



ST JAMES SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

Issue Date 30 June 2025



## Important Dates

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Little Jimmies -  
9.30 - 11am  
Thursday 3 July 2025

Early Dismissal at  
2.15pm  
Friday 4 July 2025

Student Free Day  
Monday 21 July 2025

First Day Term 3  
Tuesday 22 July 2025

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## PRAYER AND REFLECTION



God of wisdom and strength,

As we celebrate Saints Peter and Paul, we thank You for their faithful witness, courage, and commitment to your mission.

Help us to follow their example as a school community that seeks to Live by Truth and with Love in all we do.

As this term draws to a close, we give thanks for the learning and experiences we've shared at St James.

Bless our students, staff, and families with rest, joy, and safety in the weeks ahead.  
May we return renewed and ready to continue growing together in faith, love, and truth.  
Amen.

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

As we reach the final week of Term 2, it's a great time to pause and reflect on what a fantastic term it has been. There's a real sense of accomplishment, and rightly so. Our students, staff and families have worked hard and contributed to a wonderful school term.

I'd like to commend our Year 5/6 students for their excellent behaviour and attitude during their recent camp. They stepped outside of their comfort zones, supported each other wholeheartedly, and truly embodied the values we strive to instil at St James. Camp staff commented on how respectful and well-behaved they were, they were a credit to themselves, their families and our school community. A big thank you to Ms. O'Reilley and Mrs. Taylor for their organisation and leadership in making the camp such a success, and to Greg Farr for generously giving his time to come along and assist with supervision. Camps take a lot of effort behind the scenes, and we are so grateful for your dedication and support. Well done to all involved!

This week also marks the end of an era at St James as we farewell Mrs Jo Daly, who will be retiring after 21 years of dedicated service as our school cleaner. Jo has been so much more than her job title, she has been a steady and caring presence in our school, always showing deep love for St James and its students and families over the years. Her contribution has been outstanding, and she will be greatly missed. We thank Jo sincerely and wish her all the best in her retirement.

A sincere thank you to all of our staff for everything they have done this term. Every single role at St James is vital, and it is the commitment and care of each staff member that makes our school such a special place to be. Your efforts do not go unnoticed, and I'm deeply grateful.

As we head into the school holidays, I encourage all families to enjoy some rest, spend quality time together, and stay safe. I hope the break brings joy, relaxation, and time to recharge before we begin another exciting term.

*Martin Hayes*

## CATHOLIC IDENTITY

### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Students receiving their first Holy Communion will begin preparing for the sacrament with their families and peers early next term. This week, families will receive a note via Operoo outlining what families need to do and when for this sacrament. Students celebrating their First Holy Communion through the parish will be on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August at 9am.

### **ST JAMES FEAST DAY – 25<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

In Week 1, we will be celebrating the feast day of St James with a Mass on Friday morning at 9:30am. This will be led by the Year 5/6 class. Parents, Families and parishioners are all welcome to attend.

### **MARY MACKILLOP DAY – 8<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**

On Friday of Term 3, we will be joining together with St Joseph's Gladstone and St Joseph's Peterborough for our annual Mary MacKillop Day celebrations. This year students will be heading to Bundaleer for the day. Please keep an eye out early next term for lunch orders. We thank the Parents and Friends who have kindly offered to assist us with this for the three schools.

## KEY INFORMATION AND REMINDERS

### **PUPIL FREE DAYS**

Please note that there will be a pupil free day for the first day of next term. You will also see listed the pupil free days for the remainder of the year.



T3 Wk. 1 - July 21<sup>st</sup>

T3 Wk. 10 – Fri. September 26<sup>th</sup>

T4 Wk. 9 – Friday December 12<sup>th</sup>

FOOD GROUPS





# SPORTS NEWS

## SAPSASA NETBALL

Congratulations to Rosie R, Indy F and Ethel A who participated in SAPSASA Netball last week.



## SACPSSA NETBALL CARNIVAL





## KIDS IN SPACE

On Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup> of June, five students from the Year 5/6 Class (Grace, Owen, Finn, Sophie, Bentley) travelled to Riverdale Primary School to attend the Maker's Empire Kids in Space South Australian showcase. At the showcase, these students represented our school in sharing and celebrating the hard work their class had been putting into developing possible solutions to the drought. The students had been working towards this goal for a series of months and did an excellent job in sharing and explaining their 3-D printed models that all aimed to somehow assist the farmers in their local community in combatting such a huge and prominent problem. Congratulations to not just those who represented our school, but all 25 of the year 5/6 student who worked diligently to come up with the many inventions that were developed throughout the course of the project.





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## Tuck Roster



### TUESDAY 22nd JULY

**Convenor:** Colleen B

**Worker:** Not Required

**Cakes:** Sam C & Peta C

### MONDAY 28th JULY

**Convenor:** Colleen B

**Worker:** Not Required

**Cakes:** Bernadette C & Louise G

### MONDAY 4th AUGUST

**Convenor:** Shona S

**Worker:** Not Required

**Cakes:** Sara C

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## Parish Mass



**SUNDAY 6th JULY**

**Welcomers:** Annie O

**Servers:** Hamish S & Tom P

**SUNDAY 13th JULY**

**Welcomers:** Anne R

**Servers:** Grace S & Colbie C

**SUNDAY 20th JULY**

**Welcomers:** Alice P & Family

**Servers:** Zoe K & Bowie S

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**The Southern Cross**



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# **Jamestown Junior Golf Season 2025**

Junior Golf at Jamestown is Back!!

