

MERRIWA NEWS



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Dear Families,

Welcome back to Term 4. We look forward to another busy term with lots of exciting events. Some dates for your calendar:

- Cultural Evening for families who speak another language at home. Wednesday 17th October from 5.30—6.30 p.m. Come and meet with Clarkson and Butler high school staff. Bring your children and questions about high school.
- Dance Lessons Years 4–6 weeks 8 & 9 More details to follow.
- Social Dance Parents Invited Years 4 and 5 - 7th December
- Mayor's Christmas Appeal beginning Monday 15th October. All donations to the front office are much appreciated.
- Christmas Concert 7th December
- Year 6 Graduation 11th December
- Book Awards and reports home on 12th December
- Last day for students Thursday 13 December

Our annual Fun Run for all students is tomorrow Friday 12th October 9.30am to 10.30am. Parents and carers are invited to come along to support your child and help to create a community atmosphere. We welcome your support and remind students to only seek sponsorship from adults with your approval.

Our new Chaplain, Ashley Smith started this term. If you see Ashley around the school, please make him feel welcome.

We are proud of our upgrades around the school with our new wheelchair path, picnic tables and vegetable garden and shed. Thank you to the ESC and the P&C for your ongoing support.

Kind Regards Mrs Sue Waterhouse, Principal



Every day from 8am



Monday morning
between 8am-8.30am
in the Library

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October



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Merriwa ESC News

Term 4 Week 1

Welcome Back! It seems that the students (and staff) enjoyed their term break and have returned well rested and refreshed. It is hard to comprehend that we are already in October, this term will be super busy and over before we know it. Keep your eyes open for upcoming events and add the important dates to your calendar.

Upcoming Events this term

- Whole school Lap-a-thon - Friday 12 October from 9.30 to 10.30
- Hydrotherapy each Friday @ 11.15 from 19 October
- P&C meeting Tuesday 23 October at 2pm
- Junior classes excursion to Ocean Keys Tuesday 23 October
- Hospital familiarisation incursion Wednesday 24 October
- P&C Disco Friday 26 October



Year 6 Students Transition to High School

Year 6 students will have the opportunity to transition to Butler College on Wednesdays in week 3, 6 and 9 this term. More information will be provided through the class teachers.

Bike / Wheelchair Path

We are thrilled with the completion of our pathway which will allow us to transfer students to the lower playground more easily. This pathway will also serve as a bike path when we get our Bike Program up and running. We have made enquiries for specialised bikes to provide access to all students to participate in the program.

Commonwealth Bank Grant

At the end of last term, I was delighted to be presented with a grant from the Commonwealth Bank which will support our Bike Program and allow us to purchase specialised bikes and equipment. We extend our heartfelt thanks to the Commonwealth Bank for their support of our school.

ESC Community Survey

I have extended the closing date to allow more parents/carers to complete our survey as we have had very little response so far. Please take the time to enter your responses to support the ESC in making improvements to our services for your child.

The link is: <https://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/M4gfGPbR>. If you prefer a paper copy please let Kylie know in the office. You can access the survey until next Friday 19 October.

Karen Macri
Principal
ESC



MAYORS CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2018

Each year the City of Wanneroo conducts the Mayor's Christmas Appeal to assist members of our Community who are facing hardship.

Donations Bins will be in the front office for all non-perishable food items with all

donations received distributed to those less fortunate.

Examples of non-perishable food items for your to include:

- Christmas puddings/cakes
- Fruit mince pies
- Cakes, cake mixes and biscuits
- Pasta & Sauce
- Tinned foods
- Jams & Spreads
- Tea, Coffee & Sugar
- Cereals
- Rice & Noodles
- Chocolates

LEARNING JOURNEY

Thankyou to all who attended our Learning Journey. It was an awesome afternoon with loads of activities, talented performances and students fantastic work on display.

Congratulations to the winners of the Passport Raffle.



BOOK CHARACTER PARADE *“find Your Treasure”*

We had lots of fun at our Book Character Parade. Well done to all students for dressing up and congratulations to our winners.



HONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS

SCHOOL BANKING

School Banking has changed to every Monday morning between 8am-8.30am in the Library with Danise



The School Disco will be held on the 26th October.
Kindy- Year 2
4.30pm - 5.30pm

Year 3 - Year 6
6.00pm - 7.30pm

OUR PYJAMA DAY FUNDRAISING FOR LOMBOK

The students had great fun on the last day of term wearing their pyjamas to school and generously donating a gold coin to help the victims of the Lombok earthquake in Indonesia. The money was taken to the bank and changed into notes which totalled \$365 which was incredible.

I headed for Bali on a holiday later that night and took the money with me. I changed the Australian dollars into Indonesian rupiah which amounted to 3,650,000 Rp and there is a picture below.

The money was given to the general manager, Mr Stuart Bolwell, of our hotel. He then passed this to the Bali Hotels Association (BHA) who have been administering the transportation of the donated goods to Lombok. They will buy rice, oil and whatever the local people need to help them survive during this difficult time.

The hotel will be featuring an article about us in their hotel newsletter and were so grateful for our amazing kindness and generosity. Thankyou to everyone who donated.

Mrs Long



-COOKIE'S CAPERS-

Cookie enjoyed dressing up for the Book Character Parade as a Bumble Bee and joined in with all the students.



Newsletter Raffle!

I have read newsletter 16. Parents signature _____

Childs Name _____ Room No. _____

Congratulations to last week's winner— Naman Pankhania