

MERRIWA NEWS

Newsletter 15

3rd September 2026

LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING AT MERRIWA!

BREAKFAST CLUB
EVERY DAY
FROM 8AM

ASSEMBLY RM 9
4TH SEPTEMBER

BOOK CHARACTER
PARADE
23RD SEPTEMBER

LAST DAY TERM 3
25TH SEPTEMBER.

COMPASS
MAKE SURE THE
OFFICE HAS YOUR
EMAIL ADDRESS

OUR WEBSITE IS
WWW.MERRIWAPS.WA.EDU.AU

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MERRIWA.PS@EDUCATION.WA.EDU.AU

THE SPORTS CARNIVAL WAS
AMAZING! WHAT A
WONDERFUL DAY WITH OUR
COMMUNITY. A HUGE
THANK YOU TO MR ALLAN
FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK
AND DEDICATION.

THE P&C FATHER'S
DAY STALL WAS A
GREAT SUCCESS.
SO MANY FANTASTIC
PRESENTS FOR DADS!

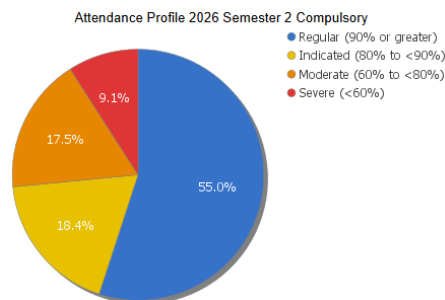
THANK YOU TO OUR
DEDICATED P&C FOR
THE NEW FACTIONS
BANNERS AND YUMMY
SAUSAGE SIZZLE ON
FRIDAY.

CLARKSON
HIGHSCHOOL VISITED
TO MEET MERRIWA
STUDENTS WHO WILL
BE ATTENDING
CLARKSON NEXT YEAR.

MRS SUE WATERHOUSE & MR KRISTOPHER FENN
PRINCIPALS

ATTENDANCE TERM 3 WEEK 6

Breakdown	Attendance Rate %	Regular	At Risk Indicated	At Risk Moderate	At Risk Severe	Auth. %	Unauth. %
KIN	89.0%	33	8	3	4	67%	33%
PPR	89.2%	23	8	3	2	42%	58%
Y01	83.8%	27	7	6	8	50%	50%
Y02	84.7%	22	5	8	4	46%	55%
Y03	88.5%	31	12	7	2	62%	38%
Y04	91.5%	25	5	7	1	72%	28%
Y05	82.4%	23	14	11	7	51%	50%
Y06	79.2%	19	6	12	4	46%	54%
Compulsory	85.4%	170	57	54	28	51%	49%



We are so pleased to see the positive progress we are making together with student attendance at Merriwa Primary School. Our regular attendance rate has grown from approximately 46% in 2025 to 55% in 2026, reflecting the wonderful commitment of our students, families and staff. Thank you to our families for working alongside us to support regular school attendance. Every day at school is an opportunity to learn, connect, grow and be part of our school community, and together we can continue to help every child make the most of each day.

PRIME MINISTER'S SPELLING BEE

The results for the Spelling Bee School Round are in and Merriwa Primary School has 7 students advancing to the State/Territory Finals!

The students who will be advancing are:

Jayden K	3-4 (green)	27/30	2:34.202
Caleb D	3-4 (green)	27/30	2:44.326
Scarlett W	3-4 (green)	25/30	2:06.087
Adam P	5-6 (orange)	26/30	2:43.347
Asha R	5-6 (orange)	25/30	2:19.101
Grace E	5-6 (orange)	25/30	5:00.804
Jed R	5-6 (orange)	22/30	1:13.063

The State/Territory Finals are open from 09:00am AEST Mon 31 August and close at 17:00pm AEST Fri 4 September.



MERRIWA PRIMARY SCHOOL

2027 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

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MERRIWA PRIMARY FRONT GATE CHALLENGE

Take on the Front Gate Cricket Challenge!
Join your friends before school for fun cricket activities and exciting challenges.
No equipment or experience required!

Tuesday 8th September

Time: 8:00 - 8:30am
Where: Merriwa Primary School
Entry: **FREE**
Ages: PP-Y6

SEE YOU THERE!

2026 CLARKSON STEM CHALLENGE



On Thursday 20th August we participated in the STEM Challenge at Clarkson CHS. We had two Yr 5/6 teams of 4 students compete for MPS alongside teams from Somerly and Clarkson Primary Schools.

The theme was "Budding Brilliance". Students were challenged to research Australian native plants, including bush food and medicinal plants and design a courtyard garden using 3D software.

The students had an amazing day which also included cakes and brownies made using native ingredients and a free pizza lunch.

Although our teams did not win the challenge the students had a great day and appreciate the opportunity provided by Clarkson CHS.



GOVERNMENT HOUSE
WESTERN AUSTRALIA



A VISIT TO HMAS STIRLING

A recent visit to HMAS Stirling provided students with a rare, behind-the-scenes look at the rigorous and rewarding world of military aviation.

From meeting dedicated personnel to exploring advanced flight technology, the experience offered invaluable insights into what it takes to launch a career in the skies.

ONE BIG VOICE 2026

Congratulations to our wonderful choir students who gave an outstanding performance at the One Big Voice event held at RAC Arena!

Our students shone brightly on stage, performing at a high level and showcasing their dedication by learning and executing a wide range of songs and accompanying actions. Their energy and enthusiasm made for a truly entertaining and memorable experience.

Special Acknowledgements

A big thank you to all the parents and carers for your continued support. Whether it's helping with rehearsals, transport, or simply cheering from the crowd, your involvement makes events like this possible.

Well done to everyone involved – we are so proud of you!



Newsletter Raffle - Where is Cookie?

I have read newsletter 15. Parent Signature _____

Child's name _____ Room No. _____

Cookie is _____



CHAMPION BOYS AND GIRLS 2026

	Year	Champion	Points	Runner Up	Points
Boys	3	Patrick	32	Hayden	30
Girls	3	Jessica	36	Matilds	19
Boys	4	Braylen	38	Ashton	23
Girls	4	Anahera	38	Elena	25
Boys	5	Ricky	27	Zion	20
Girls	5	Paris	31	Maddie	26
Boys	6	Billie	34	Nate	24
Girls	6	Neyla	40	Jasmine	29

