

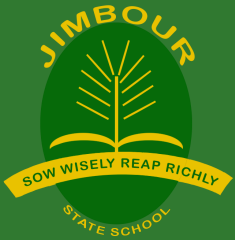
Jimbour State School

Prospectus 2023



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WELCOME

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Jimbour State School! I hope that your family enjoys the learning opportunities provided within our school community.

“At Jimbour State School we want students to enjoy school, develop friendships and grow in self-esteem and self-discipline.”

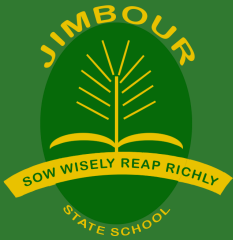
We are committed to creating a supportive and success-oriented learning environment. We insist that students have the right to learn and teachers the right to teach. We believe that children are individuals who learn in their own way. We believe education starts by building positive relationships and knowing our student’s interests, strengths and areas of need.

Our Students are provided with a wide range of curriculum opportunities throughout the school year, including:

- Excursions and Incursions
- Social Emotional Resilience Programs
- School Sport and Sporting Carnivals
- Professional Swimming
- Sporting Schools Tennis

If you have any questions throughout the year, please be assured that the staff and I are happy to make ourselves available. We wish you all the very best for the year and look forward to your involvement at Jimbour State School.

Kind regards,
Nathan Taylor
Teaching Principal



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School Vision Statement

Jimbour State School is committed to ensuring that every day, in every lesson, every student in our school is succeeding within a safe, supportive and disciplined learning environment. We promote a positive and inclusive school community that affirms the rights of all to feel safe and be safe at school.

School Times

8:15am	Students begin arriving at school
8.55am	Morning Learning Session
11:00am	First Break
11:30am	Middle Learning Session
1:00pm	Second Break
1:45pm	Afternoon Learning Session
3:00pm	End of School

In the interests of safety, children should not arrive before 8:15am unless prior arrangements have been made. All children should have left the premises by 3:15pm, unless under the supervision of a teacher.

Once a child has arrived at school, he/she is not permitted to leave the grounds before 3.00pm unless signed out by a parent or caregiver.

If parents collect children prior to completion of the school day, an entry in the register upstairs must be completed.

School Staff

Teaching Principal:	Nathan Taylor
Business Manager:	Angela Sutton
Teacher:	Anna Dalglish
Teacher Aide:	Kerry Fullagar
Cleaner:	Lillian Dyer
Grounds Officer:	Paul Bryce



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Contact

School contact details are as follows:

Telephone: 07 4663 6120

Mobile: 0436 921 263

Email: principal@jimbourss.eq.edu.au

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/jimbourss.eq.edu.au/>

Webpage: <https://jimbourss.eq.edu.au/>

Due to our small number of staff, phone calls are best made on days when an administration member is in the front office (Thursday and Friday). For non-urgent matters, staff members are available at the front gate each afternoon at 3:00pm.

2023 Term Calendar

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 School terms
 School holidays
 Public holidays
 Staff professional development/student free days
 Part public holiday after 6 pm

Enrolment

Jimbour State School is open to students from Prep to Year Six. Students of compulsory school age have a legal obligation to attend an educational program. Unless arranged with the school, a child should be enrolled and attend school in the year that they turn compulsory school age (six years and six months).



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Attendance

Regular attendance at school is the biggest predictor for academic success. If your child is unable to attend due to sickness, holiday or family reasons, please call or send a text message to the school mobile phone (0436 921 263) before 9:00am.

If your child is unwell for three consecutive days due to illness, please provide the school with a copy of a Medical Certificate.

If planning for an absence from school greater than 10 consecutive days, please apply for an Exemption from Compulsory Schooling.

“Every day counts”

Queensland Department of Education

Change of Details

For change of address, phone number, place of work or family situation that may impact student attendance, please advise the school as soon as possible to ensure our Emergency Contacts are kept up to date.

