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WHAT'S INSIDE




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A Walk Down Memory Lane

WITH JAMES CONSTABLE

A HISTORY OF THE GOLDEN FLEECE INN

Whilst researching for information on the Fitzroy Hotel from 1848, an inn we hadn't heard of before called the Golden Fleece was mentioned. Kim Clydsdale found on TROVE, that a John Perfrement was running the inn. He had leased the buildings belonging to Dr Michael Macartney and converted them into an inn as he was leaving Merriwa to set up a medical practice in Maitland. Michael Macartney arrived in Merriwa as early as 1838 and was mentioned in the Sydney Gazette as being in Gammon Plains in April 1839.

Merriwa was gazetted a town in 1840, and in November 1841 was able to buy at auction the land on which he had squatted and built his residence and hospital. The price was quite low as no one else bidded against him, realising the predicament he was in. Michael Macartney and his wife Matilda (nee Leard) left for Maitland in 1846. In May 1849, Mrs Mary Pierce leased the Inn from John Perfrement, Mary and her husband Henry had previously been Innkeepers at the Woolpack Inn at Scone. Henry died second January 1848 so Mary gave up the lease and moved to Merriwa and took over the Golden Fleece.

In 1848, both the Rose Inn and the Fitzroy Hotel commenced trading followed by the Cricketer's Arms in 1850. The Golden Fleece Inn obviously couldn't compete probably owing to it's location which was just below where the Catholic Church is today. Because it was not located on the trail passing through Merriwa it lost out and was sold in 1853 by the owner Dr Michael Macartney and passed from history. The tree in the driveway leading up to the church was the location of the hospital/inn and has been cut down as it died a couple of years ago (see Photo).

Mary Pierce remained in the Merriwa district and re-married a man by the name of Richard Mills in 1850 and lived on Nelson's Station along Little Creek in the Gundebry (sic) area. On the 10 July 1861, Mary was murdered by Harry the aboriginal and her little daughter taken. No trace was ever found of the little girl but Harry was tracked to Gunnedah, taken to Maitland, tried and hanged. Little Creek has since been known as Murdering Hut Gully, on the Scone road.

This story took many twists and turns, thanks to

Kim Clydsdale for the time spent researching and Kay Teale (nee Constable) for information on the location of the Inn. It was the first Inn in Merriwa.



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Merriwa Central School

Principal's Report

Due to unforeseen staffing circumstances we have had to make some immediate changes to class organisation in primary.

As from Monday Mrs Morgan will be teaching Year 4/5 until the end of the term. Mrs Martin and Miss Garbellini will job share replacing Mrs Morgan on Year 2/3. Mrs Martin will be on class Monday and Tuesday, and Miss Garbellini Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

We understand the above arrangements are not ideal in the last stages of the year, however, unfortunately they are unavoidable. The sudden departure of Mr Schwab and lack of available casual staff has necessitated this change.

You may be aware that Merriwa Hospital is experiencing difficulty attracting nursing staff to the country, rural schools are also experiencing difficulty luring graduate teachers away from the coast.

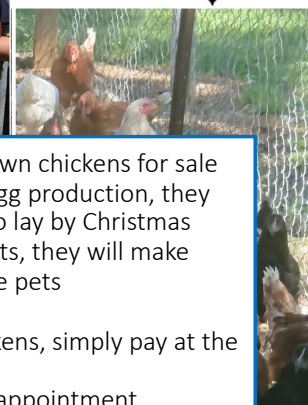
We seek your understanding as staff attempt to maintain continuity of learning and provide as smooth a transition for students as possible.

WHOLE SCHOOL EVACUATION

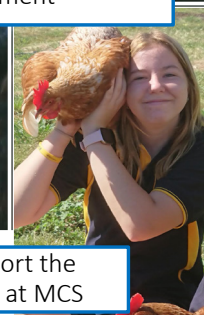
Last week I communicated to parents the circumstances surrounding the whole school evacuation on Wednesday. Can I say what a fabulous job the staff did in ensuring the safety of all students. The simultaneous evacuation of both primary and secondary students in a calm and orderly manner, highlighted the reason why we undertake drills for such emergencies throughout the year. We can sometimes be lured into a false sense of security, that these types of events only happen in the city, however Wednesday demonstrated that this is not the case. Can I once again remind parents to download the Skoolbag app which is our main form of communication with parents during emergency situations.

Darren Noonan
Principal

Help Support Agriculture at MCS Chickens For Sale



- White, black and brown chickens for sale
- Bred for maximum egg production, they should all be ready to lay by Christmas
- Raised by the students, they will make wonderful productive pets
- \$20 each
- To reserve your chickens, simply pay at the senior school office
- Be quick to avoid disappointment



All funds raised will directly support the education of agriculture students at MCS



CANTEEN CLOSED

The canteen staff wish to advise that the Primary canteen will be closed on Monday November 16.

Please remember to pack a hearty lunch for your child/ren on this day.

Jill Carrall

Coming Events

NOVEMBER

Thursday 5

Year 7 Transition
SALT Girls in Trade Workshop

Friday 6

HSC Concludes

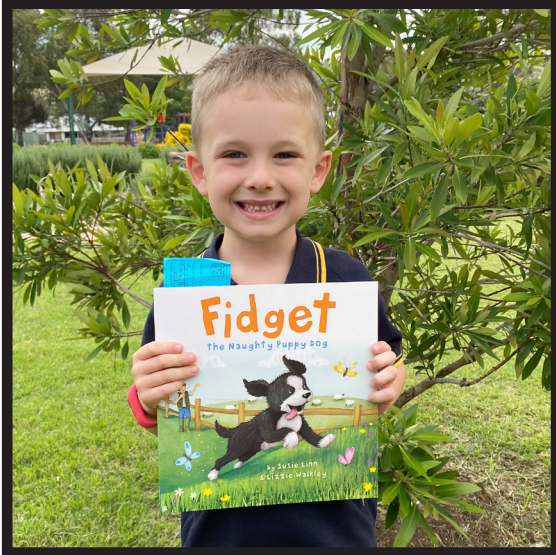
Primary

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded 'Student of the Week' in Week 3.

