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CALENDAR EVENTS

	TERM 4	
WEEK 4A		
November 4-8	Monday - Friday	HSC Examinations
November 4-8	Monday - Friday	Year 7 & 8 Yearly Examinations
November 5	Tuesday	P&C Meeting
WEEK 5B		
November 11	Monday	HSC Examinations
November 11	Monday	Years 7 & 10 Vaccinations
November 11-13	Monday-Wednesday	Year 9 Exams

November 11-15	Monday - Friday	Year 10 Work Experience
WEEK 6A		
November 19	Tuesday 6pm	Death by Shakespeare
November 20	Wednesday	Starry Starry Night
November 22	Friday	Year 10 Blue Datto
WEEK 8A		
December 2-4	Monday - Wednesday	Year 7 Swim School
December 3	Tuesday	Year 7- 2020 Orientation Day
December 4-6	Wednesday - Friday	Year 9 Camp
December 5-6	Thursday - Friday	Year 8 Swim School

WHO'S WHO

PRINCIPAL

Mr Glyn Trethewy

DEPUTY PRINCIPALS

Mrs Clarinda Oliveux
Mr Luke Grahame

SCHOOL CAPTAINS 2020

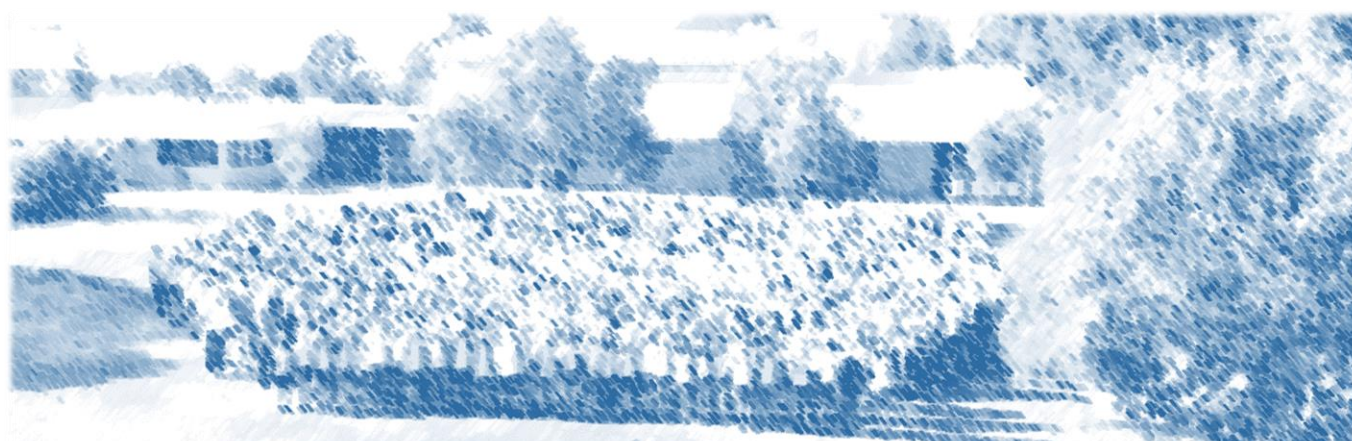
Emily Cox
Jalal Slaibi

SCHOOL VICE CAPTAINS 2020

Kalani Fitzmaurice
Ella Homan
Tamira Reid
Connor Burke
Jacob Craft
Kobi Hind

SCHOOL JUNIOR LEADERS 2020

Chelsey Marteene
Tiana Harrison
James Franklin
Riley Jones



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



In starting this newsletter I would like to officially welcome our newly appointed Deputy Principal, Mrs Oliveux to Jamison High School. Mrs Oliveux comes to us from Cumberland High School and brings a wealth of experience to the position. She started with us on Monday of this week and has been busy getting familiar with the procedures and programs that support learning here at Jamison. She will be working with students in Years 7, 9 and 11. Welcome and we look forward to having you work across our school community.

