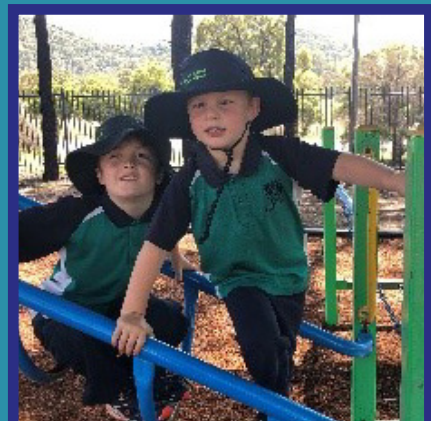


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WHAT'S INSIDE




Pest Alert
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A Walk Down Memory Lane

WITH JAMES CONSTABLE

THE CHINESE HEADSTONE ALONGSIDE THE MERRIWA HISTORICAL MUSEUM



Quite a good many years ago, Mick Nutt used to sharefarm the Brindley Park back paddock adjoining Avocado road. Joe Collins was ploughing the paddock and accidentally drove over a headstone in the long grass. The

headstone had Chinese inscription engraved into it, and sometime later, word got around about this old headstone which was broken and lying on the ground in pieces.



Ray Hopcraft, the works overseer for the Merriwa Shire Council, sent Nick Hiles and Ray Byfield out to retrieve the pieces and bring them back into town. Doug Russell drilled, dowelled and cemented the headstone back together. Doug's daughter, Noeleen copied the inscription and took it to the University she was attending to have the inscription deciphered. It was an ancient Chinese dialect and Noeleen had it printed out, and was mounted on the headstone under glass. Unfortunately the weather has gotten into it and is no longer readable. The headstone was placed along the western side of the museum on the corner of Bettington and Bow streets.

Many Chinese people worked for Brindley Park during the early years, however it's unknown what this man was employed as, but Chinese people were quite often employed as shepherds and it is likely he died on the site in which he was buried. It's unlikely we will ever know how he died.

I posted this story on the website: Merriwa and Cassilis: A History Of, on April 5, 2020 and Tim Burgess shared a photo of the inscription to his friend Eric Huang who was able to decipher most of what was written. Eric showed us the Chinese characters and translated for us. It reads in English Sir Chen's grave, year 1883, June. Upon these mountains and forests, Fujian Province.

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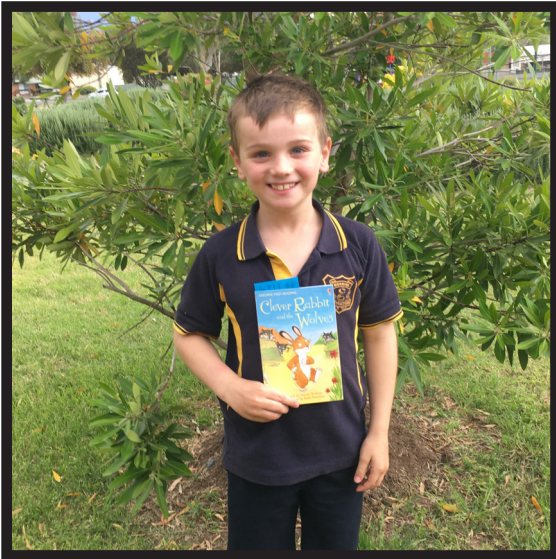
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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded 'Student of the Week' in Week 5.

