



53 Peppertree Drive  
Erskine Park

I am safe

I am respectful

I am a learner

## Important Dates

### Term 4

11th December— Sport & CAPA Presentation  
- Year 6 Graduation  
12th December-Kinder Party Day  
-Stage 1 Party Day  
13th December— Stage 3 party Day  
14th December— Stage 2 Party Day  
15th December-Last Day of School  
-Year 6 Passing Out Parade

### Term 1 2018

30th January -First Day—Years 1-6  
5th February-First Day— Kinder

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## From the Principal's Desk

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all JEPS families a wonderful Christmas and New Year. Farewell to those families who will be leaving us at the end of 2017. I hope your time at JEPS has been memorable. Thank you to all of our families your ongoing support and I look forward to working with you again in 2018. My Presentation Day Speech, a reflection on the 2017 school year follows.....

*I would like to begin by providing you with a little anecdote that perhaps explains how a teacher feels at the end of a school year.....If a doctor, lawyer or dentist had 30 people in his office at one time, all of whom had different needs, and some of whom didn't want to be there and were causing trouble, and the doctor, lawyer or dentist without assistance had to treat them all with professional excellence for nine months, then he might have some conception of the classroom teacher's job. No.....it's not an easy job but sharing the successes of students makes it all worthwhile.*

*These successes are not only that sense of pride a teacher shares with a parent or caregiver celebrated on formal occasions such as this, it's also those moments when you see the smile on a students' face when they realise "they finally get it" or the pride and satisfaction in knowing students have made intrinsic changes that transfer to success in academic and social learning.*



Good morning students, teachers, parents, carers and special guests and welcome to the 2017 Presentation Day Assembly.

My personal thanks go firstly to the staff at JEPS – for the difference you make each and every day to the lives of students. Everyone plays a significant role however, “..accomplishing the maximum impact on student learning depends on teams of teachers working together, with excellent leaders or coaches, agreeing on worthwhile outcomes, setting high expectations, knowing the students’ starting and desired success in learning, seeking evidence continually about their impact on all students, modifying their teaching in light of this evaluation, and joining in the success of truly making a difference to student outcomes.”

Thank you also to the executive members of staff for your ongoing support and commitment (Mrs Halicek, Mrs Houbin, Mrs McColgan, Mrs D’Angelis, Mrs Grono) to the teachers, support staff and Mandy and her team. Special mention and thanks goes to Ms Dunscombe, for your commitment, organisation and friendship. Congratulations also goes to Ms Dunscombe who was successful in the merit selection process in gaining the substantive Deputy Principal position this year.

Parents, carers and family – your generous support of our school is immeasurable. Whether it’s asking you to donate cakes, support your children through participation in mufti-days or celebrating students as they perform on stage during an assembly item. This year one memorable event was the colour run where you supported the school by raising \$20000 but you also joined in the festivities with staff and students – so much fun was had by all.

Special thanks on behalf of the entire school community goes to the P&C. We thank Mrs Liz Dunlop and her team for their contribution to fundraising and events held during the year and make special mention of the \$30000 being donated by the P&C to build a pirate ship in the sensory garden. Sadly however, we bid farewell to three of our P&C members this year. Liz, Bec and Christina – can you please come forward and I would like to present these flowers as a token of our appreciation for your contribution to the students and staff at JEPS.

JEPS has a longstanding history of success in sport and this year has been no different and it seems opportune, whilst mentioning sport, that I take the opportunity to formally farewell one of our longest standing members of the school. Mrs Williams will be taking leave in 2018 in her transition to retirement - in the cricketing world – that means she has hit the ball over the fence for 6 and leaves as winner.

Mrs Williams, after 26 ½ years at the school, we thank you for your service to public education and the students you have taught. We also thank you for your contribution to the sporting success of individuals and teams across your career.

In addition to the success of many of our school teams across the year, some individual achievements deserve recognition.

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Blake who is currently representing NSW at the Pacific School Games in golf as a member of the Under 12 gold medal winning team.

Kate – who will be travelling to Victoria to represent NSW at the National Cricket Championships  
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*In 2017 the STEPS community launched a new initiative in support of White Ribbon with the focus being respectful relationships. This initiative is supported by each of the 5 primary schools and 2 high schools and this year, our guest speaker was federal MP Emma Hussar who generously gave her time to our STEPS community and articulated the importance of the White Ribbon message through her own personal experiences. Our learning community will continue to promote respect and in 2018 we look to draw our wider community including parents into this initiative.*

*I would like to thank Mrs Berville for the work she has put into the design and build of our Sensory Garden. For those of you who haven't visited this space, it is a sight to behold. Not only is this a wonderful space where children can explore and engage with nature, it is also an outdoor learning space. This playground is now open at lunchtime and we look forward to its completion in 2018.*

*Congratulations to those students being recognised today, to our outgoing school leaders – you have represented your school with pride, demonstrating high level leadership skills in your role this year – I thank you on behalf of the school and wider community. Year 6....as you forge your way forward on to your next adventure – always remember your primary school years – your teachers, your friends. I wish you every success and happiness in your future endeavours and farewell you with this message.....*

*“The capacity to learn is a gift; the ability to learn is a skill; the willingness to learn is a choice.”*

*Brian Herbert*

*Warm Regards,  
Corinna Robertson*

## News from the Deputy

### 2017 School Leaders

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our 2017 school leaders and wish them all the best at High School. Since beginning at James Erskine Public School our 10 leaders; Sophie (Captain), Adam (Captain), Georgia (Vice Captain), Jackson (Vice Captain), Jess, Brooke, Shirley, Korbyn, Liam and Andrew (Councillors) have proudly represented themselves and our school. This year they have been outstanding leaders who always tried and succeeded at fulfilling their responsibilities diligently. I have been especially impressed with their attitude, creativity and willingness to assist in running the school.

