

Merriwa ESC News...

Each class has settled back into routine and the children are engaged in their learning programs. I am sure you will have noticed the face lift around the ESC block with the newly painted outdoor sensory space and our new cupboards in the kitchen area. We look forward to showing off our centre when we have our Learning Journey evening at the end of term.

I will be taking long service leave from August 15th through to the end of term. I am handing over the role of Principal into Mrs Christina Maunick-Sallie's capable hands. I know the transition will be a seamless one as both Christina and I have been working collaboratively this year with the operational management of our school.

Well done to staff and students for participating in our Fun Run. It is always a wonderful sight from the hill to see the whole school engaged in an activity together.

Events Coming Up:

On Tuesday 16th August the students and staff of the ESC will travel to **Yanchep** for cultural activities relevant to NAIDOC. This activity was postponed from last term due to the weather.

Literacy Week begins on Monday 22nd August with a **Fairy Tale Dress Up day** on Thursday 25th. Start thinking about your child's costume for the book parade.

ESC interschool carnival day 23rd August. Our combined education support school event is always a great day. Details will be coming home soon.

Faction Carnival: Thursday Sept 8th for all students. We hope you can come along.

Learning Journey: Wednesday 21st September 3-5pm

Independent Public School On Tuesday 2nd August Sue and I, together with Erika Hanekom representing the school community, presented our application to a panel in East Perth. We will know the outcome later this term.

Please call the office if your child is not attending school due to illness or medical appointments. It is a legal requirement of the Education Department to attend school regularly.

I wish you all the best for a productive term, please do not hesitate to call to make an appointment to speak with teachers or myself at any time.

Karen Macri—Principal ESC



Yr	Rm	Student	Yr	Rm	Student
PP	1	Paige Harris, Logan Hansen	2	13	Marlee Hatton, Taliyah Delavale
PP	2	Lettia Fenn, Isabella Datson	5/6	16	Daniel Jabbar, Charlee Taylor
1	6	Lily Cooper, Keven Mbatumoja	5/6	17	Riley Vorpapel-Morgan, Alexia Waring, Cory Authers
1	7	Ryan Allen, Lily Maitland	5/6	18	Apen Ater, Blake Jarvis
1	9	Shaylee Mitchell-Armitage, Leevi Wilson	4	19	Faith Datson, Williams Tilbury
3	10	Verrell Martines-Dasilva, Zatarah Sambo	3	21	Chantelee Hanekom
2	11	Chayce Hilton-Barber, Tyler Verbakel	3/4	22	August Seumanutafa, Tracy Beets
2	12	Shanae Delavale, Riley Cox			

Worm Farm

On Wednesday 20th July Room 6 and Room 19 had a visit from Peg who works at Tamala Park. She came to show and talk to the children about worms and how to set up a worm farm. We will be using the worms as part of our garden project. She explained the importance of worms and how to look after them. Peg had wonderful coloured pictures to show the children and they were able to hold them. They could then look at them under a magnifying glass. The year 1's thoroughly enjoyed this activity. The Year 4's were then shown how to set up the worm farm. We used a fridge and put soil with the worms in. We then put a layer of shredded paper on top and some food scraps with it. The last thing to go in was a piece of carpet to keep out the light as worms **DON'T LIKE LIGHT**



Attendance:

Regular attendance is a major key to your child doing the best they can at school. Each day a child misses at school affects their educational outcomes. Each term we hold a regular attendance draw to help reinforce the positive outcomes of coming to school each day. Congratulations to the following students who were lucky enough to have their names drawn from the hat.

Merriwa Education Support Centre:

Shaun Marcial and Josiah Pietersen.

Merriwa Primary School:

James Dickson, Lathan Harding, Honatana Heta, William Vokes, Samuel Hepcal, Limeyo Paul, Caitlyn capper, Paige Harris, and Sarah James. Hopefully we will have the whole school in the term 3 draw.

Mr Jeff Hoskins

Associate Principal



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Book Week

22nd – 26th August 2016

Monday 22nd Story Telling Pyjama Day
Children may wear their pyjamas to school and bring a cuddly toy or favourite book. During the day a member of the Admin or a mentor will visit classes to read a story to the children.

Thursday 25th August at 8.45am Book Week Character Dress up Parade

Theme: Fairy Tales



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Stepping Stones Triple P is being offered with School Psychologists Krista Bingham and Robyn Green Mondays at 9.30-12 on the 1st August, 15th August and 29th August.

Venue: Parents Room. Early Childhood Services. Block Q. School of Special Educational Needs Sensory
Statewide Services Centre
33 Giles Avenue
Padbury WA 6025

To assist with catering and crèche please RSVP (08) 94026409 or email Robyn.Green@education.wa.edu.au

OUR LOCATION

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- Exit onto **Hepburn Ave/State Route 82**, turn left onto Hepburn Ave, heading west.
- Continue on **Hepburn Ave/State Route 82** and Go through 1 roundabout and one set of lights
- Turn right on to **Marmion Ave/State Route 71**, heading north. Continue for about 1km.
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- Turn left onto **Giles Ave**
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