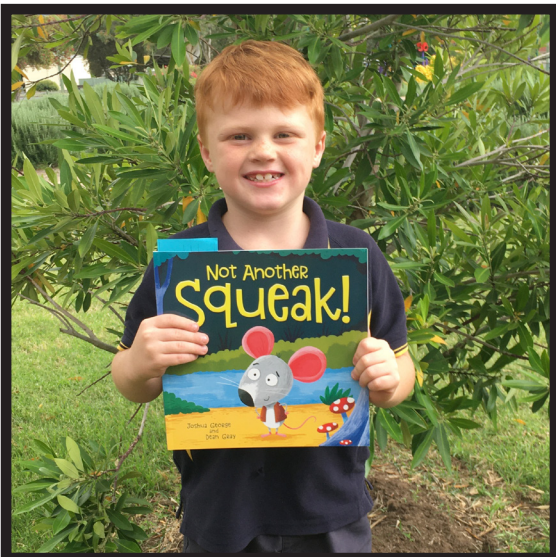
KINDERGARTEN

Nicholas Campbell - Wonderful manners and a helpful class member



YEAR 1

Conner Mead – Working hard in writing



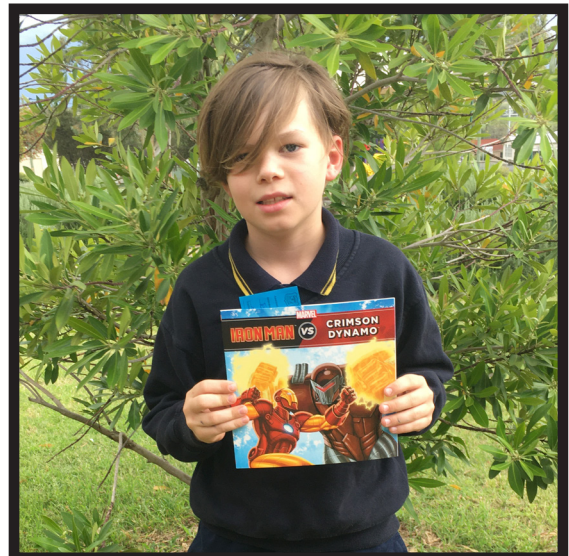
YEAR 2/3

Bella Telfer – Beautiful behaviour and effort in class



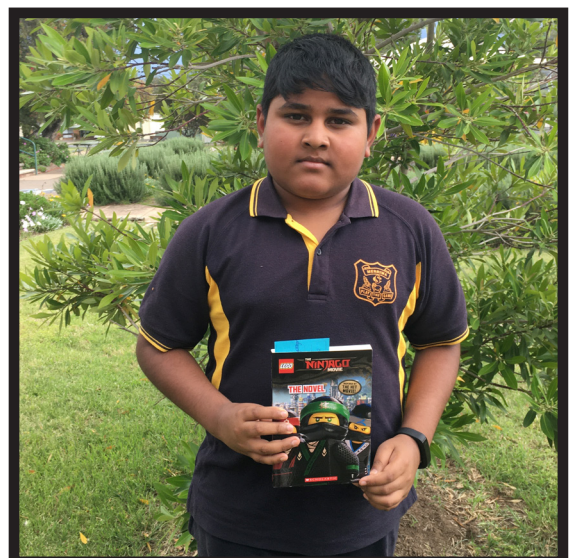
YEAR 3/4

Hayden Stanley – Working hard at his Fast Maths and going up a level each week



YEAR 4/5

Litharshan Uthayasangar – Lovely behaviour and work ethic



YEAR 5/6

Ella McDowell – Excellent work ethic across all areas



GOLD AWARD

Braith Hunt, Max Hourn, Ryleigh Anshaw, Jack Purcell



SILVER AWARD

Layla Thompson, Maggie Clark, Harrison Constable, Jai Wright, Hayden Stanley, Isaac Constable



BRONZE AWARD

Abby Bidner, Frances Isaac, Harrison Constable, Ashton Marchese, Darcy Clark



CLASS OF THE WEEK

Year 1 - Great improvement in skipping



PRIMARY REPORT

What a busy week! The primary campus celebrated NAIDOC Week on Tuesday with an out of uniform day and a sausage sizzle. All classes participated in NAIDOC inspired activities by designing boomerangs, listening to Dreamtime stories, learning an Aboriginal dance and making an Aboriginal flag inspired handprint.

On Wednesday Primary commemorated Remembrance Day with a service held at the Primary Campus. All classes created a wreath which was laid at the flags during the service.

Just a reminder to all students that the Primary canteen will only be opening on Fridays until the end of the year. Secondary Canteen remains open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for the remainder of the year.



REMEMBRANCE DAY

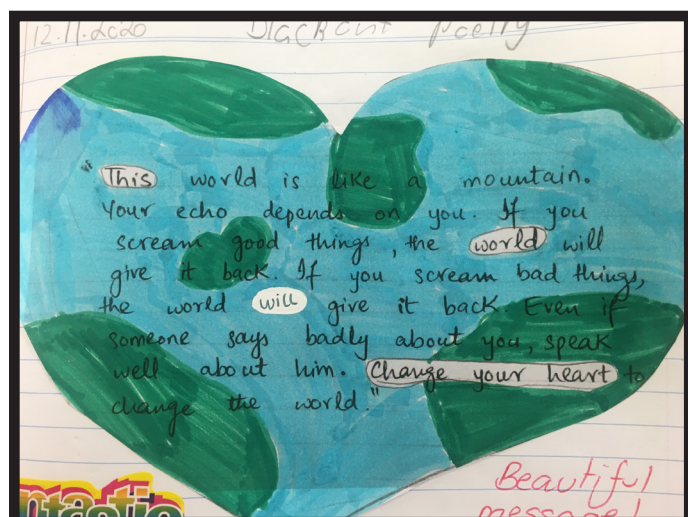
Primary have been learning about poetry and in particular learning about Blackout Poetry. Blackout Poetry uses a page of text from a book, website, newspaper, magazine or another poem. Students then scan the text for a word that jumps out at them. Once they circle that word, they identify other words that go with their anchor word. The poem they create does not have to have to have the same theme as the text itself. Students then circle all of the words, using arrows to direct the reader (if needed), and blackout the background with either solid colour or an image that reflects the poem. Here are some wonderful examples of this type of poetry.