### P&C

Over the year the P&C have worked tirelessly to support the school and I would like to thank them on behalf of the staff and students for their efforts. Through the donation of their time they organised discos, Mother's Day and Father's Day stalls, the uniform shop and the Market Day. They were also very helpful in the lead up to and on the Colour Run. Their support and efforts over the year are appreciated.

### Memories of 2017

This year has been a very action packed year from day one. A very special memories that I would like to recall are:

- Kinder's first day of school– Look how far they have come!
- The Induction Ceremony in term 1 where the school leaders received their badges as did SRC students for Years 1-6
- The leadership day at Longneck lagoon where a year 3 students impressed myself and the students older than her, with her problem solving abilities.
- The Colour Fun Run– not the money that we raised which is a bonus but how much fun everyone had and how involved our whole school community was.
- Dance Sport– while having seen the stage 2 and 3 students practice for dance sport over the last few years, this year was the first time that I was able to see them compete and was I impressed?!
- Year 2 Storytelling– WOW! We saw and heard some fantastic storytellers this year. Not only could the students recall long, detailed stories but the use of their voice, gestures and facial expressions was wonderful. The audience were entranced!
- Presentation Day– while it is always wonderful to see so many students recognized for their efforts over the year, I thought that the Singing group were fabulous! Their first song "Bella Mama" was beautiful!
- The Sport and CAPA presentation today was a highlight, so many talented students and some students talented across many disciplines of sport.
- Year 6 Graduation– Oh how time flies! I can still clearly remember them starting Kinder with myself, Miss Burton, Mrs Grono and Mrs Illfeld.



I would like to end the year by wishing all of our families a very Happy Christmas and a relaxing New Year. I look forward to seeing everyone in 2018!

Kind regards  
Kim Dunscombe



## Assembly of Excellence

Last Friday we held our Assembly of Excellence for term 4 where we acknowledged students in the area of **visual arts**. **Two students from each class received a principal's award for Excellence in Visual Arts and two students from each class received an award for Excellent Application and Attitude in Visual Arts.**

Congratulations to the following students on their Excellence in Visual Arts awards;

KB- Harper & Gloria	KC- Prince & Georgia	KK- Taylor & Adrian	KL- Ehsan & Mason
1A- Phoenix & Zachery	1C- Georgia & Josie	1P- Alexander & Chloe	
1/2N- Caleb & Allira	2C- Moses & Zayne	2J- Levi & Rayyaan	2L- Braidyn & Jade
3A- Claudia & Lily	3D- Tiannah & Jake	3H- Charlotte & Isabella	
3/4W- Lara & Kayla	4C- Angelo & Abbey	4R- Christopher & Leif	
4/5H- Jorja & Alissa	5M- Tayjah & Chanel	5R- Raneem & Angel	
5/6F- Max & Kiayla	6B- Michael & Bella	6P- Brady & Melissa	

Congratulations to the following students who were acknowledged for Excellent Application and Attitude in Visual Arts;

KB- Connor & Xander	KC- Elaina & Charlotte	KK- Chloe & Nikola	KL- Anna & Alana
1A- Haloum & Kenzie	1C- Bailey & Callum	1P- Summer & Charli	
1/2N- Tyson & Brenden	2C- Tyrone & Zain	2J- Anastazia & Archie	2L- Chantelle & Scarlett
3A- Sarah & Chloe	3D- Elise & Keeley	3H- Corey & Rose	
3/4W- Michael & Aymen	4C- Ethan & Alexia	4R- Jasin & Charley	
4/5H- Mason & Nekea	5M- Matoisha & Florence	5R- Tatjana & Jasmine	
5/6F- Taliyah & Shari	6B- Mei & Justin	6P- Alana & Khloee	



## Presentation Day

Congratulations to all students for their hard work over the year. A special congratulations to the following students who were presented with an award today at our annual Presentation day assembly;

### Stage 3 Awards

Creative and Practical Arts Award – Sophie 6P

School Citizenship Award – Shirley 6B

Mulgoa Award – Breanna 6B

Dux – Luke 5/6F

6B

Bella - Academic Achievement

Kourtnee - Citizenship

Justin - Consistent Effort

Michael - Visual Arts

Kate - PDHPE

6P

Sophie - Academic Achievement

Brady – Citizenship

Devesh - Excellence in Mathematics

Ben - Improved Effort and Attitude

Georgia - Outstanding Effort and Application

5/6F

Kirithiga - Academic Achievement – Year 5

Adam - Academic Achievement- Year 6

Yogashree- Citizenship

Abbi - Outstanding Effort Across all Areas

Andrew- Excellence in Literacy

4/5H (Year 5)

Cameron - Academic Achievement- Year 5

Roya - Excellence in English

5M

Sienna - Academic Achievement

Tayjah- Citizenship

Jacob- Embracing Extension Learning Challenges

Blake - Consistent Effort

Matoisha- Consistent Effort

5R

Rudra - Academic Achievement

Phoenix- Citizenship

Ajai- Consistent Effort

Jessica- Consistent Effort

Jasmine - Most Improved

### Stage 2 Awards

4/5H (Year 4)