At the end of last term we held the Year 12 Graduation Assembly. It was well supported by parents, carers, grandparents and friends of our graduating Year 12 students. It was also the first official occasion for our newly appointed Captains and Vice Captains who chaired this important assembly. Thank you to Emily Cox, Jalal Slaibi, Kalani Fitzmaurice, Ella Homan, Tamira Reid, Connor Burke, Jacob Craft and Kobi Hind for their leadership displayed on the evening. I look forward to working with our new leadership team in 2020.

At the start of Term Four we welcomed back our international travellers who included Emily Grima of Year 10 who spent the Holidays on the Premier's Anzac Scholarship Tour and Connor Burke from Year 11 who returned from undertaking the gruelling Kokoda Trail in Papua New Guinea. Reports of their travels are later in this newsletter. Special mention must also be made of Ryan Stanford from Year 11 who placed 3rd in the Junior Boys World Water Ski Racing Championships held in Vichy, France at the end of last term.

The term ahead will be a busy one with final assessments to complete and a wide range of extra curricula programs that support learning taking place. A glance at the Term 4 calendar will let you know of the important programs that will occur. It is important that students attend the activities offered as they form part of the academic, social and wellbeing programs at the school. A very important presentation will occur on Friday the 22nd of November called Blue Datto. This is a highly professional road safety program that will support students as they start to get Learners permits and begin driving or being passengers in cars driven by other young people. The program is heavily subsidised and was well received by Year 10 students last year. I remind parents that attendance at school is very important. Days away mean loss of learning opportunities and impact on understanding which ultimately impacts on engagement, learning and grades. During Term 4, normal lessons and school programs will operate right up to Wednesday December 18 when our academic reports will be issued for students in Years 7 to 10.

On Tuesday night the Creative and Performing Arts Faculty held the Semester Two Jamison High School Showcase where we featured the many talents of our students. All the creative and performing arts staff were in attendance on the evening and were keen to support students as they performed. Our student artworks were on display in the Community Room which supported the dancing, singing, acting and musical performances by students. Special mention also needs to be made of the sound and lighting team who performed silently in the background to ensure the smooth running of the show. Thank you to the parents who came on the night to see the many talents of our students that were on display.

The Parents and Citizens Association P&C Trivia Night to be held in our School Library on Saturday November 2 regretfully had to be cancelled. Over the past two months we have had large areas of the school refurbished. This has included the installation of large ceiling fans in the hall, large sections of the school recarpeted, the lights of the school replaced with LED lighting and large areas repainted. This has included the Library. Lights and painting are yet to be finalised in the School Library so with the support of the P&C we hope to be able to hold the Trivia Night again next year where we can showcase the refurbished area.

We are currently preparing to put Year 10 and 11 students through a second round of Minimum Standards Testing in order to ensure they qualify for the Higher School Certificate. We have had the majority of our students achieve the required standard. Our learning and support staff have been working to support students in the lead up to this second round of testing. As these tests have been successfully conducted online we have also made the decision to move to the NAPLAN online platform for next year. This will be a change for our school as we have traditionally relied on the paper tests conducted in the hall. Students will be completing the NAPLAN testing on school devices in our computer rooms.

We are currently two years into our School Plan and are rolling out another initiative to support our third strategic direction *Partners in Learning*. We have a strong social media presence which is our main form of communication with parents. As part of this we have closed year groups that parents can join on Facebook. These groups are for communication that is specific to individual year groups rather than our main Facebook page that is aimed at promoting student achievement and whole school programs. In order for you to track your child's attendance at school and to be able to see their timetable you will receive information soon about how to log onto our Sentral Parent Portal. We will seek feedback over the usefulness of this program with a view to extending modules to be available for parents. Can I especially thank all those parents who took time to complete the *Tell Them From Me* survey. This will provide valuable feedback to us and we will use this information to review our School Plan and drive school improvement.

