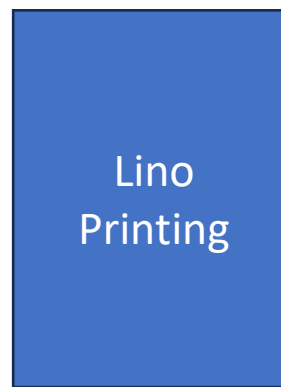
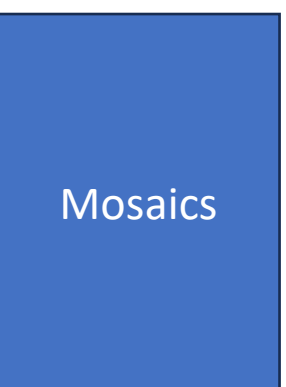
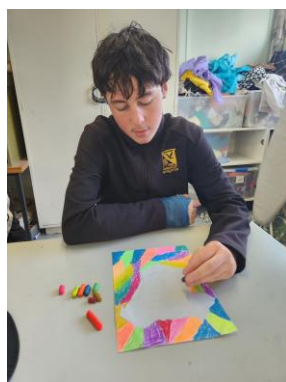


JERRAMUNGUP DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Principal's Address – Mrs Robb

Term 3 Begins

Welcome back to Term 3. All students have returned happy and refreshed and quickly settled into teaching and learning programs.

Compass

Thank you to all our parents who have helped make our school transition to Compass a smooth one. Hopefully, you are all finding the app very easy to use particularly in terms of receiving messages from the school. Please let us know if you are having any issues with this and we will endeavour to help you problem solve.

Term 3 Staffing

We have had some slight changes to our staffing for the remainder of the year. Mrs Katie Tapscott is taking leave from her Home Economics position for the remainder of the year. We are lucky enough that we have had a qualified Home Economics teacher move into the area and Miss Lauren French will be covering Home Economics for the remainder of the year.

Jerramungup DHS was invited by the Education Department of WA to take part in the Small Group Tuition Project being run across a handful of schools in our state. This is to be an intervention program in either Math or English to help support our students who struggle in these areas. We already have a fabulous intervention program in Literacy being run by Mrs Bailey at school so we have chosen to look at how we can support our students further in Numeracy. This project is being led by Miss Fuqua, and she has dropped some of her other classes to make this happen so we have welcomed Mrs Laura Brooks into the school, and she will be taking the High School Health and some of our primary Drama classes on a Monday.

Attendance

Please remember to look at your child's attendance data in their report for Semester One. The School Education Act of 1999 requires compulsory aged students to attend school on a regular basis. If a student is absent for 10 or more half days per term, we are required under the act to communicate with parents/care givers to ascertain where necessary reasons for the absences and to help so that improvement in attendance can be achieved.

Through Compass if your child's attendance falls below a certain level you will automatically receive and email about this. This is a requirement for our accountability, even if it is due to ongoing illness that your child has been absent. If your child was absent for less than 80%, they are not regularly attending in this attendance cycle. We do understand that when we live where we do days have to be taken off from time to time to attend appointments in Albany etc, however please remember that the teachers prepare sequential learning programs and if students miss days here and there they can quite often miss out on whole chunks of learning and do not get the opportunity to demonstrate what is asked of them for the purpose of reporting to parents at the end of the semester.

2026 Enrolments

We are starting to get towards that time of the year where we are looking at our numbers for 2026 and starting to do some planning for class structures and staffing. If you know of anyone with a child who is Kindy age next year, please encourage them to come into the office to grab an enrolment form. Also, if your child or children will not be attending Jerramungup DHS in 2026 can you please let the front office know ASAP so we can start with our planning sooner rather than later to ensure that we have the best staff available to teach your children.

