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	<p>JSU is a classroom-based wellbeing, resilience and family violence prevention approach which has been in pilot stage since 2016, funded by ACC. Nearly 4000 Year 5-8 students and 122 teachers in 18 schools have been involved.</p> <p>Teachers are trained and supervised by the JSU team to deliver the programme to their classes. The wellbeing of teachers is attended to, alongside that of the students. At risk students who were initially more vulnerable and wary of the programme made significant gains in relationship skills and valuing the programme.</p> <p>The research results show significant positive impacts on wellbeing, positive changes in class attitudes and behaviour and increased use of safety strategies. The JSU programme is popular with students, teachers and school management. Students learn simple strategies for coping with anxiety and teachers were surprised that a wellbeing programme also positively improved student's literacy competency.</p> <p>We will present some of the findings including how some of the 'staunch' boys engaged in the hauora wellbeing learning. We will also share some of resources of this programme which has been developed in New Zealand/ Aotearoa for our unique cultural communities.</p>