

# JAMESTOWN COMMUNIT

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## DIARY DATES - Term 4

Week 7 - 22/10/21 to 26/10/21

Monday to Friday

-R-6 Swimming Lessons

Monday Tuesday

-Yr 11 Maths & History Exams -2022 Receptions transition

from start of day until end of

lunch

-Yr 11 Physics & Biology Exam

Wednesday to Friday

-Yr 9 Camp to Adelaide

Wednesday -Yr 11 Excursion to Blyth

-Yr 7/8 Cyberbullying Session

Thursday

-Yr 10-12 Defensive Driving

Talk

-Yr 10 History Exam

Friday -Bizzy Bugs

#### 24/10/21 to 5/12/21 - JCS Art Show Display

Week 8 - 29/10/21 to 3/11/21

Monday & Tuesday

-School Captain Camp

Monday

-R-6 Instrumental Music Showcase 9.30-10.30am in

Stadium

-Yr 10 Science Exam

-Orienteering Yrs 4-8

Tuesday

-2022 Reception Transition All

Day

Wednesday & Thursday

-Yr 10 First Aid

Thursday -R-6 to Bundaleer 9.30am to

11.30am

-Choir to Belalie Lodge from

2pm

Friday -Story Time

> -R-6 Assembly -Donut Van

-JCS Playground Opening -R-6 Nature Play afternoon

-Presentation Night Practice

Week 9 - 6/11/21 to 10/11/21

Monday -JCS Presentation Night

# PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

With the end of the school year rapidly approaching, it has been a busy but exciting time as we have hosted a number of events while plans for the 2022 school year well underway.

Our Year 12 students celebrated the completion of their education at JCS with families, friends and staff. It was a wonderful evening, enabling students and people important to them to reflect on the challenges and successes of their educational journey. A big thank you to Danya McKay for her excellent organization and planning of the evening.

Transition programs for our 2022 Reception and middle school students have commenced. It was fantastic to see the enthusiasm and confidence our 21 new Reception students engaged in their first two transition days. Likewise, St James and JCS students who will be in our middle school in 2022 participated in a range of activities over two days to experience what middle schooling at JCS will be like next year. We were highly impressed in the supportive and friendly manner in which students from both schools interacted with each other.

Last week, Happy Haven hosted a number of information sessions for families looking to access the Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) service from 2022. We are looking forward to having this service established for families to access from the start of the new school year; if you would like any further information, including details on how to enrol children, please contact the Front Office.

Next Friday we will be officially opening our playground redevelopment, which also provides us with the opportunity to thank the many school and community members who supported the upgrade. This redevelopment has provided students with much more variety of activities during break times as well the delivery of the junior primary curriculum. Please see the flyer attached for more details of the opening.

A number of facilities upgrades have been planned for the January holidays. These include:

the installation of new flooring in the Tech Studies workshop and Front Office







- new lockers for Year 10 and 11 students, the same as those current Year 7-9 students access
- the redevelopment of the Room 29 ICT facility, providing students with greater access to our suite of 3D printers

## **Staffing Update**

I am happy to announce that April Dunstan has been appointed to the Wellbeing Leader position at JCS for 2022. April comes to us from Endeavour College in Adelaide, where she has been for 6 years. April will work with Aimee Goode over the rest of the school year to ensure a smooth handover in this important role.

Michael Gaunt Principal

# R-6 NEWS

Over the next few weeks there are a few different activities the R-6 students will be involved in. Next week on Thursday 2 December, R-6 students will be visiting Bundaleer Forest in the morning from 9.30am to 11.30am. We will be having recess and a play out there. Monday 6 December R-6 students will have a picnic in the park with a visit to the playground. Presentation night will be held at 630pm in the stadium. Tuesday 7 December Year 4-9 students will have a session at the pool between recess and lunch and R-3 students after lunch. If you have any queries about any of the events please speak to your child's class teacher.

#### **R-6 ASSEMBLY**

We are continuing to host assembly every fortnight with the next assembly to be held on Friday 3 December at 9am hosted by the R/1 class.