Jayden - Academic Achievement -Year 4

Divyanka - Citizenship

Kaylee - Outstanding Effort and Application

4C

Mustafa - Academic Achievement

Monico - Citizenship

Dayna - Consistent Effort and Achievement

Elysia - Consistent Effort and Achievement

Bailey - Effort and Improvement

4R

Hamilton - Academic Achievement

Youvania - Citizenship

Jay - Consistent Effort in all Areas

Tahnee - Excellent Work Ethic

Najib - Excellent Work Ethic

3/4W

Jaeahna - Academic Achievement -Year 3

Cooper - Academic Achievement- Year 4

Ava- Citizenship

Ashton - Commitment to Learning

Isaac - Commitment to Learning

3A

Sebastian - Academic Achievement

Ainsleigh - Citizenship

Tyler - Consistent Effort and Application in all Areas of his Learning

Louise - Diligence and Hard Work throughout the Year

Lily - A relentless Effort and Positive Attitude towards Learning

3D

Taylor - Academic Achievement

Zachary - Citizenship

Jake - Improved Effort and Application

Daniel - Perseverance and Positivity

ucena - Outstanding Commitment to Learning

3H

Mikayla - Academic Achievement

Mackenzie - Citizenship

Summer - Most Improved

Mitchell - Commitment to Learning

Jayden - Excellent Achievement Across all Areas

Junior Endeavour Award – Nadia – 4C

## Presentation Day continued

### Stage 1 Awards

#### 2C

Annika - Academic Achievement  
James - Citizenship  
Maria - Enthusiasm and Commitment to Learning  
Saige - Positive Attitude towards Learning  
Logan - Perseverance and Determination

#### 2J

Tyarnie - Academic Achievement  
Miranda - Citizenship  
Novalee - Consistent Effort  
Caleb - Improvement in Reading  
Dylan - Positive Attitude to Learning

#### 2L

Roumina - Academic Achievement  
Blake - Citizenship  
Jack - Excellence in Mathematics  
Kade - Outstanding Application  
Sienna - Consistent Effort

#### 1/2N

Caleb - Academic Achievement - Year 1  
Allira - Academic Achievement - Year 2  
Morgan - Citizenship  
Charlie - Positive Attitude and Application to Learning  
Alexis - Consistent Effort in all Areas

#### 1A

Emily Blazey - Academic Achievement  
Lara Hatch - Citizenship  
Jett Allison - Most Improved  
Anisi Ratu - Excellent Attitude and Application to Learning  
Blake Planer - Improvement in Reading

#### 1C

Samuel - Academic Achievement  
Mia - Citizenship  
Lily - Outstanding Effort and Progress in Reading  
Amariah - Improved Effort and Application  
Onyx - Commitment to Learning

#### 1P

Savannah - Academic Achievement  
Mathaus - Citizenship  
Nate - Improvement in all Areas  
Katie - Commitment to Learning  
Isabella - Consistent Effort and Application  
Junior Endeavour Award -

Starr Partners Achievement Award—  
Lucas— 1/2N

### Kindergarten Awards

#### K Bilbies

Emma Academic Achievement  
Jack Citizenship  
Skye - Consistent Effort in all Areas  
Harper - Commitment to Learning  
Grayden - Perseverance and Positivity

#### K Crocodiles

Youssef - Academic Achievement  
Riley - Citizenship  
Georgia - Consistent Effort  
Elaina - Consistent Effort  
Alysha - Consistent Effort

#### K Koalas

Melisa - Academic Achievement  
Isaac - Citizenship  
Taylor - Immaculate Bookwork  
Natalie - Excellent Attitude to Learning  
Jayden - Commitment to Learning

#### K Lizards

Zoe - Academic Achievement  
Emily - Citizenship  
William - Outstanding Effort in all Curriculum Areas  
Mitchell - Enthusiasm for all Aspects of School  
Brianna - Consistent Effort in all Curriculum Areas

### Sports Awards

Sportsperson of the Year – Charlie 5/6F  
Sports House of the Year – Marsden





## Presentation Day PHOTOS



## Office News

*Best wishes to all our students and their families for a wonderful Christmas and a prosperous 2018.*



\*\*2018 grade resource lists will be sent home next week for parents when preparing for back to school next year. If you do not receive a copy or you lose it, they will be listed on the school website in the 'Notes' tab.

### Term 4 End of Year Excursions and Events

There are a number of end of year excursions and events coming up which have now closed. Please see below for dates;

★ **Stage Party Days (K-6)**

- Kindy -Glenbrook Cinema- 'Paddington 2' on Tuesday 12 December (wk 10)
- Years 1 & 2 – Windsor Bowling on Tuesday 12 December (wk 10)
- Years 3 & 4 -Glenbrook Cinema- 'Paddington 2' on Thursday 14 December (wk 10)
- Years 5 & 6 – Pizza/Movie Party on Wednesday 13 December (wk 10)

★ **Presentation Day on Friday 8 December (wk 9)**

★ **Year 6 Farewell on Monday 11 December (wk 10)**

★ **Sports/CAPA Assembly on Monday 11 December (wk 10)**

★ **Last day of term/Year 6 Pass Out Parade on Friday 15 December**

### Dates to remember for 2018

- ★ **Monday 29 January – Staff Development Day**
- ★ **Tuesday 30 January – Students Years 1 – 6 return**
- ★ **Monday 5 February – Kindergarten students commence**

### P&C Uniform Shop hours during January 2018

Wednesday 24 January – 9.30 to 10.30am

Thursday 25 January – 9.30 to 10.30am

Monday 29 January – 9.30 to 10.30am

Thank you for your ongoing support,

**Mandy Anderson**

School Administrative Manager



## Office News

### **New Electronic Systems Coming in 2018**

#### **CareMonkey**

Next year we will be utilising a new electronic health and safety application named CareMonkey.