KINDERGARTEN

Nate Marchese - Always being a responsible and reliable leader



YEAR 1

Maggie Clark – Always taking great care and pride in her work



YEAR 2/3

Joshua Sawley – For being an independent learner



YEAR 3/4

Jason Bristow – Improved reading



YEAR 4/5

Alesha Wright – Improved behaviour and effort in class



YEAR 5/6

Montana Peel – Improving in her Fast Maths.



Year 1 from Week 2 -
Ryleigh Anshaw



GOLD AWARD

Emma Grady, Olivia Purcell and Olympia Magnus



SILVER AWARD

Nicholas Hockings, Katana Magnus, Cadence Tudor and Zac Walker



BRONZE AWARD

Joy Magnus and Charlie Cook



CLASS OF THE WEEK

Year 5/6 - Enthusiastic skipping for Jump Rope for Heart.



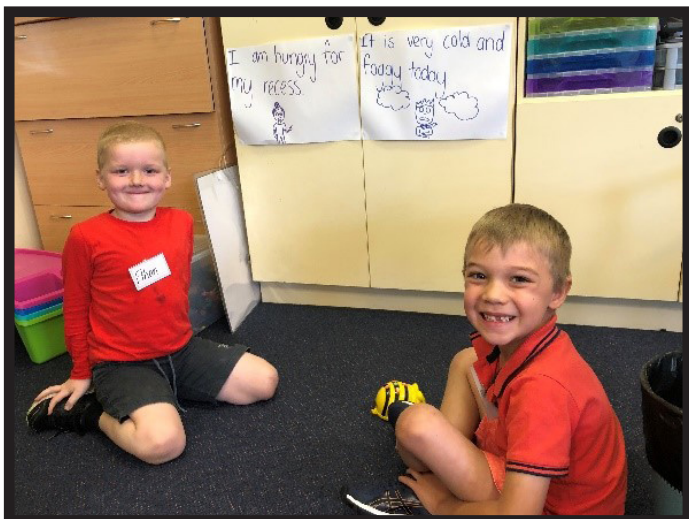
With the weather warming up, students are reminded that they need to be wearing a school hat. Please ensure that your children's jumpers and jackets have their name on them so they can be returned in the event they are lost.

Jenna North
Relieving Assistant Principal

KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION

On Tuesday we welcomed back our new Kindergarten students for their second Transition session. We had a wonderful time reading stories, enjoying fruit break, and playing some fun outdoor games with the Year 4 and 5 Buddies. Students also loved playing with our 'Bee-bot' robots! Everyone worked beautifully in pairs to try to program their robot to reach a chosen area of the classroom.

Our next Kindergarten Transition session will be on Tuesday 10th November. Students will attend from 9:15am until 12pm and can be dropped off and picked up from our designated 'Kiss and Drop' area. Students will need to pack fruit break, recess, water bottle and a hat.



Emma Garbellini

Secondary

YEAR 7 TRANSITION DAY 1

Last Thursday October 29, Year 6 students attended Merriwa Central School's Secondary campus for day 1 of the 3 day transition program.

Students spent the day doing various activities with different teachers, learning about the expectations and joy of high school.

The students participated in Science, Music, Mathematics, PDHPE and wellbeing lessons. All students seemed to enjoy the day and all left with smiling faces.

As their Year Adviser for 2021, I had an enjoyable day with the students and wish them all the best for the rest of their primary school days.

WORLD TEACHER'S DAY

Last Friday October 30 was International World Teacher's Day. The four Where There's a Will Year 12 students, Harry, Hasan, Abby and Joanne organised for students from Year 7-12 to write messages of thanks to their teachers across the week which were then placed in an envelope and handed out on the day.

Thank you to the wonderful SASS staff at the secondary campus for putting on a morning tea spread for the secondary teachers, it was greatly appreciated!

Anna Sansom
TAS/VET Teacher





Cassilis Public School

WELCOME TO WEEK 4. WHAT AN AMAZING AMOUNT OF RAIN WE HAD LAST WEEK



STUDENT OF THE WEEK- SUMMER TURNER

Summer has been awarded the Student of the Week for her enthusiastic, kind and hard-working approach to all areas of school. She has been challenging her learning more and improving because of her positive attitude.

Summer was helpful to all of our students and staff and her attendance at school has been impressive.

Summer is a role-model for other students as she consistency shows a high level of respect and knows right from wrong.

As school Captain, Summer runs our morning assemblies with pride and really loves her school.

Summer attended her first Year 7 Orientation Day last Thursday and thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity and met some new friends. She spoke about enjoying the tour around the school and how big it was. Summer liked the music lesson and the maths task which was very challenging and only two students correctly solved it. Playing didge ball was another highlight of day and Summer was the last person standing on her team.

The PBL focus last week was Be Respectful- use kind words and Summer definitely spoke to all students and staff with respect.

She helped the teachers to plan the excursion and she's very excited about going.

Congratulations Summer on your efforts and achievement.

