



Important Dates

Soccer Clinic - Tue-
Wed

Tuesday 5 September 2023

NO BUSES - JCS
Closure Day

Friday 8 September 2023

Assembly - Year
3/4, 2:40pm

Friday 8 September 2023

School Board
Meeting 7:30pm

Monday 11 September 2023

School Photo Day

Tuesday 12 September 2023

SAPSASA Tennis &
Cricket Training @
Jamestown – 4 to
5pm

Tuesday 12 September 2023

Junior Jimmies -
8:55am

Wednesday 13 September
2023

East of Ranges
Choir Rehearsals &
Performance Year
5/6

Wednesday 13 September
2023

Year 3/4 Excursion
to Appila Springs

Wednesday 13 September
2023

Liturgy led by
Reception Class -
Learning Centre
9:30am

Friday 15 September 2023

SAPSASA Athletics
Adeliade

Monday 18 September 2023

Reception Class to
visit Kindy

Monday 18 September 2023

Visiting
Performance - Pick
a Peck of Pickled
Poems

Tuesday 19 September 2023

SRC - Wheels Day

Thursday 21 September
2023

Year 5/6 Mass -

Junior Jimmies -
8:55am
Wednesday 27 September
2023

Forest Day
Excursion
Friday 29 September 2023

Last Day of Term 3
- Casual Day and
early dismissal @
2:15pm
Friday 29 September 2023

PRAYER AND REFLECTION

Father's Day Prayer

Dear Lord,

We bless and thank all fathers and father like figures who guide and care for us. We thank them for the funny jokes and good times they share with us and for the help they provide. May they all be blessed with continued patience and good health. Amen.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the Term 3, Week 7 Newsletter. I hope all fathers and father like figures had a wonderful Father's Day. It was terrific to have over three quarters of our students fathers or family members present at our annual Father's Day Breakfast and Liturgy on Thursday 31st August. The students certainly enjoyed having them at school, to share a meal and to join us in prayer. The Year 1/2 Class led the school community in prayer and shared some touching videos of why they love their dads. A common theme among many of the students was how funny their dads are. I look forward to hearing some dad jokes soon. Thank you to the Year 1/2s and their teachers for leading us in prayer. I also wish to extend my gratitude to the members of the Parents and Friends who organised and prepared the tasty breakfast for all to enjoy, in particular Bridget Lange, who coordinated the orders and meal.



Catholic Schools Open Week

We recently hosted an Open Morning as a part of Catholic Schools Open Week. It was marvellous to see many existing and new families attend. We had 50% of the school families represented at the Open Morning. It provided parents who attended the opportunity to discover what their child has been learning at school. Thank you to those who attended. Remember, our doors are always open.

School Closure Day - Numeracy Training for Staff

Last Friday, 1st September, during the school closure day, staff took part in professional development about effective teaching strategies in Mathematics. We spent time studying the Catholic Education Literacy and Numeracy Strategy and unpacking our new Numeracy Teaching Agreement, a policy about how Maths is effectively taught across the school.

Partners in Practice – Speech Pathology – Successful Grant Application

One of the unique and specialised services that St James has been able to provide for the past two years, is access to an experienced speech pathologist, Carly Perry from the Thrive Health Group. I am pleased to announce that the school has successfully applied for and been awarded a third round of funding to have Carly continue to support students with oral language and literacy development and to work with staff to continuously improve the way we support students with their literacy development. Carly will recommence her work with our school in the week beginning 11th September. She will continue to visit our school each Thursday, until the end of Term 1, 2024. This funding round includes a financial contribution from Catholic Education and St James School. If any parent wishes to discuss oral language or literacy skill development about their child, please contact myself to discuss what is on offer. I am really pleased and thankful that Catholic Education South Australia has continued to support our school community with this important service. This service also compliments the psychologist service provision that Catholic Education allocates to our school on a termly basis.

Items Purchased through Donation - Thank You Parents and Friends

The Parents and Friends Committee recently fulfilled some of our staff wishlist items. This included four Wonderboom Bluetooth Speakers, furniture for the Junior Primary Classes, a 3D Printer and High Jump Equipment. The value of the items that have been purchased is approximately \$8,900.

These purchases have been made possible by all families who have contributed over many years to our school fundraisers. The school staff and students are very grateful to the Parents and Friends Committee for their continued fundraising efforts. This allows staff to enhance the education of the students in our school.



Catering Weekend

Thank you to parents who catered for the Friends of the Heysen Trail Group over the weekend. They were provided with a beautiful two course meal. Many families contributed by donating items for this fundraiser. Thank you to the dedicated volunteers who assisted on Saturday with the meal preparations and with serving the meals and the clean up. Special thanks to Billie Thomas for coordinating the event.