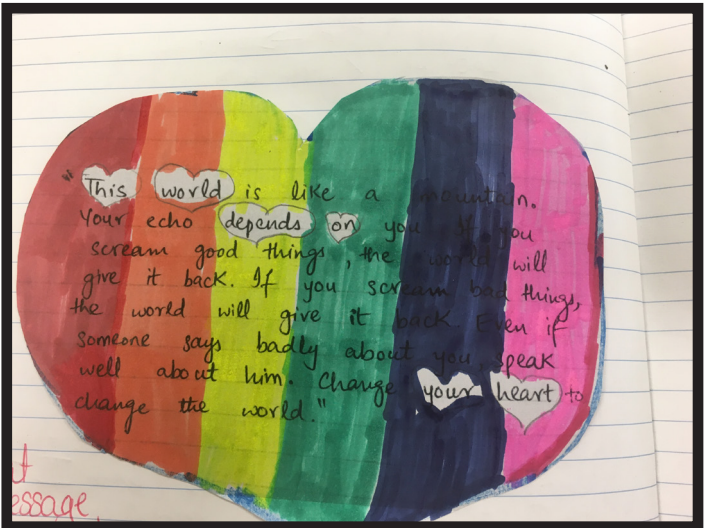
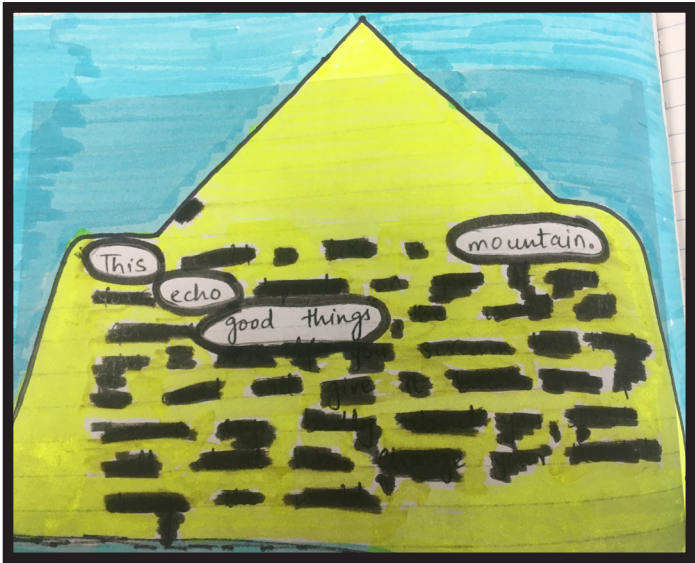
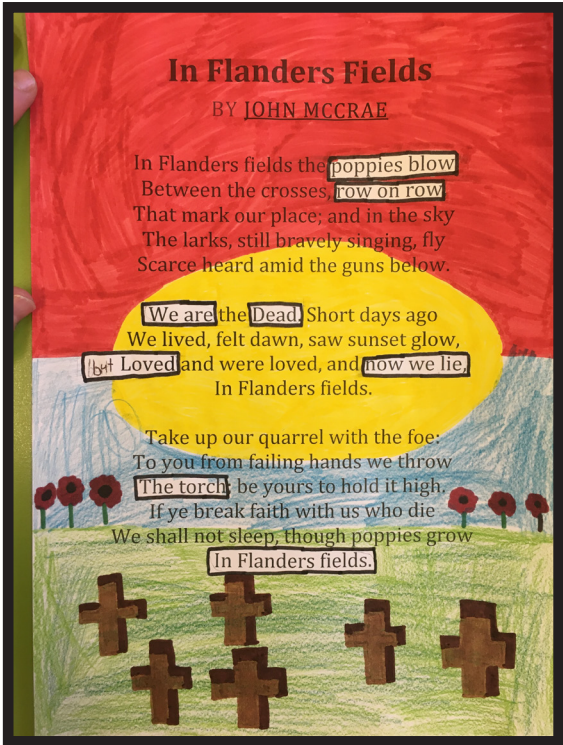
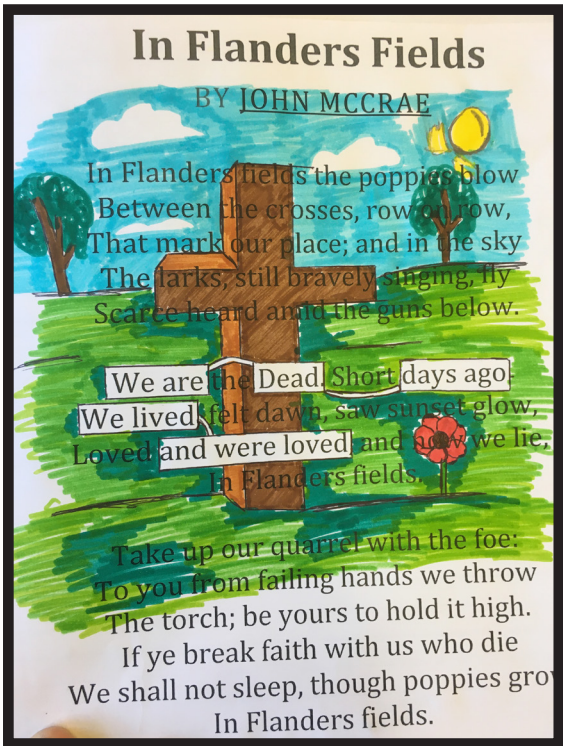
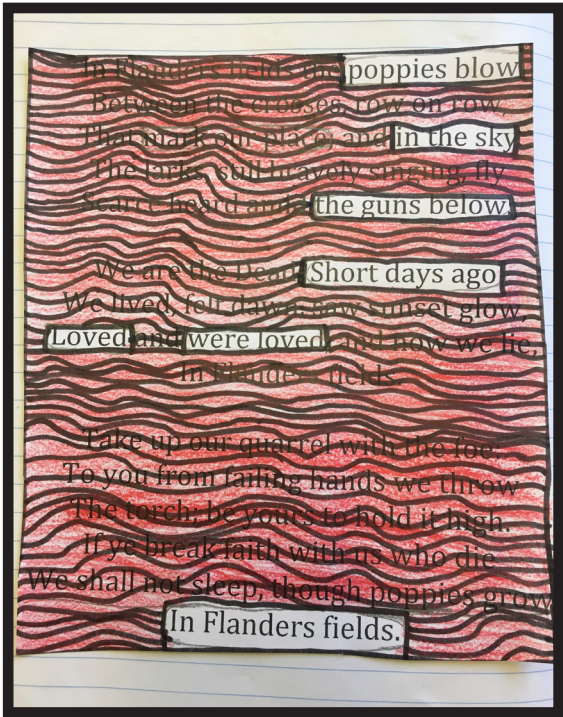
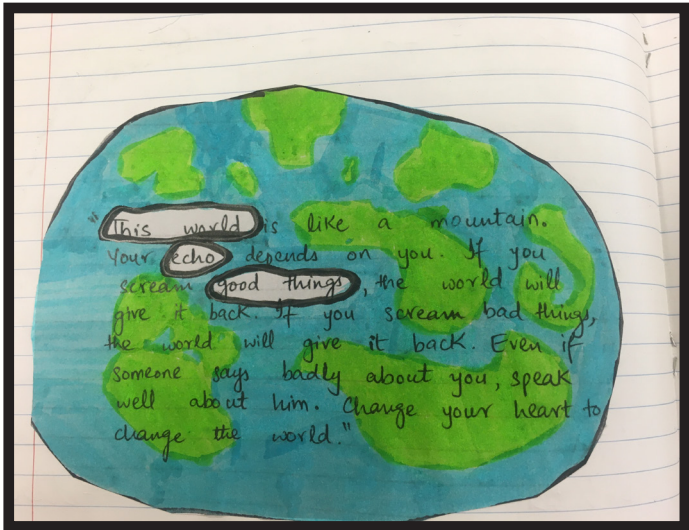


