Rhythm & Rail Fun
Captains chomp into the challenge!
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Feature Photo

Our captains Morgan, Nick, Patrick & Daminica enjoyed the Licorice & chocolate challenges!

Week 8 assembly: 5/6S
Week 9 assembly: Kindergarten

Calendar

Term 1, Week 9
26 March Rugby League Gala Day Yrs 3-6
27 March Assembly 2:30 pm

Term 1, Week 10
1 April JNPS Athletics Carnival
2 April Easter Fun Day/ Easter raffle
3 April Last day Term 1

Term 1, Week 10
1 April JNPS Athletics Carnival
2 April Easter Fun Day/ Easter raffle
3 April Good Friday

Term 2, Week 1
20 April Staff development day
21 April Students return
24 April School ANZAC service 1:15 pm
25 April ANZAC Day – Student march

Term 2, Week 2
30 April SRC Mother’s Day Stall
1 May Assembly @ 2:30 pm

Term 2, Week 3
5 May P&C meeting @ 6:30 pm
7 May Stage 3 Netball Cup
8 May JNPS Cross Country Yrs 3-6

Term 2, Week 4
12 May NAPLAN – Years 3 & 5
13 May NAPLAN – Years 3 & 5
14 May NAPLAN – Years 3 & 5
15 May Assembly @ 2:30 pm
Principal’s report

School Uniform update

At our last P&C meeting parents discussed the issue of being able to purchase our cotton button-up summer shirts from school. Often parents have found it difficult to find these, and we have an issue with lots of different shades of sky blue with the boy’s shirts and many parents purchasing polo shirts instead of the correct cotton shirts. There was also discussion around the possibility of having our school logo embroidered on these shirts. Following enquiries we are able to sell these shirts from school, with the logo for around $20. I have arranged an order to go ahead and these will be available for parents to purchase next term. I will advise as soon as these become available for parents to view and purchase.

This is just a mock-up of what the shirts will (kind of!) look like – the school logo will be the same as the one on our sports shirts

Still on uniforms, a reminder that parents requiring winter jackets or girl’s tunics must have their orders and money in no later than Friday 27 March.

Our School Plan

Our new School Plan is almost completed with lots of input coming from parent and student surveys last year, discussions with P&C and staff. Our school plan will provide a focus for the next 3 years and incorporates a new vision statement which reflects our future aspirations:

Our vision is to instill in our students, through diverse, innovative & quality educational experiences, the knowledge & skills to become confident, creative & highly successful lifelong learners and respectful & responsible citizens.

Our 3 strategic directions are:

1. Creating high performing engaged learners.
2. Consistent, high standard educational experiences
3. Enhancing community engagement & participation

More information and opportunities to discuss these will be provided throughout the year.

Rhythm and Rail Festival

Well done to our captains and to Mrs McDevitt who teamed with me at the Junee Licoire and Chocolate Factory challenge. Our boys were victorious in their challenge but I’m afraid the licoire tower, snooker and rocky road eating challenge proved too much for the girls! We had lots of fun however and will now start our training regime in preparation for next year!

Chew boys, chew!!

Well done to our wonderful choir and Mrs Davis for their beautiful performance on Saturday. We are very proud of you.

Our choir - looking and sounding wonderful
P&C Working Bee

This Saturday we have organised a short working bee. We have quite a bit of weeding to do & some rubbish to remove. The working bee commences at 9:00 am. If you can spare an hour to help it would be most appreciated.

NAPLAN

Next term in Week 4 our Year 3 and 5 students will undertake the National Assessment Program in Literacy & Numeracy. A letter further explaining this accompanies this newsletter.

Condolences

Our sincere sympathy to the Dargin & Green families on their very sad loss. Our thoughts are with you.

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Sports news

Cricket team triumphs again!

Congratulations once again to our boy’s cricket team on their win last week. Our boys now move through to Round 3. A great team effort by all. This Friday our girls travel to Tumbarumba to compete in their first round of the PSSA knockout. Good luck girls!

Great effort Lachlan

On Monday 9 March, Lachlan Payne travelled to Albury to compete in the Riverina PSSA Swimming Carnival. Lachlan achieved a personal best in his 50m butterfly, coming a commendable 16th out of a field of 22 competitors. Well done Lachlan – we are proud of you!