PBL FOCUS OF THE WEEK



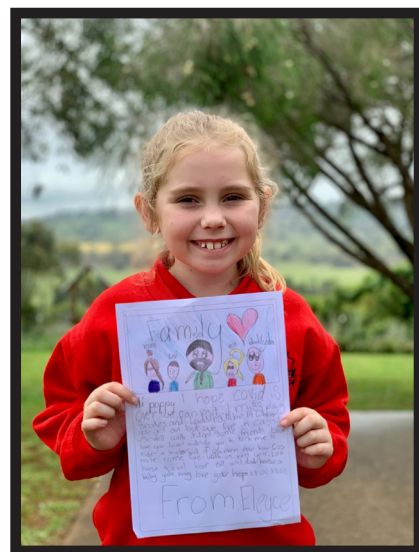
Do Your Best
Be an active learner

THANK YOU AND GOODBYE TO MRS HILARY PARKER

After many years of providing support and education to our students through scripture lessons and listening to and reading to kids in both the library and the classroom, Mrs Parker has decided to retire. It has been our wonderful pleasure having Mrs Parker come to school every week. She always has lovely smile and is keen to see everyone.

The school looks forward to inviting Mrs Parker to our numerous school events once COVID-19 restrictions have eased.

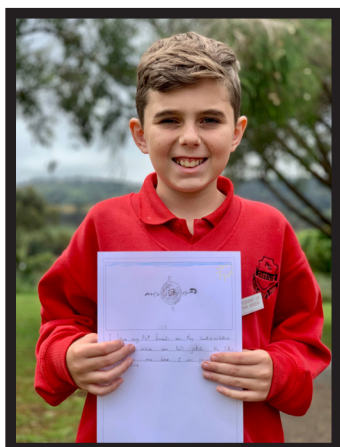
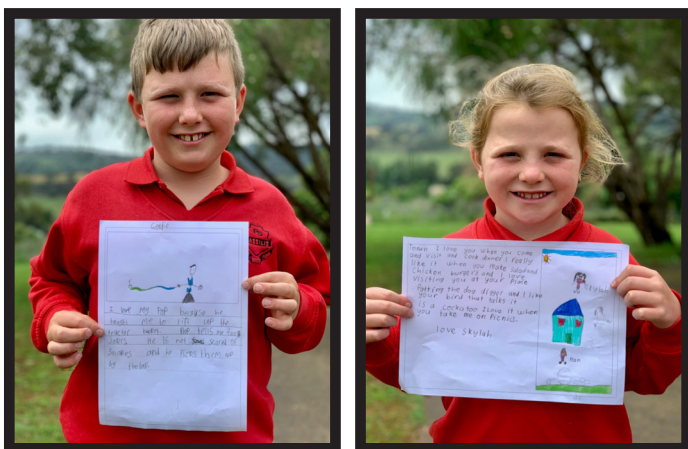
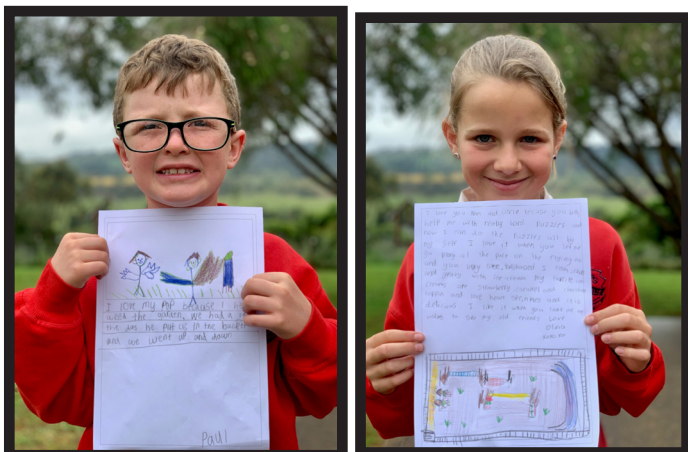
HAPPY "GRANDPARENTS" DAY



To celebrate National Grandparents Day, students read several books featuring grandparents and discussed and wrote about the special memories

they have with them. Grandparents play a very important role in our childrens' lives.

These letters will be sent home if families could please post them to their loved ones.



Our Science unit this term focuses on Survival. Students had to answer the question – is all water safe to drink? We investigated



KINDY ORIENTATION STARTS THIS THURSDAY!

Cassilis P.S is very excited about welcoming our 'Early Birds' to school this Thursday from 9.00-11.30am. The students will be in the Busby Room for the morning and then enjoy some lunch and a little play before going home.

WORLD TEACHERS' DAY

Last Friday was World Teachers Day. This day helps celebrate the remarkable teaching profession and its bright future and gives us an opportunity to say thank you to teachers. Cassilis is very fortunate to have wonderful, talented and dedicated teachers and this includes our Support Staff angels, Mrs Nairne and Mrs Cornish. These two ladies are incredible teachers for your students and join Mrs Strachan, Mrs Eather, Mrs Rose and Mrs Burgess in the best job in the world!



WELCOME BACK TO MRS NAIRNE

It was lovely to see Mrs Nairne back at school last week after two weeks of leave. Hearing of her adventures while travelling out west, it sounds like it was a wonderful experience with her family and friends.

Thank you to Mrs Cornish who worked some longer days last week to provide support while Mrs Nairne was away.



HOW GREAT IS THE GARDEN LOOKING!

Thank you to our awesome GA, Brian Cornish. Our path into the school looks welcoming and very safe. The pear which Mr and Mrs Hunt gave to the school as a farewell gift sits perfectly in the garden.

CASSILIS VIDEO WORKSHOP

What a wonderful and unique experience that the students and staff had today. Thank you to Berni Aquilina and the Cassilis District Development Group for bringing John O'Brien to our school. The award-winning screenwriter and film-maker was amazing and all the students really loved the morning and benefited from his teaching.



This project is supported by Arts NSW's Country Arts Support Program, a devolved funding program administered by Regional Arts NSW and Arts Upper Hunter on behalf of the NSW Government.

We look forward to sharing the video the students created with you soon.