We will send you an email from the CareMonkey system inviting you to enter the details for your child in an electronic medical form. From the school's perspective, this information will only be accessible by the relevant staff caring for your child. However, if you choose, you can also share this information with anyone else you trust with your child's care - their grandparents, their child-minder, their sports club etc. Importantly, you choose who accesses this information.

You don't need to do anything until you receive the email requesting the information.. You can also visit the CareMonkey website for more information: [www.caremonkey.com](http://www.caremonkey.com)

#### **School Bytes**

The logo for School Bytes, featuring the letters "SB" in white on a dark blue square background, followed by the words "School Bytes" in white text on a dark blue rectangular background.

Commencing in 2018, we will be simplifying our online payment system by sending student statement of accounts directly to parents via email.

All excursions and activities will be pre-populated for each student. The statements will include a unique link to make secure payments online through our existing Westpac Parent Online Payment (POP) system (Visa/Mastercard credit & debit cards accepted).

Information notes have been sent home today (8 Dec) with further information regarding these 2 systems. Please feel free to contact the school on 9834 3009 if you have any questions.

***Mandy Anderson***

School Administrative Manager



## P&C

What a fantastic we have had on the P&C and we can not thank our parents, carers, students and community members enough for your on going support. Without your support our committee would not be able to continue to hold Mother's Day and Father's Day stalls for our students. The children of JEPS love being able to buy their special parent / carer a gift to say thanks for all you do for me all year round.

Discos are also always a hit with the kids, a great way to celebrate the end of term with their friends dancing for a couple of hours.

This year we also held a very successful Market Day. We love having market days as the JEPS and Erskine Park community come together and support our school and the fantastic stalls that come and provide a wide variety of products and treats. We thank you for your continued support.

We would also like to thank Rebcecca Alexander, Christina Woods and Liz Dunlop for the hard work and many hours they have spent organising and running these events. These three lovely ladies will be leaving the JEPS P&C this year and we would like to wish them well.

We would like to welcome Kylie Scerribas to our committee and thank her for agreeing to volunteer her time and helping us make our school a great learning centre for our students.

We thank you, as without your support we would not be able to donate funds to the brilliant sensory garden, new library shelves or the many projects we have supported around the school.

Lastly thank you to our amazing teaching staff, office ladies, Ms Dunscombe and Mrs Robinson for their tireless work behind the scenes and in the classroom making sure our children receive the best education possible.

Enjoy your Christmas and the holidays, stay safe and see you all next year.

JEPS P&C





# Congratulations



to students who have received their Bronze, Silver or Gold awards this year!  
For many students, it was their first opportunity to attend an end of term reward session and they had a ball! Students who received an award in Term 4 were invited to a board game and outdoor play session. In addition, more than 300 students received their gold awards in semester two and they had a fantastic time at our celebration barbeque.

We look forward to rewarding students for being  
safe, respectful learners in 2018.





# In support of **White Ribbon**

## Wednesday 22nd November

All STEPS schools participated in the launch of respectful relationships for White Ribbon.

JEPS were the host school and we were proud to have Federal MP Emma Husar come and speak to the leaders about the importance of being kind and respectful to one another at all times .

JEPS school leaders spoke at the assembly, students wrote respectful words on the white ribbon for Year 6 to hang on the front fence. Mr Banzon took some fabulous photos of JEPS students as well as leaders from all the STEPS schools.





On Thursday 23rd November, the debating team competed in the grand-final debate against Rooty Hill Public School. It was an extremely challenging debate with great arguments from both teams, fortunately, JEPS won! Not only are they the champions of the R.A Pickles Shield Debating Competition, they were also undefeated in the entire competition!



Shirley was awarded a medal for the JEPS debater of the year for her commitment and effort. Congratulations Shirley!



I would like to thank Shirley, Sophie, Luke, Jackson, Adam, Georgia and Blake on their commitment and effort all year. All members have worked extremely hard and they should be proud of their efforts. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the parents for their assistance throughout the year. It is greatly appreciated - Jennifer Farrugia.





# SWIM SCHOOL

Students in years 2 to 6 were given the opportunity to attend swim school. The students who attended thoroughly enjoyed their time in the pool! They learnt about the ways in which they can keep themselves safe in and around the water. The students were instructed on how to perform strokes correctly and had the opportunity to develop their swimming skills over the course of the week.





# YEAR 2 STORYTELLING CELEBRATION



Our talented Storytellers: Eshaan Singh, Hayley Patterson, Jazi Theodoropoulos, Jack Jones, Jacob Redcliffe, Joshua Collins, Kaatje Van Der Meij, Labeebah Irfaq, Maria Beshay, Mataius Alcasid, Michael Barbara, Roumina Khov, Saige McQueeny, Tyamie Moeroa, Yashmika Shanthirakumar



On Thursday, 23rd November students in 1/2N, 2C, 2J and 2L celebrated the end of their Storytelling unit with a storytelling extravaganza.