SURF LIFE SAVING

On Thursday we had the Surf Life Saving Beach to Bush program come and visit the 2/3 and 4/5 classes. They taught students about ways to be safe when swimming and things to look out for at the beach. Students learnt about rip tides, how to identify them and what to do if you are ever caught in one. Both classes thoroughly enjoyed this visit and learnt a lot.

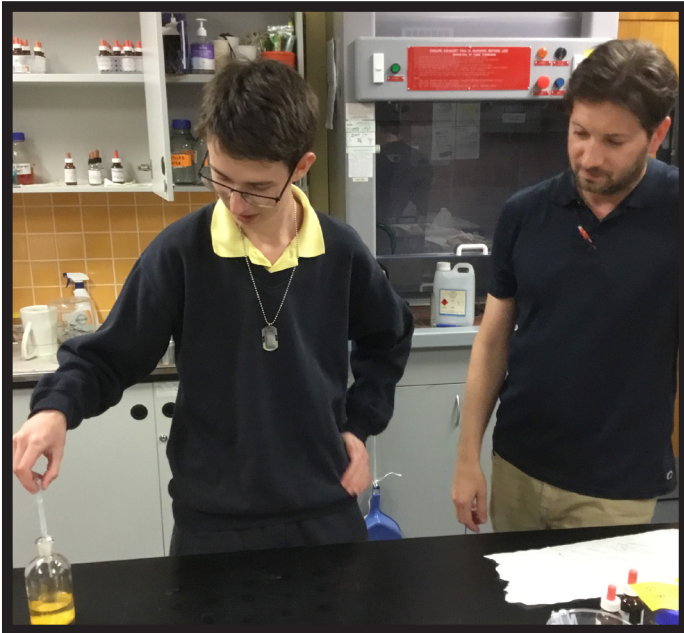
POETRY





Secondary CHEMISTRY

Students investigated the solubility of reagents to determine what combinations are insoluble and to calculate to what extent various substances are soluble in water. This aspect of chemistry is relevant to pharmaceutical, agricultural and industrial processes in the real world.



Daniel Berzsenyi
Class Teacher

YEAR 7 TRANSITION

Last Thursday November 12, Year 6 students participated in day three of the Year 7 Transition Program.

Students engaged in activities for Geography, Food Technology, Agriculture and Careers and they had a smile on their faces all day.

They learnt about the many school operations that occur in Secondary school and interacted with their peers at recess and lunch.

To end the day, they were given the challenge of completing a school scavenger hunt. They worked in small groups of three and had 38 questions to answer based on the school and the teachers. All students were actively engaged and learnt many things through investigation.

I would like to wish all the Year 6 students a happy Term 4 and summer holidays and I look forward to greeting them all Day 1 in 2021.



CAREER NEWS

Australian Design Centre Workshops and Events

Check out the wide range of events and creative workshops on offer.

There is always something going on at ADC, pop in to get inspired soon. Follow our pages on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter to keep up to date.

Make the most of your trip to the Australian Design Centre with our free daily exhibition tours. Our friendly gallery staff will introduce you to our current exhibitions, gallery space and Object Shop.

Find out what's on here: Call on us on 9361 4555 to make a booking or register at the front desk 10mins prior to tour time.

<https://australiandesigncentre.com/latestnews/events/>

2021 Expressions of Interest for NSW Voice - UN

Voice invites you to solve issues that affect your community, nation, and the world. From homelessness to climate change, we want to hear you pitch your big ideas.