ALERT SESSION NUMBER 3

In our third session with the talented OT, Kirsty, Alert 3 reminded the students about the different colours to indicate how their engines are running using coloured paddle pop sticks. Students will use these each time they enter the room to practise thinking of their own engines.

Students really enjoyed singing 'Alive, awake,

alert, enthusiasm' to the tune of 'If you're happy and you know it' tune. The song started slowly then got faster and faster.

Kirsty handed out colour wheels to each of our students to keep on their desk as another way of thinking and showing their engines.

Students practised playing with various fidget toys including a dinosaur squishy, metal ball, pillow which provides deep pressure when you hug it and a coloured liquid timer.

A popular one was the two door snakes which students place either over their shoulders or across their laps to provide a safe weighted feeling. The snakes will stay in our room for the week and home with rules which include:

- Snakes don't bother others
- They are very quiet
- Not allowed to touch others

Students then learnt other ways to lift up our engines which include music, having a good night sleep and eating champion food.



The Alert Program continues this Friday.

Katie Burgess
Principal



St Joseph's Primary School

Week Four in Term Four already? WOW! The year has certainly flown by. Students are working very hard as are their dedicated teachers. It is wonderful to see students becoming more and more engaged in their learning every day.

NEW PERMANENT FULL - TIME TEACHER

During last week, we interviewed a wonderful set of candidates for the recently vacated Permanent Full-Time teacher position, which was vacated by Mrs Sally Hagley.

We are pleased to announce that Mrs Mellissa Jackson was the preferred applicant for the position.

Mellissa holds a Bachelor of Education from the University of New England and a Post Graduate Certificate of Religious Education from the Australian Catholic University. She has taught in a variety of schools and she is currently employed at St Aloysius Primary School, Chisholm, where she was employed as a Foundation teacher to commence that school's journey.

Mellissa has worked in small country schools, with two teachers, such as Bald Blair Public school. Mrs Jackson has also held teaching positions at Guyra Central School as well as Black Mountain Special School and St Paul's Rutherford.

Her referees describe her as a "hard-working, passionate educator who works exceptionally hard for her students".

Mrs Jackson is a country girl at heart and has elected to move to the Upper Hunter for a "Tree Change".

In addition, Mrs Jackson has been the preferred applicant for the Lead Teacher / Pedagogical Mentor position, where all teachers and students will benefit from her wide range of expertise.

St Joseph's are very excited to have Mrs Jackson on board for 2021!

To this end, we are also now on the lookout for a teacher to work alongside Mrs Jackson in a 0.7 FTE (3.5 days per week) capacity. We will update you when we know more details. The advertisement was placed on

Thursday of last week and applications will close next Tuesday.

NEW ARRIVALS!

We welcome our new arrivals in the last fortnight, Dridan, Johnathan, Jacob and Daniel. We sincerely hope that their experience at St Joseph's is a positive one.

COLOURFUL KINDIES

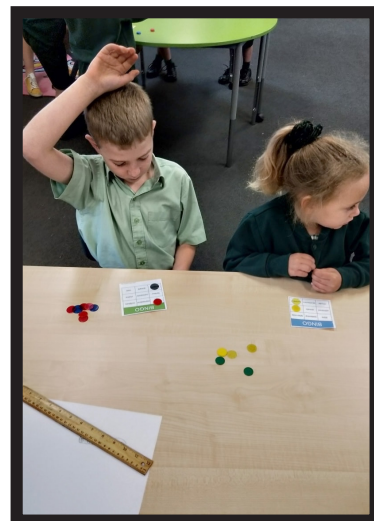
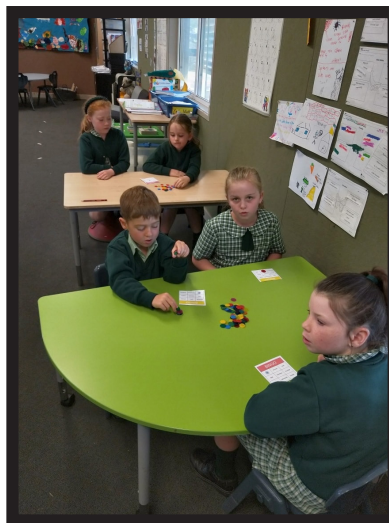
What a terrific time we had with our Colourful Kindies on Monday! The new arrivals had so much fun, laughter and a great orientation into St Joseph's! The other students within the school made them feel very welcome and part of the St Joseph's family.

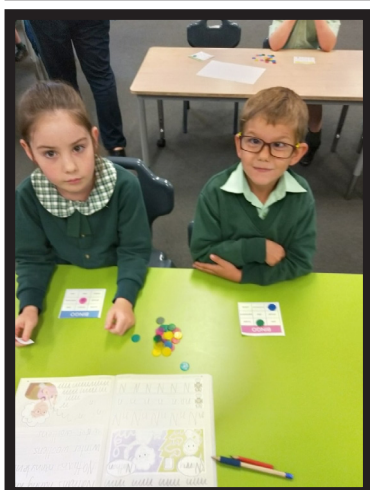
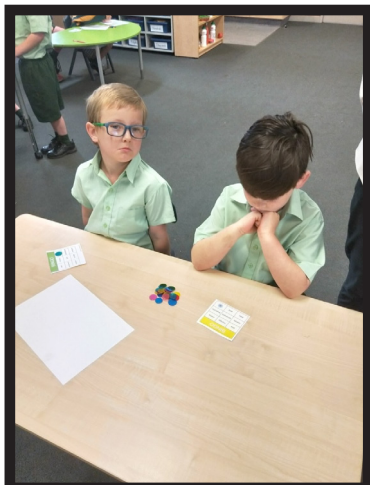
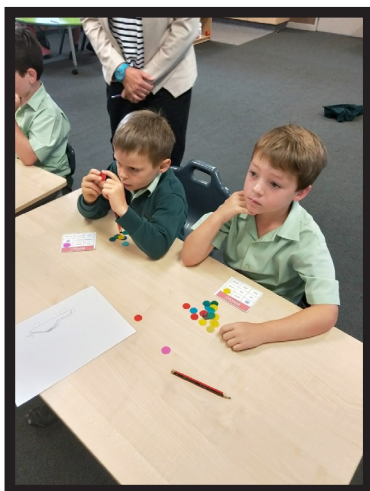
We can not wait to see you in a fortnight!

