

# MERRIWA NEWS



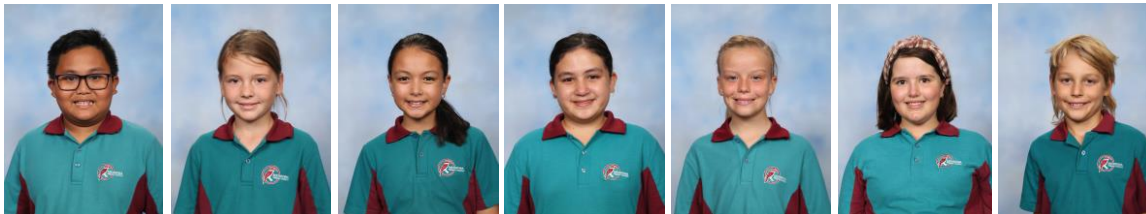
**New Air Conditioners  
Have Been Installed!**



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

*Dear Parents and Caregivers,*

### **Student Leadership Group**



*We are delighted to announce our 2023 Student Leadership Group.*

*Our Student Leaders are Zac and Emily. Our Student Councillors are Bonni, Anameja, Lucy, Hannah, Aiden (not pictured) and James.*

### **Media Technicians**

*Our Media Technicians are Corah, Sam and Scarlett.*

### **Faction Captains**

*Akita – Holly and Ava Baltimore – Cody and Hemi-Lee Calabar – Georgia and Kale Palermo – Heath and Deborah*

### **Dental Clinic**

*The dental clinic is again operating on the Merriwa Primary School site. If your child has an appointment, please arrive at the gate on Baltimore Parade and buzz through to the dentist. Please then collect your child from the front office. If your child has an appointment, please send a note to their teacher advising of the time so we can have your child ready and waiting.*

### **Crosswalk**

*It has been reported By the WA Police that many Merriwa students are not utilising the school's Children's Crossing. As our student's safety is paramount, please encourage your child to cross the road via the crosswalk with the Traffic Attendants.*

### **Free Building Works!**

*The undercover area floor is being upgraded! We are very grateful to the Department of Education for this upgrade.*

### **Air Conditioners**

*Refrigerated air conditioners have been installed in the senior blocks at a total cost of \$54,312. The majority of the school now has refrigerated air conditioning.*

### **Kind Regards**

**Mrs Sue Waterhouse, Principal**



**Breakfast Club  
Every day from  
8am**



**Friday 10<sup>th</sup>  
March  
Room 9**

**NAPLAN  
Yrs 3 & 5  
Weeks 7- 9**



**Public Holiday  
Labour Day**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup>  
March**

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[www.  
merriwaps.  
wa.edu.au](http://www.merriwaps.wa.edu.au)**

**To see our  
Website**



**School  
Photos**

**Week 9**

## Education Support Centre News

### **Dear Parents and Carers,**

Thank you to all parents and carers who have managed to meet with classroom teachers to discuss the student IEP and goals for this semester. We appreciate your input and look forward to working in partnership with you towards the achievement and progress of goals this year.

### **Student Leadership**

I am very excited and proud to announce our student leaders for 2023. Congratulations to Kai and Aliyah, our ESC student leaders who will be working closely with the primary school student leadership team to represent the ESC and to Griffin and Reece who have been elected ESC student leaders. Griffin and Reece will be provided opportunities within our Centre.



### **Fees and Charges**

We have received stationery fees and voluntary contributions from approximately 20% of our families. Thank you so much for your prompt attention to paying these fees. Drop into the ESC reception to organise payment, we are looking at various options and will send an opinion survey soon. We are happy to arrange a payment plan to assist families. The stationery fee is \$60 and the contribution is \$40 for the year. Direct debit can be made into our account for your convenience.

Account Name: Merriwa Education Support Centre. BSB: 306113 Account Number: 4178264

Please ensure you put your child's name as the reference.

We are looking forward to the cooler Autumn weather and to engaging in more outdoor activities in coming weeks.

*Warm Regards*

*Karen Macri., Principal ESC*

### **NEWSLETTER RAFFLE**

I have read newsletter 3 Parent signature \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Room No. \_\_\_\_\_

Congratulations to last week's winner – Hannah, Room 9

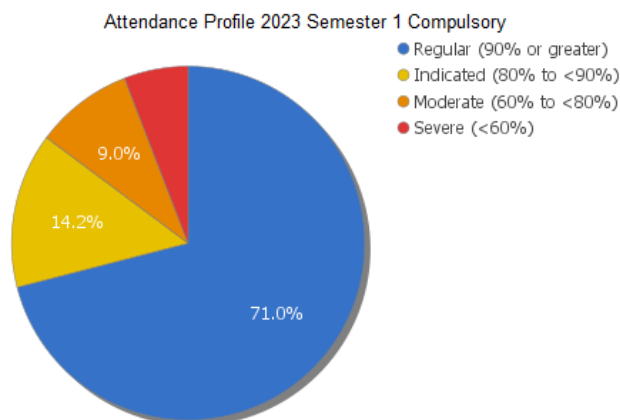
## Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

### Week 3 Attendance 2023

Congratulations! Our attendance is amazing!

