

# MERRIWA NEWS



Breakfast Club  
Every day from 8am



School Briefings and Assemblies  
Internal Online

VISIT

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

Book Parade Theme

*Dreaming With Eyes Open*

Book Week

19<sup>th</sup> September - 22<sup>nd</sup> September

Book Parade  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

*Dear Parents and Caregivers,*

### **Faction Carnival**

*Our 2022 Faction Carnival was a great success! It was a day of celebration for Merriwa and we were proud of the way that our students all joined in, encouraged each other and did their best.*

*I was very sad to miss it, due to being on sick leave these last couple of weeks, but I had lots of messages during the day from staff, and the photos from Mrs Prior showed Merriwa at its happiest.*

*As part of our celebration of health and wellbeing, the Honourable Mr John Quigley, Member for Butler, made a special presentation of brand new bikes to Preston, Rachel and the Merriwa Education Support Centre. We are very grateful for this amazing donation.*

*The P and C worked so hard to fundraise for our school and children were excited to wear their colourful accessories! We are also grateful for the Father's Day stalls that they have run this week.*

*Thank you to all our staff for your preparation and hard work, to all the families who came along and supported us, and to everyone who set up and packed up. A huge thank you to Mr Allan, our PE teacher, who organised the event and ran it like clockwork. And finally, a huge congratulations to the winning faction, Baltimore.*

### **Assemblies are Back!**

*We are pleased to let you know that we are planning for the Assemblies in Weeks 9 and 10 to be open to families and friends. We have missed seeing everyone together and have held off opening up again this term due to NAIDOC Day, the faction carnival and swimming lessons falling on a Friday. We also welcome you to our Learning Journey and Book Week during the last week of term. The Learning Journey is on Wednesday 21 September, and the Character Parade on Thursday 22 September. We look forward to seeing you there.*

### **COVID Update**

*We are continuing to clean hard surfaces throughout the school at least three times a day, and students and staff are still hand sanitising and wearing masks as needed. We have a large stock of RATs if anyone needs them, and we thank you for keeping your child home when they are unwell. Together, we are doing our best to keep us all safe.*

**Kind regards**  
**Mrs Sue Waterhouse, Principal**

# Merriwa ESC

## Dear Parents & Carers,

*This term is flying past. Before we know we will be thinking about Christmas. Since our last newsletter the students and staff have not stopped. It has been a very busy two weeks.*

### Science Week

*During Science week, Room 23 collected items in the playground and placed them in glass treasure boxes, exploring with magnifying glasses and torches. They made mirrors on the windows with alfoil and used torches to experiment with light and reflection.*



### Faction Carnival

*The Faction carnival was a great success. The weather couldn't have been more perfect. Thank you to the P and C for the great fundraising options that had everyone buy their faction colours to cheer their faction along. It was wonderful to see our students participating in their events and seeing the smiles on their faces as they ran through the finish line. The team games were a highlight.*



### Our new bikes

*The Merriwa ESC received 2 amazing bikes for students to use as part of our Bike Program. Thank you to Hon John Quigley Member for Butler for the donation.*

**Maths Extension Group** *During week 7 students estimated weights of objects in kilograms and grams. They placed the items in order and checked their estimates using non-digital scales. Fantastic work Origo Maths group.*

*Have a fabulous weekend, Natalie Campbell,  
Acting Principal*

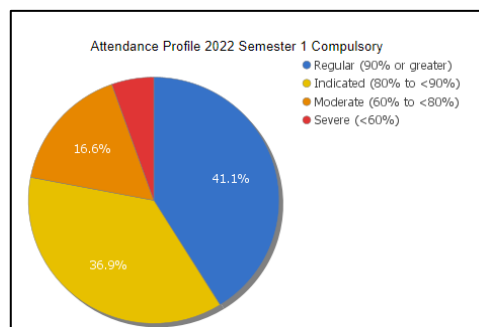


## Attendance 2022

### Week 7

#### Attendance breakdown by year level.

Breakdown	Attendance Rate %	Regular	At Risk Indicated	At Risk Moderate	At Risk Severe	Auth. %	Unauth. %
KIN	88.7%	25	9	10		63%	37%
PPR	84.4%	24	12	8	3	74%	26%
Y01	84.9%	19	20	13	2	66%	34%
Y02	84.8%	23	12	5	5	51%	49%
Y03	85.4%	17	24	8	2	68%	32%
Y04	86.9%	25	16	9	1	75%	25%
Y05	84.3%	18	22	4	3	70%	30%
Y06	83.4%	18	23	11	3	49%	51%
Compulsory	84.9%	144	129	58	19	64%	36%



***Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow***

Mr Fenn  
Associate Principal

<p><b>Reading Awards</b> </p> <p><b>Literacy Pro</b> Total Words Read <b>22 081 344</b></p> <p><b>Senior Class Champions</b> Most Words Read Year 5 Room 17 <b>23 257 (avg/student)</b></p> <p><b>Rising Stars</b> Reading Improvement Year 5 Room 18</p> <p><b>Junior Class Champions</b> Home Reading Year 2 Room 11</p>	<p><b>Maths Awards</b> </p> <p><b>Mental Maths</b> Highest Average Year 4 Room 22 <b>49.2</b></p> <p><b>On the Move</b> Maths Improvement Year 6 Room 15 <b>+ 9.1</b></p> <p></p>
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### ***NEWSLETTER RAFFLE***

I have read newsletter 14 Parent signature \_\_\_\_\_

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

***Congratulations to last newsletter winner – Eliana Room 22***

## ROOM 21

We have been very busy in our classroom so far this term. Our class have done an amazing job presenting their power points about Noongar Seasons.

We also spent time learning our times tables with the whole class helping and testing each other. We have completed our art calendars and are looking forward to sharing them with the school during our assembly in Week 9.

Mrs Zainudin  
Classroom Teacher



## FACTION CARNIVAL

*Congratulations to our medallion winners for 2022.*

Year	Champion	Year	Runner Up
3	Madit Makuei	3	Lucas Hampton
3	Pearl Elliott	3	Nyanchar Ruot
4	Carter Brady	4	Marley Middleton
4	Savannah Holdsworth	4	Ellie Oldham & Skyi Dilger
5	Hemi-Lee Bateman	5	Blake Hamilton
5	Emily Hancock	5	Deborah Mbafumoja
6	Austin Phillips	6	Isabella Sabbioni

## Library News

 SCHOLASTIC Book Club



Book Club Issue 6 magazine has been distributed in classes to be taken home. The closing date is **Monday 5 September 2022**.

Payment is online as per below (the school does not take payment or cash).

<https://scholastic.com.au/loop>

Library

Merriwa Primary School