A final note about the school uniform review and procedures. The school is in the final year of the transition to the new school uniform. The changes to the uniform were completed after extensive consultation with our community. Our Uniform Shop was very busy in the run up to the end of Term 3 when they held their 20% off sale and most students have transitioned to the new uniform. From next year all students will be required to be in the new uniform. In working with our uniform provider, Daylight Uniforms, they have identified a potential issue with the Corporate Casual Pants that were sold prior to the August 23 of this year. The Corporate Wear Pants were very popular with students. Some of the pairs were returned by parents at the onset of the cold weather and the manufacturer identified an issue with stitching and the fabric and rectified it in the manufacturing process immediately. Any pairs sold after August 23 were fault free. Any parents who purchased a pair of corporate wear pants prior to August 23 may contact Denise in the uniform shop and exchange the pants "like for like". This will be communicated to students in coming weeks through Year Advisers. Students will be able swap the pants over during the uniform shop opening hours, or parents are free to work with Denise in the uniform shop to arrange the swap. To date Daylight have swapped 55 pairs over.

For your convenience our uniform requirements and the uniform shop opening hours for December and January are printed at the end of this newsletter.

Glyn Trethewy

Principal

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Term 4 is always a very busy time of the year in any school and Jamison High School is no exception.

Years 11 (now formally known as Year 12) have commenced their HSC courses in all subjects and all work now is examined in next year's HSC exams. Therefore, it is important that they have regular attendance and develop good organisational skills. On Tuesday 22nd of October we hosted the 'Parent Connect – We're all in this



together' evening for this year group which aimed to inform and equip our Year 11 students and their parents on how to best manage the increased workload faced in the HSC year. I would like to thank the parents who attended this evening as well as the many staff who ran information sessions on the night.

A large number of our **Year 10** have undertaken Swim School training in order to assist our dedicated PDHPE staff in running our annual Swim School program. This program not only teaches Year 7 and 8 students the valuable skills of surviving in the water but it also provides Year 10 students with the opportunity to develop leadership and communication skills as they work with the junior cohorts.

Year 9 A number of these students have also been involved in peer support training and will be working with our incoming Year 7 students early next year in order to make them feel welcome and a part of the Jamison High School community.

Year 7 and 8 will be completing their final exams and assessment tasks for the year and are reminded to maintain their focus and enthusiasm in class for the remainder of the year. Students are reminded that this is a very important part of their schooling and should be preparing by doing regular revision at home and ensuring all assessment work is complete and submitted by the due date. If your son or daughter is sick on the day of an exam you **MUST** contact the school and take them to the Doctors for a Doctor's Certificate dated the day of the illness (exam). As part of our Positive Behaviour for Learning program a number of the students from year 8 will have the opportunity to participate in the 'Roar and Snore' camp to Taronga Zoo.

School Reports and Clearance Procedures

Yearly reports for Years 7, 8 and 9 will be distributed in the last week of term. Towards the end of November students will be given a **Clearance Form and Invoice** for school fees (if applicable). The clearance procedures will need to be completed to ensure students reports can be distributed on time.

Parents are asked to ensure that any school textbooks are returned and that all elective subject fees are paid – the invoice will outline the fees that are due for payment. We would also request that the **General School Contribution** (School Fees) be paid. They represent an important source of funds in maintaining the high standard of education at Jamison High School. If you are experiencing financial hardship and are unable to meet all or your child's elective fee commitments, please contact the Principal so that alternative arrangements can be made.

Clearance forms need to be completed and returned to **Year Advisers by Monday 9th December**.

Finally Term 4 is a very busy term with many activities occurring. It is important to maintain a focus on our core values of **SAFE, ASPIRING, RESPECTFUL LEARNERS**. This will ensure we continue to uphold the standards of Jamison High School.

Luke Grahame and Clarinda Oliveux

Deputy Principals

P&C TRIVIA NIGHT UPDATE



The Jamison High School P&C Trivia Night planned for Saturday November 2 has regrettably had to be cancelled.

Thank you to the people who have shown interest and we apologise for any inconvenience the cancellation may cause.

We had planned to hold the evening in our School Library which is currently being refurbished. We look forward to showcasing this area in the near future to our community.



PDHPE REPORT

Year 10 Blue Datto Road Safety Program

Friday 22nd November 2019 Cost \$5.00

This program will be instead of normal classes for Year 10. They will participate in workshops, presentations and talks throughout the day that will teach them how to speak up and get out of difficult situations as they become drivers and passengers. An information note has gone home with students, payment should be made at the front office or online.

