



# Jarrahdale Primary School

## Parent Information Booklet 2026



### Our Vision

**At Jarrahdale Primary School we are passionate about empowering students to be successful life long learners, who reach their full potential.**

Respect



Responsibility



Kindness



Strive for Success

We recognise the Noongar people, the traditional custodians of the land on which we learn and play. We recognise their special connection to the land and waters of the area. We thank them for their care of the Gooralong River, the Jarrahdale forests and the native animals that live here. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging and recognise their contribution to the education of the Jarrahdale community.



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## General School Information: Kindy - Year 6

### School Day – Thank you for being a part of the JPS Learning Family

<b>8:30am</b>	<b>First Bell – Year 1-6 Morning fitness (not mandatory)</b> <b>Kindy/Pre Primary to classroom</b>
<b>8:40am</b>	<b>Second Bell - SCHOOL STARTS/YEAR 1-6 IN CLASSROOMS</b>
8:40am - 9:40am	Period 1
9:40am - 10:40am	Period 2
10:40am - 11:00am	Spelling Mastery / Friday - Fitness
<b>11:00am - 11:20am</b>	<b>RECESS</b>
11:20am - 12:20pm	Period 3
12:20pm - 1:20pm	Period 4
<b>1:20pm - 2:00pm</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	Period 5
<b>3:00pm</b>	<b>SCHOOL FINISHES (2:30pm on Wednesdays)</b>



Students should not arrive at school **before** 8.15am and should have left the school grounds by 3.10pm each day unless a special program is running, or parents have made alternative arrangements with the Principal. Gates will be locked at the commencement of the school day, access to the office during school hours is via the Munro Street gate.

Due to legal and health and safety requirements children are not permitted to play on school play equipment after the conclusion of the school day.

### 2026 Term Dates

		Office Opening Hours	8.00am – 4.00pm
SEMESTER ONE	TERM 1	Admin Teachers start <b>Students start</b> <b>Students finish</b>	Tuesday, 27 January 2026 Thursday, 29 January 2026 <b>Monday, 2 February 2026</b> <b>Thursday, 2 April 2026</b>
	TERM 2	Teachers start <b>Students start</b> <b>Students finish</b>	Monday, 20 April 2026 <b>Tuesday, 21 April 2026</b> <b>Friday, 3 July 2026</b>
	TERM 3	Teachers start <b>Students start</b> <b>Students finish</b>	Monday, 20 July 2026 <b>Tuesday, 21 July 2026</b> <b>Friday, 25 September 2026</b>
	TERM 4	Teachers start <b>Students start</b> <b>Students finish</b>	Monday, 12 October 2026 <b>Tuesday, 13 October 2026</b> <b>Thursday, 17 December 2026</b>

### 2026 School Development Days

The following days are student free, reserved for whole-school planning:

**Term 1** – 29-30 January 2026

**Term 2** – 20 April 2026

**Term 3** – 20 July 2026

**Term 4** – 12 October & 18 December 2026



## School Uniform and Dress Code

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At JPS, our school uniform helps to create a sense of belonging, pride, and equality within our school community. Wearing the uniform ensures students are dressed appropriately for learning, encourages a sense of identity, and supports a safe and inclusive environment.

Our uniform reflects our school values of Respect, Responsibility, Kindness, and Strive for Success, promoting consistency and pride across all year levels.

Details of the uniform, including expectations for all students can be found on our website: [Policies | Jarrahdale PS](#)

Details of how to purchase uniform items can also be found on our website: [Uniforms | Jarrahdale PS](#)

## Reporting to Parents

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Reporting throughout the year takes place in a variety of ways. Teachers provide ongoing and consistent feedback to their students and parents are encouraged to discuss their child's progress/achievement with the teachers. Positive and productive two-way communication, regular contact and feedback are encouraged, welcomed and seen as being important in every student's development.

**Term 1** – Parent/teacher interviews: Wednesday, 1 April 2026 (Week 9)

**Term 2** – Individual student reports home to parents/caregivers: Monday, 29 June 2026 (Week 11)

**Term 3** – Parent/teacher interviews: Wednesday, 9 September 2026 (Week 8)

**Term 4** – Individual student reports home to parents/caregivers: Monday, 14 December 2026 (Week 10)

## Positive Management of Student Behaviour

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JPS is a Positive Behaviour Support School, which aims to establish a common understanding of expected behaviours in the school community. This develops a safe, supportive and positive learning environment and will improve behaviour, teach social skills and achieve higher educational outcomes.