Students confidently displayed their talents performing in front of their peers as well as our special guests, Mrs Robertson, Ms Dunscombe and Ms D'Angelis.

The student's demonstrated their amazing talents, entertaining everyone on the day.

We are so proud of every student in 1/2N, 2C, 2J and 2L as you all gave your all participating in this unit.



## Student Profiles

Elijah



**Represents:** Rugby League Sydney West  
**Position:** forward  
**Trains:** twice a week  
**Goal:** to become a professional Football Player and play for the Warriors  
**Favourite sports person:** Jonathan Thurston  
**Something you may not know about Elijah:** That he is one of five children (3rd youngest)

Zack



**Represents:** District Rugby League  
**Position:** forward  
**Trains:** twice a week  
**Goal:** is to become a professional basketball player  
**Favourite sports person:** Will Smith  
**Something you may not know about Zack:** He has 2 dogs; Jasper and Jeffery.

Bella



**Represents:** Sydney West in touch, swimming and athletics & a National Champion in dance—POM— Youth Division  
**2017:** went to USA for cheerleading and dance  
**Trains:** 5 days a week  
**Goal:** Athlete— represent Australia for 100m sprint at the Olympics  
**Favourite sports person:** Alicia her former dance coach  
**Something you may not know about Bella:**

Tamia



**Represents:** Australia 11-12 yrs at tumbling at the Worlds in Bulgaria in 2017  
**Trains:** 5– 6 days a week  
**Goal:** To achieve first place at Worlds in tumbling  
**Favourite sports person:** Sam Palmer— one of the best tumblers in the world  
**Something you may not know about Tamia:** Tamia got interested in tumbling after Monica took her as a friend for a free lesson.



## Student Profiles

Brianna



**Represents**– Rep-Penrith Panthers Basketball U12 Division1

**Position**– point guard

**Trains**– 4 days a week

**Goal**– to go to State Championships

**Favourite Sports person**– Stephan Curry, he plays for the Golden State Warriors

**Something you may not know about Brianna**–she also loves to swim.

Sofia



**Represents**– Rep-Penrith Panthers Basketball U12 Division 2

**Position**– forward

**Trains**– 4 days a week

**Goal**– to get better at playing

**Favourite Sports person**– Michael Jordan

**Something you may not know about Sofia**–she also loves dancing.

Isaiah



**Represents**–Reo-Penrith Panthers Basketball U14 Division2

**Position**– power forward/small forward

**Trains**– 4 days a week

**Goal**– to make it to the NBA

**Favourite Sports person**– Stephan Curry, he plays for the Golden State Warriors

**Something you may not know about Isaiah**– he also loves to do mathematics.



# KB's Class Profile

We wrote and sent letters to Santa



This semester we have been learning about the farm, the beach and Christmas. We visited the farm in term 3 and have since been focussing on aspects of the beach and Christmas.



We wore red for Day For Daniel



We have been completing Christmas Art and craft





# KL's Class Profile



**Kinder Lizards have been working on acrostic poems!**

KL has had a very busy semester! We have been learning about many wonderful things! We have started off learning about friendship, the farm, the beach and Christmas! KL visited Calmsley Farm as well! We have had mufti days, ran the school assembly



**We have been making lots of Christmas art-work!**



**Kinder Lizards have been working hard in their reading groups!**



# 1P 2017

1P has enjoyed a great year together in and out of the classroom. There have been so many things we have learnt, enjoyed and been a part of. We **have all loved learning about insects and watching our "Stripy" the caterpillar** go through his life cycle. Making our own water cycles and creating our sea life mural with Mrs Partridge have been highlights along with performing at assembly, the colour run, mufti days, Excellence Assemblies, cricket, sport, going to Fairfield Museum and being busy learners each day. We all **love to read and have made fantastic progress with this. We're the best borrowers at the library.**



# What's happening in 1/2N

1/2N have been telling stories and learning how storytellers bring stories to life through the use of language and gesture.



Some of our favourite stories are:

**The wolf in sheep's clothing.**

The biggest donkey of all.

The mysterious box.

The night the moon fell into the well.

Tilly.

The paper bag princess.

Cooperative games



We are learning about road and water safety.



Group story wring session.

We all love contributing to our class story

We have been creating magical stories that captivate the reader.

To make our writing more interesting, we make sure to include:

Alliteration  
Onomatopoeia  
Adjectives  
Character and setting building  
Direct and indirect speech



We have created some stunning art work to be really proud of.



In Maths we have been learning about:

Data

Eighths, halves and quarters

Place value

Split strategy

Volume

Capacity

3D shape properties.



We have been playing cricket and really enjoy all the new skills we have learnt.





# The Wonderful World of 2L



Whether it be English,  
Mathematics, Science,  
Creative Arts, HSIE or  
PPHPE,  
2L always display a love of  
learning.



We also love to have a laugh!





# inside 3/4w

We've had a fantastic year in 3/4W.  
Here are some of our favourite memories from 2017.

