

# MERRIWA NEWS

Newsletter 6

23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026

## From the Principal's Desk ....

**Breakfast Club**  
Every day from  
8am

**24<sup>th</sup> April**  
**ANZAC Assembly**  
8.30am  
All welcome

**1<sup>st</sup> May**  
**Room 15**  
**Assembly**

**27<sup>th</sup> April ANZAC**  
**Day**

**Compass**  
Check our website  
for user guides

Our website is  
[www.merriwaps.wa.edu.au](http://www.merriwaps.wa.edu.au)

Our email is:  
[merriwa.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:merriwa.ps@education.wa.edu.au)

### Attendance Letters

Look out for attendance letters in the mail to advise families of attendance percentages.

### Undercover Area

Check out our amazing new UCA upgrades! New murals, new screen, new fan, new stage and still a few more pieces to come!

### Oval

Excitingly the city of Wanneroo is upgrading the retic on the oval and fertilizing it.. Stay tuned for updates

### Swimming Lessons

Week 5 and 6 of this term!  
Payment plans available - contact the office by 1<sup>st</sup> May.

### Mothers Day Stall

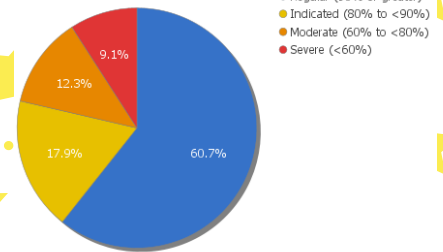
Week 3 Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs Sue Waterhouse & Mr Kristopher Fenn  
Principals

# Attendance Week 10

Breakdown	Attendance Rate %	Regular	At Risk Indicated	At Risk Moderate	At Risk Severe	Auth. %	Unauth. %
KIN	88.7%	29	8	8	3	67%	34%
PPR	87.1%	27	3	4	5	42%	58%
Y01	87.5%	33	7	5	5	43%	57%
Y02	86.3%	26	6	5	3	43%	57%
Y03	89.5%	37	6	7	3	50%	50%
Y04	86.6%	22	10	5	4	55%	45%
Y05	84.7%	26	17	6	5	51%	49%
Y06	84.8%	22	8	7	4	56%	44%
Compulsory	86.7%	193	57	39	29	49%	51%

Attendance Profile 2026 Semester 1 Compulsory



Welcome back to school for Term 2. We are looking forward to seeing your child every day unless they are unwell! Attendance for Term 1 was fair, with all year groups above 80%. Year 3s topped the attendance percentages with 89.5% regular attendance. Letters are being sent home to advise of students with an "at risk" attendance percentage rate. If you have already advised us of the reasons for absences, you do not need to do anything further. If you have not advised us, please call or email us to advise of the reason.

Thank you,  
Mrs Duffill, Associate Principal.

## SUMMER CARNIVAL

The Merriwa Primary School students did exceptionally well at the summer carnival with both their conduct and performance.

The girls team won their basketball grand final making it two years in a row!

The boy's basketball team played their best and missed out on the win by four points.

Our girl's cricket team displayed amazing attitude and sportsmanship. They have made a huge improvement over this term and on the day.



## UNDERCOVER AREA UPGRADE

During the Term 1 school holidays the Merriwa Primary School undercover area had a colourful upgrade. Artist Sav Balasubramaniam designed and painted our new mural. The mural incorporates Australian native animals and landscapes. This project was funded by the State Government of WA



## P&C MEETING

Parents & Carers – You're Invited!

AGM

Tuesday 28th April

1:00 PM

At Merriwa Primary School

🗣️ Hear what's happening at the school

💡 Share ideas & feedback

📅 Help plan events & fundraising

🍎 Support our students & teachers

All parents and carers are welcome!

Even if you've never before – we would love to see you there!

Merriwa Primary School P&C – Supporting our students and school community.

Can you find Cookie?



MERRIWA PRIMARY SCHOOLS P&C

# Mother's Day STALL

**TUESDAY 5th MAY!**

As well as:  
**WEDNESDAY 6th May**  
For kindy and kids who forgot money on Tuesday!

Amazing Gifts \$3-\$10!

HEAL MU Murdoch University | NGANGK YIRA INSTITUTE FOR CHANGE

**Changes to Country:**  
The role of Aboriginal cultural practices in protecting Social & Emotional Wellbeing as Country & climate change

You are invited to participate in an Aboriginal Elder and community led Bushtucker learning workshop

**What is planned**  
A bush tucker session hosted by Aunty Dale Tilbrook. There will be yarns at the start and end of the session related to bushtucker, wellbeing and climate change.

**Who can be involved**  
Aboriginal people and families, with individuals over 16 having the opportunity to be involved in pre and post yarns for our research project.

**When & where**  
Date: Wednesday the 29<sup>th</sup> of April  
Time: 10 - 1 pm  
Where: Clarkson Primary School, 8 Aldersea Circuit CLARKSON WA

SIGN UP THROUGH THE QR CODE BELOW



Or Contact 0447826011

## SWIMMING LESSONS

Swimming lesson permission slips have gone home and are due back Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May.

If you require another permission slip please contact our office on 6206 2340 or email [merriwa.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:merriwa.ps@education.wa.edu.au)

**When:** Week 5 and 6, the 18<sup>th</sup> to the 28<sup>th</sup> of May.  
**Where:** Aquamation  
**Cost:** \$85



**DON'T FORGET TO ORDER YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL PHOTOS**



### ONLINE ORDERING STEPS

1. Visit [www.msp.com.au](http://www.msp.com.au)
2. Select the "Download Portrait or Order Online" portal
3. Click Order Packs
4. Enter your child's unique **Shootkey**
5. Choose your pack/s



**PLEASE NOTE:**

- For security reasons, individual images will NOT be displayed online. Only package options will appear.
- There is NO online ordering option for family photos. If you would like a family photo, please collect a family order form from your school's admin office and present to photographers with payment on photo day.

Newsletter Raffle - Where is Cookie?

I have read newsletter 6. Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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

Cookie is \_\_\_\_\_

**Term Two Parent Planner 2026**

MTH	WK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Apr	1	20	21	22 Yr 5/6 Excursion- State Library	23 Newsletter	24 ANZAC Assembly
Apr/ May	2	27 ANZAC Day	28 P&C AGM	29	30	1 Assembly Rm 15
	3	4	5 P&C Mothers Day Stall	6 P&C Mothers Day Stall	7 Newsletter	8
	4	11	12	13	14	15 Assembly Rm 16
	5	18 Aquamotion Wanneroo PP-Yr 5	19	20	21 Newsletter Board Meeting	22
	6	25 Aquamotion Wanneroo PP-Yr 5	26	27	28	29 School Development Day
Jun	7	1 WA DAY	2	3	4 Newsletter	5 Assembly Rm 7
	8	8	9	10 MPS Cross Country	11	12
	9	15	16 Minnie in	17	18 Newsletter	19 Assembly ESC Yr 3-6 Winter Carnival
	10	22	23	24	25 Maths Day	26
July	11	29	30	1	2 NAIDOC Day	3 Assembly Rm 6