Athletics Carnival

Our annual school Athletics Carnival is being held on **Wednesday 1 April**. Our carnival is always a wonderful day for all of our students to participate and have fun. Notes regarding the carnival were sent home this week. We encourage our parents and family members to come along and support their children. We are always keen for any assistance our parents can provide on the day. A big thank you once again to Mrs Janet Howell for her assistance in getting the track and field events prepared for us – you are a legend Mrs Howell!
How2Learn

The staff at Junee North are busy focusing on explicitly teaching the disposition of **Building Resourcefulness**. Being **resourceful** is all about being willing and able to learn in different ways. One of the habits of being **resourceful** is **Reasoning**. **Reasoning** is all about thinking rigorously and methodically.

**Try this at home:**

**Sudoku or jigsaws:** these problems can only be solved by logic and reasoning.

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What’s happening in our school?

**Life Education Visit**

We have just completed another visit from the wonderful Life Education Van. Healthy Harold delivered lots of important health messages to our students, ranging from healthy eating to smoking, drugs and making safe and lifestyle sensible choices. Our children benefit greatly from this annual opportunity (and of course we love seeing Harold!)

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Seth uses his reasoning skills to try to solve Mrs Thurston’s tricky block puzzle!

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**Easter Fun Day**

The last day of term, Thursday 2 April is another annual event – our Easter Fun Day! This is a great opportunity for all of our students and their parents to participate and enjoy a fun day. See the itinerary later in the newsletter. Raffle booklets for our P&C Easter raffle were sent home this week. The raffle will be drawn on our Easter Fun Day.

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Lilly-May, Grace, Daminica & Tahlia enjoyed their visit with Harold
Better Buddies Kite Flying Fun

Our Kinder and Stage 3 buddies spent a session designing and making their kites, then it was time to test them out. Once again, I’m not sure who enjoys these sessions more – the Kinders or their buddies!

Liam gets lift-off from his and Kaden’s kite

Zach shows his buddy Seth how to get it flying

Tenaya and Katelin get their speed up

Lots of great literacy learning

Literacy incorporates all aspects of reading, writing and spelling across all subject areas. In every classroom you will see our students engaged in a variety of activities that not only develop these skills but also cater to the many different ways our children learn. In our K-2 classes we run a daily program called L3 (Language, Learning & Literacy). Students receive explicit instruction in reading and writing strategies in small groups of three to four selected students. Students then rotate to independent individual or group tasks. This occurs in the daily Literacy session. As well there are whole class writing sessions to further develop the spelling, word identification and spelling skills of our students.

Kindergarten writers at work – using their word and sound charts to help them with their sentences

This week Kindergarten welcomed 3 CSU students who will be visiting our classes each Wednesday. Welcome to Naomi, Phoebe & Jacob!

3/4P are incorporating their reading and writing skills in with their science unit on ????. Here are some students very absorbed in their learning!
We don’t always sit at our desks to learn

Practising note taking skills

Children rotate around the groups to gather various information and collaborate together to locate the relevant bits of information

Programs supporting our readers

Each term several students are selected to receive extra reading support through either our Reading Recovery program (Year 1 students only). Mrs Higginson conducts our Reading Recovery program each morning.

Another program we use to support students with phonics, sight word and fluency needs is the MultiLit program. Students are referred by their classroom teachers to our Learning Support Team. Our team then schedules students into these sessions during the term. The Multilit sessions are run daily by our Learning Support Officers.

Shannon enjoys his daily ‘Multilit’ sessions with Ms Hemsley and Mrs Lehmann – two of our learning support officers

Reminders

**Athletics Carnival Notes** are due back by Monday 30 March

**Winter Jacket & Tunic orders** must be in by Friday 27 March

**Year 6 Rugby tops & shirts** orders must be in by Friday 27 March

**Easter raffle tickets** & money due back by Thursday 2 April
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Principal’s Awards

Term 1 Week 6

5/6B
Sophia Cameron
Lachlan Payne
Matilda McDevitt

Well done Principal award winners

Blue Level Awards

Term 1 Week 6

1/2S
Miah Robertson
3/4P
Maggie Hawke
Hannah Fitzgerald
5/6S
Patrick Tulaga
Annie Heir
Daminica Jackson
5/6B
Riley Hackett
Savannah Field
Jake Vanzanten
Jaylah O’Meley

Well done Blue level award winners

Term 1 Week 7

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Millie Allen
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P&C News

Rhythm & Rail Stall

A big thank you to the parents who assisted with setting up and running our stalls at the Rhythm & Rail weekend. Details on the amount raised at our next meeting.

Easter Raffle

Fantastic! We already have lots of families returning their sold tickets! More books are available from the office. We are looking for any volunteers to sell tickets outside IGA on Tuesday 31 March. If you can spare an hour or two, please phone the school office. Remember that sold tickets & money must come back on or before Thursday 2 April when the raffle will be drawn.

