

# Jamison High School

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*An Outstanding Comprehensive High School*



## NEWSLETTER

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#### CALENDAR EVENTS

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<b>WEEK 4A</b>		
August 12	Wednesday	Deadly Dreaming
<b>WEEK 5B</b>		
August 19	Wednesday	Whitecard Training
August 19	Wednesday	Deadly Dreaming
<b>WEEK 6A</b>		
August 24 – August 28	Monday - Friday	Year 8 English Speeches
August 25	Tuesday	Yrs 11 & 12 Parent-Teacher Night
August 26	Wednesday	Deadly Dreaming
<b>WEEK 7B</b>		
August 31 – September 4	Monday - Friday	Year 10 Work Education WE
September 2	Wednesday	Deadly Dreaming

## 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



## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



### From the Principal

Welcome back for another Term in what has been a disrupted and challenging year. This week we took time to reflect on the year as we marked Education Week with the focus on Learning Together. On our Social Media platforms we highlighted some of the programs and initiatives that operate within the school. Our careers and transition team also featured some of our ex-students through video interviews highlighting their success in the local area.

Please be assured that we continue to take precautions to keep everyone safe at school at this time. We have hand sanitiser for students as they enter all classrooms, disinfectant wipes are used to wipe down all surfaces and hand soap is available in all toilets. In addition, we continue to have enhanced cleaning of high touch and high traffic areas throughout the day. In line with Department guidelines we are only holding essential face to face meetings at school. Most correspondence and interviews at this time are conducted by phone. Any person who attends the school needs to report to the front office so that details can be record in case of who is on site.

In staffing news Mrs Bryant our Head Teacher PDHPE is now on Maternity leave and Mr Gillett has stepped into the role of Relieving Head Teacher. Mr Gillett has been working with Year 10 as Year Adviser and with him taking on the role of Head Teacher, Mr Wholohan has stepped into the Year Adviser role and will support Year 10.

School has returned to normal operations in terms of our teaching and learning activities. While the extra curricula programs we offer are limited due to restrictions, classroom activities, practical lessons and sporting activities are back. A positive out of our time in online learning was the move to incorporate the use of technology to enhance classroom teaching and learning. It is important that your son or daughter brings their fully charged laptop each day for learning. If you have any questions regarding access to a laptop for your child, please contact the school.

To support the BYOD program, we have also installed school lockers. If you would like your son or daughter to hire a locker please have them report to the front office and collect a Locker Agreement form. As a parent you will need to sign the form and have your child return it with payment of \$10 (for the remainder of the year.) As part of locker hire students will need to provide their own keyed padlock. A locker agreement has been included in this newsletter should your child wish to hire one.

At the end of Term 2 we issued all student with their Semester One Academic Report. These reports were based on activities completed in class when we were in face to face learning, as well as work completed in remote learning. There were a few challenges in developing these reports due to the disrupted nature of learning and assessment. As we enter the new semester we begin new course content and assessment activities to shape assessment results for reports at the end of the year.

Year 12 have now completed their Trail Examinations and will resume for the final stages of their schooling next week. Lessons for Year 12 extend into week one of Term 4 as a result of the changed HSC timetable. To support our Year 12 students we are opening an area in the library as a senior study. Students will be able to access the area for private study during study periods. In addition, we will also provide a teacher during selected periods to support students learning. Year 12 students will be given a timetable for the operation of the senior study when they return on Monday. If you child has incomplete work they will be expected to attend the HSC Study Hub when it is in operation during normal school hours so that they can ensure they qualify for the Higher School Certificate. Students can also attend to get a little extra help and guidance. Parents will be contacted if your child is expected to attend the study hub. In coming weeks we will look to make this open to Year 11 students as well.

Thank you to our Year 10 parents who booked interviews to discuss subject selection for Year 11 2021. The process has been hampered this year by an inability to meet as a large group and students have been guided through the process at school. The phone calls were to reassure and inform parents of the requirements for the Higher School Certificate. From here we will prepare our subject lines for Year 11 and the student choices will be finalised. While we offer every subject at the first stage, our ability to run classes and the development of our timetable for next year is dependent on class numbers, staffing and availability of specialist rooms. This year we will be interviewing students again in Term 4 once our final selections are known.

We will be holding a Year 11 and 12 Parent Teacher evening on Tuesday August 25 from 3 to 6 pm. This will be after the Trial Examinations for Year 12 and in the lead up to the Year 11 Examinations. These meetings will be conducted by phone. A note has been issued to parents explaining the booking process as well as the way the interviews will be conducted.