*My favourite thing in 3/4W was making things in class with my friends. We made slime and chocolate coconut balls. I loved doing spare with everyone too.*  
**Braddyn Wood**

*My favourite memory in 3/4W is Mrs Weibye's puns. They were really funny. I can't actually remember anything she said but I know it was funny.*  
**Fayley Sharpe**



*I My favourite thing this year was when Year 3 went to CARES. We had a fake license and got to ride on bikes on a small road. We all rode with our friends. It's just been awesome this year!*  
**Ava Mankaryous**

*This has been my favourite year at school. My best memories are making new friends in 3/4W and telling or hearing jokes with Mrs Weibye and my classmates!*  
**Cooper Carr**

*My favourite memory is when 3/4W did an item The Bugalugs Bum Thief. It was so funny and I had an awesome time.*  
**Keyla Stretton**



*I loved when we made chocolate coconut balls. I partnered up with Thomas and I loved when we broke the biscuits into crumbs with our hands. My hands got sticky but I didn't mind. It was choco-niffic!*  
**Garin Gao**

*My favourite times of the year were when we watched funny episodes of Little Lunch during crunch and sip. When everyone laughed you could feel the good vibes in the classroom.*



# 5M's FUNDAY TOP 10

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- Slime Keys – Because you get wet and play with slime.
- White Elephant – We grabbed a heap of bargains.
- Pin the Pie on the Face – Just like pin the tail on the donkey. We fed Mr Banzon..
- Boot Camp – We loved setting the record!
- Hair Spray – It was wonderfully colourful..
- Sponge Throwing – We got to smash year 6's in the face.
- Nail painting – It made us look fantastic.
- Haunted House – Because we got a lolly at the end. Food – Yum Yum Yum
- Fortune Telling – We are all going to be rich and amous apparently.
- Basically we loved everything.
- Thankyou Year 6. We hope we can do a great job next year just like you.

**We have also been to camp!**







## Our last term in JEPS

It has been a very busy term for 6B. We have taken part in Learn to Lead with the high school, Day for Daniel with Kinder Bilbies, Fiction Frenzy and recently had a massive day at Fun Day!



We are wrapping up the year. This includes getting our dance moves ready for the Year 6 Farewell!





# Year 5 Camp







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Dylan Duncan- 5/6F

10. Swimming- We did a swimming test and the person in front of me failed in about 3 seconds. I made it through so for me it was fun.
9. Food- The food was good except for the burritos which had beans in the meat.
8. Lodges- I was in the possums lodge and we played murder in the dark and it was so loud.
7. Bush Turkeys- **The Bush Turkeys stole everyone's food and we started chasing them.**
6. Beach Games- We built a city and a road out of sand and then we gave up and played in the water.
5. Abseiling- We abseiled 7 metres and people were freaking out and shaking.
4. Ferry- On the way back home, we got to go up the top of the ferry and look out at the water and the boats.
3. Hanging out with my friends- **It was fun hanging out with my friend's at camp. We played a lot of sport.**
2. Free time- We were allowed to play tennis and basketball during free time.
1. Archery- I liked archery the most because people kept missing but I got three of my shots on target.

## YEAR 5 CAMP



### KIRITHIGA SHANTHIRAKUMAR- 5/6F

**FOOD-** The food was delicious. We got to get seconds and we got to choose what we wanted.

**ANIMALS-** I saw a few wallabies, a rattlesnake, a goanna, a tawny frog mouth bird and lots of bush turkeys. Tamara and Harley named some of the bush turkeys David, Jeff, Jerry, Johnny, John and Johnery.

**MEETING GUIDES-**We meet Brendan, Matt, Cathy and Liam. They helped us to do activities that we needed help in.

**LODGES-**The lodges were really clean. The bathrooms were clean and there were so many bunk beds in one room and still a lot of space.

**BUSH TURKEY-**When everybody came back from breakfast there was rubbish thrown everywhere and there was poop near my bed. Mrs Roe cleaned the poop and we had to pick up the rubbish.

**RAFT BUILDING-**We were in groups and we had to make a raft using bottles, pipes and crates. **I was the lightest in the group. Our group thought our raft we built wouldn't win** but since we worked together it worked! There was a big wave so I screamed and fell.

**PUMPED WATER-**The pumped water was beautiful and refreshing. It was cool and kept everyone hydrated. The guides always told us to refill our bottle before we did any activity.

**ABSEILING-**We had to climb a steep hill and we had to have our body straight when we were on the rock. Some people were scared to go abseiling so we were allowed to have a second turn.

**ARCHERY-**We had to aim really clearly. The bow was so heavy so my arms got really tired. One of my arrows hit the target but then it fell off after 5 seconds.

**BEACH-** The sport and recreation centre had their own beach. The beach had great views and we got to go for a swim in the ocean with lifejackets on.



## Year 5 Camp



### Abbi – 5/6F

10. **Bush Turkey**- At camp, I was chased by a Bush turkey. Everyone was laughing at me running away from it.

9. **Activity group**- For the activities, I was in a group called the penguins. I also had a great instructor Brendon. He was the kindest.

8. **Lodges**- I was in the kookaburra lodge. I had fun talking and playing with my friends.

7. **Food**- At camp, we had burritos for lunch. It was my favourite meal that we had.

6. **Wildlife**- At camp, there were a few wallabys lying around. There were also bush turkeys, snakes and goannas

5. **Pool**- At camp, there was a pool area. We went for a few swims and had fun.

4. **Free time**- From 4:00 – 4:30, we got to do almost whatever we wanted. My friends and I went to the pool.

3. **Orienteering**- One of the activities that we did was orienteering. In my group there was Shari, Angel and Kayla. We found 11 out of 12 cards.

2. **Night show**- After dinner, we had games in the recreation hall. I had a lot of fun playing different games

1. **Abseiling** –My favourite activity was abseiling. I was scared the first time, but the second time I had more fun. Learning backwards was terrifying because we basically had to be horizontal.