**When :** Sunday 6th July

**Where:** Jamestown Golf Club

**Time:** 11am-2pm

**Cost** \$5.00 per player

**Age:** 10-17

**Format :** 9 holes with modified  
tee blocks for certain age groups

Any parental supervision to walk  
around with the players would be  
much appreciated

Please register your interest with  
Chris Stacey on 0429655084





# A REWARDING CAREER STARTS HERE – STUDY YOUR CERTIFICATE III OR DIPLOMA IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE

Are you passionate about making a difference in the lives of young children? Do you believe in the power of play, curiosity, and learning? Studying your Certificate III or Diploma in Early Childhood Education and Care is more than just gaining a qualification – it's the first step into one of the most rewarding and impactful careers you can pursue.

At our centre – Jamestown Community Children's Centre, we believe that early childhood educators are the heart of the community. Every day, you have the opportunity to shape young minds, build strong relationships with families, and be part of a profession that truly matters.

We're currently looking to grow our team and bring fresh energy, passion, and creativity into our Centre. Whether you're just starting your career or looking to build on your experience, this is the perfect time to step into a role where your work has purpose, and your growth is supported.

We're also pleased to offer scholarship support to help with your study costs – because we believe in investing in our future educators. If you're interested, we encourage you to come in and see us to have a chat about how we can support you on your journey.

Join us as we nurture the next generation – and discover the joy of learning, teaching, and growing together. Your journey in early childhood starts now!



Address: 1A Cockburn Rd  
Jamestown  
Ph: 86641276  
ask to speak to Tegan or Kimmy





## JAMESTOWN ARTS FESTIVAL 2025 SCHOOLS – MINI MURAL COMPETITION ENTRY FORM

**ENTRY FEE: \$5 per mini mural**

The Jamestown Mini Mural competition is part of the Jamestown Arts Festival, which is brought to you by the Jamestown Development Assoc Inc & affiliated with 'Flinders Ranges a Brush with Art'.

**Theme: "Celebrating the Past & Embracing the Future"**

- **Board size: 15cm x 15cm** (available from your School for the \$5 entry fee)
- Brushes and paints supplied by artist
- Entries to be displayed at ABWA Art Beat Hub, Memorial Hall, Jamestown, 6 Sept–12 Oct 2025, 10am–4pm daily.
- Judged across age groups & you get to keep your art, which will be returned after 13 Oct, 2025

**St James School – collect & return entry forms to the Front Office**

**Entry Form & Payment Due: Friday August 1<sup>st</sup> | Art will be collected on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2025**

**ENTRY DETAILS: Please complete the following:**

**Entrant's Full Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Age:** \_\_\_\_\_

### **CONSENT FORM**

As you are under 18 years of age, please have your parent/guardian complete the following:

I hereby give permission for the above-named person to enter the Mini Mural Festival

**Parent/Guardian Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

***Create a meaningful keepsake, express your artistic skills and your personal connection to the theme, and have fun doing it!***

**Enquiries:** Yvonne Woidt 0457 826 607 [treasurer@jda.org.au](mailto:treasurer@jda.org.au)





# STRONGER FAMILIES:

## A POSITIVE PARENTING CONFERENCE

PRESENTED BY



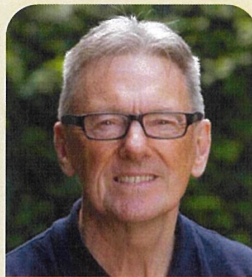
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School  
Parents**  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

### OUR SPEAKERS



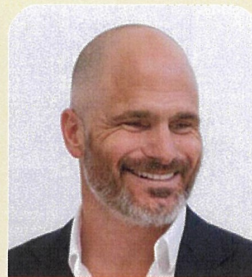
**MAGGIE DENT**

CALMING  
TEEN STRESS  
& ANXIETY



**WAYNE  
HOLDSWORTH**

START A  
CONVERSATION  
NOW



**GREG ATTWELLS**

YOU CAN'T  
OUT-PARENT  
AN ALGORITHM



**MADHAVI  
NAWANA PARKER**

SELF REGULATION:  
How to stay connected,  
calm & influential in  
your child's life

**THE SANCTUARY  
ADELAIDE ZOO**  
1 PLANE TREE DRIVE

**SATURDAY  
AUGUST 16**

**9AM  
REGISTRATION**  
9.30AM TO 3PM

\$25 + Booking Fee per person. Light lunch included

Tickets available at Humanitix

[www.events.humanitix.com/stronger-families-2025](http://www.events.humanitix.com/stronger-families-2025)

**[cspsa.catholic.edu.au/events](http://cspsa.catholic.edu.au/events)**

