports Day on JCS
Oval
R-6 Assembly
Bizzy Bugs

Week 8 – 15-19/3/21

Tuesday **MNSEC Athletics Carnival @ JCS**

Wednesday Halogen Young Leaders

Friday Story & Rhyme Time

Week 9 – 22-26/3/21

Tuesday SAPSASA Netball & Football
Trials

Friday Bizzy Bugs

Week 10 – 29/3-2/4/21

Tuesday SSSA Athletics @SA Athletics
Stadium, Adelaide

Friday Story & Rhyme Time

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Open Evening

It was fantastic to see the number of large number of families who attended our Open Evening last Wednesday night. It was particularly pleasing to hear the conversations between children, their families and their teachers, with students showing great pride in sharing evidence of their learning and classroom environments.

It was also pleasing to see a number of families take the opportunity to attend the various presentations that were delivered on the night. These included supporting Junior Primary students learning to read, Introduction to SACE and overview of The Resilience Project.

We would like to thank all families who attended last Wednesday. We know that the educational and wellbeing outcomes for young people are maximised when there is a strong partnership between school and home; events such as the Open Evening provide an excellent opportunity for these partnerships to be strengthened early in the school year.

2021 Governing Council

The Governing Council AGM was held last Monday night, with one of the major agenda items the election of Governing Council members for the 2021 school year.

Our 2021 Governing Council comprises:

Ali Cooper (Chairperson)

Shane Heness (Vice-Chairperson)

Barb Carr (Secretary)

Rowan Cootes (Treasurer)

Janelle Butterick

Bob Case

Dom Clark

Damon Crawford

Donald Downing

Stacey Goodes

Nathan Ramsdall

Jess Hounsell (Staff Representative)

Danya McKay (Staff Representative)

We welcome Bob Case onto the Governing Council this year, and farewell Michelle Sanders and Justine Reynolds. I would like to thank Michelle and Justine for their service to the school through their involvement on Governing Council in recent years.

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We also welcome Ali Cooper as Chairperson in 2021. Ali has been a strong supporter of the school through being a member of our Governing Council in recent years, including serving on a number of sub-committees. Ali has taken over the role from Dom Clark who stepped down from the role at the AGM. Dom has been Chairperson over the previous 3 years, and was a most worthy winner of the Rowan Ramsey School Community Award in 2020. On behalf of the school community, I would like to thank Dom for his excellent work as Chairperson, and look forward to his continued support of the school as a Council member in 2021.

MNSEC Swimming Carnival

Well done to the students who represented Jamestown Community School at the MNSEC Swimming Carnival last Tuesday night in Booleroo. Our team consisted of 30 students, a significant increase on the 20 who swam in Quorn last year, and the 18 who participated in 2019.

The 30 students are to be congratulated on the outstanding manner in which they represented themselves and the school. Each of them swam to the absolute best of their ability, with a number of students either volunteering to swim extra races or swim in races outside of their age group to ensure we filled as many events as possible. Their support and encouragement of each other throughout the carnival was also exceptional.

The growth in JCS student participation at the MNSEC carnival follows the success of our swimming carnival, which I believe was the best of the 4 I have attended in my time at Jamestown Community School. We look forward to our next whole school sporting event – our Athletics Carnival on Friday, 5th March.

Michael Gaunt
Principal

R-6 NEWS

Open Evening

Thank you to the families who joined us for Open Evening last week. It was great to see so many students showing their families their learning so far this year. I enjoyed hearing the students explaining about their work. It was great to see the variety of work happening in all the classrooms.

Sports Day

This year Sports Day is being held on Friday 5 March (Friday before the long weekend). There will be a program that will be sent home next week once finalised with times for R-5 events. The Year 6 students will compete in the Year 6-12 Sports Day – participating in a range of track and field events. I know the students have been training hard to do their best on the day! If you have any questions about the day, please don't hesitate to ask. The House Captains for Frome and Eyre will be required to attend school at 8.15am to help set up the R-5 events.