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School Feedback

Please take the time to fill in the feedback form on our Term 2 events that was sent out last week. We are particularly interested in hearing your thoughts on the Reporting interviews process as this was a new process for Semester One. We have received some feedback from staff and parent feedback will ensure that we are making sure that these events work for everyone. As always Arianne and I are always available to discuss any issues you have with the school. We like to think that we have a great partnership with the school community and that we have an open-door policy if you would like to talk to us about good things you see happen at the school or where you are able to come in and talk about things that may concern you.

My email address is Haidee.Robb@education.wa.edu.au or I can be reached on 98352600 if there is anything you would like to discuss but you can't make it into school.

Building Your Child's Vocabulary

A crucial aspect of a child's literacy skills is having an expansive vocabulary. It is one thing for a child to be able to read well, but if they have limited understanding of words and their meanings then understanding what is being read is difficult. Obviously, the quality of a child's written expression will also be determined by their ability to use a wide range of vocabulary. This is something we are working on as a school, but it is also something you can work on as parents. Some ways you can do this:

- For young children when you are reading to your child, ensure that you spend some time clarifying the meanings of words that they may not have encountered before. Try and use these words in subsequent conversations to reinforce the meanings.
- Focus on language usage at home, use whatever opportunities possible to widen the range of words encountered by your child. Family viewing of TV and films can provide this opportunity. We value being friendly, approachable and responsive to the needs of our community
- Conversations should include language that stretches a child's understanding of words. There is an enormous range of internet-based games and tablet apps that you can use. A simple Google search would lead you to these. Games like Scrabble and Boggle are also well known and help to increase a child's knowledge of words. I Spy and the Alphabet game where children in turn have to think about a word that starts with a particular letter are also valuable vocabulary building games.
- Encouraging reading at home. Ensure that you have books at home and that this includes fiction and non-fiction material. Non-fiction books on a wide variety of topics, in particular, can expose a child to a wide range of different words.
- For young children don't miss an opportunity to use signs and other kinds of environmental print as a way to learn about new words and phrases. Shopping excursions or indeed any family excursion into the world beyond the home are opportunities for you as parents to question and build a child's understanding about the language that is used to describe the environment they are in. I am sure that you can expand on this list.

A wide vocabulary is important; please don't assume that this just somehow magically happens. A healthy functional understanding of words and their meanings does require explicit teaching both at school and at home.

Interschool Cross Country - Kojonup

On Friday, 27th June, a group of enthusiastic and determined students travelled to Kojonup to represent Jerramungup District High School at the 2025 Interschool Cross Country Carnival. Competing against students from surrounding District High Schools, our runners demonstrated exceptional resilience, sportsmanship, and team spirit throughout the day.

Despite the chilly winter conditions and a challenging course, our students gave their best efforts in every race. We are incredibly proud of their commitment, positive attitudes, and the encouragement they showed to one another and their peers from other schools.

Congratulations to all participants for proudly representing JDHS. A special thank you to the staff and families who supported the team on the day, and to Kojonup District High School for hosting a well-organised and enjoyable event.

Well done, team JDHS!



K/PP Assembly

The youngest members of our school community stole the show with a heartwarming performance of I Can Sing a Rainbow. The Kindergarten and Pre-Primary students not only sang the song but also signed along using AUSLAN, which was amazing to see. Speaking in front of such a large audience can be a big challenge, especially for little ones, but the kindy and pre-primary students showed great courage. Of course, it was hard not to smile as the group stood together in their bright outfits, waving their hands through the rainbow of signs. Not only did they sing and sign beautifully, but they looked absolutely adorable doing it.

Thank you to Mr Zahra and the 5/6 students who helped the class learn the different signs. Well done to Ms Lee, Ms Taylah, Ms Vanessa and the amazing Kindy/pre-Primary students on their first assembly.



Year 1 – 4 Aladdin Excursion

On Wednesday, July 23rd, students from Years 1 to 4 made their way to the Ongerup Town Hall for a theatrical treat. Awaiting them was *Aladdin and His Magic Smartwatch* - a vibrant, family friendly performance that blended classic storytelling with a humorous modern twist.

