From the Principal’s Desk......
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Thank You!
Over the last ten weeks whilst I was on leave, Mrs Macri and Mrs Maunick-Sallie have been the Principals at Merriwa Primary School and Merriwa ESC. I am very grateful to both my colleagues for ensuring that our schools have continued to flourish under their strong and careful guidance, and the happy tone of the school site upon my return is a credit to their leadership.

Next term Mrs Long and Mr Hoskins will be taking some long service leave at the beginning and end of the term, and we are pleased to announce that Mrs Carroll will be acting deputy during that time.

We must also sadly farewell Miss Reale, who will be leaving us to move to the Kimberley area in Term 3. She will be missed, but we wish her well as she heads up north. We will inform the parents of Room 9 as soon as the new teacher is appointed.

New Computer Technology
This term has seen the extension of our individual ipads from Kindy to Year 2 and now every class, from Kindy to Year 6, has an interactive whiteboard with the latest projector technology.

Vote For Us
We have entered a competition with Channel 7 and the West Australian newspapers, where we have the chance to shine! You can support both the primary school and ESC by voting for our ECU science partnership and ESC specialist programs on the following links:

Primary School: http://ourschoolsastar.com/contest/1/entry/128
ESC: http://ourschoolsastar.com/contest/1/entry/144

You can vote every day and we encourage you to share this link with your friends. Votes close on 26th June and winners announced the 2nd July. Help us to shine!

Reports
You are invited to collect reports directly from your child's teacher on Tuesday 30th June and are encouraged to make an appointment to talk in more depth about your child. We understand that if you cannot collect reports, they will be sent home with your child on the day. Your partnership with our school is vital in making a difference and we are keen to share with you how your child has progressed and what they need to do to achieve the next stage. We look forward to talking with you.

Graduation Fundraiser
Please support our counsellors who are fundraising for their graduation. The counsellors will be holding a cupcake/treat stall in the canteen on Friday the 26th June during lunch and recess. A crazy sock day will be held on Friday the 3rd July. Wear your crazy/creative socks on this day.

Last day of Term 2 is Friday 3rd July, school returns Wednesday 22nd July.

Kind Regards
Mrs Sue Waterhouse
Principal
Dear Parents/Carers,

Our School's a Star

We have entered the "Our School's a Star" competition, it is a people's choice award which is based on the number of votes. Please vote for our entry, we could win an outdoor movie screening for the school.

I have attached the address for you. Search for our school and click the vote button. You can vote once per day!

http://ourschoolsastar.com/contest/1/entry/144

Thanks for your support

New Class

I am excited to share that our Centre is growing. For that reason we have decided to split Room 23 and create another class. As of Monday 22nd June 2015, Room 23 will be a senior class consisting of Year 5-6 students. A major focus for this class will be preparing students for their transition to secondary school. The class teacher will be Miss Bue. Mrs Reiger will teach the Year 4/5 students in Room 27 and continue to work on their learning goals. Mrs Reiger will also work in collaboration with Miss Bue to ensure a smooth handover. We welcome Miss Bue and look forward to her joining our team.

Christina Maunick-Sallie
Principal
ESC

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Bunnings has kindly donated plastic drums and tape to create drums for the school. We are looking forward to making these drums and creating sounds. I would like to give a big thank you to Bunnings for their donation to our school. The pre-primary students have been exploring the sounds of the brass instruments. They were very impressed by the size and weight of the tuba. The choir students have been working hard for their Massed Choir performance Week 7, term 3 at U.W.A. They must be working hard as they are singing together beautifully. The flute, brass and guitar students are also producing great tunes too. Don't forget the Salaka African drumming which is coming 29th June for an exciting visit. You are invited to come and see them play.

Warm regards
Rose Prior
Music teacher ♪♫♪♫♪♫
On Wednesday 27th May some Aboriginal students from our school chose a friend to go with them on an excursion to Kings Park. We went to Kings Park on Reconciliation Day to learn how they fought in the war and survived. We now know why we always pay respect to both the Aboriginal & Australian Soldiers on ANZAC Day. Later we heard the didgeridoo and saw the traditional Aboriginal dancing. Everyone enjoyed watching them perform the dance. Later we went to have morning tea and we heard choir music and we had sandwiches and milo. Then we left to go back to school.

By Shakira Kennedy
McKayla Tottman

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Winter is fun
In winter we have lots of blankets
New winter clothes like jumpers
The storms are scary in the night
Everyone tucks up in their beds
Rain never stops in the night
By Jane Paul

Winter is my favourite season
Ice is on my window
Noodles are hot in my cup
Tea is my favourite drink
Eating marshmallows in my hot chocolate
Reading is my favourite activity
By Jaxon Waind

Wild wind everywhere
In the dark sky we see lightning
Nightmares are scary when you’re asleep
Thunder booming loudly
Everywhere has ice on the ground
Raining hail on my house
By Cooper Corrigan

When it rains it is wet
Inside playing board games
Never forget to wear a thick coat
Thunder is very loud
Everybody gets cold in winter
Rain is wet
By Ana Popovic

Winter is fun in the snow
It’s time to eat warm soup
Never forget your umbrella
Tonight’s going to be stormy
Everyone wears thick coats
Remember to stay warm
By Cara Innerd

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On Tuesday 9th June we ran financial management workshops for our students. Ask your child about what they have learned!