R-6 Assembly

R-6 assembly will be held this Friday 26 February at 9.00am in 'The Gap'. The Year 4/5 class will be hosting. Please remember to check in via the QR Code in classrooms or on the door in 'The Gap' area.

Playground Upgrade

As you may have noticed the playground area in the Junior School is coming along. The creek and bridge are almost complete. Thank you to John and Nat Young for the construction of the 'tinker table' and 'mud kitchen'. They look great and the students can't wait to use them!



Thanks to the students for your patience with waiting for the upgrades and hopefully it will be complete soon. Thank you to all the parents and volunteers for their support in the construction of the upgrades so far.

Label Belongings

Remember to label all belongings as there are a few containers and clothes that are being left around the yard with no names on them! Makes it easier to find the owner if there is a name. Thank you for your assistance with this.

Should you have any queries or issues, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school or via email jillian.hudson336@schools.sa.edu.au

Jillian Hudson
R-6 Coordinator

7-9 NEWS

Well Done Middle Schoolers!

Congratulations to our MNSEC team who travelled to Booleroo Centre to represent our school. We had many of our students swim above their age bracket and I could not have been prouder of the sportsmanship, cheering, and participation that our students showed. Well done, everyone! It was also fantastic to see so many families at our Open Evening the following night. It was great to chat with our middle school families. I am sure there were some tired students at the end of last week.

Traffic Lights

Traffic lights will be sent home shortly in the student's diary. Please sign them to indicate that you have seen them. An outline of what each traffic light colour means is detailed on the slip. If you have any issues, please contact your child's subject teacher or myself for further discussion.

Meet Our Middle School Team.

This week we are getting to know Ms Ella Thredgold (Year 7 Home Group) and myself as one of the Year 8 Home Group teachers.

Ella Thedgold

Subjects you're teaching this year: HPE, Maths and Science

Favourite food: Any home cooked especially one cooked by Mum

Favourite book: Not sure but looking for book recommendations as I need to read more.

Something you're looking forward to doing in 2021: Continuing to improve HPE and sporting carnivals at JCS and helping the year 7s transition to middle school.

Favourite sport/hobby/interest: Most sports (Netball, AFL, NFL, Cricket), cooking and spending time with family and friends.

Morgan Wallis

Subjects you're teaching this year: English and HASS

Favourite food: white chocolate and raspberry muffins

Favourite book: Anything written by Mitch Albom but I do especially love Tuesday's with Morrie.



Something you're looking forward to doing in 2021: Getting to know our new families and continuing to learn new and exciting things about the families I already know.

Favourite sport/hobby/interest: Spending time with my family and friends, swimming, baking cookies, and reading.

Morgan Wallis
7-9 Coordinator

10-12 NEWS

Year 10 Introduction to SACE, PLP and Work Experience

During our Open Evening we held an introduction to SACE, PLP and Work Experience. It was great to see most of our year 10 students represented and develop their awareness about the demands of the year.

Work Experience is scheduled from May 31st – June 4th this year (Term 2, Week 6). Students are encouraged to start thinking about potential locations that they would be interested in being placed at.

Year 10s also have a Careers Trip to look forward to next term, where they will gain valuable exposure to tertiary education options, trades and career pathways.

Hats

Summer has finally arrived, which is a great reminder that hats are to be worn whenever students go outside. Please ensure that your child's hat is in suitable condition – being free from tears, graffiti etc as well as providing suitable shade for your child. Given that our senior school students have been around for a while longer than others, it is common for them to need an update.

Mobile Phones

If year 10-12 students would like to store their phones in locked storage each day, provisions for this have been made. Students are to let their homegroup teacher know if they would like to take up this opportunity.

New furniture for 10-12 students

Two of our secondary learning spaces have been modernised! How exciting! Our Senior Computing Suite – Room 2, where we now prioritise all of our



senior secondary I.T. classes, has new chairs and a large table to facilitate discussions and student learning.

Room 16, between our year 10 and 11 classrooms, has been transformed into a breakout learning space, where students have resources to charge laptops and work independently, as well as being a collaborative space that will enhance learning discussions.

