## Letting go of the workday

## Thoughts from colleagues

We asked staff from Jack James High School how they leave work at work. Perhaps some of these are new to you. Want to try some?

- o Crank the tunes on the way home
- Go for a walk once I arrive home
- Meet up with friends for refreshments or a meal
- o Read a poem
- Read a book when I walk in the door
- Bake and/or cook
- Leave the work day at work
- Notice three beautiful things on the way home
- Check my emails one last time before I enter the house
- Go for jog before leaving work
- Organize papers so things are ready for the next day
- Place pile of marking on my desk
- Greet partner and/or your cat/dog with a kiss and pat respectively

- Meditate in comfortable room for 15 minutes
- Change out of work clothes
- Play a video game for 10-15 minutes
- Make checklists and to-do lists
- Try to leave with a mindset of I did the best I could with the students in front of me and the resources I had available
- Listen to a podcast
- o Have a snack
- Work on a craft/art project
- Clean the house
- Spend time in the yard

New habits take time to feel comfortable so if it feels awkward at first, don't give up!





