

MERRIWA NEWS



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Dear Parents and Caregivers, School Upgrade Funding - \$25,000

We have been successful in securing funding of \$25,000 to upgrade our undercover area from the Australian Government.

Connolly Drive Crosswalk Application

The Telethon Kids Institute is helping us with an application for a crosswalk attendant on Connolly Drive. Could all year 5 & 6 parents please sign the consent forms so that we can survey our students and gather support for this important issue.

ANZAC Service

Thank you to Mrs Prior-Longmuir for coordinating a wonderful commemoration to the ANZACs at our first assembly this term. Parents I am sure you would have been immensely proud of your children as they participated with the utmost respect. Thank you to parents who were able to attend, I hope you also enjoyed the service.

Pay It Forward

Friday, April 28th, was global 'Pay it Forward Day'. Our year 6's in room 15 made cards and posters, along with bunches of flowers, delivering these to all classes in the school as their way of paying kindness forward. Their assembly was about this message, spreading kindness in our family, school, and community. Together we can all make a difference.

Calabar Faction

Congratulations to Calabar Faction for winning Term 1 Faction points competition. Last week they were rewarded by participating in making their own ice-cream sundae which is part of our Positive Behaviour Program at Merriwa Primary School.

Swimming at Wanneroo Aquamotion

Our Pre-Primary to Year 5 students begin swimming on Monday 22^{nd} May - Thursday 1^{st} June. Students not attending swimming lessons will be provided work to complete and will be supervised in a classroom. Parents are welcome to attend the swimming sessions to watch their child swim. Please note that Wanneroo Aquamotion charge a spectator fee of \$2.00. Thank you for your support.

Kind Regards, Sue Waterhouse, Principal



Breakfast Club Every day from 8am

> Assembly Room 18 Friday 19th May



Swimming Lessons PP – Yr 5 Term 2, Week 5



Pupil Free Day

Merriwa PS Friday 2nd June

> WA Day Public Holiday

Monday 5th June

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To see our Website

ANZAC Ceremony









The student councillors presented a beautiful tribute to the ANZACs and followed the expected etiquette to a high standard. The speakers, flag raisers, floral presenters, sound and visual techs all did an outstanding job. Sam, Scarlett and Corah perfectly timed everything for the presentations. Emily, Zac, Hannah and Aydan all spoke so clearly. Ivy, Zavier, Jay and Lucy helped with the floral displays. Anameja, Aydan and Lucy raised the flags all in the correct time frame. The choir sang, proudly in their new choir uniforms, in several different languages. A very respectful service, We will remember them.

Mrs Prior, Music Teacher

Save the Date...

Our school choir is participating in the One Big Voice Festival, held at

the RAC Arena on Friday 18th August 2023. This will commence at Noon with Young talent followed by the One Big Voice Choir at noon.

Parents, Carers, Grandparents, and friends are invited to attend this festival.

Please save the date in your calendar. You will want to attend this wonderful event. We will let you know when tickets will go on sale.

Thank you for your support, Mrs Prior.



Merriwa Shines

Congratulations to Mrs Avins who was invited to a Literacy Pro State Workshop to showcase our excellent reading program.

It is wonderful to see our school being acknowledged by the community.

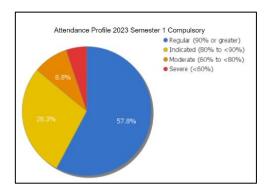


Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Attendance 2023

Attendance breakdown by year level as of 11th May 2023

Breakdown	Attendance Rate %
KIN	90.2%
PPR	90.2%
Y01	87.4%
Y02	85.4%
Y03	89.1%
Y04	86.3%
Y05	88.1%
Y06	88.0%
Compulsory	87.7%



Remember everyday matters. Please ensure your child/children are at school every day and let us know if you need any support.

Mr Kristopher Fenn

From our Nurse.....-

Drinks - what should children drink?

Drinking plenty of water is essential for people of all ages. When your child is thirsty, encourage them to drink plain water.

It is recommended that:

- children aged 5 8 years drink 1000ml per day (4 big cups)
- children aged 9 12 years drink 1500ml per day (6 big cups)
- young people aged 13+ years drink 2000ml per day (8 big cups).



Drinking milk is also important, as it provides children with the calcium they need for growing bones and teeth. If your child doesn't drink milk, try yoghurt, cheese or calcium-fortified soy milk.

The drinking of cordials, soft drinks and fruit juices should be limited, as the sugar in these drinks may contribute to tooth decay and unhealthy weight.

Energy drinks and artificially sweetened drinks are not suitable for children.

For more information go to https://livelighter.com.au/

Voluntary Contributions

Thank you to the parents who have already paid their Voluntary Contributions. Voluntary Contributions can be paid online, or cash payment can be made in the school office.

Merriwa Primary School BSB Number 016 246 Account Number 340918248

K – Yr. 6	\$40
1 Child	\$40
2 Children	\$80
3 or more	\$120
children	





Year 6s Helping our community: Your help is needed!

The Year 6s are spreading kindness through the Salvation Army. They are organising a collection of new beanies and new socks, to donate to the Salvation Army. The Salvation Army will then distribute these to those in our community who are experiencing homelessness or finding it hard to stay warm this winter.

We need your support. Please donate new beanies and socks! Your child can give these to their classroom teacher, and Year 6 students will come around and collect them. Together we can make a difference.

We thank you for your support.

Year 6 Staff and Students

Merit Certificate Winners

Room 1	Jayden & Ava	Room 13	Adam & Nate
Room 2	Hayden & Jessica	Room 15	Bailey & Holly
Room 6	Corey & Diesel	Room 16	Corah & Cayden
Room 7	Harmony & Iya	Room 17	Ellie & Molly
Room 9	Luquas & Ella	Room 18	Karen & Sahara
Room 11	Zara & Annabelle	Room 21	Peace & Laiyken
Room 12	Lawson & Harry	Room 22	Harmony-Jane

NEWSLETTER RAFFLE – Did you find Cookie in Newsletter 7?		
Where is Cookie hiding?		
Parent Signature	-	
Child's Name	Room No.	