



MERRIWA NEWS



Tactical Reponse Group

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

COVID-19 UPDATE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

We thank you for your ongoing support for our school during these COVID times.

As endorsed by the National Cabinet as part of a nationally consistent approach, wearing masks indoors is strongly encouraged and all current strategies remain in place.

You can support your school community to be COVID-19 safe by:

- *Negative RAT and wear a mask if a close contact.*
- *Wearing a mask indoors when visiting the school.*
- *Ensuring your family stays up to date with COVID-19 and flu vaccines.*
- *Testing your child for COVID-19 if they have symptoms or a household contact.*
- *Keeping your child at home if they are unwell.*
- *Maintaining good hand hygiene.*

To further support face- to-face learning and minimise disruption to students' schooling, the WA Government will again be providing 20 free Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) for each student.

We will provide you with further information in the coming weeks on how you can collect these.

INTERCHOOOL CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS

We are very proud of our Merriwa students. Last week, they competed in the Interschool Cross Country race and demonstrated their athletic skill, their determination and their good will for all competitors.

Thank you to Mr Allan and all staff members for training the teams and for your organisation, to help make this event such a great success.

VISIT FROM TACTICAL RESPONSE GROUP

Last week, we were privileged to have a visit from the Tactical Response Group. Having Tactical Response personnel and vehicle on the school grounds was exciting for the students, providing education and first-hand experience from the most elite police unit in our state.

Kind Regards

Mrs Sue Waterhouse, Principal

Breakfast Club

Every day from

8am



School Briefings and Assemblies

Internal Online

Vaccination Clinic

COVID-19

Wed 17th August

2.00pm – 4.00pm

Merriwa Primary Staff PD Day
Friday
19th August

KINDY ENROLMENTS 2023

If your child is born between
1st July 2018

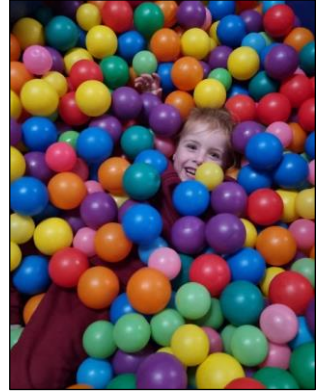
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30th June 2019
registrations

are now open.

Merriwa ESC

Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope you have all managed to keep warm and dry and your homes are still secure after the storm we have experienced. I am already looking forward to the Spring months and sunny days.



I will be taking some much needed long service leave at the end of next week. Mrs Natalie Campbell, one of my deputies, will step into the Principal role while I am away for 3 weeks.

This is Stanley. He is a service dog. Stanley came in to visit the students in Room 27 last week. We hope that he will be able to visit regularly.

Just a gentle reminder that some families have not yet managed to pay the student stationery fee of \$60 for the year and the \$40 voluntary contribution for fees and charges. We absolutely understand that there is hardship in our community and that some families may benefit from a payment plan. Please call Kylie or Kris in the office (6206 2330) if you are having difficulty.

Stay well and keep warm,

Karen Macri
Principal ESC



NEWSLETTER RAFFLE

I have read newsletter 12 Parent signature _____

Child's Name _____

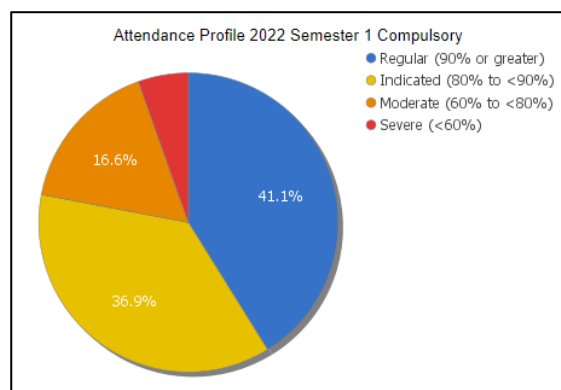
Room No. _____

Congratulations to last newsletter winner – Michael Room 27

Attendance 2022 Week 3

Attendance breakdown by year level.

Breakdown	Attendance Rate %
KIN	88.7%
PPR	84.4%
Y01	84.9%
Y02	84.8%
Y03	85.4%
Y04	86.9%
Y05	84.3%
Y06	83.4%
Compulsory	84.9%



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Welcome back to another great term at Merriwa PS. We are making a huge push this term to try and have as many students as possible increase their attendance to above 90%. Please keep letting the school know when students are sick so we can log it into our system.

Remember every day matters.

Mr Fenn, Associate Principal



KINDY ENROLMENTS 2023

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

Please see the link below for application forms and return by post or email to **merriwa.ps@education.wa.edu.au** with copies of birth certificate and proof of address.

<https://www.merriwaps.wa.edu.au/page/172>

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

 **Moneycare** **FREE**

you're the boss

Do you find yourself in financial uncertainty?
Concerned about money?
Join our free workshop to get on top of your money for good

Join us at Merriwa Salvos @ **26 Jenolan Way**
Every **Wednesday** at 9:30am to 11:30am
Running from July 20 until August 17
Covering a range of topics such as *Organising a Money Plan, Dealing with Debts, Reducing everyday costs, and many more!*
LIMITED SPACES!
Please contact **0499329882** for more information and to register!

ADMISSION AND RIDES ARE FREE!

ONE BIG VOICE

Spectacular Drone Display Finale starring One Big Voice students as they sing 'One Big Voice!'

WANNEROO FESTIVAL
29 OCTOBER 2022




Library News

 **SCHOLASTIC** Book Club



Just a reminder Book Club Issue 5 closes **Friday 5 August 2022**.

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>