Kelly Cotterill

PDHPE Teacher
Jamison High School



YEAR 9 CAMP

Year 9 will be heading to The Great Aussie Bushcamp in Week 8 this term. Students should have already returned their two notes to the PE staffroom, final payment for the camp is due by Thursday 7th November 2019. A year meeting will be held prior to the camp to give final information. Students have been given a camp checklist to assist them when packing. Please ensure that if your child has any special needs for camp that you communicate this to Mr Gillett or Mrs Cotterill ASAP.

Thanks

Kelly Cotterill

PDHPE Teacher
Jamison High School



TEA GARDENS

PARENTAL PORTAL

One of the strategic directions in our current school plan is to collaboratively support student learning through genuine partnerships with parents. To this purpose, the school has undertaken a new initiative, the Parent Portal to provide parents with access to timetable and attendance information for their children via an online platform.

Parents will receive an email with an access key and details on how to register.



Jamison High School
Student and Parent Portal

CONNORS KOKODA EXPERIENCE

The Kokoda Trail was one of the hardest challenges I have ever attempted. A challenge that I was successful in completing. The 10 days on the Trail was no easy feat. To follow in the 'Footsteps of the Brave' gave me the determination to work even harder to get through the tough times. Losing 11 kg, a burnt pair of pants, 2 near knee dislocation's and very sore legs, I completed the track just like my Great Grandfather did all those years ago in WWII, except I didn't have the war to battle with.

Whilst carrying my Great Grandfather's medals through the trail I battled with 152km of tough hills, rivers, creeks and very wet weather. I was able to take medal's back to some place special on the trail. The Isurava Memorial, in which one of his battle's within Kokoda took place.

Whilst making many new friends along the trail, I was able to learn about some of the amazing future's some of the many young leaders have. I am also taking on board any new initiatives used by these young leaders in their schools, and possibly implementing them right here at Jamison High. This will help continue the tradition that public education will endeavour to be at its best, giving every student a voice with their learning.

The trail was willing to tackle anyone with its gruelling terrain, mud & weather. With 10 days to complete 152km, it was a challenge that made you prepare physically, but also mentally. To understand this, to complete the track your training must be set at "80% mentality, 20% physically", meaning that if you can believe you can complete the trail you can do anything. Day 5, in which saw us climbing over the daring Brigade Hill for over 3 hours (2.98km) of vertical terrain to 5,800m Above Sea Level. This was by far the hardest day overall.

As a new custodian of the 'Spirit of Kokoda', I will endeavour to keep the Kokoda spirit alive and ensure that future generations learn the importance of the trail so that the wartime stories and memories are never forgotten.

Now that my time in Kokoda is over, I feel that anything is possible. Ensuring that I live life to the fullest taking hold of any opportunities that may come my way that may help to shape my future.

I would also like to thank my sponsoring club, St Mary's Leagues Club for the fantastic opportunity to be a part of this important pilgrimage. Also, another special thanks to all who have been a part of my journey to ensure this was a successful journey, without the Leagues Club it couldn't have been possible.

To anyone who can believe in themselves, can work hard and believes they can do anything, please apply for next year's Trek. You won't regret it!

Always remember in life:
Effort = Results

Connor Burke



PREMIER'S ANZAC MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - EMILY

Early this year I was selected to be a recipient of the Premier's Anzac Memorial Scholarship, this entailed travelling overseas to World War I and II sites. During the school holidays I travelled to Europe and visited Germany, Belgium and France. This trip was extremely exciting and interesting, I visited multiple different museums, battlefields, memorials and various historical sites and landmarks associated with World War I and II. All the places each had a different contribution to the understanding of the great wars and the impacts caused by them.

Before I left, I was assigned a task to research an individual and gather information about their life, I then had to present a speech about them at the place their name is commemorated at. My individual was Richard Pirrie, he served in WWI but lost his life on D-Day.

Germany was where my journey began, here I explored the concentration camp in Dachau, then art bunkers and rally grounds in Nürnberg. Then over to Berlin where I visited the site of Hitler's bunker, the topography of terror and the Brandenburg gate.