Our core values of; **Respect, Responsibility, Kindness and Strive for Success** underpin everything we do at JPS. They form the foundation for our positive management of student behavior, the policy of which can be found on our website: [Policies | Jarrahdale PS](#).

## School Voluntary Contributions

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Our school voluntary contributions are set at \$45 for each child in Kindergarten and \$60 for each child in Pre-primary to Year 6. Charges for Kindergarten to Year 6 would be appreciated early in the term as the funds help provide resources and equipment to support learning activities. If full payment is difficult, instalment arrangements are possible. Payments can also be made via bank transfer:

**Jarrahdale State School**

**BSB:** 066131

**Account:** 00901105

**Please ensure you state your child's/children's names and what you are paying e.g. excursion, contributions etc.**

For more information: [Voluntary Contributions & Charges | Jarrahdale PS](#)

## School Assemblies

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Each class from Kindergarten to Year 6 class organises and runs assemblies throughout the year. Dates and times for class assemblies are advertised in each term's school calendar of events, and via Connect/Compass notices.



## Absence from School

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Under the School Education Act, students of compulsory school age are required to attend a registered school regularly. Absences are permitted for valid reasons such as illness, religious or cultural ceremonies, or other reasons deemed acceptable by the Principal. When a child is absent, parents must provide a written explanation upon their return to school, outlining the reason for their absence.

Regular attendance at school is vital in supporting student achievement.

## Late Notes

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Any child who arrives at school after 8.40am must report to the front office and receive a late note before attending class.

## Mobile Phones and Smart Watches/Devices

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Mobile phones and smartwatches are required to be switched off or set to silent mode upon arrival at school and must be handed in to the office. Jarrahdale Primary School will securely store student devices throughout the school day, to be retrieved at the end of the day.

More information can be found: [Policies | Jarrahdale PS](#).

## Bicycles at School

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Students riding bicycles/scooters to school are required to leave them in the bicycle rack provided. This area is not accessed during the school day. Students bringing bicycles/scooters into the school grounds must wear an appropriate safety helmet.

Students are not to ride their bicycles/scooters in the school grounds at any time. This is for the student's own safety as well as the safety of the school community.

**While reasonable care will be taken, the school will not be responsible for theft or damage to bicycles/scooters brought to school.**

## eRideables and eBikes

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Under Australian road laws and Department of Education policy, eRideables (including electric scooters) and eBikes with the motor engaged are classified as vehicles. All relevant road rules apply unless specifically excluded. Key requirements include:

- Riders must be 16 years or older
- Only one rider per device
- Helmets must be worn
- Maximum speed of 10 km/h on footpaths
- Maximum speed of 25 km/h on bike paths, shared paths and local roads

For full details, refer to the Road Safety Commission's information on current eRideable laws, offences and penalties.

From 2 February 2026, a Department of Education directive prohibits the use or storage of eRideables or eBikes on all public school sites for students under 16. As a result, JPS cannot permit students to ride or store these devices at school and cannot guarantee their security if brought onto school grounds.



## Student Council

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Student Council representatives consists of elected representatives from the senior class and consist of:

- 2 x Pip's Wellbeing Warriors
- 2 x Pioneer Faction Captains
- 2 x Samson Faction Captains
- 2 x School Captains

The Student Council are elected by the school community on an annual basis and will undertake their relevant roles and duties throughout the year. The Student Council are supported by the Student Leader Coordinator and Principal and meet with them on a regular basis.

For more information on our Student Council, the Student Leadership Policy & Guidelines can be found on our website: [Policies | Jarrahdale PS](#).

## School Bushfire Plan

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Our school is situated within a potential bushfire zone. Therefore, we have created a set of procedures to ensure the safety of the students, staff and community members. Bushfire information is available at our website: [Plans, Reports & Reviews | Jarrahdale PS](#) or via DFES: [Bushfire Overview - Department of Fire and Emergency Services](#).

- The school has a comprehensive bushfire process
- Bush fire drills are held at least three times a year
- Every occupied building includes evacuation maps and processes
- An emergency pack, containing essential information such as parent contact numbers and students' first aid requirements, is prepared in advance and regularly checked/updated.