Extra curricula activities at school continue to be controlled by restrictions and guidelines from the AHPPC and the Department of Education. There are current guidelines that restrict large assemblies and we are looking into options for events like our Year 12 Graduation Assembly and our End of Year Presentation Evening. We made the difficult decision to cancel the Year 9 Spring Dance and at this stage we are not taking deposits for the Year 9 camp. While we have maintained our bookings for all camps and events scheduled for Term 4, we are bound by restrictions at the time and by the advice from venues. It is looking very unlikely that activities beyond the school will be able to proceed.

In coming weeks Year 10 students will have their first opportunity to complete the HSC Minimum Standards tests in reading, writing and numeracy. The NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) has implemented the HSC minimum standard to help ensure that students have the key literacy and numeracy skills for life after school. Students in New South Wales will need to demonstrate a minimum standard of literacy and numeracy to receive the HSC credential from 2020. The HSC minimum standard is set at level 3 of the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF). These skills are essential for everyday tasks and learning after school such as writing a letter for a job application or understanding a mobile phone plan. The standard is assessed through online tests across three areas: reading, writing and numeracy. The minimum standard online tests are 45 minutes long and include a multiple choice reading test, a multiple choice numeracy test and a short writing test based on a choice between a visual or written prompt.

We recently had some success in the NSW Language Perfect Championships between July 28 and August 4. During this one week competition our students answered over 186,000 questions in Japanese on a variety of topics of their choice. As a school we came 2nd in NSW in our category. We achieved 10 credit, 8 bronze, 7 silver, 2 gold awards and 1 elite award. The elite award is our first ever at Jamison High School and was achieved by Ben Blakey of year 7. He achieved the impressive position of second in NSW. Other notable achievements include Daniel Vo who came 71st and Luke Hosny who came 83rd in NSW. Congratulations to these boys and all our Japanese students who contributed to our great success as a school.

Our next Parents and Citizens Association meeting will be on Tuesday August 11. Please contact the office if you would like to attend the meeting as it will be held online. If you give us your contact details, including an email address, we will set up the meeting space and send details of how to log in.

Glyn Trethewy  
Principal  
Jamison High School

## DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



We would like to start this column by thanking parents for their continued support and encouragement for the teaching and learning opportunities that we provide. We would also like to extend that appreciation to the hard work of our staff that make those educational experiences happen.

### Year 12 Senior Study

Year 12 students will have the opportunity to access additional support with their studies



in our new Senior Study. This will operate in the Library with a teacher timetabled in most periods to assist students as they prepare for their upcoming HSC examinations. All Year 12 students are encouraged to attend in their Study Sessions in order to maximise their study and revision time. Furthermore, the study nooks on the second floor will still be available to all Year 11 and Year 12 students for use before school, during breaks and in study periods.

### Year 10 Subject Selection Interviews

Our Year 10 Year Advisers and Mentor teachers conducted Subject Selection Interviews last Thursday between 3:00-6:30pm. Nearly one hundred phone calls were made as we adapted our student-parent-mentor component of the Year 11 Subject Selection process to ensure safety for all members of our community. Parents took the opportunity to make an online booking and Mentor teachers called them during the allotted time to discuss and confirm subject choices. Our Careers Advisor, Mrs McKinnon, and Principal, Mr Trethewy, were also on hand to provide further advice and assistance as teachers conducted the phone interviews. We look forward to seeing what our Year 10 students will produce in their Year 11 and HSC studies in the coming years.

On welfare matters, this term we have been able to re-introduce the highly successful Creating Chances program. This initiative assists students to develop an appreciation for school, optimism, and a sense of belonging, which feeds into better engagement, further education opportunities and employment during and after high school. We have been coordinating the running of this program for a number of years and it is highly acclaimed and appreciated by the vast majority of students from our school who participate in it.

During such challenging times we have also been most appreciative to be able to organise support for our students by drawing on the vast knowledge and expertise of our Wellbeing Faculty which consists of a broad range of experts who are focused on looking after the learning and wellbeing needs of our students. Our team of Counsellors and Youth Outreach Workers continue to actively support the mental health of our student population. Our Learning and Support Teachers assist students by assessing their skills and expertise and providing tailored educational support. Our team of SLSO's continue to work in partnership with both the teachers and students in the classroom to ensure that students understand their work and can achieve their best. Finally, our Careers and Transition staff continue to actively help our students to successfully gain apprenticeships, traineeship, employment opportunities and University enrolment.