Transfer of Students

If for any reason a student transfer is required, please advise the school office of your intended departure date and the name of your child’s new school so that we can complete the relevant actions.

School Swimming

Swimming Instruction is a compulsory part of the Australian Curriculum.

At Jimbour State School, students participate in ten school swimming sessions per year split over Term 1 and Term 4. Parents are advised that the Department of Education does not have Personal Accident Insurance cover for students.

Term 1 Swimming Dates: February 11th, 18th, 25th. March 4th, 11th



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Homework Policy

At Jimbour State School, homework is designed to consolidate student learning, create good 'homework habits' and give parents a window into the curriculum covered in class. Homework is designed to be completed in less than 10 minutes a night on top of 10-20 minutes of reading each night.

Homework is sent home with students on a Monday afternoon and expected to be returned completed on a Friday morning.

Students can collect levelled readers for the week or on a daily basis from the containers in the upstairs walkway.

There are no rewards or penalties for completing or not completing homework, it is a learning tool to be used at parent's discretion.

Infection Control in Schools

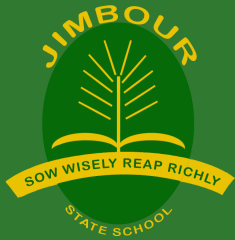
To reduce the spread of infections illness, the school follows strict safety, hygiene and first aid guidelines. These guidelines include requirements to keep unwell students at home during their infectious period. Please ensure that non-infectious open skin wounds are covered with fresh waterproof dressings before coming to school.

If head lice are detected at school, all families will be notified. It is advisable to check your child's hair regularly for any signs of lice or eggs. Further information can be found at www.health.qld.gov.au/headlice

You are encouraged to consider having your child vaccinated in line with current Queensland Health guidelines. Information can be obtained from community Health or your own doctor.

Medication

School staff are only authorised to administer doctor prescribed medications. All medication must be in its original container with the pharmacy label clearly stating the required dosage and a signed note by the caregiver state permission for staff to administer. This must be handed to the school office.



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Lost Property

All items worn to school should be clearly labelled with student names to prevent loss of property. It is worthwhile checking these labels regularly as they may wear off. Toys, balls, games other items of value are not to be brought to school unless as part of a planned presentation (for example Show and Tell where they are kept secure in the teacher's desk). Lost property is stored in the container in the front walkway. All lost property is discarded at the end of the school year following a reasonable attempt to return items to their owners.

Mobile Phone Policy

Student mobile phones are not permitted at the Jimbour State School. If a child does require a mobile phone when travelling to or from school, arrangements should be made with the school principal. Children are encouraged to talk to their classroom teacher if they feel they need to contact parents during the day.

Newsletter

A school newsletter is produced on a fortnightly basis. It is sent home with the oldest child in the family on a Thursday afternoon in Weeks 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10. A digital copy of the school newsletter is also available on the school website at <https://jimbourss.eq.edu.au/>

Uniforms

Jimbour State School is a full uniform school with a School Dress Code on the back page of this document. The uniform consists of a green and gold polo with dark green or black shorts. There is also a green and white checked dress as an alternative uniform.

The school formal uniform (green button up for boys and white blouse for girls) is held on site and borrowed out to students on an as-needs basis.

Uniforms in select sizes are available from the front office, other uniforms can be purchased directly from Creative Embroidery in Dalby. The school will take orders in Term 4 for uniforms for the subsequent year.



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Active Start

At Jimbour State School we believe that an active start is the best way to get the brain ready to learn. We start the day with an evidence-based warm-up taken from the research done by the Learning Connections group. After ten minutes of active games we return to class ready to start our day.

The Jimbour Way

Each morning students review a different aspect of The Jimbour Way, which provides detailed lessons on how we expect staff and students to behave at school. Each lesson of the Jimbour Way aligns with our school values of being Safe, Respectful, Responsible and Resilient Learners. During the Jimbour Way, students also cover lessons from the Zones of Regulation program to help them manage emotions and maintain resilience.

