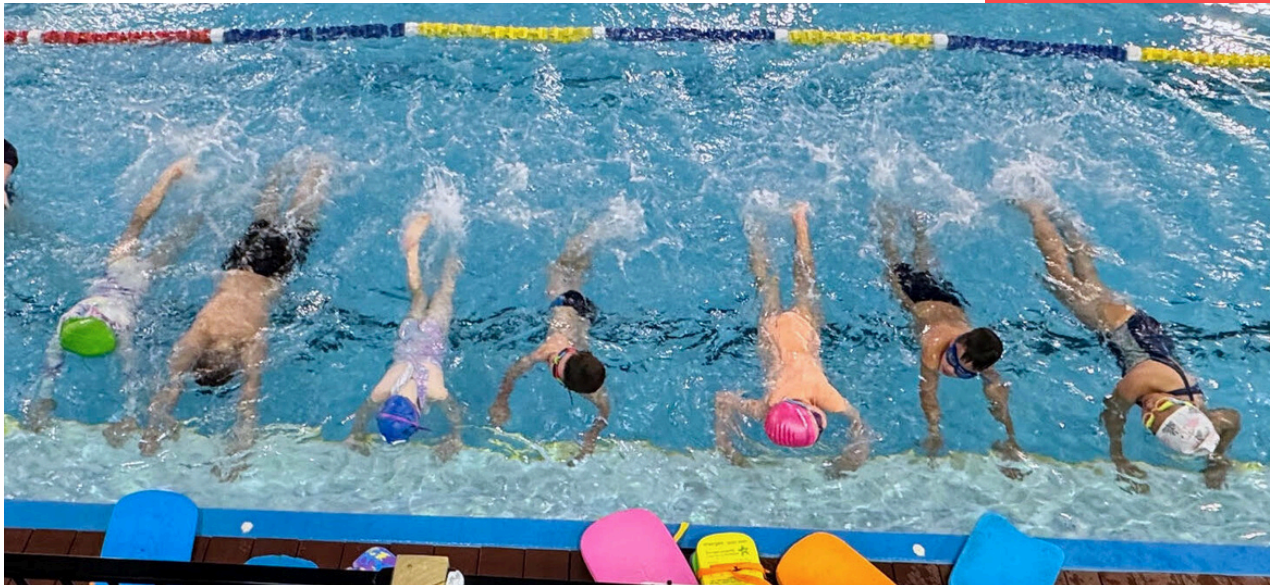




APRIL NEWSLETTER

JUST LIKE FISH SWIM SCHOOL

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* Keep Your Kids Swimming This Winter & Save 50% on Lesson Two ❄️🧊

Keep the momentum going this winter and give your child a head start for summer with our exclusive Winter Special ❤️

From **1st May to 1st September 2026**, enrol your child in a second weekly lesson and **enjoy 50% off that second lesson** for this limited-time offer.

🧊 No need to worry about the cold – our pool is kept at a warm and comfortable 32°C all winter long, ensuring every lesson is enjoyable and stress-free.

This is the perfect opportunity for your child to refine their swimming skills, build confidence in the water, stay active during the colder months, and continue progressing with consistent practice.

All of this takes place under the guidance of our experienced instructors in a safe and supportive environment 🐟

📞 For more information or to get started, **call us on 4915 7100** or **speaking with our friendly JLF team at reception** – we're always happy to help!



NO HAPPY NAPPY, NO SWIM

For a safe and clean swimming experience, **all children who need a nappy must wear a Happy Nappy in the pool.** Regular nappies aren't suitable as they can leak and cause hygiene issues.

Happy Nappies are designed to prevent accidents and keep our pool environment hygienic. They're available for purchase at Just Like Fish Reception.



