

MERRIWA NEWS



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

NAPLAN Tests

Congratulations to our Year 3 and 5 students who completed their NAPLAN tests online this week. The testing time was extended due to COVID-19, to give everyone a chance to complete the tests. We are proud of the way in which the students worked so hard to do their best and very grateful to Mr Fenn and Mr Engelbrecht, our computer specialist, for all their technical expertise behind the scenes. We hope our NAPLAN students enjoyed their special gift of Lego from Good 360 Australia!

The NAPLAN reports will be available later in the year.

Free RATs

Last week free RATs were distributed to families to support our students to continue to attend school for face-to-face learning to minimise disruption to their schooling. You are encouraged to test your child at home if they are feeling unwell. You can also use these RATs if your child is a close contact to enable them to test daily and continue to attend school, as long as they receive a negative result, and remain asymptomatic.

If your child becomes symptomatic they should stay home and be tested for COVID-19. You should notify the school if your child tests positive for COVID-19. Refer to [healthywa.wa.gov.au](https://www.health.wa.gov.au) for information on close contact definition, testing and isolation requirements.

Thank you for helping to keep our school COVID-19 safe.

P & C

We are grateful to our wonderful P and C who has again worked tirelessly for your children. Their fundraising efforts with our Mothers Day store raised \$547.65 They are also organising a **Cystic Fibrosis 65 Roses Day** on Friday 27th May and everyone will be encouraged to wear red and to make a gold coin donation. Thank you for your support.

Pop Up COVID -19 Vaccination Clinic 5 Years+

The Health Department will be holding a walk in vaccination clinic at Merriwa PS on Wednesday 15th June from 2.00—4.30 p.m. Parents must be present to provide consent.

Kind Regards

Mrs Sue Waterhouse, Principal

Breakfast Club
Every day from
8am



School
Briefings and
Assemblies
Internal
Online

**PUBLIC
HOLIDAY**

**MONDAY 6TH
JUNE**

WA DAY

**KINDY
ENROLMENTS
2023**

*If your child is
born between
1st July, 2018*

30th June, 2019
registrations are
now open.

Silly Sock Day
Friday 3 June
Gold Coin
Donation
P&C

VAX CLINIC
15 June
2.00—4.30 p.m.
Merriwa PS

VISIT
www.merriwaps.wa.edu.au
To see our
Website

Merriwa ESC

Dear Parents & Carers,

It has been a tricky couple of weeks for the ESC as we have managed staff absences and employed many relief staff to ensure the continuation of learning programs. As usual, my amazing staff stepped up to the challenge and have supported each other in these difficult times, while ensuring that the students were well supervised by familiar staff.

We have really appreciated your support in keeping sick children at home to rest, whether they had Covid or cold/flu symptoms. This assisted us in maintaining healthy classrooms for all students and staff.

We are halfway through the term, and the building works are taking shape. We look forward to moving into the new space for Term 3. There will be some changes for some of our K/PP/Yr 1 classrooms for Semester 2. Parents who are directly affected will be contacted in coming days to ensure a smooth transition to new classrooms.

The P&C are organising some fundraising events this term. Keep an eye out for the flyer for our Silly Socks Day on Friday 3 June.

Thank you to the parents/carers who have been making regular payments towards school fees and stationery contributions. The fees are \$40, and stationery is \$60 for the year. You can contact Kylie on 6206 2330 to arrange for bank transfer of funds.

Stay well and keep warm,

Karen Macri
Principal ESC

Library News



 **SCHOLASTIC** Book Club

Just a reminder Book Club Issue 4 closes **Monday 13 June 2022.**

<https://scholastic.com.au/media/7123/aus-bc4-final-web.pdf>

Payment is online as per below (the school does not take payment or cash).

Order online via Scholastic Australia LOOP website or app <https://scholastic.com.au/loop>

HONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS

NEWSLETTER RAFFLE

I have read newsletter 8 Parent signature _____

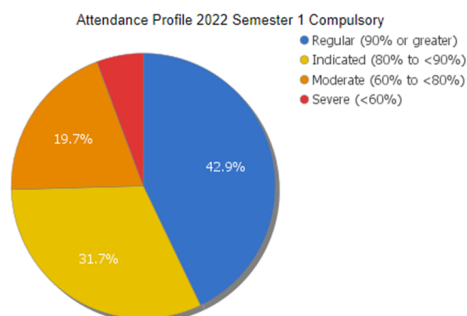
Child's Name _____ Room No. _____

Congratulations to last newsletter winner - Ava Room 3

Attendance 2022 Week 5

Attendance breakdown by year level.