Far from the traditional tale of genies and flying carpets, this reimagined version introduced a quirky cast of characters including a ninja pig, the mischievous Mrs Dodgy, and a host of other eccentric personalities who didn't just perform but pulled the audience right into the action. There were many laughs and giggles as both children and adults found themselves swept up in the comedy, clever dialogue, and spontaneous crowd interactions.

The show was packed with moments of singing, dancing, and heartfelt lessons. From teamwork to kindness, the performance subtly wove in messages that resonated with young minds, all while keeping them on the edge of their seats. It was a day of joy, learning, and entertainment that left everyone beaming long after the finale.



Katanning Netball Carnival – Year 5/6

On Friday, 1st August, our Year 5/6 students travelled to Katanning to compete in the West Coast Fever Interschool Netball Carnival. JDHS entered two teams into the competition, and both teams displayed outstanding skill, teamwork, and determination throughout the day.

Team 1 had a fantastic run, winning 5 out of their 6 games and finishing strong with a hard-fought win in the Grand Final—a terrific result and a well-deserved reward for their efforts.

Team 2 dominated the round-robin stage, going undefeated with 6 wins from 6 games. Despite an incredible run, they were narrowly defeated in a tough Grand Final match, finishing runners-up.

We are incredibly proud of all our players for their positive attitudes, great sportsmanship, and the way they represented JDHS. Thank you to the staff, parents, supporters, and volunteer coaches / umpires who helped make the day a success, and congratulations to both teams on an excellent performance!

Go JDHS!

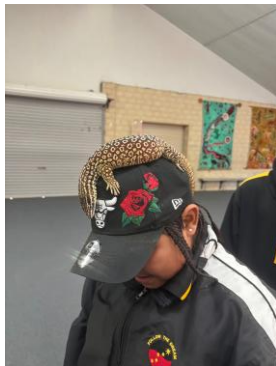
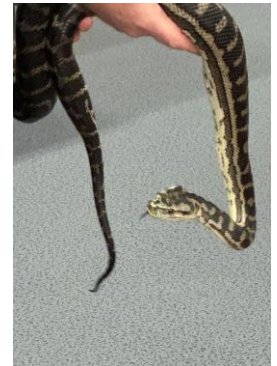
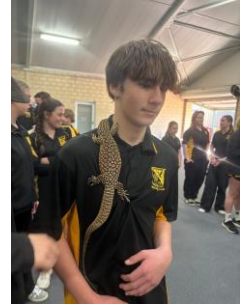


Science Week

Science Week Spotlight: Perth Reptiles Visit

On Wednesday, our students were treated to an exciting and educational incursion hosted by **Adam from Perth Reptiles**. The visit was part of our **Science Week celebrations**, and it proved to be a fascinating experience for all involved.

Adam's presentation was highly interactive, giving students the chance to learn about a variety of reptiles up close. Many were thrilled to have the opportunity to **touch or even hold** creatures such as friendly lizards and non-venomous snakes—always under careful guidance and safety instructions. Students learned how to approach reptiles calmly, handle them gently, and support their bodies properly. These hands-on moments helped reinforce important lessons about **respecting wildlife** and understanding animal behaviour.



Honour Certificates



**Congratulations to the following students who received
honour certificates at our last assembly:**



Jack Davidson
Izayah Dowdell
Wesley Dorrell
Lily Davidson
Bailey Pittard
Braylan Hollis
Ava Harding

Hunter Richmond
Madison Newton
Hudson Plane
Kaysen Robb
Liam Pocock
Arthur Nelson



