JHS Swimming Carnival
House winner Hammond
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Feature Photo

Hammond the winning house at the JHS Swimming Carnival
**Principal’s Message.....**

Fraze’s Phrase: “Life is like a camera. Just focus on what’s important, capture the good times, develop from the negatives, and if things don’t turn out – take another shot”. - Unknown

Welcome to another edition of the JHS newsletter, created to keep you informed of school happenings and to show off great things that have happened.

Congratulations to students who participated in the recent school carnival and to the organisers and staff for a great day.

Congratulations also to our students who continue to arrive at school and classes promptly, work hard to complete their work, make the school and community a safe place to be in as well as being a good friend to people.

I look forward to seeing more students receive achievement awards in recognition of their contribution to making our school great.

Best wishes to students representing JHS in various sporting competitions in the next few weeks, as well as our senior students completing their assessment tasks and preparing for exams.

Be your Best. Be Respectful. Be Responsible

*Mr Scott Frazier*
*Principal*

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**Student Travel Grants**

Students from Years 7 to 12 at Junee High School who wish to attend any education-related event in any capital city may apply for a travel grant from Drs Ken and Cheryl Cheung. These events may be Music camps, Engineering workshops and Mathematics competitions. (Exempt activities include sporting or games related). You will need evidence of your interest. Terms and conditions apply. For more info, send a blank email to travelgrantsinfo@gmail.com for an auto-reply.

In 2015 two Junee High School students were successful in receiving the abovementioned grants.

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**Learning Centre**

Students started to see some changes to the Learning Centre (Library) last week with the addition of brand new tables and chairs.

Senior students now have their very own resource room within the Learning Centre. This space will make it easy for senior students to access preliminary and HSC material and engage in quiet group study.

We look forward to more exciting changes in our new look Learning Centre over the coming months!

*Ms Emma Meale*
*Learning Centre Coordinator*

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**EMPOWER PM...**

It has been great to see the students beginning to make use of EMPOWER PM to complete their homework and assignments or just to catch up on some literacy and numeracy skills.

EMPOWER PM is our after school homework/study centre; run in the library each Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Staff are available for help and encouragement. EMPOWER PM runs from 3:30pm to 4:30pm.

We also offer Stage 6 (Year 11 and 12) study sessions on Wednesday nights in the library. Mrs Heffernan and Miss Asmus will be in the library from 7:30pm to 9pm each Wednesday night for extra assistance or to run students through exam papers. The extra 2 hours per week can have a massive difference in the long run. We encourage your child to make use of this opportunity.

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**Mens Shed Report**

The Men’s Shed Project has started the year strongly. Four students from JHS attend one morning per week and are engaged in a variety of hands-on building projects. Pictured here is one of the completed projects: a camp oven tripod.

*Mr Peter Bryan*
*Learning and Support Teacher*
Sport News

Riverina Sport Trials

Throughout the year, trials will be held for many Riverina representative sporting teams. Students will be informed of these trials through the school newsletter and via the morning notices. If your child wishes to trial for a representative team, it is essential they see a PE staff member to collect a permission note and be nominated by the school.

This Week:

- Zone Swimming Carnival – Friday 19 February 2016
- Secondary Golf Match Play, nominations due Friday 19 February 2016

Upcoming Sport Dates:

- Open Boys Riverina Basketball Trials – Monday 22 February 2016
- Open Boys and Girls Tennis Knockout Wednesday 24 February 2016
- “Come Try League” day – Thursday 25 February 2016
- Riverina Swimming Carnival – Friday 4 March 2016

Unfortunately due to low numbers and a clash with Zone Swimming, we have had to withdraw from the upcoming Years 7/8/9 Girls Cricket Day. There will be plenty more opportunities for our younger girls throughout the term.

Swimming Carnival Report

Last Thursday kicked off the first of our school sport carnivals, with a fantastic day at the Junee Recreation and Aquatic Centre. We were thrilled to see that 70% of students who attended swam in at least one event throughout the day, with majority of students showing excellent enthusiasm to jump in the pool to have some fun in the novelty events. These events have been a great addition to the carnival program, and are helping to foster a positive school culture and further develop relationships between students and staff. Another highlight of the day was the effort by staff in the pool, with special mention to Mr Hands who dominated in the 50m freestyle, as well as Miss Brown and Mr Heydon who won the staff participation awards.