The furniture arrived with great excitement last week,

just before our Open Evening. The assistance I got from some year 7, 9 and 12 students was truly commendable.



The students worked like a well-oiled engine to rearrange and set up the furniture and workspaces. Our middle school students quickly planned to relocate the surplus furniture from the senior classes, enhancing some middle school workspaces as well. Bonus! A big thank you to all of the students who assisted.

10-12 Calendar Dates

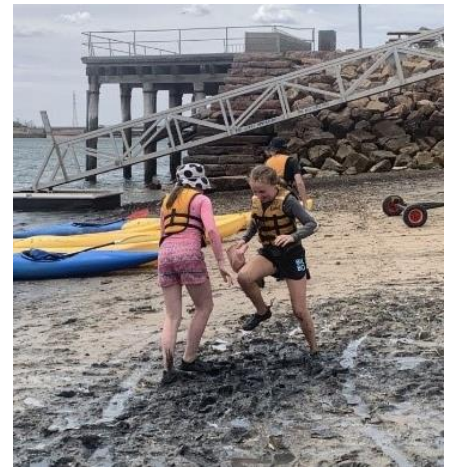
- **Sports Day** Friday 5th March (Term 1 Week 6)
- **Adelaide Cup Holiday** Monday 7th March (Term 1 Week 7)
- **SACE Art Show** 23rd March – 16th April @ Light Square Gallery, Adelaide College of the Arts
- **Careers Trip** Wednesday 12th – 14th May (Term 2 Week 3)
- **Year 10 Work Experience** Monday May 31st - Friday June 4th (Term 2 Week 6)

Danya McKay

10-12 Coordinator

YR 8 AQUATICS CAMP

On Wednesday 10th February, our Year 8 students sent off on their annual Aquatics Camp to Port Augusta. The weather was warm on arrival, but little did we know how warm the next two days would be! Students set off on their first two activities and approached each one with persistence, determination, and humour. The teamwork witnessed was excellent from the get go.



The second day brought much hotter weather but the activities allowed the students to stay in the water for longer periods of time so they weren't complaining too much of the heat. The mud races were a hit and gave the students a welcomed break from the heat by being covered in mud. Again, the persistence, laughter, sportsmanship, and integrity the students displayed

throughout their activities was excellent. The third and final day brought, again, a lot of hot weather. Students used their skills that they had



been taught over the previous two days to undertake an expedition.

Our students should be proud in how they conducted themselves, representing our school with pride and integrity. A big thanks to Ella Thredgold, Jaime Werner, Jess Hounsell, and Morgan Wallis who attended the trip.





Without the support of the teaching staff, the camp would not be possible. Congratulations, students on an excellent display of respect, honesty, and integrity. You represented JCS with pride.

Morgan Wallis and Hayward Paynter
Year 8 Home Group Teachers

Year 1/2 News



It has been a busy and exciting start to the year in the 1/2 class. We have enjoyed participating in the Swimming Carnival, starting the Resilience Project, experimenting with different art styles, developing our problem-solving skills in Maths and writing about our favourite parts of a story. We all really enjoyed sharing our learning and our classroom with our families at the Governing Council Open Evening and BBQ.

Here are some comments from the students about the activities that they have enjoyed so far this year:

Thomas – I like playing with the dominoes.

Riley – I like using the computers.



Jhae Te-Elle – I like playing pop up tag in P.E.

Clancy – I like having fun with Mrs Ramsdall.

Alby – I liked the hand art. I liked using the colours and it looked cool.

Grace – I like playing Maths games.

Luke – I liked doing the hand art and writing stories.

Ray – I like tracing in Art.

Alice – I liked drawing and painting the polar bear pictures in Art.

Kody – I like playing stuck in the mud in fitness.

Toby – I like fitness.

Will – I like show and tell.

Izabella – I like Art and Buddy Reading.

Angus – I like the puzzle games in Maths.

Jack – I liked doing the Polar bear pictures.

Cooper – My favourite activity was the line pictures.