Canteen Menu – Term 3, 2025



Canteen Manager: Denise Lee

TERM 3 - 2025 Winter Menu

Phone: 0439579647

RECESS		SANDWICHES FRESH OR TOASTED		HOT FOOD	
A Ham & Cheese Scroll	\$1.50	(GF & Lactose free available)		A McCains Pizza	\$5.00 or 2 for \$8.00
A Muffin	\$2.00	G Chicken & Salad	\$4.50	(Ham & Cheese or Hawaiian)	
A Hash Brown	\$2.00	G Ham & Salad	\$4.50	(GF and Lactose free available)	
A Toasted Cheesie	\$2.00	A Cheese	\$3.50	A Mrs Mac's Sausage Roll	\$4.50
(GF and Lactose free available)		A Ham & Cheese	\$4.00	(GF available)	
G Banana Smoothie	\$3.00	A Chicken, Cheese & Mayo	\$4.50	A Chicken Fingers	(6) \$4.00 (10) \$6.00
(lactose free available)				A Spaghetti Bolognaise	JNR \$4.50 SNR \$6.50
A Chocolate Cake	\$3.00			A Tomato Sauce in a cup (refillable)	20c
A Milo	\$1.50				
ICY POLES		WRAPS FRESH OR TOASTED		DRINKS	
50c		G Chicken & Salad	\$5.50	G Milk Box (200ml)	\$2.50
		G Ham & Salad	\$5.50	A Juice Box (250ml)	\$2.50
		A Ham & Cheese	\$4.50	(Apple/Blackcurrant, Orange or Apple)	
		A Chicken, Cheese & Mayo	\$5.50	G Bottled Water (600ml)	\$2.50
Our Canteen uses STAR choice registered products:		Salad: Lettuce, Carrot, low fat cheese			
Green Choice (G): very healthy					
Amber Choice (A): select carefully					

TERM 2 DAILY SPECIALS

Week 1&2	Week 3&4	Week 5&6	Week 7&8	Week 9&10
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Recess
Lasagne	Pie Special Pie and Fruit Drink	Lamb and Gravy Rolls	Curry Special	Scones with Jam and Cream
\$4 Junior, \$6 Senior	\$6	\$6	\$5	\$2

PARENT HELPERS

Week		Wednesday		Friday	Week		Wednesday		Friday
1	23/7	Raylene Lowson	25/7	Jessica Brown	6	27/8	Katie Tapscott	29/8	Elmari DuPlessis
2	30/7	Hine Solomon	1/8	Kiara Pittard	7	3/9	Suzie Solomon	5/9	Steff Felesina
3	6/8	Tina Parsons	8/8	Zaskia Pretorius	8	10/9	Skye Plane	12/9	Shelley Turner
4	13/8	Katie Brooks	15/8	Ashton Armstrong	9	17/9	Kate Dowdell	19/9	Tina Harding
5	20/8	Kate Davis	22/8	Rowie Martin	10	24/9	Haidee Robb	26/9	Rachel Bibby

OPENING HOURS: Wednesday & Friday 8:30am to 1:30pm

How to order:

QuickCliq online ordering system: Register online at <https://quickcliq.com.au/> The cut off for ordering is 8:15am on canteen days.

Cash: write your order, child's name and year on a brown paper bag. Where possible we will ALWAYS supply your child with what they have ordered, in the event that stocks are low or we have run out, we will substitute with another item.

THANKYOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!



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Term 3 Planner

2025 BLANK PLANNER

Schools should be contacted directly for advice on school development days

Term Three

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
1	21 July Students resume	22	23 Aladdin Excursion Yr 1-4	24	25	26	27
2	28 July Safe 4 Kids Parent Info Night	29 Safe 4 Kids	30	31	1 Aug 5/6 Netball Carnival	2	3
3	4 Aug	5	6	7	8	9	10
4	11 Aug Science Week	12	13	14 Yr 3/4 Assembly Newsletter	15 Student Development Day	16	17
5	18 Aug Book week	19	20	21 Book Week Dress up Parade	22	23	24
6	25 Aug Jumps & Throws	26	27 JDHS Athletics Carnival	28	29 SALT Incursion – High School	30	31

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