St James

2024 Enrolments Open



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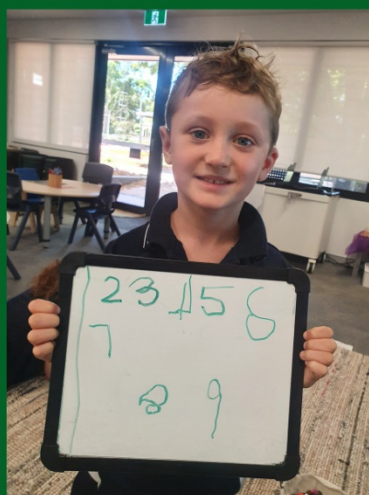
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or to find out more information.

JUNIOR JIMMIES



Junior Jimmies

Transition Program



**St James is excited to offer a
FREE Transition Program
for 2024 Reception Students**

**Term 3 - Wednesday's on a fortnightly basis
30th Aug, 13th Sept & 27th Sept**

**Term 4 - Wednesday's on a weekly basis
18th Oct - 29th November**

**For more information or to register for the Junior Jimmies
Transition program please email Evan Wrobel at
principal@stjames.catholic.edu.au or phone 8637 9100**

WHAT IS JUNIOR JIMMIES? Junior Jimmies is a transition program designed specifically for kindergarten students moving into Reception the following year. With a focus on early literacy skills, school routines, oral language development, social skills, and familiarising children with the school setting, Junior Jimmies is here to make the transition to school seamless and exciting.

Junior Jimmies runs over Terms 3 & 4, offering an extended transition to school program that ensures children feel confident and prepared for school. Beginning with 2.5-hour sessions at school, our program gradually increases to a full-day experience towards the end, allowing children to grow their confidence in their new school environment.

Session Times - Starting 30th August (Wednesday's fortnightly Term 3 and weekly in Term 4 on Wednesday's for a total of 10 sessions)

- The first 8 sessions will be run for 2.5 hours (8:55 – 11:20am)
- Session 9 - 22nd November will run until the end of lunch (1:45pm)
- The final session - 29th November will run for a full day.

Junior Jimmies will be led by an experienced educator who understands the unique needs of young learners. Our educators will create a nurturing and stimulating environment that fosters growth and development.

Who will be leading Junior Jimmies – Mrs Ellie Stacey

Where: Sessions will be held in our General-Purpose Learning spaces. There will be some interaction with the current Reception class and specialist teachers throughout the program.

We believe in providing equal opportunities for all children, regardless of their background and that is why we offer our transition program for free!

CATHOLIC IDENTITY

Baptism Celebrations

Congratulations to the Lang children who were all baptised on Sunday 27th August. We also wish to congratulate the Sheridan children who were also baptised earlier this year.

Reception Class – Thanksgiving Liturgy for our Volunteers

On Friday 15th September the Reception Class will be leading us in a special liturgy to thank our St James Volunteers in the Learning Centre at 9:30am. We hope all our volunteers can join us. Special guests will receive an invitation soon. All parents and families are most welcome to join us for this liturgy.

Fr Harold – Away

As some of you may already know, Fr Harold is away at the moment. He has gone back to the Phillipines to visit his family. He will be back in Jamestown on the weekend of the 22nd/23rd September. We wish Fr Harold a happy and safe holiday with his family.

PHOTO DAY IS COMING

Your School Photo Day is on

Tuesday 12
September 2023



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St James School

HOW TO ORDER

Ordering online is quick and easy using the steps below!

Step 1.

Click here or go to our ordering portal

<https://stjameschool-sa.msp.photos/>

Step 2.

Click 'Sign in with Student Details'

Online ordering closes
Tuesday 12 September 2023

An archive fee applies after this date

Enter your child's surname and birthdate and you are ready to start ordering. Once logged in, you can also order for siblings and family photos.

Please note Sibling Photo orders must be placed BEFORE your last photo day.



School Photos

School Photos will be held next Tuesday the 12th of September. If you wish to order photos for your child, please make sure that you order as soon as possible. The ordering process is all online this year. There is an attached file to the newsletter email and image above explaining how to order. If you have any issues with ordering at all please don't hesitate to get in contact with MSP Photography on 08 8523 4480. We ask all students to wear their full winter uniform, including school jumper, for their school photos.

No Buses – 8th September

The Jamestown Community School will be having a closure day this Friday, 8th September. There will be no school bus services running on this day. Parents of bus travellers are asked to make alternative travel arrangements for their children on this day.

Year 5/6 East of Ranges Combined School Choir - Wednesday 13th September

Next week on Wednesday, 13th of September, the Year 5/6 Class will perform at the East of Ranges Combined Schools Choir Performance at the Keith Michell Theatre in Port Pirie. They will travel to the theatre after recess for final rehearsals during the day before the big evening show. The performance will be a culmination of 6 months of preparation. Permission notes have been sent out via Operoo.

