

MERRIWA NEWS

Newsletter 13

6th August 2026

Breakfast Club
is open every day
from 8am

7th August
Interschool Cross
Country

14th August
Room 12 Assembly

21st August
One Big Voice

28th August Faction
Carnival

COMPASS
Make sure the office
has your email
address

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available.
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Our email is:
merriwaps@education.wa.edu.au

Our website is
www.merriwaps.wa.edu.au

We are celebrating
Multicultural Day on
Tuesday 11 August.

Students are invited to
dress in national costume.
We are providing food due
to student allergies – please
don't send food to share!

The students have
voted! The theme for
the next disco is
GLOW. Stay tuned for
dates.

Parent meetings – Monday 10
August.

We look forward to meeting all
families to discuss student reports.
Students do not attend school that
day.

Make sure you book your
appointment on
[https://www.schoolinterviews.com.
au/code/bbs8y](https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/bbs8y)

This week selected
students have been
involved in writing
workshops and a
maths competition.
We can't wait to see
the results.

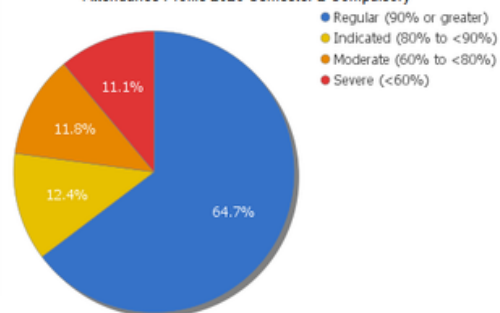
Mrs Sue Waterhouse and Mr Kristopher Fenn
Principals



ATTENDANCE 2026 WEEK 2

Breakdown	Attendance Rate %	Regular	At Risk Indicated	At Risk Moderate	At Risk Severe	Auth. %	Unauth. %
KIN	92.7%	38	3	4	3	52%	49%
PPR	90.7%	26	5	3	2	27%	73%
Y01	82.1%	29	4	7	8	41%	59%
Y02	85.0%	24	4	4	6	27%	73%
Y03	88.3%	35	5	9	3	46%	54%
Y04	92.3%	30	2	4	1	66%	34%
Y05	82.9%	33	8	4	9	39%	61%
Y06	81.7%	21	10	5	5	35%	65%
Compulsory	85.8%	198	38	36	34	39%	61%

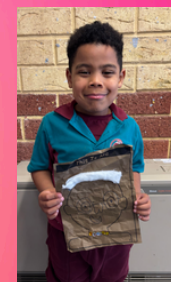
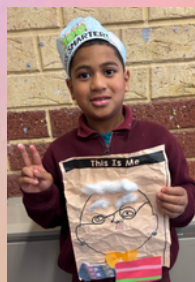
Attendance Profile 2026 Semester 2 Compulsory



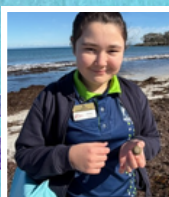
Our current attendance rate is 85.8%, with 64.7% of students attending regularly (90% or above). Every day at school counts. Regular attendance helps students stay connected to their learning, friendships, and school routines, giving them the best opportunity to achieve success. Thank you to families for supporting positive attendance habits.

100 DAYS OF SCHOOL

Celebrating 100 days of school! Our Year One students are 100 days smarter – last week each class dressed up to match the milestone.



GOVERNOR SPARKS AQUA AQUARIUM VISIT



Hosted by AQWA, the Sparks took part in the AQWA Insider Career Taster Program, gaining a fascinating insight into careers in marine science, aquaculture, environmental science and marine tourism. The visit was inspired by a Clarkson student's interest in marine studies and gave him the opportunity to further explore his ambition of becoming a tour guide.

Throughout the day, students stepped behind the scenes to learn about the work of marine scientists, aquarists and tour guides, discovering the skills and qualifications needed to pursue these rewarding careers.

The group also became marine conservationists for the day, collecting sand samples from Sorrento Beach to investigate the presence of microplastics and learning how even small actions can make a positive difference in protecting our ocean.