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APRIL SWIMMERS OF THE MONTH

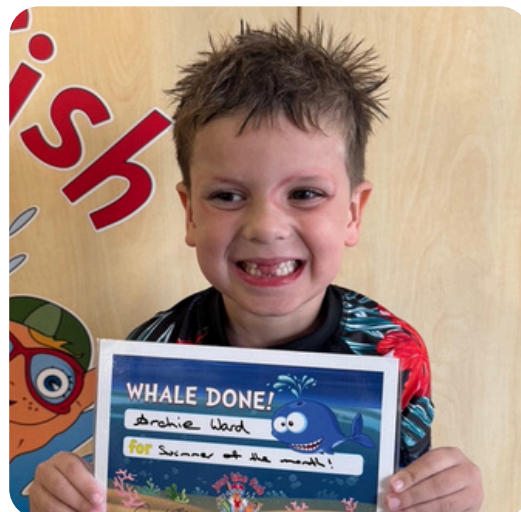
INFANTS SUPER SWIMMER



Jane Richardson

Jane loves swimming and splashing her toes. She loves all the instructors because they are always smiling.

SURVIVAL SWIMMER



Archie Ward

Archie loves swimming at JLF, especially because he gets to swim with his friends and enjoy playing with the toys during his lessons.

STROKE SUPER SWIMMER



Arlo McKinnon

Arlo absolutely loves being in the water and looks forward to every lesson at Just Like Fish. He especially enjoys progressing through the levels, which keeps him motivated and excited. His favourite stroke is backstroke.

SQUAD SWIMMER



Alicia Carmody

Alicia's favourite stroke is backstroke and her favourite thing to do is race. She loves swimming at Just Like Fish because of how lovely the people are.



Free Baby Swim

The best time to start? From 3 months old – and the sooner, the better! ❤️ Give your little one a head start with our FREE 4-week swim course designed for babies 3 months – 11 months.

Spots are available! ✨ So, if you know someone—whether it's a friend, family member, or acquaintance with an infant –let them know so they can join in the fun. Don't let them miss out on this wonderful opportunity!

AVAILABLE FOR INFANTS FROM 3 MONTHS TO 11 MONTHS

SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL RESULTS

A big congratulations to George on a fantastic performance at the School Swimming Carnival! 🎉

George achieved an impressive result with **1st place, 2 second places, and 1 third place** – a great reflection of his hard work and effort in the pool. 🔥

We're so proud of you, George. Keep up the great work! 🙌🏆



ANZAC DAY CLOSURE NOTICE



We will be closed in observance of Anzac Day on **Saturday, April 25 and Monday, April 27**, as we take time to reflect and honour those who have served. 🇺🇸

Lessons will resume as normal on **Tuesday, April 28**.

Wishing you a safe and relaxing ANZAC weekend break. 🌸

DIVE IN — EVERY SEASON IS SWIMMING SEASON

In Australia, water is part of everyday life – not just in summer, but all year round. From beach days to backyard play, it's always within reach. That's why swimming lessons shouldn't stop when the weather cools down. Water safety is a year-round priority.

Even in the colder months, strong swimming skills remain essential. Confidence in the water isn't seasonal – it's built over time with consistency.



DO YOU KNOW OUR MAKEUP LESSON POLICY? HERE IT'S EXPLAINED

Make-up lessons are available to all students. Please see the guidelines below:

- ✓ Absences must be recorded via the online portal prior to your scheduled lesson to be eligible for a make-up. This includes holidays, illness, or any other reason for non-attendance.
- ✓ A \$5 administrative fee applies to make-up lessons booked over the phone.
- ✓ Make-up lessons do not expire and can be accumulated over time.
- ✓ There is no charge for make-up lessons.
- ✓ Make-up lessons cannot be rescheduled. If you are unable to attend a booked make-up lesson, it will be forfeited.
- ✓ All make-up lessons are subject to availability.
- ✓ Make-up lessons will not be credited upon cancellation of enrolment.
- ✓ Make-up lessons cannot be used for School Intensives or School Carnival Boot Camps.
- ✓ Make-up lessons cannot be applied toward regular weekly lessons.

You can record absences and book make-up lessons through your online customer portal. We strongly encourage using the portal whenever possible for convenience and efficiency.



AMAZING RESULTS FROM OUR SWIMMERS

We'd like to wish our Hunter Valley All-Stars swimmers—Evie Granger, Charlotte Kelly, Jakson Hutchison, and Alicia Carmody—all the very best as they head to the CHS School Swimming Championships next week.