#### **2022 RECEPTION TRANSITION**

2022 Reception students continue to transition to school. Some very excited students starting school!

Should you have any queries or issues, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school or via email <a href="mailto:jillian.hudson336@schools.sa.edu.au">jillian.hudson336@schools.sa.edu.au</a>

Jillian Hudson R-6 Coordinator

# 7-9 **NEWS**

#### **TRANSITION**

Last week we held our two transition days for students transitioning into Year 7 and Year 8 in 2022. Students undertook a range of activities from developing new animals in DigiTech, making door stops in Wood Technology, navigated their way around the school during our Amazing Race and built their team skills during Physical Education.

Thank you to our transitioning students who showed a high level of respect and came with very positive attitudes. We welcome you all to our middle school for 2022 and look forward to seeing what next year brings.





#### **WEEK 9 ACTIVITIES**

Our week 9 activities are being finalised and notes will be sent home shortly. We are looking to host a session at the town pool, a movie afternoon, visit the cinema in Blyth, Super 8 Cricket carnival in Gladstone and hold our annual Staff vs Students round robin tournament. Notes and permission forms will be sent home next week.

#### **YEAR 9 CAMP**

Good luck to our Year 9 class that are embarking on their camp this week. Students will visit Latitude, The Beach House, North Terrace for a scavenger hunt and to St Kilda playground. We hope they have a great time and look forward to their stories on their return.

As always, if you have any questions please send me an email via <a href="Morgan.Slattery157@schools.sa.edu.au">Morgan.Slattery157@schools.sa.edu.au</a> or make an appointment to meet with me via the Front Office.

Morgan Wallis
<u>7-9 Coordinator</u>

# 10-12 NEWS

#### 2021 Graduation Dinner

A fortnight ago, after all exams and assignments were truly finished, student breakfasts and assemblies were had, our class of 2021 had their Graduation Dinner. The formal dinner was held at the Memorial Sporting Precinct in Port Pirie. We had a great turn out of parents, teachers and all graduating students.

The next few weeks see our Year 12s make some more thoughtful decisions about their future plans and update their CVs and SATAC applications. We wish them patience and objectivity as they embrace this challenging task. A small snapshot of the photos taken are shared in the newsletter. Photos for the evening will be distributed to students via USB in the next week or so.

Thank you again to our community for their support towards our class of 2021.

### Austdrive Defensive Driving Course – tomorrow, November 25<sup>th</sup>!

We have booked **Austdrive** to come to Jamestown Community School to run a defensive driving session that carries over multiple road surfaces and scenarios, suited to Learner drivers - through to probationary drivers. Learner Drivers will have a licenced driver to accompany them during the practical sessions, with one vehicle required for each participant.

The training educates young drivers to realise while they may have their licences, many scenarios can be precarious, unexpected, and dangerous. They get to practise associated strategies on Murchland Drive – which will be closed to the public for their practical sessions.

The session is booked in for **Thursday 25th November**, **from 8.30am – 4.30pm**, at Jamestown Community School. Morning tea is provided. The canteen is available for lunch orders and snacks, or BYO.

We think extended driver training that lessens the risks for our learner drivers is a great opportunity. If you have any questions, please let me know.





### Year 10 & 11 End of Year Schedule

Week 7 Starting Mon. 22/11					
Year 11	History Exam Lesson 1 & 2  Maths Exam Lesson 5 & 6	Biology & Physics Exam Lesson 1 & 2	Blyth Excursion	Defensive Driving Course	Year 11s finished
Year 10				History Exam Lesson 3 & 4	Maths Exam Lesson 1 & 2
Week 8 Starting Mon.29/11					
Year 10	Science Exam Lesson 5 & 6		Senior First Aid Theory – morning double 9-10.30 AIE online presentation 11.30- 3pm – including lunch break Regular teachers supervise each lesson.	Senior First Aid	Year 10s finished

# **10-12 Upcoming Events**

- Year 11 Exams Week 6/7 Schedule attached
- Year 10 Exams Week 7 Schedule attached
- Austdrive Course Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Jamestown Open to all learner drivers
- Senior First Aid Course Year 10s, Thursday December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Danya Mc Kay 10-12 Coordinator

# YEAR 9 NEWS

The year 9s have been very busy this term and are very eager for their camp in Adelaide this week.

