Calendar

Term 1, Week 6
Fri 4 Mar  
Riverina Secondary Swimming  
District SRC Meeting  
Murrumburrah

Term 1, Week 7
Tues 8 Mar  
Year 7 vaccinations
Thurs 10 Mar  
Breakfast Club
Fri 11 Mar  
Pink Stumps Day

Term 1, Week 8
Fri 18 Mar  
RYDA Year 11

Term 1, Week 9
Mon 21 Mar  
Harmony Day
Wed 23 Mar  
Easter Raffle Year 12
Fri 25 Mar  
Good Friday

Term 1, Week 10
Mon 28 Mar  
Easter Monday
Tues 29 Mar  
Year 12 Midcourse Exams commence

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Feature Photo

Hogs for the Homeless visit to Junee

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You can find us at: www.junee-h.schools.nsw.edu.au
Principal’s Message.....

Fraze’s Phrase: “Fall down 9 times, get up 10 times” Chinese Proverb about the value of resilience, perseverance and moving through barriers.

Thank you for working with us in the education of your child. I know that staff are working very hard at creating excellent learning opportunities both inside and outside of the classrooms.

Students looked excellent for their school photos, as well as at the recent GEO Group Bressington Assembly. This assembly is an important event at school and recognises our highest HSC achievers.

Our thanks are extended to Mr Scott Brideoake – General Manager GEO and Ms Kelly Eisenhauer – Manager Human Resources GEO for presenting the GEO Bressington Scholarships to our 2015 Year 12 recipients Natalie Puttock and Braiden Philipse.

Natalie and Braiden were recognised for their academic achievement during their school years. Proud family members in the audience listened on as the students thanked their families, teachers and the GEO Group.

The audience was then addressed by Mr Brideoake who highlighted the need for our current students to work hard, value education and respect those trying to help them.

Year 12 students and family members were able to meet with school staff in Week 3 to discuss the responsibilities and privileges of senior studies.

At the meeting we discussed with students the importance of investing time in their studies and what is imperative to achieving the best possible outcomes.

It is good to see our senior students using their Empower time wisely, in addition to some students taking up the offer of after school and evening sessions in the Learning Centre with school staff.

Year 12 students have the option of arriving before Period 2 or leaving after Period 5 if they have a study period. We encourage them to stay, but understand the need for some flexibility in their schedule.

Year 11 students are reminded that they do not have this same privilege and must be in each class and study period.

Be your best. Be responsible. Be respectful.

Mr Scott Frazier
Principal

LOTE News

Students from Stage 4 LOTE, Stage 4 Music and Stage 5 Elective Music recently attended a Taiko workshop where they learned about the art of traditional Japanese drumming. Students practised simple ensemble drumming patterns before learning to incorporate martial arts style movement. A video of the Stage 5 drumming performance has been uploaded onto the school’s Facebook page.

Stage 4 LOTE students have also been expanding their understanding of Japanese cuisine. They have sampled a variety of Japanese food and beverages including miso soup, pickles, tamagoyaki (rolled omelette), rice and green tea. The highlight was making nori rolls and filling them with salmon, tuna, crab meat, cucumber, carrots, mayonnaise, soy sauce and wasabi.
LOTE students now have access to the Quizlet website in order to practise their Japanese. The website contains a variety of activities including flash cards, spelling activities, games and tests. Students are given time to use this website once a fortnight during class time. They are then expected to use this website to complete their LOTE homework. Please note that alternate activities are available for those students who are unable to access a computer or the internet at home.

Ms Hyland
LOTE

Junee High School Taiko workshop
Careers in February

This month has been a busy time for students learning about career options. Students from the Year 11 Primary Industry class have completed work placement hours in the shearing shed learning the art of a rouseabout, shearer and sheep handler. For some, it was their first time on a farm and first time being involved with the rigors of working in the heat and fast paced action. Thank you to the farmers that supported this experience for our students.

Other work placement opportunities in construction with Mr Brett Duck and metals and engineering with T-Line Steel Fabrications have also shown our students skills and career paths which we are most grateful for.

Chloe Vandenbergh-Webb travelled to Sydney to spend a week doing work experience at Taronga Zoo. Her highlights of the trip were working with the reptiles.

Six Year 11 students attended Charles Sturt University MyDay in Medical Sciences and Nursing. These days are important opportunities for the students to visit CSU campus and gain insight into various careers offered by the University. There are a number of other specific course days that will be on offer throughout the year. For more information visit http://futurestudents.csu.edu.au/unilife/social/events/myday and register your interest or come and see the careers adviser in school.

