



*From the Principal....Merriwa ESC...*

### Swimming

Our students enjoyed the opportunity to participate in swimming lessons with their mainstream peers during the past two weeks. Thank you to parents and staff for ensuring the success of this program. Well done to all students who tried their best and to those who passed their swimming level.

### Hydrotherapy

Students from Rooms 26, 27 and 29 are thoroughly enjoying their outings each week to Butler College to use their hydrotherapy pool and trampoline.

### Upcoming Events

This is a very busy time of the year for families and for the school. Please keep special dates in your diary so that you don't miss upcoming events:

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December: P&C Disco. Years K to 3 from 4.30 to 6pm. Years 4 to 7 from 6.30 to 8pm

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December: Room 26 and 29 Scitech excursion

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December: Book Awards Assembly from 8.45am

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December: Salvation Army Carols in the park

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December: School Christmas Concert starts at 8.45am

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December: Student Reports will be sent home

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December: Year 6 students Graduation Day from 10am to 2pm

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December: Year 7 students Graduation Day from 10am to 2pm

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December: Last Day for students.

I trust that all families are staying well during these frantic weeks. Please do not hesitate to contact the office, or your classroom teacher if needed.

It is very important that the school is contacted if your child is away. A phone call or a note in the communication book allows us to comply with the Department requirements. I will be sending notes home regularly for students whose absence is unexplained.



Karen Macri  
Principal  
ESC

## Next Week's Activities



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before Care Activities	Guess Who	Puppet Show	Vegemite scrolls	Mr Men puppets	100 Ways to be kind
After Care Activities	Upside down collages	Mark the famous places in Australia	Yoghurt Icy Poles	Box Robots	Handprint Lillies

### Parent Information

OSHC program phone: 0434517166

Coordinator: Vanja Popovic

Assistants:

OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at [www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au) all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.



## MUSIC NEWS

*Reminder to Parents for our Upbeat and Traditional Christmas concert on Monday 15th December. The students are all working hard to learn the Christmas carols for our concert.*

*The School choir performed beautifully at the Westcoast Songfest in Joondalup last Friday. The students did an amazing job presenting a wonderful choir event and this was supported by a special guest artist Robbie from The Voice. We also had our own super stars Andrie Subih, Emily Moroney and Daruka Deng with their amazing solo performances.*

*Thank you for your continuing support and super effort by all the choir students.*

**Rose Prior**  
Music teacher



## REMEMBRANCE DAY

Congratulations to the group of senior students who represented the school at the Settlers Retirement Village Remembrance Day service. Many of the residents and guests congratulated us on the respectful nature the children displayed during the service.

Lillie and Ruby read poems as part of the service and Deng and Jordan laid a wreath on behalf of the school community.

Our expectation of being respectful was on full display.

**Jeff Hoskins**  
Associate Principal



### WESTCOAST SONG FESTIVAL

On Friday was the Westcoast Songfest. My grandma, uncle, nanny and mum came to my performance. I loved how the soloists performed in front of everyone there. Everyone loved it.

We met Robbie from "The Voice Kids". We all had a picture with Robbie. At the Voice Kids, Robbie sang "Riptide". We sang "I would like to teach the world to sing" and then Caden made up a funny song called "I would like to eat the world for lunch". I almost sang it because I got used to it.

It was the best day of my life. I wanted to impress my parents. I felt proud of what I've done.

**Pheonix Hansen**  
**ROOM 21**

### WESTCOAST SONG FESTIVAL

Today Caden is going to a Songfest at the Arena and I'm so excited to see him. When I got there, I thought I'd never get in because there was a long line of people. Finally I got inside the Arena. There were like hundreds of people sitting down on chairs, but luckily I found a lovely spot. I felt a little tingle inside me, then I saw my son on the shiny brown stage. I tried to wave at Caden, but he didn't see me. Then the kids began to sing ten lovely songs. I was very proud of Caden that day.

**Caden Phillips, as seen through his mums eyes.**  
**ROOM 21**



You are invited to Merriwa Primary Schools'

### Summer Disco

Friday 5 December @ the school

Kindy-Year 3 4:30-6pm

Year 4 – Year 7 6:30 – 8pm

\$5 on entry

DJ, Cool music and lights,

Competitions, Friends, Dancing!

Chips / sweets / icy poles / drinks

available to purchase during disco

(no hot foods available)

## SPORTS NEWS

*Congratulations* to former student Luke Taylor who recently represented Australia at the World Indoor Cricket Championships in New Zealand. Luke's outstanding play throughout the tournament saw him selected in the World 8 Team. What an amazing achievement! Well done Luke.

### CHILDREN NOT RETURNING TO MERRIWA 2015

If your child is **NOT** returning to Merriwa Primary in 2015, please complete and return this form to the office as soon as possible. It is very important for planning 2015. If you have a class request for next year, please put this in writing to Mrs Waterhouse, marked confidential.

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Year/Room No.: \_\_\_\_\_

New School: \_\_\_\_\_