Since the period of online learning we have had more students riding a bike to school and we are happy to encourage this trend. It is important that students are safe as they come to school so we would like to reinforce the need for students to wear helmets if they choose to ride. Your support in this is essential as it is a requirement by law and also a way we can promote student safety.

Two of our Year 10 Mentors conducting Parent – Mentor – Student Interviews.



Our Youth Outreach Worker providing Mentoring to one of our senior students.

### **Luke Grahame**

Deputy Principal  
Years 8, 10 & 12

### **Clarinda Oliveux**

Deputy Principal  
Years 7, 9 & 11

## **LIBRARY NEWS**

### **Years 7, 8 and 9 - ARE YOU READING YET?**

The 2020 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge for Years 7, 8 and 9 students opened on 2 March. It closes on 28 August 2020. The program fosters wide reading from a list of handpicked, quality books. The Challenge is run in Year 7 through English classes and in Years 8 and 9; students can independently take part in the program. To successfully complete the Challenge, students must read 20 books over the 6-month period of the program and log them online. Students who complete the challenge are awarded a certificate from the NSW Premier. This award is presented to students at a special morning tea at the end of the year. Students who have completed the Challenge each year from Year 3 to Year 9 are eligible for the Premier's Medallion. Research has shown that students who read widely succeed academically so we encourage all students in the junior years to complete the Challenge.

The Library now has a new mobile interactive TV / Whiteboard panel which will further enhance the Teacher and Learning at Jamison High School.

As part of the Mandatory Technology programs, Years 7 and 8 students are excited about learning to code and fly drones in the Library Coding Room.

The Library is open every recess and lunchtime and it is now open from 8.00 am for Year 11 and Year 12 students to further enhance their study regimes.

The Challenge closes for coordinator validations Friday September 11 2020. Please see Mr. Kozlowski in the Library with any questions.

Student site: <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/logon.html#/>

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Regular attendance at school is fundamental to student learning. Students who attend school regularly are more likely to achieve educational success, and increase their career and life options. Poor patterns of attendance place students at risk of **not** achieving their educational, social and psychological potential and disadvantage them in the quality of choices they are able to make in later life. Jamison HS values the wellbeing of its students – this includes the attendance patterns of its students.

At Jamison HS, we promote and recognize good attendance through a system of positive rewards. Students with a perfect attendance record throughout the year are recognised with a regional award at Jamison HS' prestigious end of year awards ceremony.

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### What is my legal obligation with regard to my child attending school?

Education in NSW is compulsory. This means **all** children from 6 - 17 years of age are legally required to attend school. After Year 10 and until they turn 17 years of age students must be either:

1. in school
2. in approved education or training
3. in full-time, paid employment or a combination of work, education and/or training.

#### Do I have to send my child every day?

Yes, it is a condition of enrolment that you send your child every day. Parents are legally required to send their child to school every day that the school is open for instruction or participation. This includes attendance in school activities such as swimming and athletics carnivals.

#### What Do I Do If My Child Is Away From School?

Send a written explanation with your child on the day your child returns to school. This is a **legal requirement** and must occur within **seven school days**. Alternatively, you can send a reply to the SMS message you receive when your child is absent from school.

#### What Do I Do If My Child Is Away for a Prolonged Period (more than three days) Due to Illness?

Phone the school to explain the circumstances and the expected duration. A written explanation must be supplied on the day your child returns to school.



# Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

## School Locker Procedure Policy and Agreement

### Hire procedure

- Complete a hire agreement form and submit to the front office with payment of the fee.
- Students should procure a lock before submitting the agreement form.
- Forms will be processed in order of receipt, until all lockers are allocated.
- Students will receive a locker allocation slip from the front office upon submission of the agreement and payment.
- The locker will be accessible by recess on the day the student receives the locker allocation slip. Students are to meet the General Assistant in the main foyer at recess on the day they receive the notification.
- Lockers are allocated to keep year groups in one location and no location changes will be made. Where possible, Year 11 and 12 students will be allocated in the senior quads and Years 7 – 10 will be allocated in D and E Block.
- Where possible students will be allocated a locker that corresponds to their house colour.
- Student/parents cannot appeal the decision of the school in the allocation of lockers.

### Cost & Refunds

- \$20 fee per school year. (In 2020 the cost will be \$10 for the remainder of the year.)
- A locker is hired for a school year, there will be no pro-rata refunds.
- Cancellation of the locker agreement by the Principal, due to the student not complying with this policy, does not entitle the hirer to a refund.