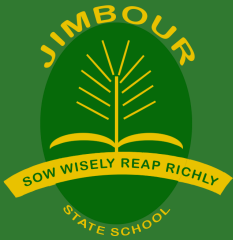
Jimbursts

Periodically, we share short videos on our Facebook page that show our wider community some of the exciting things we do at school. If you do not wish for your child to feature in these videos please make the school staff aware when submitting your enrolment package.

Reporting

As part of our commitment to education, Jimbour State School reports on student learning once per semester. The mid-year report goes home in a sealed envelope in Term 2, Week 10 and the end-of-year report in Term 4, Week 10.

Parents are also offered the opportunity to discuss their child's education at the end of Term 1 and Term 3 during Parent Teacher Conversations. Meeting times for these conversations are advertised in the newsletter prior to the allotted times. Staff are also available to meet to discuss any urgent concerns throughout the year, if you wish to have a meeting please contact the school to arrange a suitable time.



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Parents and Citizens Association

At Jimbour State School we are fortunate to have an active P&C who run our uniform shop and donate time and ingredients to a fortnightly tuckshop. P&C Meetings are held once a term with an additional meeting held early in Term 1 (Annual General Meeting). If you are interested in volunteering with the P&C please contact the school principal for the details of our P&C Secretary.

Visitors and Volunteers

We welcome visitors and people who come into our school to work with our students to enhance their learning. To ensure the safety of visitors and students, it is necessary that arrangements for visits be made via the school office. As per state requirements, all volunteers must hold a Blue Card. More information can be found at <https://www.qld.gov.au/>

Library

All students have the opportunity to borrow from our school library once a week (with the exception being in the last fortnight of Term 4 when stocktake is taken). Library days are subject to change and will be communicated through the newsletter and homework announcements.

Parade

Parade is held at the end of the day (2:55—3:00pm) on a Wednesday. All parents and family are invited to attend Parade to hear upcoming announcements and see students recognised for adhering to our values (Safe, Responsible, Respectful, Resilient, Learners).

At Parade we also draw our Jimbour Jewel, which students can earn through their choices during the week, and which lets them pick a choice of a new book or a prize from the prize box.



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Birthdays

Jimbour State School is happy to help celebrate our student's birthdays. Please notify staff the day before if you have plans to bring in a treat to share to ensure that any food allergy requirements are met.

Emergency Drills

Fire evacuation, snake sighting and lockdown drills occur throughout the year. Their occurrence is designed to be a surprise, thus ensuring the children and staff know their role if an emergency should arise.

As a rural school, snakes are occasionally seen on our grounds. Please be assured our staff and students have regular discussions on safety around snakes and the school community are well informed on the correct procedures.

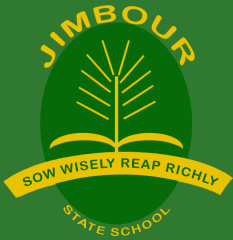
Behaviour

At Jimbour State School, staff adhere to the Queensland Government's ethical standards and students adhere to the school's Student Code of Conduct available on our website. School behaviour expectations are taught explicitly in class each morning during the Jimbour Way.

Incentives to promote good behaviour choices include Jimbour Jewels (for more information, see the Parade section of this document) and pom-poms that go into a pom-pom-jar. When the pom-pom jar is full, students are able to select a fun afternoon activity for a 'pom-pom-party'.

Inappropriate behaviour is treated as a learning opportunity for students to make better future choices. Repeated poor behaviours following intervention efforts can result in consequences linked to restorative justice (for example, a student knocking over a rubbish bin would have to collect rubbish during play time).

In the case of undesirable behaviour choices that are extreme or unsafe, parents may be contacted. Possible consequences for exceptional circumstances include school disciplinary absences and personalised behaviour plans.



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Accident Insurance Cover for Students

At Jimbour State School, our number one priority is student safety. The Queensland Department of Education enforces mandatory policies to protect staff and students and schools complete risk assessments for activities that have potential for harm. Yet despite all these safeguards, some school activities carry inherent risks of injury. Parents are advised that the Queensland Department of Education does not carry Student Accident Insurance cover for students.