Breakdown	Attendance Rate %
KIN	87.3%
PPR	83.8%
Y01	84.0%
Y02	84.0%
Y03	85.5%
Y04	87.3%
Y05	83.2%
Y06	83.1%
Compulsory	84.4%



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Mr Fenn
Associate Principal

Year PP-2 HOME READING

Junior Champion Class Award Pre-Primary Room 2



**Best participation in
HOME READING PROGRAM**

Year 3 - 6	LITERACY PRO
Merriwa Primary School Total Words Read	11 705 634
Senior Champion Class Award	19 620 Year 5 Room 17
Rising Stars Award	Year 4 Room 22

KINDY ENROLMENTS 2023

If your child is born between 1st July 2018 - 30th June 2019 kindy registrations are now open.

Please follow the link <https://www.merriwaps.wa.edu.au/page/172> for application forms and return by post or email to merriwa.ps@education.wa.edu.au along with copies of birth certificate and proof of address.

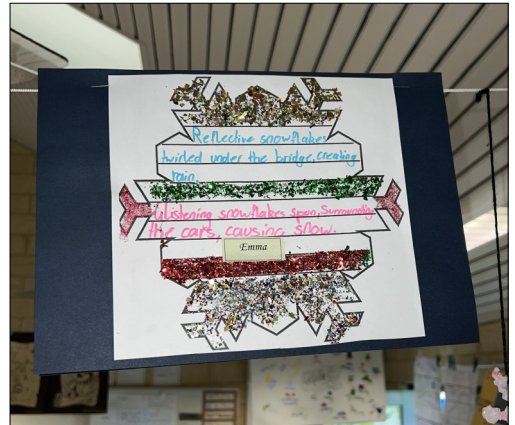
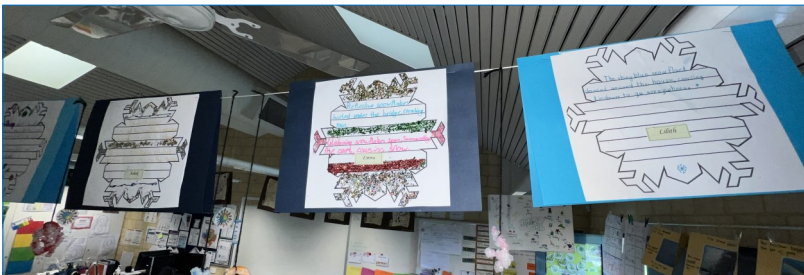
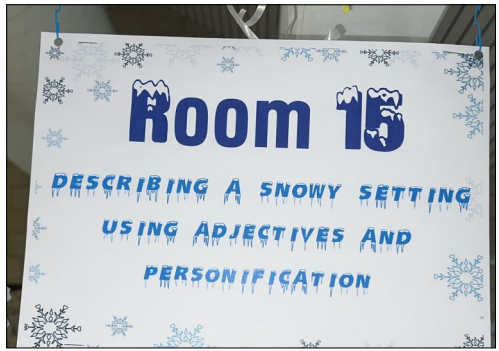
If you are unable to download the form, please call the office on 6206 2340 and we will arrange for forms to be posted.

ROOM 15

Good writers include descriptions that make the reader feel like they are right there, where the character is.

In Room 15, we have been using descriptive language that appeals to the 5 senses (sight, sound, touch, taste, feels) to create an effective setting that does just this. We made our own crystals, that reminded us of snowflakes, to brainstorm about these senses.

Using adjectives and personification, we wrote descriptive sentences about our 'snowflakes' to describe a snowy setting.



NATURE PLAYGROUND

We are pleased to present to you our new nature playground! The Kindy and Pre Primary children and staff had a wonderful time at the opening. Our school funded the majority of this project, and we are grateful to the Department of Education for their \$10 000 contribution. Happy play times ahead!