#### Attendance breakdown by year level.

Breakdown	Attendance Rate %
KIN	93.0%
PPR	90.7%
Y01	93.0%
Y02	89.1%
Y03	92.2%
Y04	88.8%
Y05	88.8%
Y06	90.5%
<b>Compulsory</b>	<b>90.4%</b>



**A strong start to the year with the school average being over 90%.**

Mr Fenn

Associate Principal

### Year 3 and 5 NAPLAN

The Year 3 and 5 students will be participating in the online NAPLAN Tests from Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March to Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March. A timetable of tests will be sent home closer to the test dates. Parents are welcome to look at the demonstration tests and have a go at working through them with your children using the Public Demonstration Site. This can be accessed by copying the link:

<https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site>

Children will be working through the practice tests with their teachers to ensure they are comfortable using the different features of the test. All the tests except the Year 3 writing will be done online. The Year 3 writing will be a pencil and paper test.

We are providing sets of Lego from Good360 to help them have some fun between tests.

#### MERIT CERTIFICATE WINNERS

Room 1	Nur and Link	Room 17	Rosie and Saryna
Room 2	Peyton and Asher	Room 18	Rosie and Saryna
Room 6	Kalaya and Sarina	Room 18	Kenzi and Harley
Room 7	Violet and Briella	Room 21	Raphael and Jahkari
Room 9	Remy and Evie	Room 22	Room 22
Room 11	Justyce and Kalyn	Room 26	Dwayne
Room 12	Billy and Ella	Room 27	Room 27
Room 13	Daniel and Jasmine	Room 28	Jayden
Room 15	Piper and Zac	Room 29	Yusef



We would like to congratulate Lilian from Room 17 on her acceptance into the PEAC program for 2023. It's a huge achievement and everyone at Merriwa PS is very proud.

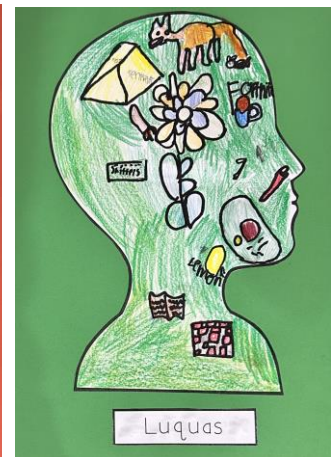
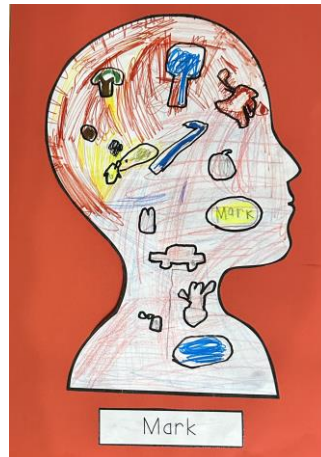
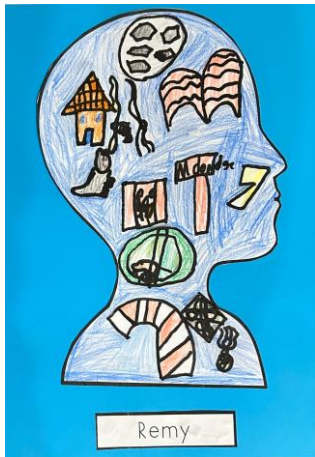
## News from Room 9

Please enjoy a selection of artworks created by Room 9 students.

Our first art project for the term was created to accompany our class Acknowledgement of Country that is displayed permanently in our classroom. The students worked together to learn about the purpose of an Acknowledgement of Country, then brainstormed ideas to create their own. They used oil pastel and watercolour paints to create a crayon resist affect to create their own individual gum leaves.

Our second artwork for this term is a self-portrait comprising of illustrations of things that make each student unique and individual.

We hope that you enjoy viewing these artworks as much as the students enjoyed creating them.



## Year 6 Day Camps

Last week the Year 6 students attended two 2 days of camp and In-term Swimming at Yanchep Lagoon. They all had a wonderful time at Bounce and Zone Bowling in Joondalup.



### **YEAR 6 ICY POLES EVERY FRIDAY**

### **P & C ICY POLES EVERY WEDNESDAY**

Last year the Year 6's sold icy poles on Fridays to raise money for their graduation. Thank you to all the families that supported our fundraising efforts.

This year they are selling icy poles again from the canteen each **Friday** at lunchtime for \$1.00.

All profits go towards the Year 6 Graduation.

### **Your Help is Needed**

Recently an E-scooter was taken from the school grounds. If you have any information could you please contact the Police on

131 444.