David – I like P.E. and doing the ball rolling game.

Sophie – Everything! I liked the painting for the polar bear.

Tamara – I like the Maths games on the computer and playing dominoes.

Henry – I have enjoyed drawing in Art.

Seth – I like learning about numbers in Maths.

Vinnie – I like painting.

Isla – I enjoy reading quietly with my friends.

Mrs Ramsdall – Getting to know everyone and seeing how enthusiastically you tackle new challenges!



Mrs Sarah Ramsdall
Year 1/2 Class Homegroup Teacher

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Hi everyone,

What a great start to the year we have had with students embracing our new program 'The Resilience Project'. The Resilience Project is a dedicated lesson that delivers emotionally engaging programs and provides evidence-based, practical strategies to build resilience. This lesson is being delivered by Home Group teachers once a week across R-12 on a Tuesday to all students.



The Digital Program consists of online presentations and lessons for students, professional development for staff, and a **video series for our parent and carer community**.

Over the coming weeks, we'll be sharing the Parent and Carer Program with you. The videos are 5-10 minutes long and will walk through the key pillars of resilience: **Gratitude, Empathy and Mindfulness**. You'll hear stories and be introduced to activities to show how these strategies can support our kids learning and development, and also support you as parents and carers.

This program is an important part of our school's effort to look after the mental health of our community.

To see the first presentation of the series: Part 1: Meet Martin and learn about The Resilience Project follow the link: <https://theresilienceproject.com.au/parent-and-carer-hub/>

We will be in touch to share the remainder of the program, including research and wellbeing activities to integrate into day to day life.

Once again, we would like to thank Apex in Jamestown for supporting this program by purchasing and supplying the Student Journals.

Any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at the school on 8664 2700 or aimee.goode255@schools.sa.edu.au.

Aimee Goode
Student Wellbeing Leader



LIBRARY NEWS

Book Fair

We are fortunate enough to be hosting our first (of two) **Book Fairs** for 2021 on **Tuesday 16 March until Thursday 18 March (Week 8)**. A huge range of books, stationery and posters will be available to purchase with books starting at \$5. Students will be able to access the *Book Fair*; before school, recess, lunch and after school.

This is an important fundraiser for the library that enables us to purchase extra books for students to read and borrow.

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Further information will be sent home with students this week. Your continued support is very much appreciated.

If there are any questions please do not hesitate to contact the Library on 8664 2713.

Cassie Mc Callum
Teacher/Librarian

MNSEC SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2021

This year we had a team of 30 students travel to Booleroo to compete in the MNSEC Swimming Twilight Carnival held on Tuesday the 16th of February. Thank you to Booleroo for hosting. A big thankyou to all parents who attended the carnival and supported our students while also helping with timing and management of the team. Thank you also to Cassie McCallum, Michael Gaunt, Tamara Schmidt and Danya McKay for their support on the night.

Overall our squad produced great individual and team performances. As a school we are proud of all students who participated at the MNSEC carnival and personally I was impressed with the sportsmanship shown and the way they supported and cheered loudly for their team. Our focus remains on continuing to improve participation at these events, this was evident this year with 10 more students competing than last year. Congratulations to Lucy Cootes, Charlie Cooper and Hayden Kupke, Chelsea Williams and Sally McKay who have been selected to represent MNSEC at the Country State Championships in Adelaide to be held at the SA Aquatics and Leisure Centre on Monday the 1st of March. Good luck to you all.

Final Results for the night were:

Year 6/7 TROPHY

1 st	Gladstone
2 nd	Orroroo
3 rd	Booleroo
4 th	Jamestown
5 th	Quorn

2 nd	Orroroo
3 rd	Booleroo
4 th	Jamestown
5 th	Quorn
6 th	Peterborough

HANDICAP SHIELD

1 st	Peterborough
2 nd	Jamestown
3 rd	Gladstone
4 th	Orroroo
5 th	Booleroo
6 th	Quorn

PENNANT WINNERS

U14	Gladstone
U15	Gladstone
U16	Booleroo
Open	Gladstone

CHAMPION SWIMMERS

MALE: Max Smart

OVERALL SHIELD

1 st	Gladstone
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FEMALE: Tamika Walker

Sports Day 2021

Reminder that this year's carnival will be held on Friday the 5th of March, students will need to report to their home group teacher at the usual time of 8:50 **in their classrooms** and the carnival will be complete by 3:10pm.