We are also extremely impressed by our students who challenged themselves throughout the day to be their best and enter in many events as possible. We had 25 students enter 5 or more events, which is a tremendous effort.

Massive thanks goes to Troy McLaughlin and the Junee Junction Rec Centre for their assistance on the day.

In the competitive house stakes, Hammond continued its dominance in the pool to claim the first sport trophy of 2016 with Gwynne finishing 2nd, Smythe 3rd and Salis 4th.

Age Champions

Congratulations to the following students on being awarded age champions on the day

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Congratulations to Jasmine and Oliver Phillips who together set six new records at the carnival!

King and Queen of the Pool

Nick Hogarth was crowned King of the Pool and Jasmine Phillips was crowned Queen of the Pool. Both students were successful in winning the staggered start 50 metre race.
### Weekly School Sport

This week students in Stage 5 have been issued with the sport choices for Term 1. The options available are listed below. Students are reminded to bring in their notes and pay their money to the front office as soon as possible, to ensure they secure their preferred sport choice.

Stage 4 students will be staying at school and rotating through a range of sports each week. This will help to build friendships amongst students in their stage group, but who may not be in their classes. Next term these students will be offered elective sport choices.

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### Tips to beat the heat:

As the days have warmed up again, we highly encourage our students to bring a hat to school. Our PE classes are currently completing a practical unit on Soccer in Stage 4 and Invasion Games in Stage 5, so we would like to remind students to be prepared to be outdoors. The best preparation is to bring a hat, apply sunscreen and drink water regularly throughout the day and when involved in physical activity. Sunscreen is available at the PE staffroom for students. The school bucket hats are available at the canteen for $10.

### Pink Stumps Day is back!

Following the success in 2015, we are hosting a Pink Stumps Day on Friday 11 March 2016. Pink Stumps Day encourages students and staff to show their cricket skills and play for the McGrath Foundation.

We are encouraging people to support our event, through donations or attendance at our staff vs. student challenge match on the oval.

Over the past 5 years, thousands of teams from across Australia have come together to play and fundraise over $4.5M for a great cause.

We would be most grateful if you could generously help by donating so that together we can raise more to help the 42 women diagnosed with breast cancer each day.
To donate, please follow the instructions at the link below:

Thank you for your support!

Mr Anthony Stokes/Mrs A Francis
PD/H/PE

Breakfast Program

Our Breakfast Program has been a wonderful success. The Term 1 Breakfast Program will resume on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:00am in the Food Technology area.

Ms Amy Boylan

GEO Big Breakfast
Thursday 25 February
8:15am - 8:45am

Skoolbag App - FREE

Skoolbag is a very effective school-to-parent communication tool. This Mobile App provides Junee High School with an easy way to tell parents and carers everything they need to know about school news, newsletters, events calendar, cancellations, school notices, school information, school timetables, parent sick note forms, school documents and much more. No more lost paper in school bags!

The Junee High School Skoolbag App is available at no cost via your Apple or Android App Store. The school is increasingly using this App to improve our communications between school and home.

Uniform Shop
Open Tuesday mornings
9:00am to 9:30am

SMS Messaging

Please ensure we have your up-to-date mobile numbers to enable us to maintain contact with you. We regularly use the SMS system to alert you to your child’s absences; excursion details and updates; as well as providing notices and reminders of events such as Parent Teacher Nights and other important school activities. Please check that we have your contact details correctly recorded by contacting the school office.

Canteen Help Wanted
Please call Maree on 6924 1666 if you can volunteer your time in the Canteen.

Community News

Can Saver Plus assist you with school costs?

Join Saver Plus and match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to $500 for educational costs including:
- school uniforms and textbooks
- computers, laptops and tablets
- excursions and camps
- sports equipment, uniforms and lessons
- music tuition and instrument hire.

You may be eligible if you have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, are at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner), such as full-time, part-time, casual or seasonal work, and have a child at school or study yourself.

Contact Jenny Rolfe-Wallace your local Saver Plus Worker:
(02) 6931 3963 / 0437 375 832
or jenny.rolfe-wallace@thesmithfamily.com.au

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