## Recess & Lunches

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To support students in their academic endeavours, it is essential that each student comes equipped with a lunch box accompanied by a cool pack for food preservation. We strongly recommend providing nutritious meal options, to help students think clearly and feel their best. **Please do not send in food high in sugar, salt and saturated fat.** Students drink bottles are to be filled with water only.

JPS is an allergy aware school. To support children in our school with food-based allergies, students are strongly encouraged not to bring nut based food products to school.

We do not currently have a canteen operating.

## Crunch 'n' Sip

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Our school is proud to be a Crunch 'n' Sip school, allowing students to stay hydrated with water and enjoy healthy snacks in the classroom throughout the day. To make it easier for students to snack, please ensure fruit is pre-cut for convenient grazing.

## Library

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All students are welcome to borrow books from the school library and must use a waterproof library bag for protection. Students who do not return borrowed books will be unable to borrow additional books until the original book is returned or replaced. If a book is lost or damaged beyond repair, families will be responsible for covering the replacement cost.

Our school continually invests in new books to ensure our library remains a valuable and up-to-date resource for students.

Library day for 2026 is: **Thursday**



## Accidents/illnesses at School

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If a child becomes unwell at school or sustains an injury that may require professional medical attention, parents will be contacted to ensure the appropriate action is taken. Please ensure your contact details are up-to-date so we can reach you promptly in the event of a medical situation.

In the case of a serious accident, necessary medical attention will be sought immediately, and parents (or an emergency contact) will be notified without delay. If the situation is critical, an ambulance will be called, and parents/caregivers will be responsible for any associated costs.

Parents are encouraged to ensure that their child's enrolment information includes clear instructions in the event the above procedures are not suitable.

## Medications at school

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Parents who wish for school staff to administer medication to their child during the school day must complete a 'Request to Administer Medication' form, available at the office, before this responsibility can be accepted by school staff.

## Birthdays

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Birthdays are special. You are most welcome to bring cupcakes or a healthy alternative to celebrate your child's birthday. Please check with class teacher regarding any food allergies.

## Parent Parking

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Parents are welcome to enter the school grounds to drop off and collect their children. However, for the safety of all students, the following guidelines must be strictly followed:

- Do not park on footpaths or in front of the gates.
- All vehicles using the Munro Street entrance must reverse park on both sides of the car park.
- Speed must not exceed walking pace at any time.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school grounds safe for everyone.



## Community Services

### Dental Therapy

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The school is supported by a Dental Therapy Unit located at a nearby Department of Education school in Byford. Parents will be contacted to inform them about the service and to confirm if they wish to utilise it for their children. All students are eligible for this service.

### Support Services

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The school has regular access to the services of a School Psychologist and Student Wellbeing Coordinator. Parents who wish to access these services should contact the Classroom Teacher. Referrals for students are made only after consultation between the Principal and the parent.

### Immunisation

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Parents are required to provide proof of their child's immunisation status (or exemption) during Kindergarten enrolment. The school will inform parents if any infectious diseases are reported; however, the responsibility for managing any health risks remains with the parents.

### School Nurse

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A school nurse visits to assess students of various age groups for health-related concerns. Kindergarten screenings are conducted annually, and information will be sent home prior to testing.



## How Parents can be Involved?

### P & C Association

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The Jarrahdale Primary School P&C works closely with the school to organize educational, social, and fundraising activities. The dedicated committee members generously contribute their time and skills to support and enhance the school community.

JPS P&C meetings are held regularly throughout the term, with details available on the school term planner. Parents are encouraged to attend these meetings to stay informed about the school's operations and actively participate in decisions that impact their children. By engaging with the broader school community, parents can play a key role in shaping the school environment.

The JPS P&C also has a Facebook page and can be contacted via email at [jpspc@outlook.com.au](mailto:jpspc@outlook.com.au). Payments for fundraising activities can be made **via bank transfer (preferred)** or cash.

#### Bank transfer

##### Jarrahdale Primary School P&C

**BSB:** 633 000

**Account:** 127982544

Please include your child/ren's names and what you are paying. e.g. SMITH – Donation

#### Cash payments

To be made at the front office via the JPS P&C receipting system.

Money needs to be in a sealed envelope, with the child's name and payment purpose clearly written. e.g. SMITH – Donation

### School Board

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Jarrahdale Primary School is an independent public school with a School Board consisting of parents, the principal, staff, and community members. The Board focuses on the school's goals, policies, and financial planning to support the achievement of its objectives.







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