Our remaining dates are as follows:

- Monday November 16
- Monday November 23
- Monday November 30
- Monday December 7

All sessions will commence at 9.30am and conclude at 11.30am.





make exciting growth within their learning. I have been fortunate enough to have a class who has been able to teach me just as much as I have taught them this year, especially being in my first year out as a teacher. I look forward to enjoying the time together and the exciting learning and opportunities we have ahead of us for the remainder of Term 4.

SPELLING BEE

Last week our Spelling Bee winners and runners-up were determined. All teachers reported some very close competition and an improved effort from all students, which is fantastic!

Congratulations to the following:

- **Kinder Champion - Annabelle**
- **Kinder Runner Up - Katie**
- **Stage One Champion - Isabel**
- **Stage One Runner Up - Charlie**
- **Stage Two Champion - Annabelle**
- **Stage Two Runner Up - Chad**
- **Stage Three Champion - Peter**
- **Stage Three Runner Up - Rhianna**

Sadly due to COVID there will be no Regional or Diocesan competition this year.

AUSTRALIA READS

Australia Reads - November 1-12!

Australia Reads is a collaborative project between many Australian organisations aimed at lifting literacy rates and improving reading participation. In November, Australians of all ages and from all walks of

life are asked to share and celebrate the joys of reading.

Australian Reading Hour is being held on Thursday November 12. Everyone is invited to stop what they're doing for an hour, pick up a book and read.

More details can be found at <https://australiareads.org.au/>

**Ashley Borg
Principal**

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 guidelines, your child must be enrolled with the school PRIOR to starting transition days.

In addition, parents will only be able to drop children off and must sign in at the MacKillop Hall.

We welcome all parents to contact us on 6548 2035 or ashley.borg@mn.catholic.edu.au for further information on enrolling at St Joseph's for 2021.

Although this year has been an unexpected and extraordinary year, I am so proud of the way Stage 2 has been able to bounce back and

WEEKLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following award winners.

Week Three – Character Strength – Hope

Kindergarten - Jacob Hillhouse – for having a hopeful outlook and a positive and joyous persona

Stage 1 - Morgan Bates – for his enthusiasm and determination when practicing our school play

Noah Ridding – for displaying the strength of hope, by having an optimistic outlook for school at the beginning of each day

Stage 2 - Jye Bates – for his enthusiasm and determination when solving number patterns

Shyanne Beeney – for her optimistic outlook and working hard to achieve within her learning

Stage 3 - Ben Patterson - for demonstrating our focus of being in the right place at the right time

Bethany Wightman - for always looking on the bright side of life and being hopeful in all situations

Principal's Awards - Dridan Stanley: for making a good effort in settling into his new school

Johnathan Hillhouse: for a great effort with his research into Aboriginal fishing

Jacob Hillhouse: for settling into St Joseph's so well

Daniel Dallas: for a wonderful first week at St Joseph's.

Ringer for Term 4

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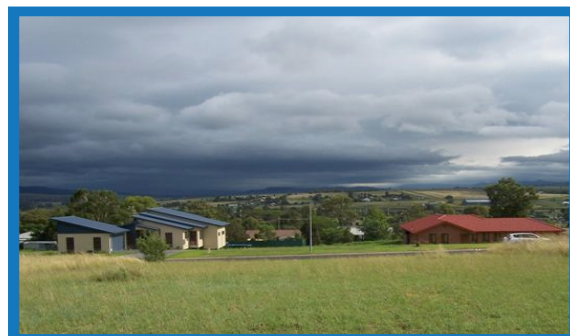


Situated just 15 minutes from Merriwa this 500 Acre (approximately) property is an ideal getaway or permanent home. The steel framed homestead has three large bedrooms, an open plan living area with a huge open fire, attached dining and a simple kitchen with a 900mm gas cooktop and oven. There are wraparound verandah's on all sides taking in the beautiful views of the Valley. Water is supplied via 44,000 litre's of storage plus a fully equipped windmill pumping to a tank. The Country ranges from fertile open grazing land to timbered ridge lines with approximately 200 acres cleared. There are three dams for stock. Included in the sale is a tractor, slasher, carry all and two quads. This property would be the perfect weekend escape as it has been for the current owners for over 35 years.

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- 1067sqm block
- All services connected
- Easy building site
- Quality new homes
- Excellent views
- Close to all amenities



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DIARY DATES

Eucharist each Sunday at 9.00am. Rev. Anastasia is here second and fourth Sundays and I will attend Eucharist the alternate weeks while she is in Denman. All are welcome.

Eucharist each Friday at 10.00am and we are back to Hospital and Hostel alternate weeks. Hallelujah! We can take communion to both places at 11.00am.

Rev Pat Kirkby

Upper Hunter Shire Council

STAY WATER WISE

Upper Hunter Shire Council has voted to remain on current water restrictions: Level 2 for Aberdeen, Murrurundi and Scone; and Level 1 for Merriwa and Cassilis.

Mayor Maurice Collison is asking residents to continue to be water-wise through summer.

"While good rain is forecast, don't be complacent," he said.

