

MERRIWA SCHOOLS' CAMPUS 67 BALTIMORE PARADE MERRIWA WA 6030

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ASSEMBLY Room 19 27th March

23rd March 30th March Triple P in library



ESC + MAINSTREAM

TUESDAY
24 MARCH
EARLY CLOSE
FOR REPORTING

11.30am

INTERVIEWS BOOKED THROUGH OFFICE

Choir performs
Bunnings
6,00 p.m.
Wednesday 25
March

SCHOOL BANKING EVERY TUESDAY 8.00AM - 8.30AM LIBRARY



Easter Raffle Thursday 2 April Donations welcome!

From the Principal's Desk.....

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Principal on Leave

I have unexpectedly been required to take leave from this week until 15 June 2015. I am very fortunate to have such a supportive and effective staff at Merriwa, who will ensure that your children continue to receive the very best education that we can provide.

I am very pleased to announce that Mrs Karen Macri will be Principal of the Primary School while I am away and Mrs Christina Maunick—Sallie will be Principal of the Education Support Centre. I know that you will offer both our Principals all your support during this time and look forward to seeing you all again in Term 2.

P + C News The new office bearers of our P + C are:

President: Erika Hanekom

Treasurer and Secretary: Sherryn Reynolds.

Last year was one of the most profitable years for the P& C that we have seen for some time, and we thank particularly Erika, Sherryn and Carol O'Donnell for all their hard work. If you are able to come along and help with the fundraisers, please leave your name and number with the ladies in the front office. There are lots of fun activities planned for the year, including a Mother's Day Stall, Lapathon and discos.

Coming Events:

Tuesday 24 March—half day closing for reporting from 11.30 a.m. Please book an interview time through the office and come and talk with your child's teacher about their progress so far this year. Your child is welcome to attend the interview! If you cannot pick up your children, then supervision will be provided in the Kindy and Pre Primary Classes and in the library for Years 1—6.

Wednesday 25 March— our choir performs at the Easter Celebration at Bunnings! Come along and support them from 6.00 p.m. onwards and join in the fun.

Thursday 2 April - Easter Raffle. Please make sure you have sent along your donations and bought your tickets. The raffle will be drawn at 1.30 p.m. straight after lunch in the undercover area. Good luck!

Sad News-Goodbye Di

We are sorry to announce that due to unforeseen circumstances, Di has decided to close the canteen at the end of this term. We are grateful for the loyal, loving service she has given to our school, and we wish her all the best for the future. We are currently organising alternative arrangements and will let you know as soon as these are finalised. Di will be helping with the breakfast club as a volunteer next term, so you can still pop in to see her.

Welcome New Chaplain

We welcome Kate Raynor, our new Chaplain, who will be here every Monday, Thursday and Friday. She will be restarting the breakfast club next term, so look out for her down in the canteen.

Kind Regards

Mrs Sue Waterhouse, Principal

From the Principal....Merriwa ESC...

I have been appointed Principal for the primary school temporarily while Sue Waterhouse is on leave. Mrs Christina Maunick-Sallie has been appointed Principal for the ESC to the end of term 2. Christina already has a very clear understanding of the management, procedures and processes of the Education Support Centre. I am very confident that this will be a smooth transition with very little disruption for your child.

Early Close

Both the Primary school and ESC will close early next <u>Tuesday 24th March</u> for teacher parent meetings. Please collect your child at 11.30. If your child is usually on the school bus please make arrangements with the driver.

Furniture

We have purchased new desks and drawers for the students and now have surplus furniture that is being made available to the community. If you would like to make a small donation to the ESC and take a desk or set of drawers to use at home, please see Maxine in the office.

Chickens

Next week some chicken eggs will be delivered to the ESC as part of Hatching Education Program. The students will witness chickens hatching as an introduction to Easter themed activities. The young chickens will then be collected and returned to 'U Can Hatch Us' before the holiday break.

Thank you

In recent weeks the ESC has accepted donations from Spotlight and Grilled Healthy Burgers who have generously supported the creation of our Sensory room. We thank our Community for their valued support.