If you have purchased extra tickets that you no longer need, please contact the front office. We have some families who have not been able to purchase a ticket and would be more than happy to purchase them from you.

Year 3/4 Appila Springs Environmental Excursion - Wednesday 13th September

On Wednesday 13th September, the Year 3/4 Class will attend the Appila Springs Environmental Day. They will learn about landforms, fauna and flora during the day. Permission notes will be sent out via Operoo this week.

SRC Wheels Day - Thursday 21st September

The Student Representative Council are planning to run a "Wheels Day" on Thursday, 21st of September. All students will be invited to bring their bikes, scooters or other wheeled toys. Helmets are a must. Students will be invited to take part in a parade around the basketball court at 9am.

Can and Bottle Drive

The Year 5/6 Class will be running a Can and Bottle Drive on 23rd September (Saturday - Week 9). If your family or friends have cans and bottles to be recycled, the parents of the Year 5/6 Class would like to help clear your collection. Volunteers from the Year 5/6 parent body can collect these from your property. Alternatively, families may take these directly to Boxy's for counting. Ask for the funds to be directed to St James. Please contact the school office staff or Jess Robinson, to donate your cans or bottles. All funds will subsidise the cost of the Year 5/6 Camp to the Mylor Adventure Camp School in the Adelaide Hills, which takes place in Week 2, Term 4 – 23rd to 25th October.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS



Guest Speaker

The Parents and Friends committee have been successful in winning a grant from Catholic Education for a guest speaker. The committee has asked Australian of the Year, Tarryn Brumfit to come and answer our questions in relation to positive body image, social media, and mental health.

On Sunday 15th October at 10am, we will show her movie 'Embrace' and then Tarryn will be available to answer our questions. The talk will be free of charge and will be held at Maple and Pine. We'd love as many parents as possible to attend.

If you would like to secure your seat, please email Annie aoreilley@stjames.catholic.edu.au before we open it up to the community at the end of

this week. There are only 120 tickets available.

Catering

Thanks to Bridget, Roger and Alf L, Shona S, Tash D and her Mum Raelene B, Bec H, Jodie T and Steve T who took time out of their morning to make bacon and egg sandwiches for our dads.

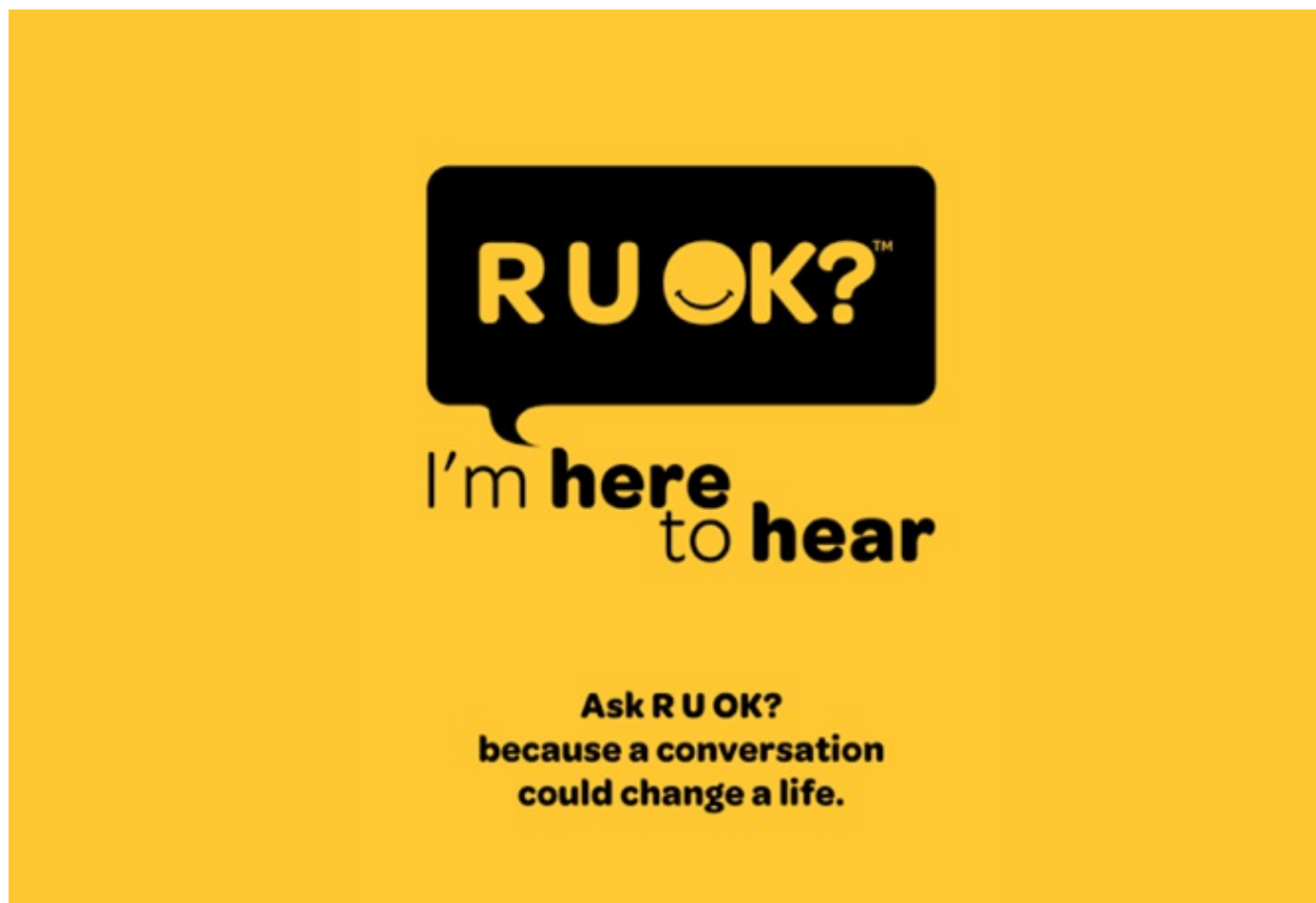
Thank you also to Billie T who organised and catered for 51 Heysen trail walkers on Saturday night with help from Sueanne R, Colleen B, Kerry S, Bec S (and her Mum Dianne, her father Brian and sister) and Evan W. Thank you also to all who donated food for this event.