The JEPS annual Talent Quest was held in Week 4 this term where students from K-6 were able to showcase their talents. Acts included dancers, singers, students telling jokes, guitar and drum kit players and for the first time a band performed. All participants performed extremely well and the audience cheered along with each act. First place was awarded to Adrian from 6P who played the drums. Second place went to Louise from 4R who sang solo to L.O.V.E and third place went to Declan, Lucas and Jackson from KB for their very funny knock, knock jokes.



# STATE KNOCKOUT CRICKET

On the 7<sup>th</sup> of November, the JEPS state knockout cricket team travelled to Parkes to play for a spot in the top 8 teams in the state. The trip began with a 4 ½ hour drive to Parkes Public School, where we stayed for the night. We had lots of fun playing games and riding our scooters. The next morning, we woke up at 7:00am for a 9:00am game. We trained for 1 hour before the game and we were very excited and eager to play. JEPS won the toss and chose to bowl. We got 5 wickets. Luke got two, Charlie, Blake and Brodie got 1. Charlie bowled someone out, Korbyn took a catch, Brodie did an amazing run out and Luke bowled 2 people out. Parkes got 118 runs in their innings. JEPS went in to bat, some batters got great scores. Kate got 17 runs and Charlie got 18 runs not out. JEPS got 86 runs altogether. However, we lost the game by 32 runs. The umpires said that the JEPS students had amazing sportsmanship and teamwork. We would like to thank Mrs Williams for coaching us and organising the trip. We really appreciate it. This is the furthest JEPS have ever gone in the competition.

Luke, Adam, Korbyn, Zack, Charlie & Brodie





# Thank You

A big thank you to all those 2017 Kindergarten parents who sent something for our morning tea for our new 2018 Kindergarten parents. So many parents generously sent cakes, slices, biscuits and other goodies for our new parents to the school to enjoy while their children were attending transition in the classrooms. We are very lucky to have such generous parents at JEPS who support us in so many ways during the year. Our 2018 Kinder parents enjoyed meeting each other and having the opportunity to meet some of our current parents as well as meeting Mrs Robertson and Ms Dunscombe in a more informal setting. Once again, thank you for your contribution and it was very much appreciated.



If anyone is available to mind Fluffy the class bird from 6P over the summer holidays please see Miss Pearce. All pet supplies will be provided.



On Wednesday 29 November, Year 6 hosted a fun day for K-5 students. There were lots of fun activities including boot camp, hair spray, tattoos, Nerf guns, soccer shoot out, fortune telling, nail polish and many more. There were lots of ice cream spiders and cakes consumed.

Thank you to Year 6 parents and families who generously donated items for the fun day. It would not have been a success without your support. Over \$3000 was raised for Year 6.

Well done Year 6 on a well-organised event. Your teachers are very proud of you.









May your Christmas  
be Merry and Bright!  
Wishing all J.E.P.S  
families a safe and  
happy holiday!  
♥ Miss Couper xx

Have a safe and  
happy Christmas  
holiday.  
♥ Mrs Farnugia xx

Wishing all the  
J.E.P.S families a  
Merry Christmas and  
a wonderful New Year!  
♥ Miss Chester xxx

Wishing all the  
J.E.P.S. families  
a wonderful Christmas,  
a wonderful New Year and  
Happy restful holidays.  
♥ Mrs P. Williams xxx

Wishing all a  
fantastic holiday  
break. Merry  
Christmas and a  
Happy New Year  
Mrs Gardner xxx

Wishing EVERYONE  
A FANTASTIC XMAS  
& A MAGICAL NEW  
YEAR!  
♥ MRS. IMBESI xx

Merry Christmas  
& Happy New Year  
Have a great break.  
Regards. John Novak.

May you all have  
a wonderful Christmas  
and a relaxing holiday.  
See you in 2018.  
♥ Mrs Fehon

Wishing you all every happiness  
this Christmas & New Year.  
♥ Mrs Spratt  
Have a wonderful  
Christmas and New  
Year. Mrs Houben xx

Wishing all  
the J.E.P.S.  
families a Christmas  
wonderful Christmas  
Break 😊  
Wishing everyone a  
wonderful  
Christmas and  
safe & happy  
New Year.  
Mrs Roe

Wishing everyone  
a wonderful  
Christmas and  
New Year. Stay safe  
see you all in 2018  
♥ Mrs Halicek

HAPPY  
HOLIDAYS!  
M. Meier



Merry Christmas!  
Have a wonderful  
holiday & a fabulous  
2018! ♥ Cathie  
Cottondale

Wishing everyone  
and a wonderful Christmas  
and a relaxing break.  
♥ Miss Farrugia.  
Merry Christmas  
and a happy New  
Year to all JEPS  
families & j  
Steve Locke

Wishing everyone  
a very merry  
Xmas. Enjoy the  
time with your  
families ♥  
Kylie Halfpenny

Happy  
Christmas  
JEPs families  
Mrs Bloomfield

Merry Christmas!  
♥ Mrs Powell  
Best wishes for the  
holidays  
Mrs Detling xxx

Merry Christmas  
from  
Mrs McColgan

Merry Christmas  
JEPs families. Have  
a fun and safe  
holiday. Mr Rolls

Wishing all the  
JEPs families a  
wonderful Christmas  
filled with love &  
happiness  
♥ Mrs King

Merry  
Christmas  
JEPs families  
have a wonderful  
and safe holiday  
♥ Miss Borg