Why compete in Voice?

Develop skills in public speaking and research!

Hone your ability to think on your feet, assisting you in leadership positions or debating competition in the future.



Anna Sansom
Year 7 Adviser 2021

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

ELISHA DRURY

FAVOURITE SUBJECT: I have three. History because it is fascinating and I enjoy learning about the past, Visual Arts for creating things, and English because it helps me improve my written work

BEST PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT: Being voted into the SRC again for 2021

CAREER ASPIRATIONS: I am not sure yet

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: NA

YEAR ADVISOR COMMENT: Elisha has proven herself to be a reliable and approachable student to her teachers as well as to her peers who elected her as the Year 9 SRC representative once again for 2021.

Andrew Buchan - Year Advisor



Build an increased knowledge about areas pertinent to you as students.

A chance to meet likeminded and engaged young people.

The competition is split into two parts — the Pitch and Question Time.

We encourage anyone in Year 11 and 12 who is interested in public speaking and real world problem solving to participate in the 2021 Voice Competition!

<https://unyouth.org.au/event/voice-nsw/>

53-Word Story Contest

It's free, it's fun, and the winner gets published in Prime Number Magazine and receives a free book from Press 53. Be sure to subscribe to our email updates for free. You'll receive an email on the first day of each month with our winning story and the prompt for our next contest.

Open to writers around the world who write in English

Open for entries the first day of each month

Deadline for entries is the 15th day of each month

(due to the number of stories we are receiving each month, we need more time to read!)

Winner will be announced on the first day of each month along with our new prompt

Email your 53-word story to 53wordstory@gmail.com

<https://www.press53.com/53word-story-contest>

Learn to dive! - PADI Open Water Diver Course

PADI - The way the world learns to dive.

Abyss Scuba Diving offers numerous PADI courses ranging from introductory scuba diving certification classes to specialty classes which can teach you about things like Wreck Diving and Enriched Air Diving. The range of dive courses includes Freediving, Technical diving and Instructor level training.

<https://www.abyss.com.au/en/dive-courses>

Carecareers In NSW

Are you looking for a career that helps you meet your goals while helping others to achieve theirs? If so, this is a great place to start.

In NSW, more new jobs are being created in

Disability, Community and Aged Care than in any other sector. It's an exciting time as the sector is expanding and helping to transform the lives of those in the community

<https://www.carecareers.com.au/carecareers-in-nsw/>

Disability Jobs In NSW

If you are looking for entry-level vacancies in front line support, you will need to search for jobs with titles like these:

Direct Care Worker

Disability Support Worker

Lifestyle Support Worker

Personal Care Assistant

<https://www.carecareers.com.au/page/disability-jobs-in-nsw>

Enterprising Girls Challenge

Closes December 14

Each challenge focuses on different element of design thinking and will set you on the road to becoming an entrepreneur. Best of all the completion of each challenge will put you in the running to win a \$100 voucher from Sportsgirl! Yup. Complete one challenge for one chance to win, complete two for two chances - you get it. Now get to it!

<https://enterprisinggirls.com.au/enterprising-challenges/>

2021 Business and Accounting Programs - Macleay

Wednesday November 25 2020

Time: 4.00 pm (AEDT) 3.00pm (AEST) for one hour

Location: Zoom (Session details sent upon registration) Macleay College is pleased to invite you to attend an information session for our 2021 Business and Accounting programs.

This session is designed for careers advisors, students and parents to find out more about the unique features of Macleay's personalised learning environment, our strong industry connections and our focus on practical, skills-based learning.

Please extend this invitation to any students who may be aspiring entrepreneurs or who are considering further studies in business or accounting.

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Harvest Trail Information Service

Not sure which provider to contact in your area? Whether you are looking for harvest work or needing to hire workers, you can call the Harvest Trail Information Service (HTIS) Monday to Friday 8.00am to 8.00pm on 1800 062 332 for advice.

<https://jobsearch.gov.au/harvest/providers/harvest-trail-information-service>

Find out if harvest work is right for you and how to apply for jobs

From grape harvesting in the Hunter Valley to mango picking in Darwin... you could be among the thousands of people who find work each year helping to bring in Australia's fruit and vegetable harvests.

Harvest jobs are available across Australia – but please don't go directly to farms.

<https://jobsearch.gov.au/harvest>

Like some variety in your career? Employers are now looking for Landscape Apprentices for 2021

Landscaping is a rich and rewarding career, where no two days are the same. Landscaping careers fall into three different fields: landscape construction, landscape maintenance (parks and gardens), and landscape design. The Landscape Association can connect students with businesses looking to take on an apprentice in your area, visit:

www.landscapeassociation.com.au/careers/

Tocal (NSW DPI) Scholarship Program

Closes November 25

Applications may be considered but cannot be guaranteed. For more info please go to:

<https://www.tocal.nsw.edu.au/students/future-students/financial-assistance>

Jane Hegarty
Careers Advisor

P AND C NEWS

Merriwa Central School P and C Association held its AGM last night, Tuesday November 17. Elected to the executive committee were: President Hollie Hunt, Vice Presidents Nyssa Caban and Sarah Bidner, Treasurer Emma Douglas, Secretary Talitha Sawley and Fundraising Officer Libby Gear. This was our final meeting of 2020. We will kick off the new year with our first meeting on February 2, 2021.