Collectively, these swimmers have had an outstanding school carnival season, and to see them now competing across 16 events at CHS level is a fantastic achievement. It's a true reflection of their hard work, consistency, and commitment in the pool. We're incredibly proud of what they've achieved so far and look forward to hearing about their performances and results.

While competitive swimming has been a little quieter otherwise, we want to take a moment to recognise what was a fantastic Club Championships at the end of March.

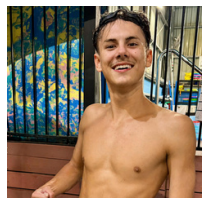
It was an outstanding day all round. The quality of swimming on display was exceptional, with swimmers stepping up and performing at a high level. Just as importantly, it was great to see the entire club come together—parents supporting on the day, helping out on the BBQ, and the kids enjoying time together in between races. It really highlighted the strong culture we are continuing to build within our club.

We're also excited to share that we are now expanding our squad program to accommodate swimmers progressing into higher levels. This will allow us to better support those looking to take the next step and prepare for competitive swimming, should they choose that pathway. This squad will be invitation-only, ensuring we maintain the quality, focus, and standards required to support swimmers at this level. It's an exciting development for our program, and we're looking forward to what this will bring moving forward.

We're excited about what lies ahead, with so many swimmers showing great potential. We look forward to watching them continue to develop and, in time, progress through to the levels currently being achieved by swimmers like Jakson, Alicia, Evie, and Charlotte.

We also have our Club Presentation coming up, which will be a great opportunity to celebrate the efforts and achievements of all our swimmers over the season.

As we begin to transition into the winter season, we're excited to continue building on this momentum.



April has been another positive month at Just Like Fish, and we'd like to start by saying a big thank you to everyone who participated in our Safety Week.

It was fantastic to see the kids not only enjoying themselves but also learning such important life-saving skills in a slightly different environment—including swimming with clothes on. The feedback from both families and our team has been incredibly positive, and our teachers felt there was a real benefit for all involved. We're excited to continue building this initiative each term and will keep you updated on the next Safety Week.

With the public holidays and Easter period, it has certainly been a stop-start month. As we head into ANZAC Day, it's an important time for reflection—remembering and acknowledging the sacrifices made by those who have served, and continue to serve, to protect the life we enjoy today. Lest we forget.

It's been great to see so many families taking advantage of make-up lessons over the school holidays. These extra sessions make a real difference in building confidence, improving skills, and maintaining consistency in the water.

We would also like to wish our Hunter Valley All-Stars swimmers—Evie Granger, Charlotte Kelly, Jackson Hutchison, and Alicia Carmody—the very best of luck as they compete at the CHS School Swimming Championships at Sydney Olympic Park next week. We're all behind you and look forward to celebrating your results in our next newsletter.

As we move into the winter months, a reminder that consistency is key. Making use of your make-ups and maintaining regular lessons is crucial for ongoing progress. Our Winter Special, with a second lesson at half price, is a great opportunity to accelerate development—many swimmers see significant improvements when increasing to two lessons per week.

Finally, a big thank you to our incredible team for the work they do each and every day, and to our families for your continued support.

If you need anything, please don't hesitate to speak with our team—they are always here to help.

Have a great month ahead.



DAMON RODD

MANAGING DIRECTOR
JUST LIKE FISH

Just Like Fish Swim School

is committed to implementing the Child Safe Standards.



STANDARD 1

Child safety is embedded in organisational leadership, governance and culture



STANDARD 3

Families and communities are informed and involved



STANDARD 2

Children participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously

STANDARD 4

Equity is upheld and diverse needs are taken into account



STANDARD 5

People working with children are suitable and supported



STANDARD 6

Processes to respond to complaints of child abuse are child focused



STANDARD 7

Staff are equipped with the knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children safe through continual education and training



STANDARD 8

Physical and online environments minimise the opportunity for abuse to occur



STANDARD 9

Implementation of the Child Safe Standards is continuously reviewed and improved



STANDARD 10

Policies and procedures document how the organisation is child safe

For more information on the Child Safe Standards visit www.ocg.nsw.gov.au



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