



MERRIWA NEWS



Alton Walley

Breakfast Club
Every day from
8am



School Briefings and Assemblies

Internal Online

Swimming Lessons
Pre-Primary -
Year 5
29th August – 9th September

School Returns Term 3
Monday 18th July
for Primary School
&
Tuesday 19th July
for ESC

Semester 1 Reports
will be available on
CONNECT close of business
Wednesday 29th July

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

ART EXTENSION PROJECT

In honour of NAIDOC celebrations, Charter Hall has invited us to provide the illustrations for two pages of a children's book written by Alton Walley. The story is based on this year's NAIDOC Message "Get Up! Stand Up! Show Up!" focusing on the value of leadership and how we can influence those near to us to make positive change.

Three students in each class from Pre-Primary to Year 6 have been nominated and Mrs Pledge has run several workshops to help them complete their art pieces. The art will be on display at Butler Central Shopping Centre from 2nd – 17th July for voting. Please support our Art Students.

Winter Carnival

We are very proud of our Merriwa students. Last week, they competed in the Winter Carnival and demonstrated a strong consistent performance under very trying weather conditions.

Congratulations on their determination and their good will for all competitors and a big thank you to Mr Fenn, all staff and parents who helped to make the event such a success.

School Reports - Let's Get Connected

This term your child's report will be available through CONNECT. If you have not accessed our online CONNECT page, please contact the office with your email address and we can send you an invitation. Reports will be available on CONNECT close of business on Wednesday 29th July.

Swimming at Wanneroo Aquamation

Pre-Primary to Year 5 students will be swimming from 29th August – 9th September. Fees are \$60.00 to cover entry to the pool and transport. We have subsidised this to keep the costs down. Parents are welcome to contact the school to discuss a payment plan if required, however the payment plan must be in place by Friday 1st July. If you paid for lessons previously and opted to stay in credit, please contact the office to confirm that you would like the money transferred to pay this year's lessons. Get your enrolment in now as limited places available.

Mrs Sue Waterhouse
Principal

Merriwa ESC

Dear Parents & Carers,

I am sure we are all looking forward to the holidays so that we can sleep in on these cold mornings and rest up to fight off the colds and flu that have affected many of us these past few weeks. 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 continue to have confirmed cases of Covid-19 and thank parents for letting us know.

The term ends on **Friday 1 July** and students return on **Tuesday 19 July**. The staff will have a full day of First Aid training and will be offsite on the Monday.

Teachers will be in touch to organise a parent/carer meeting to discuss your child's report, which will be sent home next week. I have been delighted to read the reports and to celebrate the many achievements of the students over the past semester. I extend a huge thank you to my staff for their ongoing dedication to ensure the students are engaged in their learning and striving to achieve their goals.

Stay well and keep warm,



Last week Room 23 read 'There Was An Old Lady Who Swallowed A Fossil'. We mixed salt, flour and water to make salt dough and then rolled it out flat. Each child chose a dinosaur to press into their salt dough to create a fossil like print.

We baked them and they turned out great! Each child re-made the cover page of the book with their own face, name and fossil and we re-read the story with a change of name for each person (e.g., There Was An Aliyah Who Swallowed A

Regards

Karen Macri.
Principal ESC

Library News – overdue books

Independent reading is a key to success at school and our students love to read. There are quite a number of overdue books that we would like back before the holidays. Could parents please assist by checking for library books at home and sending them back to school.

Thank you for your support.



NEWSLETTER RAFFLE

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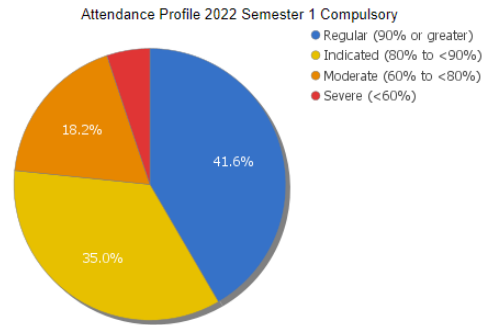
Child's Name _____ Room No. _____

