

# MERRIWA NEWS



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

*Dear Parents and Caregivers*

*Thank you all for your continued support over the past few weeks. We have had a smooth start to the term and how we have all adapted to doing things differently, both at home and at school, it is a credit to everyone. It is great to have so many students back at school!*

## Did You Know...

- ◆ **Our COVID—19 outdoor cleaner cleans the playgrounds before school and after every break.**
- ◆ **Our COVID-19 cleaning team cleans our school three times a day in addition to the work of our regular cleaning team.**
- ◆ **We have hand sanitizer in every classroom.**
- ◆ **Plastic covered home readers and library books are wiped and set aside for 24 hours upon their return.**
- ◆ **Football, soccer balls and netballs are wiped after every break.**
- ◆ **Our Chaplain and School Psychologist are holding Return to School mental health workshops for every PP—Year 6 child.**
- ◆ **We love meeting and waving goodbye to your child at the gate!**

*The Week 3 work packs will be finished on Friday, for both home and school. We will let you know about the next step once we have received instructions from the Department of Education. See CONNECT for notes and photographs from your class teacher.*

**Stay safe,  
Mrs Sue Waterhouse  
Principal**

**Breakfast Club**  
Every day  
8.00am



**Clarkson  
Online  
Canteen Open  
Again**  
Tuesdays,  
Thursdays and  
Fridays

**STUDENT  
HOLIDAYS**

**Staff  
Development  
Day**  
Friday 29 May

**WA Day**  
Monday 1st  
June

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

**to see our website**

**Dear Parents/Carers,**

*It has been an unusual start to the term but the students are managing very well. Thank you for your co-operation with the drop off and pick arrangements and supporting the staff to manage the gates each morning and afternoon. Your assistance has been very much appreciated.*

*As the cooler weather sets in, we are reminded to be cautious about personal hygiene and to take necessary steps to avoid the spread of common cold and flu. Sick children will be sent home to minimise infection and to protect all students and staff.*

**Virus Management**

*We will continue to inform our school community of updates as they are provided from the Departments of Health, and Education. The advice is to keep up with personal hygiene to avoid the spread of any cold and flu virus, including the current concern with COVID 19. Anyone who presents with symptoms and meets the risk category is advised to self-isolate.*

*While the Department of Health advises that the risk of transmission in Western Australia remains low; they are monitoring the situation and we are acting on their advice to take any necessary precautions for schools and our staff. Please keep informed by following the link: <https://www.health.wa.gov.au/coronavirus>*

*Take care of yourselves and your families.*

Karen Macri  
Principal  
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## HONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS



### NEWSLETTER RAFFLE

I have read newsletter 5

Parent signature \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ ROOM \_\_\_\_\_



## Cookies Corner



## School Photos

School Photos are expected to be delivered by the end of Week 4 and will be sent home with students as soon as they arrive.



## Drink Bottles

Just a reminder for all students to bring their water bottles everyday, so they can refill them at the fountains.



## Online Canteen

The Clarkson Online Canteen is back up and running. Lunch orders can be placed on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

<https://www.quickcliq.com.au>



## Dear Families,

We thank you for your support in our drop off and picking up arrangements.

If you need to drop off forgotten lunches or other items, someone will be available at the back gate at 12.30pm everyday.

Please appreciate that due to an increase in parent calls, the office staff cannot accommodate gate requests outside this time.

For children who have appointments, please contact you child's teacher or the office in advance, so that arrangements can be made to unlock the gate.

Thank you for helping to keep our school safe.



## STUDENT UPDATE FORMS

Just a reminder to return completed Student Update Forms as soon as possible.

**Please do not forget to update current email address.**

# Merriwa's Caring Wall





## WORK PACKAGE COLLECTION DAY



## MUSIC NEWS

*The wonderful students of the Instrumental Music program have been working hard during these unusual times. Music is a great way to escape and great songs can bring you much happiness. We look forward to all the instrumental students performing for you in the near future.*

*Mrs Prior, Music Specialist.*