A reminder to students and parents that R-5 students move through their events in their year levels with a year level supervisor. All students 6-12 students move around to all Track and Field events with their age group supervisors, all students are expected to participate in all Track and Field events including the 100m and 200m sprints. The 1500m, 800m and 400m events are all nominated and the 3 best High Jumpers from each house/ age group participate in this event on the day this is due to the time-consuming nature of the event. The 1500m and 800m events will be run in the lead up to sports day, the 1500m will be run this Friday the 26th of February from 9am and the 800m events will be run Tuesday next week the 2nd of March from 9am weather permitting.

I am now looking for age group supervisors for the following age groups, this role involved making sure that students in these age groups make it to their events on time. If you are free and willing to help please send me an email with your name and what age group, you would be willing to supervise.

Open Boys, Open Girls, U/16 Boys, U/16 Girls, U/15 Boys, U/15 Girls, U/14 Boys, 6/7 Boys.

We are also looking for helpers in the canteen if you are able to help please send me an email on ella.thredgold289@schools.sa.edu.au. Thank you in advance to those who volunteer their time.

Any questions or issues please contact me at school or via email.

Thank you again for your support.

EllaThredgold

JCS Sports Coordinator/Team Manager





CANTEEN ROSTER

Term 1 Week 6

Wed 3/3
Thurs 4/3 Sharon Millane
Frid 5/3 **JCS SPORTS DAY**

Week 7

Wed 10/3 Vanessa Jacka
Thurs 11/3 Catrina Duncan
Frid 12/3 Amanda Stone

Week 8

Tues 16/3 **MNSEC SPORTS DAY**
Wed 17/3 Stacey Goodes
Thurs 18/3 Kristian Eastham
Frid 19/3 Donna Bradtke

Week 9

Wed 24/3 Phillipa Pycroft
Thurs 25/3 Jen Stefanek
Frid 26/3 Jeni-Lee Case

Week 10

Wed 31/3 Kylie Kupke
Thurs 1/4
Frid 2/4 **GOOD FRIDAY**

Week 11

Wed 7/4 Phillipa Pycroft
Thurs 8/4 Sharon Millane
Frid 9/4 Susanne Hogan

JCS SPORTS DAY HELPERS

If you are able to volunteer your time to help at our Sports Day on **Friday of week 6 (5/3/21)** please fill out this form and return to the front office.

Name:

Phone Number:

R-12 JCS SPORTS DAY - Friday 5th March

I am able to help with:- ()

Setting up ()

Judging ()

Scoring/Recording ()

CANTEEN JCS SPORTS DAY HELPERS

If you are able to volunteer your time to help in the canteen during our Sports Day on **Friday of Week 6 (5/3/21)** please fill out this form and return to the front office.

Name:

Phone number:

I can help in the Canteen from:-

9.00am – 10.00am () 2 required

10.00am – 11.00am () 2 required

11.00am – 12.00am () 2 required

12.00am – 1.00pm () 2 required

1.00pm – 2.00pm () 2 required

2.00pm – 3.00pm () 2 required

I can't help in the canteen but I am willing to donate

Details:.....

CANTEEN MNSEC SPORTS DAY HELPERS

If you are able to volunteer your time to help in the canteen during our Sports Day on **Tuesday of Week 8 (16/3/21)** please fill out this form and return to the front office.

Name: Phone number:

I can help in the Canteen from:-

9.00am – 10.00am () 3 required

10.00am – 11.00am () 3 required

11.00am – 12.00am () 4 required

12.00am – 1.00pm () 4 required

1.00pm – 2.00pm () 4 required

2.00pm – 3.00pm () 3 required

I can't help in the canteen but I am willing to donate

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