Please consider coming along and being a part of our P and C (\$2.00 membership fee). Meetings occur on the first Tuesday of the month at 6.30pm at the RSL Club.

The P and C would also like to acknowledge and thank MCS primary staff members for organising the recent Surf Life Saving visit to the school and the fantastic NAIDOC day celebrations and BBQ. The students were very excited to be a part of these activities.

Thank you also to secondary teacher Anna Sansom for her work as Year 12 Adviser during what has been a very challenging year, and to both Anna and Emma Piper for their work in organising the Year 12 end of year celebration. Best wishes and good luck to Year 12 as they farewell their school days with a special Twilight Dinner.

Talitha Sawley

WANTED

HOUSE FOR RENT

3-4 Bedroom

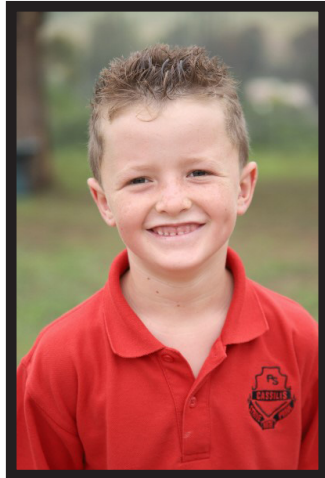
From January 2021

School teacher's residence

Leave contact details at Merriwa Central School Office on 6548 2119.



Cassilis Public School



STUDENT OF THE WEEK - PAUL ANDERSON

Paul was awarded the Student of the Week for his effort to stay on task and determination to complete work. He was respectful to all staff and students by actively listening.

Paul wears his correct school uniform each

day and comes to school prepared for learning. Paul was able to bounce back during the week which was wonderful. He got a sweaty brain working out some challenging maths tasks including polygons. Paul was determined to draw his design for his long stitch and didn't give up.

Paul came and helped Mrs Nairne in the library and was a great help in Angus's absence. She noticed he put lots of effort into listening to Kristy on Friday and joining in the activities. He worked with on his IEP lessons on 'time' and he was really focused and respectful. When Mrs Nairne listened to him read he was using his known strategies to work out unknown words.

Congratulations Paul on your efforts and achievements. You should feel very proud of yourself.

WELCOME, MRS KATE JONES

Cassilis is very happy to welcome teacher, Kate Jones, to our school for the remainder of 2020. Mrs Jones will be supporting both staff and students in various ways over the five weeks. This is a wonderful opportunity for our school as Mrs Jones brings a wealth of experience and enthusiasm.

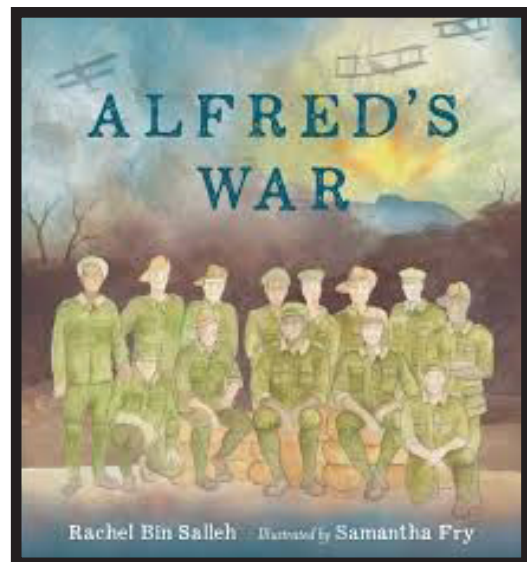
NAIDOC WEEK

Last week students and staff spent a fabulous and very valuable week focusing on our rich and unique heritage of this land. Activities included watching a special 'Acknowledgment of Country' on Playschool, listened to, discussed and wrote about Alfred's War and listened to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

talk about their special connection to a place.



Alfred's War is a powerful story that unmask the lack of recognition given to Australian Indigenous servicemen who returned from the WWI battle lines. Alfred was just a young man when he was injured and shipped home from France. Neither honored as a returned soldier or offered government support afforded to non-Indigenous servicemen, Alfred took up a solitary life walking the back roads – Billy tied to his swag, finding work where he could.



Levi wrote:

Alfred went to the Great War and was injured so he had to go home. He felt sad because his thought about his friends who were killed and he wasn't recognised for his efforts.

Skylah wrote:

Alfred went to the War when he was young and came home with a wounded leg which hurt when he walked and on cold days.

Every ANZAC Day he remembered his friends who he had fought with. Alfred would often have bad dreams about his friends being hurt in the battle fields.

It was sad that the Government didn't recognise his efforts in the war.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are culturally and spiritually connected to the land. Students explored stories from several different people in a special video and then were given the task to write about one of these stories and then to go to a place where you know yourself and this place knows you.

Olivia wrote:

Miranda loves the land in and around Darwin. Even though she now lives in a different spot, she feels connected and at home in the Northern Territory near the sea.

I feel safe and calm when I go to the State Forrest near my old house because I love to explore and hear and see nature.