In English with Mrs McKay, students learnt about Poetry while studying the Shakespeare inspired '10 Things I Hate About You' film. Additionally, with Mrs McKay, the Home Ec class have been learning about catering and making clutches. Students are excited to see how they turn out.





In HASS, Mrs Weaver is teaching students about early Australian federation and immigration restriction laws. Also, the year 9 students ran the Remembrance Day assembly on the 11th of November.

In Math's, students have been studying statistics and probability with Mr Jameson. They have been experimenting with rolling dice. Also, with Mr Jameson, the Wood Tech class has been doing their independent projects, firstly using Fusion 360 to create their designs, and then students must stick to a \$20.00 budget.

Science with Mr Gaunt and Mr Stephenson students, have recently completed a chemistry test and are learning about sound and light waves.

Miss Werner's Visual Art students have recently completed a clay task and are designing skateboard decks with the theme '42'.

In the homegroup each morning, students have been engaged in the 'Homegroup Games' where they form teams and complete a trivia quiz. Students are also excited for Monday week 9, as they are giving out their Secret Santas!

Jaime Werner & Michael Gaunt Yr 9 Home Group Teachers

# SCHOOL LEADERS: A SUMMARY OF OUR YEAR

As 2021 draws to an end and 2022's school leaders are elected, it is the perfect time to reflect on the year's achievements. The 12 school leaders have worked together diligently to organise and implement a vast range of improvements and events around JCS. We first came together for the student leader camp in Wallaroo in late 2020, where we completed group activities, attended a public speaking workshop with Annabelle Ottens, and discussed our intentions for the following year.

Early in the year, we were privileged to attend the Halogen Young Leaders Day, where we gained first-hand knowledge of what it takes to be a great leader from the likes of His Excellency the Honorable Hieu Van Le, Governor of South Australia, Josh Pyke (musician author creative), Laura Hodges (World Champion Basketballer) and Lachie Smart (the youngest person to fly around the world solo).

Coming into 2021, our main focus centred around food waste. Through our fortnightly leadership and class meetings, we gained input from students and discussed the best methods to minimise JCS's food waste. After weeks of preparation, we reintroduced a chook bucket system, implementing class rosters to manage the scraps.

Our second waste initiative was the Nude Food week competition, where students were encouraged to pack plastic-free lunchboxes. The winners were the R/1's, who were awarded with a party run by the middle and junior school leaders.

In addition to reducing the school's waste output, we organised several school-wide fundraisers, supporting causes such as Down Syndrome awareness, the Royal Flying Doctor Service, and the Butterfly Foundation. For the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence, we ran whole-school activities and games for students to participate in.

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Our senior school captains, Bree Carkle and Kent Rattley represented the students at assemblies, working hard to improve their public speaking and demonstrating great leadership skills.

At the beginning of Term 4, the student leaders came together as a whole for the last time to farewell the year 12's: Bree, Kent, and Monique. We reflected on the year's achievements over a delicious lunch of wraps from Ek-Wi-Tee.

As a final contribution, we assisted in running the JCS Election Day, handing out ballots and standing at the booths to guide young students. We now pass on the baton to 2022's school leaders, all the best for another year of great achievements!

# Bree Carkle & Monique Marlow 2021 School Captain & School Vice-Captain



# WELLBEING NEWS



In week 4, staff had an information session with Dietician, Jessie Hammat who spoke to them about eating disorder awareness, body image, how we talk about bodies and nutrition and making movement fun.

In week 5, students then had lessons guided by Butterfly Foundation. The activities encouraged everyone to be *BodyKind by* being kind to our own body and others; celebrating differences and diversity in body shape and appearance and encouraging positive behaviours that help bodies and minds feel good.