We are proud to represent Merriwa Primary School in the wider community, along with Clarkson and Dianella Primary Schools.

Thank You

Huge thanks to our P&C for all their fundraising efforts this term. From a Bunnings sausage sizzle and a free dress day to a prize-packed holiday raffle, their hard work raised \$4,963 for our school. We're so grateful for their time and generosity.

Where's Cookie?



SPORTS CARNIVAL WEEK

MERRIWA PRIMARY SCHOOLS' P&C

MONDAY
24TH AUG

\$5 PIZZA

\$2 JUICE BOX

PRE ORDERS FOR PIZZA DAY
Orders to be in by Thursday 20th Aug

FRIDAY
28TH AUG

\$3.50 SAUSAGE SIZZLE

\$2 JUICE BOX

\$2 CAN DRINKS

\$2 WATER

ONLY AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE ON THE DAY

*** LIMITED NUMBERS ON SAUSAGES, BE QUICK!**
VEGETARIAN SAUSAGES AVAILABLE, LIMITED STOCK

CARNIVAL WEEK ORDER FORM

NAME: _____

ROOM NUMBER: _____

DIETARY REQUIREMENTS: _____

\$5 PIZZA

PLEASE CHOOSE YOUR PIZZA:

PEPPERONI ☐

HAM & CHEESE ☐

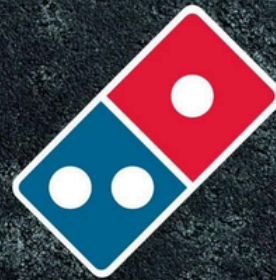
CHEESE ☐

JUICE BOX (+\$2) ☐

\$2 JUICE BOX

★ ORDERS TO BE IN BY THURSDAY 20TH AUG ★

RAISE SOME DOUGH!



DOMINOS MINDARIE WILL BE DONATING \$1 FROM EVERY PIZZA SOLD ON AUGUST 13TH TO SUPPORT:

MERRIWA PRIMARY SCHOOLS'

WHAT: \$1 FROM EVERY PIZZA SOLD (EXCLUDING MINIS) WILL BE DONATED TO MERRIWA PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C

WHEN: THURSDAY 13TH AUGUST, 10AM-CLOSE

WHERE: DOMINOS MINDARIE 9233 4220



Newsletter Raffle - Where is Cookie?

I have read Newsletter 13. Parent Signature _____

Child's name _____ Room No. _____

Cookie is _____

Last week's winner: Isla Rm 9

PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS

You are invited to meet with your child's teacher to discuss your child's Semester 1 school report.

This is part of a new initiative by the Department of Education to allow families and teachers to meet together during school time. The appointments are for 15 minutes and they provide a great chance to find out how your child is going, and how they can improve during the second half of the year.

These appointments are IN PERSON ONLY.

Monday 10th August

Whole school (except Kindy B families)
NO STUDENTS ATTEND THIS DAY - THERE IS NO
SUPERVISION PROVIDED



Booking link:

<https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/bbs8y>

Friday 14th August

Kindy B ONLY
STUDENTS ATTEND THIS DAY AS NORMAL



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For more information please go to our website

www.merriwaps.wa.edu.au

Or feel free to contact our office by phone 6206 2340 or email merriwa.ps@education.wa.edu.au

Term Three Parent Planner 2026

MTH	WK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	4	10 Reporting Day K-6. Students do not come this day.	11 ESL Parent Workshop 3pm Harmony /Multicultural Day	12	13	14 Assembly Rm 12 Kindy B Reporting Day
	5	17	18	19	20 Newsletter Board Meeting	21 One Big Voice
	6	24	25 Butler College tour 9-10am	26 MPS Jumps &Throws	27	28 MPS Faction Carnival
Aug/ Sept	7	31	1 P&C Meeting 1.30pm	2 Clarkson CHS Visit	3 Newsletter	4 Assembly Room 9
	8	7	8 Butler College tour 9-10am	9	10	11
	9	14	15	16 Year 6 Swan Valley	17 Newsletter	18 Assembly Rm 21
	10	21 Book Fair	22	23 Learning Journey Book Character Parade	24 Principal's Afternoon Tea	25