Merry Christmas!  
Wishing you all a  
relaxing & happy  
holiday.  
♥ Kris Weir

Merry  
Christmas to all  
the JEPs families  
hope you all have  
a wonderful holiday!  
♥ Miss Filipovic  
merry  
Christmas  
and have a  
wonderful holiday  
♥ Bonzon

Merry  
Christmas  
to all the JEPs  
families. Have  
a happy and  
safe holiday.  
xx Mrs Grano

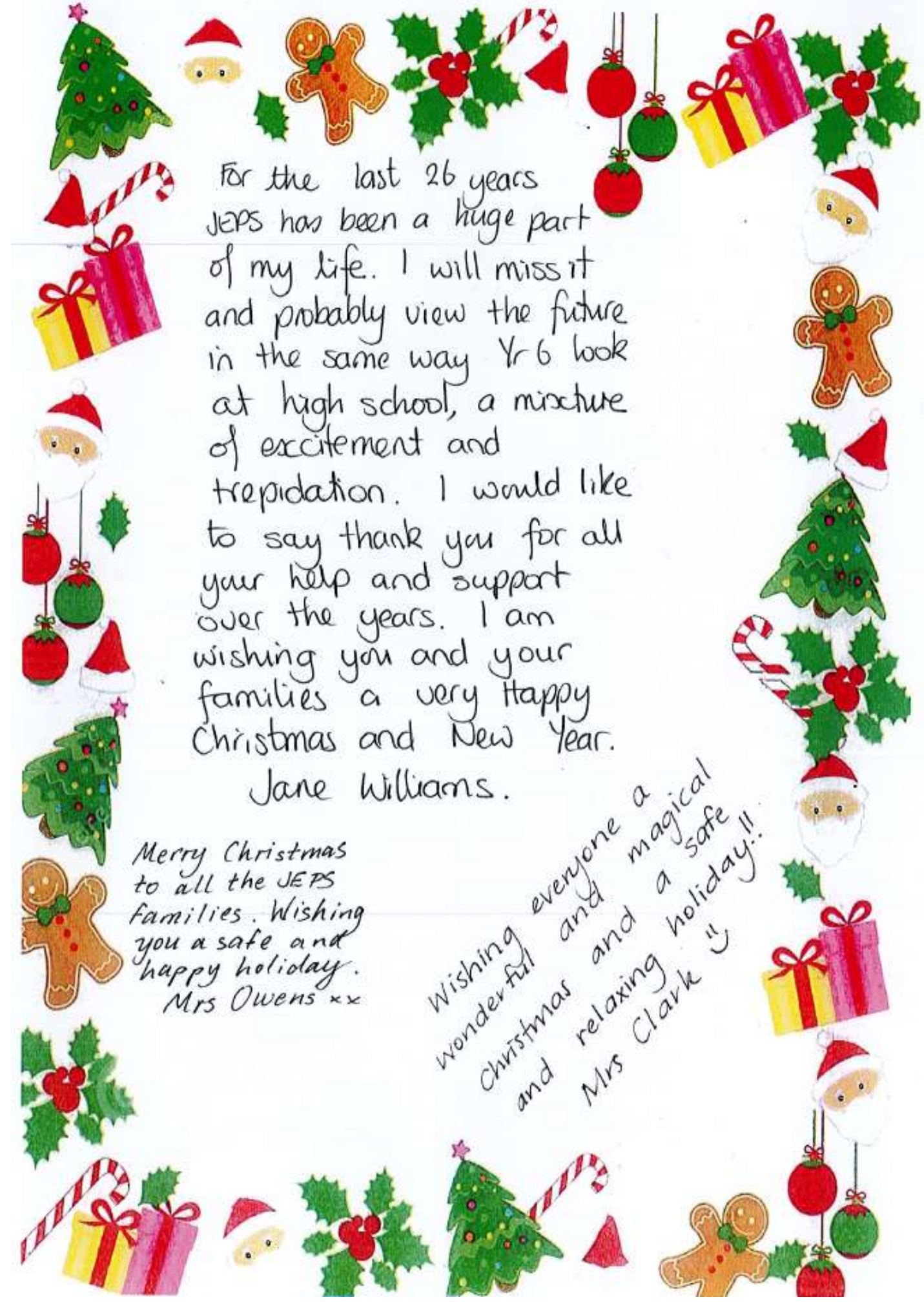
Merry Christmas  
& BEST WISHES  
FOR A SAFE &  
HAPPY HOLIDAY  
MAOYXX  
(OFFICE)

Merry Christmas new  
year.  
Liz & Denise  
(canteen)

Have a safe  
and Merry  
Christmas. I  
hope Santa  
is good to  
you. ♥ Miss  
Pearce

Have a wonderful  
and safe holiday.  
Merry Christmas!  
Mrs Bernille ☺





For the last 26 years  
JEPS has been a huge part  
of my life. I will miss it  
and probably view the future  
in the same way Yr 6 look  
at high school, a mixture  
of excitement and  
trepidation. I would like  
to say thank you for all  
your help and support  
over the years. I am  
wishing you and your  
families a very Happy  
Christmas and New Year.

Jane Williams.

Merry Christmas  
to all the JEPS  
families. Wishing  
you a safe and  
happy holiday.  
Mrs Owens xx

Wishing everyone a  
wonderful and magical  
Christmas and a safe  
and relaxing holiday!!  
Mrs Clark ☺



