

MERRIWA NEWS



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Dear Families,

Cross Country Champions

We are very proud of our senior Merriwa students. On Tuesday they completed the 2018 Cross Country race and demonstrated their athletic skill, their determination and their good will for all competitors.

The Champions and Runner Up Champions are highlighted in the photograph above. Congratulations!

Thank you to Mr Allen, all staff and all parents who helped to make the event such a success.

Vegetable Garden

Do you have some free time? Would you like to help our parent volunteers who are weeding our vegetable garden? If you would like to help, come along to the front office, sign in and you can weed or sweep or tidy up as long as you like! We thank everyone who is helping.

Are Your Children Getting Enough Sleep?

Staff and students at Merriwa have been learning about the brain. Ask your children about what they have learned! You may be surprised. Did you know that children who are between 3 and 6 years of age need 10–12 hours of sleep, and those who are between 7 and 12 years old need 10—11 hours? It is hard for everyone to function well when we are tired—have a check and see how much your children are sleeping!

Kind Regards Mrs Sue Waterhouse, Principal



27th August

P & C Father's Day Stall

28th August

Year 6 Boomerang Event

29th August Jumps and Throws & 31st August Faction Athletics

VISIT www.<u>merriwaps.w</u> <u>a.edu.au</u> to check out the website and to download the FREE Phone App

Merriwa ESC News

Congratulations to all merit award winners who received certificates at the assembly this week.

Upcoming Events this term

- MPS and MESC Athletics Carnival Friday 31 August •
- ESC Interschool Sports day - Tuesday 4 September
- Sensory Workshop for parents/carers – Wednesday 5 September
- ESC Assembly item Friday 7 September •
- Australian Animal visit - Monday 10 September
- Dress Up Character book parade "Find Your Treasure" Friday 14 September •
- Learning Journey—Wednesday 19 September



Our School Readiness Program runs each Thursday and keeps our your visitors entertained.

Staff Carpark Safety Concerns

Please be mindful that the staff car park is not to be used unless you require the ACROD parking bay for children with disabilities. The safety of our children is vital and the car park can be dangerous during the rush hour.

Illness

Thank you to our families who are very considerate in keeping sick children at home to avoid the spread of cold and flu virus. Sick children need to recover at home. Please contact the office when your child is absent.

Karen Macri Principal

Regular School Attendance

Why should my child come to school every day?

Daily attendance is important for all children and young people to succeed in education and to ensure they don't fall behind both socially and developmentally.

- Regular attendance gives your child the best opportunity to ٠ succeed in life.
- Your child will learn important skills, knowledge and values that . will give them the advantage for further learning.
- They will make friends and learn social skills that will stay with them throughout their lives.

Congratulations to the following winners of our regular attendance draw. Each term all children who have regular attendance, above 90%, go into the draw. This term's winners were: Stella Santos, Zaphyre Pearce, Williams Vokes, Michael Fernando, Abbie Reynolds, Paige Challis, Jaxon Waind, Angela Safari, Olivia Groat, Charlotte Dinh.

Jeff Hoskins Associate Principal





IGA Quinns and David Rapley from Metcash have generously donated bottles of water to Merriwa Primary and ESC.

We are selling them for \$5 for a pack of 24. All proceeds will go straight to the P &C.

You can order packs from the office. Please fill in the slip below, with the correct money and send to the office. We will contact you so you can collect your pack. Thank you for supporting the P & C.

CHILD'S NAME

ROOM

NUMBER OF PACKS ORDERED TOTAL MONEY ENCLOSED

Some coming events and fundraisers

Entertainments Books : Are available for just \$70.

To order your Book or your Digital Membership online visit www.entbook.com.au/86101a. Alternatively, please contact the office. After 31st August book can only be ordered through the website.

Merriwa Cookbook: We are looking for your favourite recipes. Please help by posting your family recipes to www.PublishedAuthors.com.au and fill out the quick and easy template. We will publish them into the Merriwa Cookbook. A great Christmas present! Recipes are due by 5 pm on Friday 31 August.

Father's Day Stall: Our Father's Day stall is planned for the week commencing August 27th. Items for sale will range from \$3—\$7. Further details will be available once we have confirmed the class rosters.

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle: The P & C Bunnings Sausage sizzle on Sunday was amazing making a profit of \$1395.00. A big thank you to all who volunteered on the day.

BALL GOWNS FOR BUTLER STUDENTS

Butler College collect ball gowns and suits to hire out to Donations: students who experience financial difficulty in purchasing such items. The student just need to pay for the item to be dry-cleaned.

If you wish to clear out your closet and donate, please leave items at the front office.

Parent Survey

Please find a parent survey with this newsletter. The survey is a valuable tool that is used by the school staff and we encourage all parents to complete the survey and return it to the box in the admin area. All survey data is anonymous. Full terms and conditions can be obtained from the school office. The survey closes on Friday 7 September 2018.

Jeff Hoskins—Associate Principal







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2019 Kindergarten enrolments are now open



If your child was born between 1st July 2014 - 30th June 2015 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.



MERRIWA EDUCATION SUPPORT CENTRE **INVITES YOU TO A** SENSORY WORKSHOP

by Rachael Livingstone & Jayde Hahnel When: Wednesday 5th September 2018 (a) 1.30-2.30pm Where: MESC Room 29 **Cost: Free** Come along and help us to make sensory resources

for our students. Grab a cuppa and network with other parents/carers Guest: Gayle Hillen (Ô.T.) from Therapy Focus will be joining us to answer questions you may have Please RSVP by 24th August 2018 by filling out the slip below. Thank you

I would like to attend the **SENSORY WORKSHOP** on 5th September 2018 @ 1.30

Name/s:



Room 17 have had a fantastic opportunity to work with a team of Artists in Residence to Include creativity in their lives and work.

In term 2 students created their own language using geometric lines and dots. They have used these lines to create a stunning piece of art to be displayed in the Senior Area.

This term they are using creativity to explore waste management and sustainability.



Newsletter Raffle!

I have read newsletter 12. Parents signature_

Childs Name ______ Room No._____

Congratulations to last week's winner — Luke Roberts