From the Principal’s Desk…….

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We look forward to seeing you over the next week at one of our many end of year events. The children have been practising and getting ready and are excited to show you what they have achieved this year.

You are invited to…..

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We also are proud to acknowledge the recent performance by the choir at the Bunnings Community Event, and the demonstration of football to the Honourable Minister, Christian Porter, MLA.

The 2016 year opens for students on Monday 1st February and class lists will be displayed outside the office on Friday 29 January 2016 from 10.00 a.m.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very safe and merry Christmas, and we look forward to seeing you all next year.

Kind regards
Mrs Sue Waterhouse
Principal
From the Principal…, Merriwa ESC…

We have had a very busy time these final weeks. The students have been to the zoo, visited Santa in the city and at Ocean Keys, decorated their classrooms and been busy with concert rehearsals. This is always a frantic time and we know how important it is to keep the classes busy and settled.

Congratulations to our award winners who were presented with their prize at this week’s book award assembly. We have so many worthy recipients for our class awards and I trust that all our students feel very proud of their achievements this year.

Parents and carers will receive the student semester report next Wednesday in a package which also contains the booklist and other information. If your child is not at school on the day, the package will be posted home.

Coming Events

School Christmas Concert – Thursday 17th December @ 8.30 am

I hope our parents and carers are able to attend the concert on the front lawn of the school grounds. The ESC will be performing at the concert as a collective group.

Graduation Ceremony

Our Year 6 students graduate on Tuesday 15th from 10.00 am to 2.40pm

It has been a remarkable year for our small group of senior students and it is bound to be an emotional and celebratory day.

Farewell

A few of our staff will be leaving us this year so I will take this opportunity to thank them and wish them all the very best for the future. We farewell Mrs Jacquie Rigby, Mrs Amanda Lyon, Mrs Melinda Summers, Ms Katia Bue, Ms Kariece Rundle and Mrs Katrina Sebastian. We thank them for their commitment to the students and their dedication to their role at Merriwa ESC.

I wish you all a very safe holiday break and trust that you will enjoy the festivities of the Christmas season.

Students return on Monday 1st February 2016

Mrs Karen Macri,
Principal ESC

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Merriwa ESC Zoo and Santa Visit

BOOKLISTS

at newsXpress ocean keys

Drop your booklist in-store by December 20, 2015 to have it packed by us and you will receive a 10% discount off the cost of the list! (stationery and books)* All lists will be ready for collection by January 15, 2016.

‘LIKE’ the newsXpress ocean keys Facebook Page and go into the draw to win your booklist for free.

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* Please note: Limited range of textbooks available (Available - iMaths, Sound Waves, Read It)

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

All classes will perform!

Thursday 17th December
8:30am

Don't forget to enter our Christmas raffle!

15% DISCOUNT VOUCHER

ALL SCHOOLWEAR PURCHASED BEFORE DEC 15th

PRESENT THIS VOUCHER AT YOUR LOWES STORE BY 15TH DECEMBER TO RECEIVE A MINIMUM 15% DISCOUNT ON ALL YOUR SCHOOLWEAR PURCHASES

EXTRA 5% DISCOUNT

Receive an extra 5% discount when you purchase with your Lowes Way credit card.

SCHOOL REBATE

Receive a rebate of up to 5% on all uniforms purchased at Lowes!

RAINCHECKS OK!

If we don't have what you need in stock we'll give you a raincheck.
CHILDREN NOT RETURNING TO MERRIWA 2016

If your child is **NOT** returning to Merriwa Primary in 2016, please complete and return this form to the office as soon as possible. It is very important for planning **2016**. If you have a **SPECIFIC** request for next year, please put this in writing to Mrs Waterhouse, marked confidential.

Child’s Name: ____________________________________________

Year/Room No.: __________________________________________

New School: _____________________________________________