LEST WE FORGET

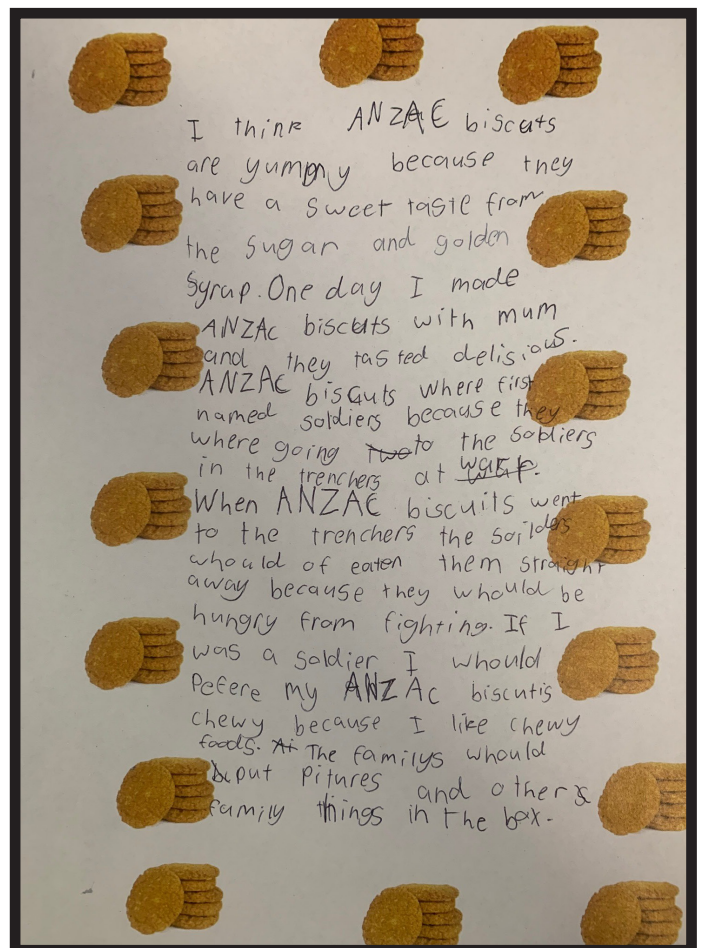
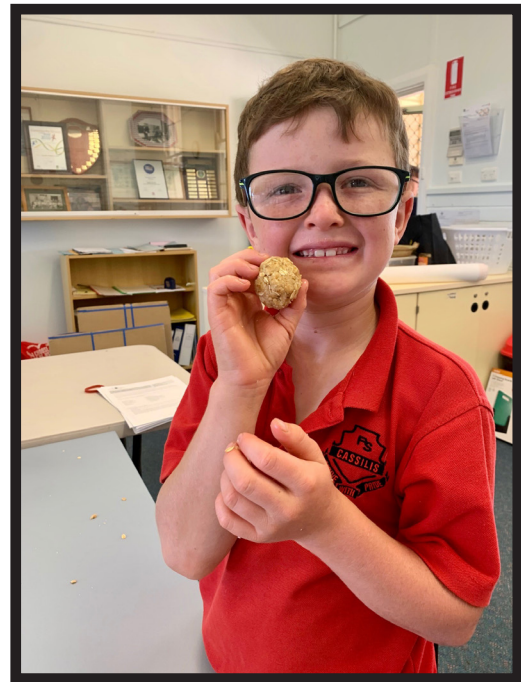


Last Wednesday, our school remembered all who volunteered, sacrificed, served, fought and died for our freedom.

Well done to Ben, Levi and Olivia for leading the school assembly so well and to all students for showing perfect respect during the assembly.



During the week students learnt more about the significance of Remembrance Day, the history of ANZAC biscuits and how easy they are to make and read numerous emotional stories about war.



Katie Burgess
Principal



Sandy Hollow Public School

POSITIVE EDUCATION

Today our school celebrated Positive Education Day. Our students and teachers Coloured Their Threads for Pos Ed and wore colourful clothing to make Positive Education visible.

This year's theme is From Strength to Strength in Tough Times and we have been focussing on character strengths - our own strengths, and the strengths of those around us, which have helped us get through a difficult year and support one another.



Sandy Hollow Public School has had a focus on Positive Education over the last couple of years, and it will feature in the 2021-2024 new School Improvement Plan. Our Strength Superhero award is part of this initiative.

We're excited that this day will raise awareness and understanding of Positive Education and encourage students, teachers, families and the community to learn and talk about how to grow their own wellbeing, and support the wellbeing of those around them.

STRENGTH OF THE WEEK: BRAVERY

Taylan was chosen for this award because he always speaks up for what he believes in.

Well done, Taylan!

Not shrinking from threat, challenge, difficulty, or pain; speaking up for what you believe is right even if there's opposition.

This week's focus strength is 'Bravery'.

This week and over the next week we will be focusing on this strength. Students

will be encouraged to look for it happening at school and staff will be looking for this strength in



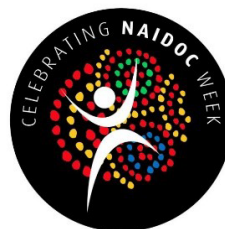
the way the children interact with each other. Our Character Strength Super Hero this week is Taylan.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

The second stage of our Kindergarten Orientation Program took place last Friday. Our new Kindergarten students were finally allowed to come to school and explore, play, and learn. They had a wonderful time getting to know the older students and staff. We look forward to seeing them all again next week.