Congratulations to last newsletter winner – Andrew Room 7

Attendance 2022 Week 8

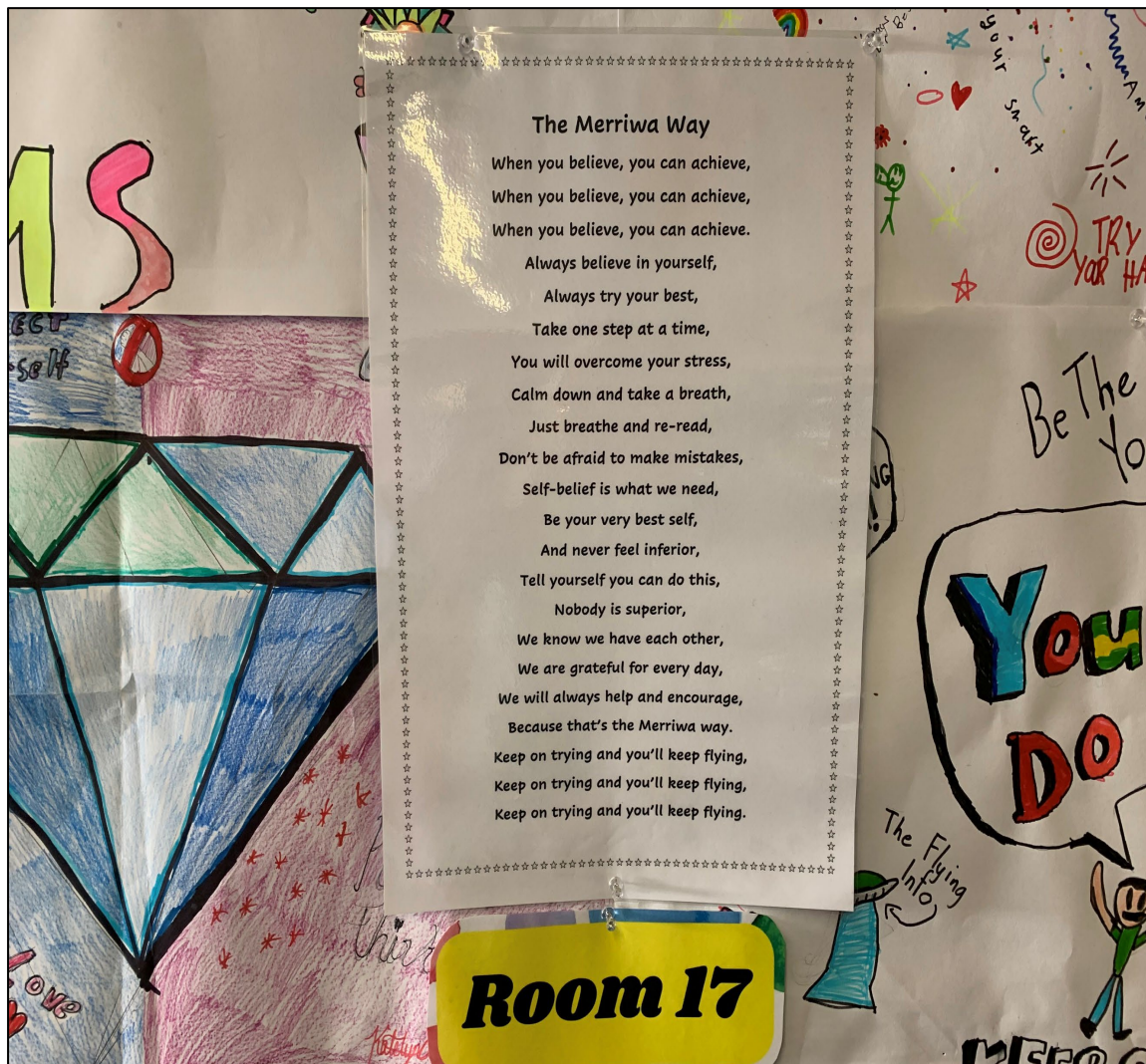
Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Breakdown	Attendance Rate %	Regular	At Risk Indicated	At Risk Moderate	At Risk Severe	Auth. %	Unauth. %
KIN	88.4%	24	11	9		62%	38%
PPR	83.9%	24	10	10	3	72%	28%
Y01	85.0%	19	19	14	2	57%	43%
Y02	83.9%	23	12	6	4	48%	52%
Y03	85.3%	17	24	8	2	62%	38%
Y04	87.3%	26	16	8	1	64%	36%
Y05	83.6%	18	20	6	3	66%	35%
Y06	83.2%	19	22	12	3	48%	52%
Compulsory	84.6%	146	123	64	18	59%	41%



We have a high number of unexplained absences. Please contact us by phone, text or email when your child is away, so we can support you. In addition to COVID-19 and flu, we have seen several cases of Chicken Pox lately. Keep well and keep safe.

*Mr Fenn
Associate Principal*



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Carter Brady who was selected to form part of the state team for the Judo National Championships. Over the weekend he represented WA in Gold Coast and won Gold! He fought in the junior boy's category with sixteen other competitors in his division. Well done Carter!



VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you to the parents who have already paid their Voluntary Contributions.

Voluntary Contributions can be paid directly into our bank account or at the school office.

Merriwa Primary School
BSB Number—016 246
Account Number—340918248

Kindy – Year 6	\$ 40.00
One Child	\$ 40.00
Two Children	\$ 80.00
Three or more children	\$120.00

Room 18 – Class News

We are having an amazing semester in Room 18.

During our measurement lessons over the past few weeks, we have been exploring and learning to identify and describe 3D objects. We have designed our own nets, learnt how to build, and label the attributes of the 3D objects.

Our creations were fantastic, and we had fun making them.

Mrs Murray, Classroom Teacher