If your child is injured at school as a result of an accident, all costs associated with the injury, including medical costs, are the responsibility of the child, parent or caregiver. Some incidental medical costs may be covered by Medicare or private health insurance. Student Accident Insurance is an insurance policy that pays certain benefits should your child have an accident.

It is a personal decision for parents as to the types of insurance they arrange for any accidental injury that could occur. If concerned, parents should contact their insurer or an approved Australian insurance broker for more information.

Complaints Management

At Jimbour State School we seek to work in partnership with our families to help students be the best that they can be. We recognise the parent as the first and most important teacher in their child's life and value your expertise. If you have any concerns or complaints, Department policy is to raise them first with the school principal. If the complaint is unresolved, the matter should then be raised with District Office.

For more information about the complaints process in state schools, please visit <https://www.qld.gov.au/education/schools/information/contact/complaint>

School Oath

As part of our morning routine, we start each day reciting the School Oath:

“We are students at Jimbour State School. That makes us awesome. We are safe, responsible, respectful and resilient. We love to fail because that is how we learn to do better. We are learners who always do our best. We are Jimbour. We are awesome.”

Student Dress Code

Jimbour State School is a strict full uniform school. These guidelines have been developed in accordance with the *Education (General Provisions) Act 2006:- Dress Code*. Our students dress code consists of an agreed standard and items of clothing, which includes a school uniform that Jimbour State School students wear when:- attending or representing their school; travelling to and from school; and engaging in school activities out of school hours.

The Jimbour State School Parents and Citizens' Association supports a student dress code policy because it believes that a student dress code provides clothing that aims to contribute to a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment through:

- ~ ready identification of students and non-students at school;
- ~ Fostering a sense of belonging;
- ~ Developing mutual respect among students by minimising visible evidence of economic or social differences;
- ~ Promotes and effective teaching and learning environment by eliminating the distraction of competition in dress and fashion at the school

The Jimbour State School Student Dress Code reflects what is expected from Primary school aged students in the community. It is consistent with occupational health and safety and anti-discrimination legislation. We will actively encourage our students to take pride in themselves and their school. One way in which this may be achieved is through adherence to the school's dress standards. As the parent/carer and provider of your child, we seek your support in this matter.

Inappropriate dress refers to clothing/apparel or personal accessories worn by students that is deemed to be:

- ~ Offensive;
- ~ Likely to disrupt, or negatively influence other student's adherence to the school dress Code;
- ~ Unsafe for student or others; and
- ~ Likely to result in a risk to health and safety of student or others.

In circumstances where inappropriate or unreasonable dress is worn, appropriate action will be taken.

<p>Girls Uniform: General: Green polo with green or black shorts. Formal: White button up Blouse with Royal Green Culottes. (Provided by school as needed)</p>	<p>Boys Uniform: General: Green polo with green or black shorts. Formal: Green button up Shirt with Black Shorts. (Provided by school as needed)</p>
<p>Boys and Girls Winter Uniform: As above with Royal Green fleecy or micro-fibre tracksuit</p>	
<p>Hats: A wide brim royal green school hat. The hat stays at school unless used for an excursion or taken home for washing. Students are responsible for their hats and the school enforces a no 'School Hat' no play policy. It is the responsibility of the parent to replace the hat should it become lost or if their child has out-grown the original.</p>	<p>Footwear: Joggers (closed in) Socks: White</p>
<p>Jewellery: Watch Earrings - small plain sleeper or stud Medical alert bracelet or necklace Items of significant religious belief or signet rings as negotiated with administration</p>	<p>Hair: Shoulder length hair (or longer) is to be plaited, braided or tied back with appropriate accessories (Royal Green) Helmets: Students are legally required to wear helmets when riding bikes.</p>

Uniforms are available from the School Office in select sizes or Creative Embroidery in Dalby