Jacky Zhao commented: “The MyDay at CSU gave insights into the facilities at CSU and how it compares very differently from the school environment. I learnt about the misconceptions of radiation exposure in the field of Radiation”.

This week Year 9 and 10 students are being introduced to the opportunity to arrange their own work experience. A work experience pack is being handed out to students at Work Readiness talks with each class. Please take the time to talk to your child about work experience and possibilities for them.

Mrs R Heffernan
Careers Adviser
**Questacon visit to Junee High School**

On Wednesday 2 March we were fortunate to have a visit from Questacon Smart Skills. Jason and Matt delivered a series of three interactive workshops and simulations that gave some insights into technology in the 21st century.

Students, Science teachers and other staff became engrossed in the challenging problem solving activities to build bridges and landing platforms which would hold up under changing conditions.

Stage 4 and 5 participated in the hands-on tasks and were able to gain insight into the design process.

Participating students had a great time and want to do it all again.

“Your kids were absolutely amazing” Matt said.

*Mrs R Patterson*  
Science Faculty
Sport News

Zone Swimming

On Friday 19 February, an enthusiastic team of 15 students made the journey to Tumut to participate in the Southern Slopes Zone Swimming Carnival. It was terrific to see our students attending this carnival, and student behaviour throughout the day was excellent. A special thanks also to the parents who assisted with transport for this event. It is most appreciated.

Special congratulations to Jasmine Phillips, who set her name in the Zone Record books again this year breaking three records. It was a tremendous effort by Jasmine.

A number of students have qualified to swim at the Regional Swimming Carnival in Leeton this Friday. Congratulations to Andreas Shepherd, Oliver Phillips, Jasmine Phillips, Kirra Duck, the under 16’s Boys relay comprising Andreas Shepherd, Zyon Shepherd, Oliver Phillips and Adam Spackman and the under 16’s Girls relay team comprising Jasmine Philips, Abby Foley, Bella Passlow and Kirra Duck, on behalf of the school we wish you good luck at the next level.

Thursday Sport at the Rec Centre

Due to the extreme weather we have experienced recently Stage 4 and 5 Thursday afternoon sport have taken advantage of the wonderful facilities at the Junee Rec Centre. This will again be the case this week and students are encouraged to submit their notes to the office as soon as possible, to ensure they can participate in this sport. The pool option will continue as long as the hot weather is present. Those students who have paid for the Rec Centre mixed ball sports or tennis are exempt from the $2 weekly fee.

Junee High School Big Bash

Junee High School will be hosting its own version of cricket’s Big Bash. All students are invited to participate and names should be given to the PE staff. It was scheduled to begin this week but has been postponed due to the extreme weather. Hopefully, the competition will begin next week.

Pink Stumps Day

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: http://pinkstumpsday2016.gofundraise.com.au/page/juneehighpinkstumps2016

Thank you for your support!

**Sporting Dates**

- Under 15’s Touch Football Riverina Trials – Friday 11 March 2016
- Pink Stumps Day – Friday 11 March 2016
- Junee High School Lawn Bowls team – Friday 18 March 2016
- Open Girls Basketball Riverina Trials – Monday 14 March 2016
- Basketball Gala Day – Tuesday 15 March 2016
- TBC
- Boys Soccer Riverina Trials – Monday 21 March 2016

**Community News**

**Hogs for Homeless Visit**

On Wednesday 17 February around a dozen Year 7 and 8 students had the opportunity to be involved with Hogs for the Homeless 2016 NSW tour. A Brad Fitler and Father Chris Riley inspired initiative; the “Hogs for the Homeless” is aimed at raising awareness and funds for the homeless youth of Australia by riding Harley Davidson’s throughout NSW.

During a short presentation which emphasised the importance of this great cause the students learnt that there are over 105,000 homeless Australians, of which 20,000 are children under 12.

Students were introduced to some of NSW’s greatest ever Rugby League players including Brad Fitler, Laurie Daley, Nathan Hindmarsh, Steve Menzies, Matt Cooper and Steve ‘Blocker’ Roach. Students were given the opportunity to assist in organising drills with the players for the primary school students in attendance.

Our students were extremely well behaved and did a fantastic job on what was a very enjoyable afternoon.

*Mr M Hands*
*Mathematics Faculty*