"Even before recent rains, residents have been doing really well, with water consumption in most towns dropping around 20% compared to last year. Since the pipeline to Murrurundi was completed in May 2020, ending years of high restrictions, the town is using more water but not a lot more," Cr Collison said.

More information on water restrictions : <https://upperhunter.nsw.gov.au/our-services/water-and-sewage/water-restrictions.aspx>

REDUCING GREENHOUSE EMISSIONS IN THE UPPER HUNTER SHIRE

Upper Hunter Shire Council operations were responsible for 12,309 tonnes of CO2 emissions in one year (2018/2019) and Council is taking actions to reduce them

These greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions included those from waste management at landfills (45%), use of electricity (street lighting accounted for more than 7% of emissions), transport fuels (15%), water services (4%), and even paper used in the offices (0.7%).

"No one is turning off the street lights, but clearly there's ways to do better," Mayor Maurice Collison said.

"With that baseline emissions figure and knowing what it's made up of, Council can now create a

REFLECTION PENTECOST 23 - Matthew 25:1-13

The parable of the bridesmaids follows Jesus' warnings about the end when many will fall away from faith and the faithful will be hated by the world.

The parable teaches all would-be followers of Jesus the importance of vigilance in an uncertain time and illustrates how one is able to 'endure to the end'.

The teaching of the wise and foolish maids builds on the previous teaching of the wise and foolish servants. Both parables illustrate the need to live in a manner that expects the return of the Lord even when the return is delayed.

The banquet itself is symbolic of any wedding in first century Israel where some bridesmaids are prepared for the groom and enjoy the banquet while others are excluded by their own lack of preparedness. Wedding festivities typically lasted seven days and the processes of the bride and groom marked the beginning of the joyous event. In this story it is expected that the bridesmaids would await the arrival of the bridegroom and greet him with a procession of light in the darkness. Presumably the bridesmaids are waiting either at the bride's home for the groom to come and fetch her, or at the home of the groom's family where the wedding would take place. All the maids would have lamps lit in eager expectation of the groom's appearance. Due to the delay of the groom and the late hour the bridesmaids would have fallen asleep. The wise brought extra oil for their lamps. Both groups knew that the groom was coming and waited with their lamps burning, but only half considered that the wait in the darkness might be longer than anticipated. The horror of the foolish is universal. Where would they buy oil at this time of night!

The earliest readers of the Gospel have already entered the dark days after the crucifixion and resurrection and have begun waiting for Christ's return. This parable challenges us all to be vigilant and live in anticipation of the Lord's coming.

Love and blessings, from Rev Pat.

strategy to reduce emissions, and eventually be carbon neutral."

In 2017 Upper Hunter Shire pledged to become a "climate champion" as part of the Cities Power Partnership program, and then developed the Upper Hunter Shire Sustainability Action Plan 2018 – 2021, which includes specific sustainability objectives and measurable actions. Most recently Council has committed to becoming carbon neutral by 2030.

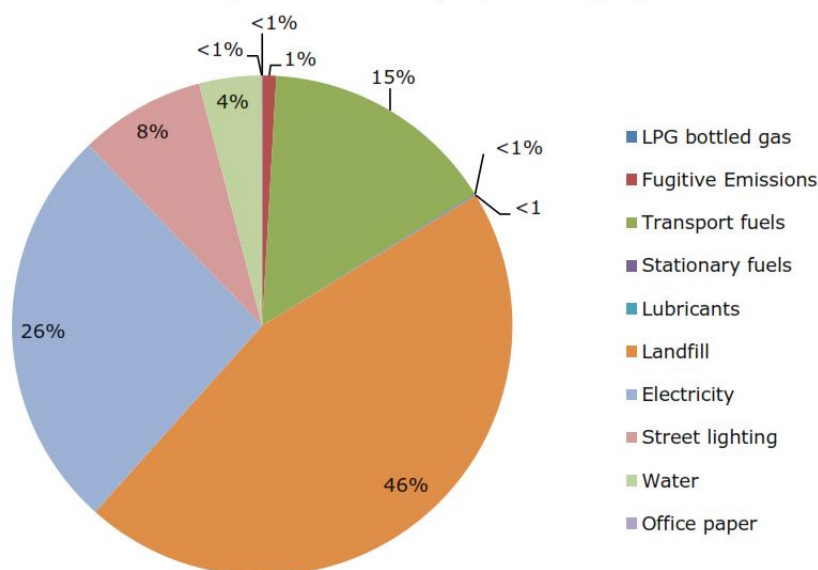
You can read the 'Corporate Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory' prepared by consultants, Ironbark Sustainability, which establishes Council's emissions baseline and a science-

manage their own libraries and staff, to meet the needs of their local communities. Therefore both Councils have agreed to dissolve the Upper Hunter Library Network that has been in operation since 2010.

The decision was supported by Councillors at Upper Hunter Shire's ordinary general meeting tonight, and at Muswellbrook at their September meeting.

Mayor Maurice Collison said dissolving the network would allow for better utilisation of resources such as staff time and provide each Council with greater autonomy to manage its

GHG emissions profile summary by sector [%]



own library services and collections.

For library members there will be few changes. Members can still borrow from other libraries including Muswellbrook and Denman. There will still be the enormous catalogue available and digital resources including Borrowbox, and family history resources Find My Past and Ancestry.

Each Council will be responsible for the purchase, processing and management of its own collections and managing a collection website and promotions.

Climate Clever – measure and compare your carbon footprint

derived target in line with Council's ambition to achieve carbon neutral status by 2030. HERE

The next step is creating a GHG emissions reduction strategy with ongoing monitoring. Funding is available to Council through Sustainability Advantage for the development of this strategy.

Emissions reduction aims to keep global temperature increase below 2°C compared to preindustrial temperatures, as described in the Fifth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC).

