

# MERRIWA NEWS



Every day from  
8am



8th November  
Room 13

Wednesday  
morning between  
8am & 8.30am in  
the Library



Annual Public  
Board  
Meeting  
Friday 8th  
November  
12.30 in  
Staffroom

Year 6  
Graduation  
Tuesday 17th  
December

Afterschool Club  
Thursday 7th  
November  
2.40pm—3.40pm

**PLEASE NOTE  
LAPATHON HAS  
BEEN  
POSTPONED  
UNTIL  
NEXT THURSDAY  
7TH  
NOVEMBER**

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

### EDITH COWAN UNIVERSITY SCIENCE EXTENSION.

Our Science Extension group has participated in the Old Ways New Ways Science Program at ECU this year.

They graduated this week and were given a tour of the ECU facilities. We are grateful to Caroline Bishop, School Board Chair and Jason Barrow, our Aboriginal Cultural Advisor for this amazing opportunity.

### DANCING LESSONS

The Years 5 and 6 students will soon be learning to dance with Humphrey's Dance Studio. This prepares the students for their final graduation dance in Year 6.

Where : In the undercover area.

When : From 25th November, which will be held everyday for ten days.

How Much : \$40 for ten lessons for Year 5's  
\$60 for ten lessons for Year 6's (includes graduation)

What if I have three children? You only pay for two.

Do my children need dancing shoes? No! They should wear sneakers.

### YEAR 6 GRADUATION

The graduation will be held from 10.00am to 2.00pm on Tuesday 17th December at a venue to be confirmed. The graduation cost is \$60.00 which includes the dance lessons.

### CLASS REQUESTS 2020

If you would like special consideration for your child / children regarding class placement for next year, please put your request in writing to the front office addressed to Mrs Waterhouse and marked Confidential. Due to staffing limitations we cannot guarantee placements, but every effort will be made to address your requests.

If you are planning to move over the school holidays, could you let your child's teacher know via the form at the back of this newsletter.

### AFTERSCHOOL CLUB

Our Afterschool Club starts next Thursday from 2.40pm - 3.40pm.

Special thanks to our wonderful staff and parents who have volunteered their time to run all the different activities.

Kind Regards  
Sue Waterhouse Principal

# Merriwa ESC

Thank you to all parents and carers who came along to see the ESC assembly last week. I am beyond proud of the students and thank the staff for their dedication and commitment to ensuring all of our kids participate and succeed.

## Year 6 transition to high school

The transition program started this week. The students were well prepared and excited to be attending Butler College for various activities to prepare them for 2020. An additional day has been organised for next week, Wednesday 6 November. Parents can ask Ms Hawker or Mrs Whitefoot for further information and may choose to take their child for a Fun day event at the College. Otherwise, the students will be expected at school for their usual program.



## Attendance

As the weather warms up I expect that we will have improved attendance rates. However, if your child is unwell then please inform your classroom teacher and keep them home until they are no longer contagious. It is vital that we keep our students safe from viral infections. We thank you for your consideration.

**Mrs Karen**  
Principal ESC

## Literacy Pro/Home Reading Survey Results

Our students say:

The Literacy Pro/Lexile Reading program is improving our reading!

The survey says:

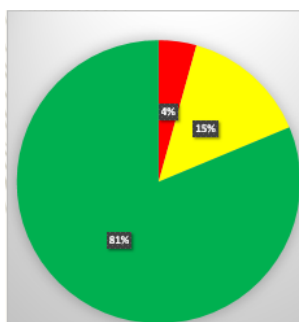
They are not reading every night. Particularly, our senior students.

Help your child to succeed in reading and listen to them every night.

Thank you parents for returning the surveys congratulations to the Groat family who has won the survey raffle.

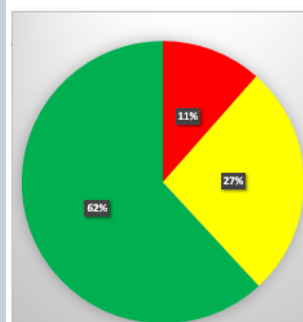
### PP - Year 2

Reading at home has improved my reading.



Agree  
Neutral  
Disagree

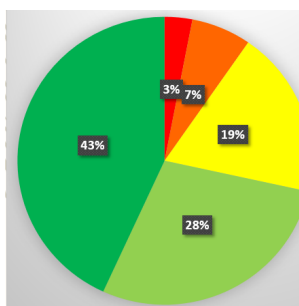
I read every night.



Agree  
Neutral  
Disagree

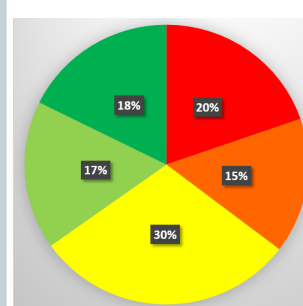
### Year 3-6

Literacy Pro/Lexile has helped improve my reading.



Strongly Agree  
Agree  
Neutral  
Disagree  
Strongly Disagree

I read every night.



Strongly Agree  
Agree  
Neutral  
Disagree  
Strongly Disagree

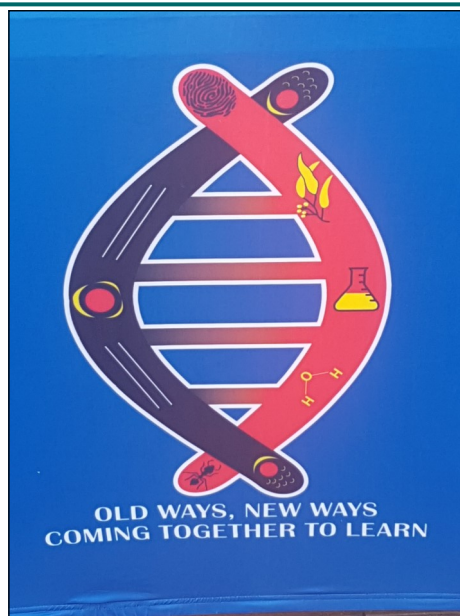
**Let's grow as readers together and help our students WIN at reading. READ EVERY NIGHT.**

## **-MAYOR'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL-**

Each year the City of Wanneroo conducts the Mayor's Christmas Appeal to assist members of our community who are facing hardship. You can help by donating non-perishable food items:

Examples of non-perishable food items for you to collect include:

- Christmas puddings/cakes
- Fruit mince pies
- Cakes, cake mixes and biscuits
- Nut, crackers and chips
- Pasta and sauce
- Tinned foods (sweet and savoury)
- Jams and spreads
- Tea, coffee and sugar
- Cereals
- Rice and noodles
- Chocolates
- Muesli Bars



### **NEWSLETTER RAFFLE**

I have read newsletter 17 Parent signature\_\_\_\_\_

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

**Congratulations to the last winner Keely Verbakel**



# Caversham Wildlife



## 2020 Kindergarten enrolments are now open



If your child was born between  
1st July 2015 - 30th June 2016

registrations are now open to enrol in kindy.

Please see the front office for application forms and return completed forms to the office with copies of Birth Certificate, Immunisation Records, Proof of Address and \$40.00 for Voluntary Contributions.

### CHILDREN NOT RETURNING TO MERRIWA 2020

If your child is **NOT** returning to Merriwa Primary in 2019, please complete and return this form to the office as soon as possible. It is very important for planning 2020. If you have a special request for next year, please put this in writing to Mrs Waterhouse, marked confidential.

As usual we cannot guarantee placements, but will always consider your request.

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

Year/Rooms No: \_\_\_\_\_

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