Next meeting

Our next P&C meeting is set down for Tuesday 5 May. As well as discussing fundraising ideas we will have representatives from the Community Centre discussing their ‘Meal Deal’ proposal. Mrs Thurston will also be discussing the School Plan.

Home Reading Awards

Term 1 Week 7

25 Nights

K
Sienna Butt

1/2S
Tahlia Wooden
Marshall O’Regan
Lachlan Payne
Morgan Fitzgerald

Thumbs Up...

A thumbs up to our wonderful choir for their performance at the Rhythm & Rail festival. Our choir also performed beautifully today for Senior Citizen’s Week and will perform again tomorrow at the Community Expo. Well done to Mrs Davis & the choir.
**Behaviour Expectations**

At Junee North we are proud learners who are:

**Respectful** – we treat ourselves and each other with respect, show care and regard for property

**Responsible** – we take responsibility for our learning and our actions. We own up to our mistakes so we can learn from them.

**Safe** – we always take care and act in a safe and appropriate manner.

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**Health Spot**

**Staying Hydrated**

It is recommended that children drink the following amount each day to stay well hydrated:

- Age 4-7: 1L (about 5 glasses)
- Age 8-11: 1.5L (about 7 glasses)
- Age 12-18: 2L (about 8-10 glasses)

This needs to be increased during and after physical activity and when it is hot or humid.

Water is by far the best choice of drink. Water is part of every tissue and process in the body and provides all fluid requirements without added sugars and preservatives.

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**Rhythm & Rail Challenge**

Lots of fun and laughter during our Licorice & Chocolate challenge! Some of these may look easy – but really were challenging! Especially devouring mouthfuls of rocky road! Easy to get into the mouth – much harder to chew & swallow!

*Patrick proved quite the pool shark!*
Thanks Junee Licorice & Chocolate Factory for a great afternoon!
JPS Friday Night Live Disco

Open to Junee & surrounding areas, school aged children and their families

When:  Friday 20 March
Time:  6pm-8.30pm
Where: Junee Ex Services Club Auditorium (side entrance)
       175 – 177 Broadway Street, Junee
Cost:  $5 per child or $15 per family

Entry includes a sausage sandwich and a fruit popper or water.

Extra sausages, fruit poppers, lolly bags, and bags of chips will be sold for $1 each.

Come along and join in some Friday night fun. There will be a DJ playing all your favourite tunes with competitions for the best dancers etc.

Attention Parents / Caregivers:

For parents who wish to leave their children at the event, supervision will be provided by supervising adults and event coordinators who have a working with children check. Children must be dropped off at the side door (near car park) and signed in and then picked up by parents or caregivers promptly at 8:30pm (signed out).

For further information please contact Junee Public School on 6924 1302
EXCITING ANNOUNCEMENT
Little League-Tag

The JJRLFC has an exciting opportunity for 5 and 6 year old boys and 5, 6 and 7 year old girls to learn the skills and have fun playing in the non-contact sport of League-Tag.

The Little League-Tag will run at home games only and costs only $5 per player for the season.

Playing uniforms are not required and we do not play if it’s raining.

Children will be coordinated by qualified coaches and parents.

It’s a perfect introduction into what is the safest code for children under the age of 12 in Australia.

If you are interested, please contact the JJRLFC via the Facebook page or call Rebecca McDermott on 0438 680 536.
Dear Parents/ Carers

On Thursday 2 April we will be holding a very special Easter “Eggstravaganza” day. The day’s activities will be as follows:

• 11:20 – 12:10: Picnic lunch – come along and enjoy a picnic lunch with your child in the playground. We will be providing a sausage sizzle – orders out next week.

• 12:10 – 1:50: Special assembly under the COLA: Athletics ribbons & trophies; Principal Awards; Decorated egg parade; announcement of the Easter colouring competition & drawing of our P&C raffle. This will be followed by our traditional egg races!
  - Easter colouring competition: Our SRC is organising an Easter Colouring competition – cost to enter is 20c. Entries must be in by Thursday morning 2 April.
  - Decorated Egg parade: All children are asked to bring along a decorated egg – any design they like! See how creative they can be! A prize for all children who bring in their decorated egg.
  - P&C raffle draw: 5 prizes to be won of a wonderful Easter hamper – tickets & money must be in no later than 9:00 am Thursday 2 April.
  - Egg races: bring along a hard-boiled egg and race it against their classmates. There will be a pre-schoolers egg race too!

• 1:50 – 2:20: Afternoon tea (Parents are welcome to stay on for the afternoon)
• 2:20 – 3:20: Tabloid Fun – games organised and run by our senior students

COME ALONG & ENJOY A FUN DAY!