WHEN IN DOUBT, GO TO THE LIBRARY

There are some changes taking place in the way Upper Hunter Shire Council and Muswellbrook Shire Council manage library resources, but it won't change the great resources and services available free to every library member.

In the future the Councils will independently

Upper Hunter Shire Council has joined the ClimateClever Initiative to help the community take action on climate change and lower energy and water bills, through use of an interactive App.

Using the ClimateClever online platform, schools, households and soon businesses can easily measure and compare their consumption, costs and carbon footprint from energy, water and waste.

Ringer Deadline!

*Please remember to place
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Community Notice Board

Merriwa Rugby League

Football Club

As advertised on social media,

You all are invited to:

Merriwa Rugby League Football Club Annual General Meeting.

When: At 3.00pm - Sunday November 8

Where: Merriwa RSL Club in the boardroom and/or games room

All positions will be declared vacant.

Please come along.

Jessyca Morgan

Australia Day Nominations

AUSTRALIA DAY NOMINATIONS FOR 2021 CLOSE THIS FRIDAY!

If you know someone who deserves to be recognised for their hard work within your community, make sure you nominate them for one of the below awards!

Awards for the four districts include:

- Citizen of the Year
- Community Group of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Achiever and Young Achiever of the Year
- Sustainability in Business and Environmental Achievement (Merriwa and Cassilis District only)

Nominations close THIS Friday, November 6, 2020.

Forms are available from Merriwa Administration Centre and on Council's website.

Tash Taaffe

Congratulations

Congratulations to all the students in the past weeks for all their hard work. It is a credit to you for all your hard work that has gotten you to receive the awards you have received so far. Keep it up.

Hylt Cronin

Merriwa Rotary

THE NSW VARIETY CLUB BASH

Planning continues for this event....certainly made more complex than in the past, because of the need to fit in with Covid 19. Rotary Merriwa will be providing lunch for the crews as they pass through on the first leg of the 2020 tour. At last count, we shall be catering for 250 crew members and officials as they head on for an overnight stay in Mudgee.

At our last meeting we had the pleasure of hosting the current manager of the Merriwa Multipurpose Service, James Sneesby who is here for a three month term in the position....up until the long-awaited appointment of a permanent manager.

The weekly meetings of our club have now returned to their pre-Covid location, the Sports Club. Our thanks to the RSL Club and to our caterer Kylie, for their being able to provide venues for the Club dinner meetings.

The Rotary Melbourne Cup Calcutta. (We haven't adopted the new/old name "Kolkata" as yet).

Unfortunately it will not be happening in these Covid times. We hope to have it again in 2021.

Mark Smith

Merriwa CWA

OUR NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be on Monday November 9, 2020 at 10.00am at the CWA rooms. 159 Bettington Street, Merriwa.

New members are always welcome. So why not drop in and say hello.

Enquiries to: Barbara Campbell on 6548 5131 or 0428 485 131 or Kim Clydsdale on 6548 2558 or 0421 910 658.

The CWA rooms are available for hire (small groups, 15-20 people at the moment) at very reasonable rates by contacting Kim Clydsdale on 6548 2558 or 0421 910 658 or email me on kmclydsdale@gmail.com

Kim Clydsdale

Community Notice Board

Merriwa Pony Club

NOTICE OF AGM

Merriwa Pony Club will be holding their Annual General Meeting on Tuesday November 10, 2020 at 6.00pm at the Merriwa RSL Club.

All positions will be declared open.

De Patterson

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CHRISTMAS MEGA RAFFLE - DECEMBER 12 SAVE THE DATE

We will be holding a Christmas raffle on December 12 at the Merriwa Sports Club - Online attendance will be available to assist with COVID-19 measures. There will be 40+ prizes up for grabs - 20 Hams and 20+ mega surprise prizes. Stay tuned for more details.



Marlene Rogers

Merriwa Combined Churches

CAROLS IN THE PARK

The Combined Christian churches of merriwa wishes to advise that we will not be holding the annual Carols in the Park this year due to the ongoing health restrictions required by the nsw health department...

This is most a most unfortunate outcome and look forward to the event being staged in 2021 when it is hoped that the covet 19 restrictions will be lifted ..

Cr Ron Campbell

Merriwa District Progress Association

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Merriwa District Progress Association Inc. will be holding its Annual General Meeting at 6.00pm on Wednesday November 18, 2020 at the Merriwa RSL Club in the Games Room.

For further information, email merriwaprogress@gmail.com

Stephen Gowlland

Hunter Medical Practice

Covid-19 is still a concern for the global community. As more borders open across the country, we ask that you please remain vigilant with social distancing and hand hygiene. It is easy to forget that these measures are still necessary, but we still need to keep ourselves, our families, our neighbours, our friends, and our community safe.

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Dr Noman Jawaad

November

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The Merriwa Community News is available to charity groups or non-funded, not for profit organisations and anyone wishing to advise of a special event (birthday/anniversary/etc). If you would like to make use of this free service, please contact us before 12.00noon on Mondays.

Business

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- Christmas All Time Favourites Cookbook! The joy starts here! This is your ultimate guide to the best ever collection of drinks and nibbles, salads, mains, sides and desserts, so you can mix and match to suit your festivities to make a memorable feast for your family and friends. Pages of gorgeous pictures to inspire and plenty of tips and tricks to help the process from start to magnificent completion. This is a must have recipe book you will be proud to pull out each year for Christmas or even earlier than that!.