Our next catering event will be for the CFS on September 23rd and 24th. We will again be asking for donations and a few workers. Please keep an eye out for rosters coming out soon. Your donations and hard work really do make a difference to the resources at our school. At the last meeting, funding for a high jump mat and 3D printer was approved for the school to purchase.

Summer School Dresses

P&F Uniform Committee ask that in preparation for summer uniform and next term, that parents please check their child's sizing for School Dresses. If you will require a particular size for next term or early next year, please let the school office or Sophie Home know by the end of Week 8 (15th September).

WELLBEING UPDATE



R U OK Day - Thursday 14th September

On Thursday 14th September, our school will be participating in R U OK? Day. On this day, students are invited to wear yellow to school. Students will also be participating in some activities during the day.

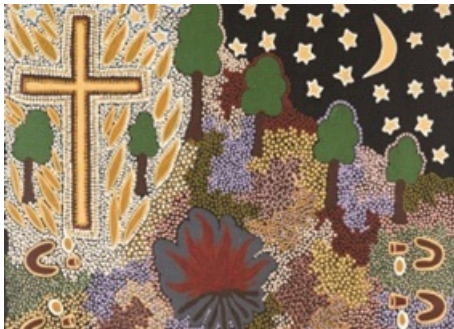
Classroom Pulse Survey - Each term all students are asked to complete a 5 minute wellbeing check-in. This consists of a survey that includes selecting emojis or writing short statements about students feelings about school. The survey results allow teachers to check in with how students are feeling at school and to provide adjustments as needed. If you have any concerns about how your child is doing at school, please feel free to contact their teacher.

SPORTS NEWS

Football Clinics

On Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th of September (Week 7), students will be participating in two Football (Soccer) clinic per class. We are looking forward to welcoming a specialised coach from Adelaide to teach our students the basic skills of football. Students will need to wear their PE uniform on both Tuesday and Wednesday this week.

We acknowledge the Ngadjuri people, traditional custodians of this land.



Tuck Roster



MONDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER

Convenor: Bel H

Worker: Lauren A

Cakes: Mel C & Dette C

MONDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER

Convenor: Jodie T

Worker: None required

Cakes: Bec S & Sara C

Parish Mass

SUNDAY 10th September

Welcomers: Liz & Rick K

Servers: Hugh T & Charlotte S

SUNDAY 17th September

Welcomers: Barb F

Servers: Rosie R & Grace S



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Catholic Women's League

Father's Day Raffle - Tickets \$2. Still available this Sunday!

Jamestown Junior Cricket

The Jamestown Junior Cricket committee is holding its AGM and General Meeting on Wednesday 6th of September at 7:30pm at the Commercial Hotel Jamestown.

All are welcome to attend! We urge any parents (or players) of Under 16's, in particular, to come along. Due to very low numbers in this age bracket some decisions will need to be discussed moving forward.

Please also register any expressions of interest at: phillippapyc@gmail.com

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