Please continue to use the communication book for daily contact with your child's class. This has proven to be a quite efficient method to communicate, particularly if you are not able to meet with the teacher regularly.

It is very important that the school is contacted if your child is away. A phone call or a note in the communication book allows us to comply with the Department requirements.

Congratulations also to the students who were awarded merit certificates at last week's assembly.

Karen Macri

Principal

ESC





Yr	Rm	Student	Yr	Rm	Student
PP	1	Narteisha Winmar, Leevi Wilson	2	13	Tyson Pansini, Angel Drummond-Hay
PP	2	Mia Rothwell, Oscar Moroney	6	15	Eleanor Hobbs
PP	3	Sam Paul, Evelyn Paul	6	16	Melinda Marsh, Jay Wilson
1	6	Malakie Chavez, Riana Debnath	4/5	18	Prinz Tadios, Rowan O'Donnell, Elizabeth Niyibhigira
1	7	Blake Morrison, Emilienne Raven	5	17	Adam Leavesley, Bailey Sadler, Emily Harben
1	9	Christian Janscak, Kay Lanzky, Conan Fenn	4	19	Douglas Flomo, Nitika Pawar
3	10	Drew Warr, Marcus Harp	3	21	McAuley Baragry
2	11	Ebonie Dunning, Ada Truland	3/4	22	Jaxon Waind, Ana Papovic
2	12	Titchiang Chol, Kahjanah Wynne	ESC		Jacobe Muscara, Iyona Chavez, Aiden Le

Early and Late Arrivals

Children must not arrive at school before 8.00am unless going to the OSH Club or being supervised by parents/carers. Children arriving between 8.00 and 8.20 (first siren time) must wait in the undercover area or playground area near the flag poles. The school does not provide teacher supervision before 8.00am and duty of care cannot be guaranteed.

Late arrivals, children

Late arrivals, children arriving after the second siren at 8.30am must report to the office before continuing on to their class. These children are marked late.



Review of the children's crossing on Baltimore Parade

The school has been advised by the Children's Crossing and Road Safety Committee that the school crossing will be reviewed in the near future. The review will be two morning and two afternoon surveys. The school encourages all pedestrians, children on scooters, bikes or skate-boards to use the crossings so the committee get a true picture of the school community's needs.

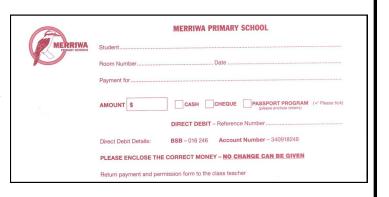
Please note that all Children's Crossings are being reviewed, so please make sure we use it, so that we don't lose it!



PAYMENT FOR INCURSIONS/EXCURSIONS

We are now using a new money envelope system for the collection of incursion and excursion charges. Please note that the permission slip and envelope are to be handed to the classroom teacher. The student full name and class number should be written clearly on the envelope and the correct money needs to be placed in the envelope as change will not be given.

Thank you



EAT RIGHT - STAY STRONG - HEALTHY BONES

A healthy lunch box

Sandwiches are a great lunchtime food because they are so easy to make. There are many different sandwiches you can put together. Try something different each week and your child will never get bored.

Consider different breads, (eg. wholegrain, wholemeal, white or rye), and slices of pumpkin bread or fruit bread for something different. You can also choose from a range of shapes (eg. sliced bread, round rolls, long rolls, pita breads or French sticks).

The trick to a good sandwich is making sure it does not go soggy.

Don't forget to pack snacks for the morning and the

afternoon. Fruits are a great snack to pack either whole, chopped or dried.

Last of all - always remember to pack some water.



Community Health Nurse North Coastal Zone **Child and Adolescent Community Health**



Mayor Visit

We were proud to welcome Mrs Tracy Roberts, the Mayor of Wanneroo to the Room 12 Assembly. She was very impressed with the conduct of our children and the performance of Room 12 and really enjoyed the community song.

She has requested that Merriwa students present Welcome to Country at the City of Wanneroo Blessing of the Roads ceremony on 30 March. We are grateful for her support.