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5. Page format is to be A4, font is to be arial, 12pt. No images. For short stories and first-person narrative, double spaced please.
6. Entries to be in PDF or Microsoft Word format or a format easily read by either.
7. There is no limit on entries per person.
8. There is no entry cost.
9. Entries close at midnight December 11, 2020.
10. Each entry must, in some way, reference a newsagency. We are not being prescriptive as to how central a newsagency is to the story, song, or poem. We leave that up to the writer. But we do want there to be a reference at some point to a newsagency, any newsagency.
11. The decision of the judges will be final.
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13. newsXpress will publish the winning stories on its blog, crediting the writer.
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Megan Moore

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As restrictions are lifted these times may vary a little.

Once again I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your understanding and support during these strange and unusual times.

Please note some restrictions have been re-imposed and we can now only take bookings of up to ten people, this not only relates to meals but also meetings.

Matt Morgan

Merriwa Sports Club

BINGO

No bingo for the time being.

BOWLS

Casual Bowls available.

Twilight bowls started Friday October 23. Starting at 5.30pm, \$5.00 per person.

GOLF

Casual Golf available. Donations in honesty box.

CHINESE SMORGASBORD RESTAURANT

Chinese/Australian Restaurant closed Mondays and Tuesday, open for Dinner Wednesday to Sunday 5.00pm to 8.30pm. Open for lunch Wednesday to Sunday 12noon to 2.00pm.

For bookings and take away – 0460 817 606

WEEKEND RESULTS

Saturday Raffle - Saturday Raffles, tickets on sale from 6.30pm, draw starts at 7.30pm, limited prizes due to covid and social distancing.

CLUBS OPENING HOURS

Mondays 3.30pm till 6.00pm
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Thursday 3.30pm till 8.00pm
Fridays 3.30pm till 8.30pm
Saturdays 12.00pm till 8.30pm
Sundays 3.00pm till 8.00pm.

Just a reminder that everyone has to supply contact details when entering the club premises.

We would like to take the time to thank all our valued members and guest for your on going support during these strange times.

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Merriwa Little Athletics

Little Athletics was enjoyed by all last Monday with the excitement of practicing their skills at High jump, Javilin and long distance running.

By now all registrations should be done. If you have not yet registered please hop on line and register your child. Little Athletics rego's are \$75, kids active vouchers can be used. Registrations are easily done online at lansw.com.au Just click on register now, then join, or renew if you've joined before, and follow the prompts. If your having any trouble see Mel Bates at training on Monday night.

Merriwa Little Athletics would like to thank Scone Sports store for their support that they give our club, Thank You.

See you all Monday 5.30pm.



Merriwa Junior Rugby League

Our Annual General Meeting was held Sunday October 25. It was disappointing to see not many attended when we have eager Junior Magpies ready to play in 2021, they need a committee!

The following positions were filled:

President – VACANT

Snr Vice President – Bernard Constable

Jnr Vice President – Matt Mead

Secretary – VACANT

Treasurer – VACANT

Registrar – VACANT

Canteen Coordinator – Jane Constable

Publicity Officer - VACANT

An EGM has been set on Thursday November 5, Merriwa RSL@6.30pm.

Please consider taking on a role to get our Junior Magpies on the paddock in 2021. These positions NEED to be filled at the EGM or the club will sit out 2021. After 50yrs+ of Merriwa Junior League in our community it would be a great shame to see that happen after sitting out of the 2020 season.

If you have any questions about any of the roles on the committee please get in contact, there is plenty of help on offer, it's not that daunting!

A massive thank you to our outgoing committee members for your hard work and dedication to our club, it is greatly appreciated!

Fiona Morgan

Ringer Deadline!

*Please remember to place
your articles*

*and advertisements into the
Merriwa Ringer*

by Mondays, at 12.00 noon

Merriwa Touch Football

It is looking like touch football will go ahead in Merriwa for the 2020/21 season, I would like to thank the outgoing committee members for the hard work they have done in previous years and welcome the new committee for stepping up so that the season can go ahead.

Stephen Raines - Vice President

Lachlan Vaughan - Secretary and Ref Coordinator

Stacey Wilson - Treasurer

Mackenzie Blackadder - Junior Coordinator

Roy Morgan - COVID Marshall

If you have not done so already can you please ensure your teams are in by Friday 6 November as we would like the comp to begin on Wednesday 11 November. We have had a large number of junior members wishing to play which is very exciting to see. We would love to have a few more adult teams though!

Please bear with us while we work with NSW Touch Association to get the registration program running for our competition. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact a committee member.

Kate Morgan
Merriwa Touch Football President

POSITION VACANT YOUTH ASSISTANT (MERRIWA)

Part Time: 6 hours per week

This role will supervise young people attending youth activities, programs and events organised by Council's Youth Services Team and assist in the design, implementation and evaluation of activities, programs and events for young people utilising existing and potential resources.

Salary: \$984.80 - \$1103 per 38 hour week

Enquiries: Mary Spora, Youth Services Supervisor on 0439 090 891.

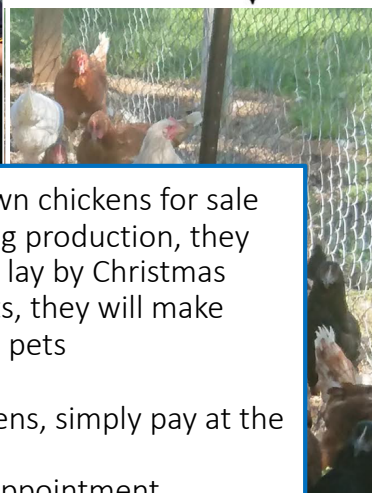
Applications close 4pm Monday, 9 November 2020

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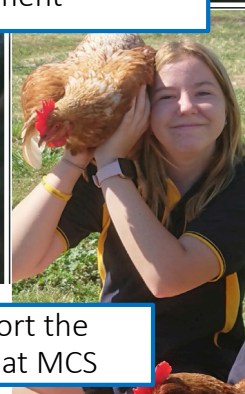


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