In addition to these activities the Student Leaders invited students to dress in something that represents their favourite sport or sporting team for PE Week. **\$195.05 was raised for Butterfly Foundation**. These funds will help Butterfly continue to offer free initiative and low cost services to young people in schools and communities across Australia.

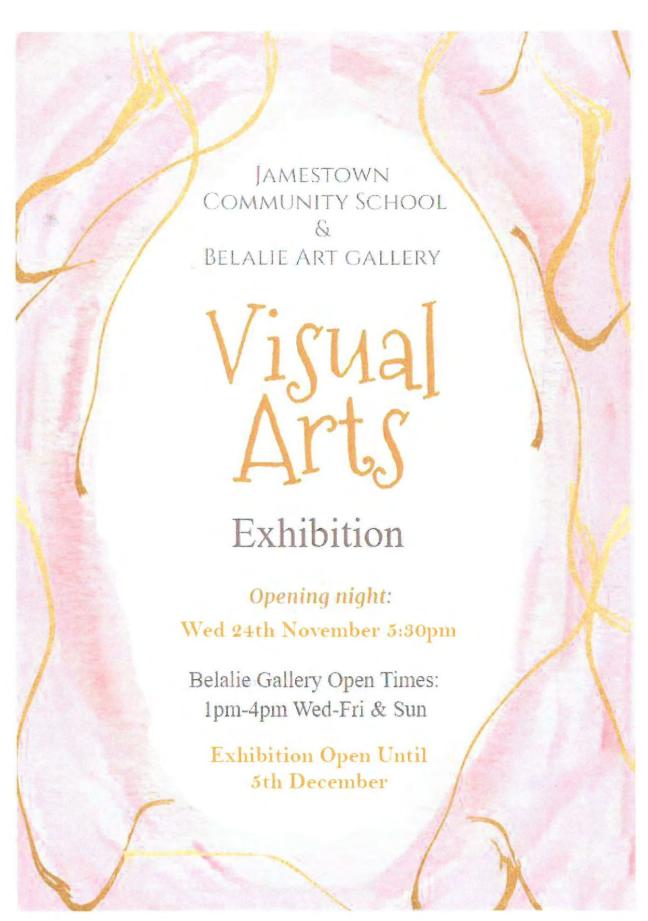
Aimee Goode
<u>Student Wellbeing Leader</u>

## CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 4 2021

Week 7				Week 8		
Wed	24/11		Wed	1/12		
Thurs	25/11	Julie Gilshenan	Thurs	2/12	Kylie Kupke	
Frid	26/11	Catrina Duncan	Frid	3/12	Gemma Williams	
Week 9						
Wed	8/12	Kristin Eastham				
Thurs	9/12					
Frid	10/12	Amanda Stone				



















# Jamestown Community School Official Playground Opening

Friday the 3rd of December 2:00 PM



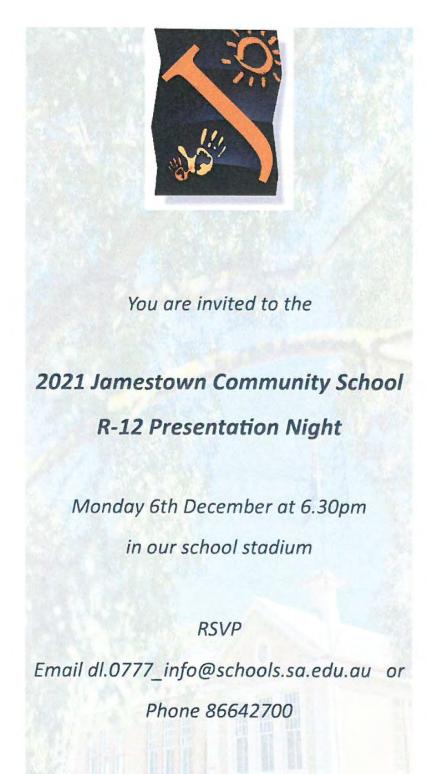












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2021 JCS Graduation Dinner