### In hiring a Locker, you agree to the following Policy

#### 1. Lockers

- All lockers are the property of Jamison High School.
- Lockers are hired on a yearly basis.
- The school assumes NO responsibility for loss or damage of any item in a locker, locked or unlocked.
- Access to lockers is before school, after school and at the start of Recess and Lunch.
- Students will not be allowed to access lockers during lessons.
- Lockers are made available for student use to store school supplies and personal items necessary for use at school.
- Lockers are not to be used to store items which cause, or can reasonably be foreseen to cause, an interference with school purposes or an educational function of which are forbidden by school rules, the Department of Education and NSW law.
- The Principal or a delegate has the right to cancel the locker agreement, access a locker by cutting locks and carry out searches of lockers to ensure safety for the school community as outlined in the Department of Education (DoE) Policy. As a result, a student using a locker, which is the property of the school, is presumed to have no expectations of privacy.

#### 2. Student responsibilities as a locker hirer:

- Students will maintain their locker in good condition and must report damage immediately to a Deputy Principal.
- Students are to use lockers exclusively to store school related materials and appropriate personal items.
- Students are solely responsible for the contents of their locker and will not share access to their locker with other students.
- Repeated lateness to class because of locker use will result in the cancellation of the locker agreement.
- Food is not to be left in lockers overnight.



- All lockers must be cleared out and left in a clean state at the end of Week 8 Term 4 or locks will be removed and a locker will not be offered in following years.

### 3. Locks

- Students are to supply their own padlocks of suitable quality.
- Signing this agreement acknowledges that locks can be cut off lockers by the Principal or a delegate to ensure the safety of the School.

### 4. Inspection of lockers

- An inspection of all lockers may be conducted at any time throughout the year by the Principal or delegate, or police without notice and without parental/carer or student consent.
- The Principal or delegate shall respect the privacy of the student regarding any items that are not illegal or against school policy and rules.
- Inspections will be done if it is believed that there is a risk of:
  - a. An interference with school purposes or educational function
  - b. Safety
  - c. Physical injury or illness of any person
  - d. Damage to personal or school property
  - e. Violation of school rules, DoE rules and/or NSW law such as drugs, alcohol, weapons, etc
  - f. Loss of school material/equipment.

### 5. Seizure of property

- The Principal or delegate may seize any illegal or unauthorised items in the locker, or any other items reasonably determined to be of a potential threat to the safety or security of others. Police will be informed of any illegal or dangerous items. This complies with Department of Education policy.

### 6. Supervision of students accessing lockers

- During Recess and Lunch the teachers supervising the buildings and the Nursing Block Quad will observe the locker areas as part of their supervision duties.
- Before school supervision will be maintained by the teacher and all staff moving around the school. Lockers in the Senior Quad can be accessed from 7:25am. Lockers in the main buildings can be accessed from 8:05 am.
- After school supervision will be maintained by all staff moving around the school. Students should access their locker immediately after the 2.40pm bell and leave the school grounds as soon as practicable.
- Students who repeatedly loiter around the lockers will have their locker agreement cancelled.

## Locker Hire Agreement – 2020 Term 3 and 4

- I enclose the payment of \$10 or online payment receipt no. \_\_\_\_\_ (Note \$10 pro rata for remainder of 2020, Usual fee will be \$20 per year)
- I have acquired a suitable padlock
- I have read and understand the School Locker Policy of Jamison High School and I agree to comply with the policy as outlined above.

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent/carer name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Mentor class: \_\_\_\_\_

## UNIFORM SHOP



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### Jamison High School UNIFORM SHOP Price List

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

REC# \_\_\_\_\_

	ITEM	PRICE	SIZE	QTY	TOTAL INCL GST
<b>Girls</b>	JNR Sky/maroon Blouse	35.00			
	SNR White/maroon Blouse	35.00			
	Grey Shorts	37.00			
	Grey Skirt	42.00			
	Grey Pants	40.00			
<b>Boys</b>	JNR Sky Shirt	35.00			
	SNR White Shirt	35.00			
	Grey Shorts	37.00			
	Grey Chino Trousers Beltloop/elastic Waist	40.00			
<b>Unisex</b>	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			
<b>Sports</b>	Sports Shorts	32.00			
	Sports Shirt	38.00			
<b>Accessory</b>	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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