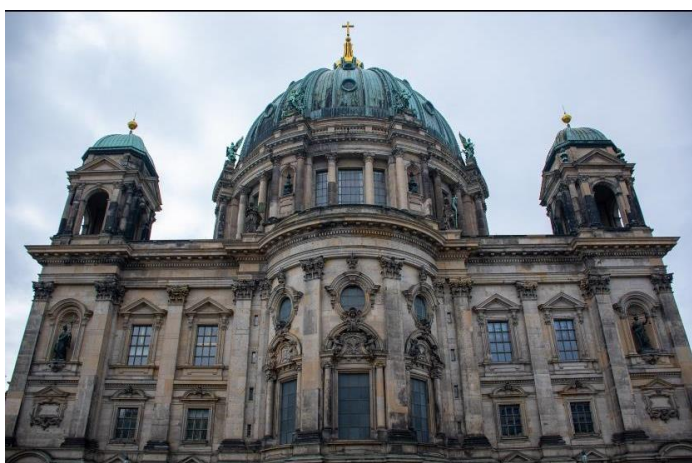


Next was Belgium where I ventured into battlefields such as Waterloo, and went to places such as Polygon Wood and Hill 60. I then participated in the march of the Phoenix and also was lucky to be the guard of honour of the Menin gate last post ceremony.





I ended my trip in France where we explored evacuation beaches in Dunkirk, also the Somme valley, John Monash Centre and the Normandy beaches. We finished with a sightseeing cruise in Paris.



These are only some of the places I visited while travelling, I am so grateful to be a part of such an amazing experience and proud to be representing Jamison High School, the Premier's Anzac Memorial Scholarship and the NSW Government during my travels.

Emily Grima

Jamison High School

Uniform Shop Special Opening Hours

2019 - 2020



December 2019

Tuesday	3rd. December - Orientation Day	7:30AM - 11:30AM
Tuesday	3rd. December - Orientation Day	12:30PM - 4:30PM
Friday	6th. December	7:30AM - 11:30AM
Tuesday	10th. December	12:30PM - 4:30PM
Friday	13th. December	7:30AM - 11:30AM
Tuesday	17th. December	12:30PM - 4:30PM

January 2020

Monday	20th. January	8:00AM - 1:45PM
Tuesday	21st. January	8:00AM - 1:45PM
Wednesday	22nd. January	8:00AM - 1:45PM
Thursday	23rd. January	8:00AM - 1:45PM
Friday	24th. January	8:00AM - 1:45PM
Monday	27th. January	CLOSED
Tuesday	28th. January	8:00AM - 1:45PM
Wednesday	29th. January	8:00AM - 1:45PM
Thursday	30th. January	8:00AM - 1:45PM

THEN EVERY TUESDAY:

12:30pm - 4:30pm

FRIDAY:

7:30am - 11:30am

**Tuesday 12:30pm-4:30pm & Friday 7:30am-11:30am CLOSED SCHOOL
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SHOP Price List**

NAME: _____ YEAR: _____ DATE: _____

REC# _____

ITEM		PRICE	SIZE	QTY	TOTAL INCL GST
Girls	JNR Sky/maroon Blouse	35.00			
	SNR White/maroon Blouse	35.00			
	Grey Shorts	37.00			
	Grey Skirt	42.00			
	Grey Pants	40.00			
Boys	JNR Sky Shirt	35.00			
	SNR White Shirt	35.00			
	Grey Shorts	37.00			
	Grey Chino Trousers Beltloop/elastic Waist	40.00			
Unisex	JNR Maroon Wool Jumper	72.00			
	SNR Navy Wool Jumper	72.00			
	Corporate Casual Pants	40.00			
	Microfibre Jacket	65.00			
	JNR Fleecy Top	32.00			
	SNR Fleecy Top	32.00			
	JNR Sky Polo	36.00			
	SNR White Polo	36.00			
Sports	Sports Shorts	32.00			
	Sports Shirt	38.00			
Accessory	Apron White	09.50			
	Cooking Hat	06.50			
	School Hat	11.00			
	White Socks Regular x 5	20.00			
	White Socks Short Cut x 5	20.00			
	School Tie	20.00			
	Black Tights	09.50			
	Eco Bag	01.00			

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