NAIDOC WEEK



**Always Was,
Always Will Be.**
8-15 NOV 2020

Next week is NAIDOC week. The theme for this year's NAIDOC week is Always Was, Always Will Be. Always Was, Always Will Be recognises that Aboriginal people have occupied and cared for this continent for over 65,000 years.

SHPS students will celebrate the week by participating in various activities both in class and out of class. We will have a bush tucker lunch of Kangaroo Spaghetti and Johnny Cakes and will be playing indigenous games during

the week.

AWARDS

- **Zara** - for excellent writing about what Remembrance Day means to her
- **Isabelle** - YCDI - Organisation- for always being organised and prepared to complete all work
- **Za'Kiah** - for trying her best at every task
- **Harry** - YCDI - Getting Along - doing a great job sharing with his peers.



What Remembrance Day means to me

My great, great, great grandfather went to World War One and never came back. That made me really sad when dad told me. I still remember him on Remembrance Day when I stand for the one-minute silence.

Remembrance Day marks the anniversary of the end of World War One in 1918. Each year on the 11th of November, Australians observe one minute's silence at 11am, in memory of those who suffered in all wars and armed conflicts.



SILVER AWARD RECIPIENTS

- Za'Kiah
- Charlie

COLOUR EXPLOSION

Thank you to all students and families who gained sponsorship for our Colour Explosion. We raised a huge \$2353.00. What an amazing effort for a small school! The money raised will go towards our annual Learn to Swim program.

Jane Fuiono
Relieving Principal



SPORTSPERSON OF THE WEEK

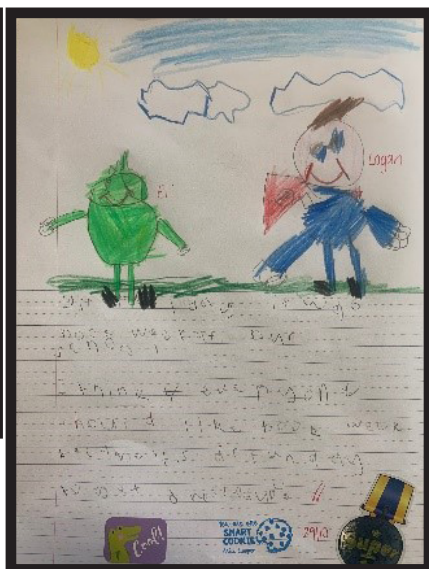
Mikaela - Excellent participation in whole school sport



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Mikayla - Doing a fantastic job organising sports equipment.

WORKERS OF THE WEEK



Ringer Deadline!

*Please remember to place
your articles
and advertisements into
the
Merriwa Ringer
by Mondays, at 12.00 noon*



St Joseph's Primary School

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Week Six of Term Four sees St Joseph's halfway through Wellbeing Week. This week, which was more officially established last year, gives the opportunity for both students and staff to engage in activities to improve or maintain good mental health and wellbeing within the school.

We acknowledge that this time of year is extremely busy for teachers and students, with assessments, reports for staff to write, as well as the busyness of school, especially with everything which has happened in the last two weeks, but this week is a good opportunity for staff to finish earlier than they usually would, go for a long overdue walk, play tennis (which some of our staff do thanks to the Merriwa Tennis Club Spring Comp) and spend quality time together as a staff, possibly off site.

Students will hopefully enjoy the no homework and fun activities which have been planned for the week, which have included yoga, drawing, story time and disco. We hope that students appreciate the work the teachers put in to make their days at St Joseph's as fun as possible, whilst achieving higher standards of academics.

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! Another fun time was had by the children and they are slowly getting used to our routines in a COVID safe environment.

They had a beautiful morning with Miss Brazier and Mrs Hagley, who asked them what they enjoyed.

Bradley - I liked writing my name.

Ahana - I liked playing!

Ahman - It's a good Catholic School.

Paddy - I liked drawing frogs

Darcy - I liked the Milkshake on Go Noodle.

Jayden - I liked playing on the playground.

We can not wait to have our parents on site for a transition meeting next week.

Our remaining dates are as follows:

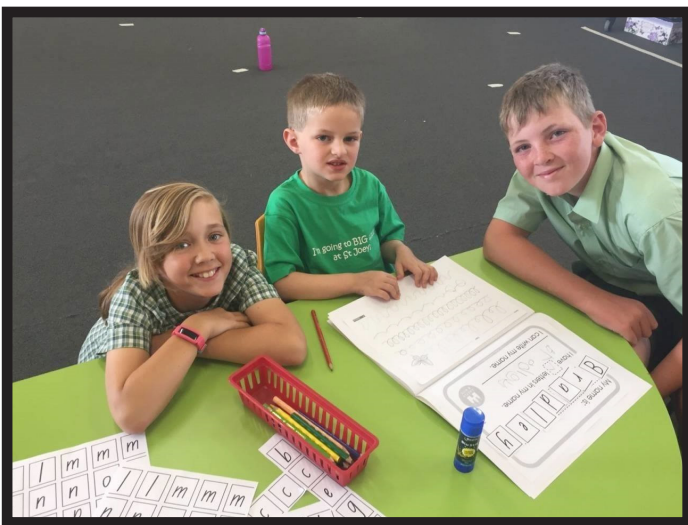
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- Monday November 30
- Monday December 7

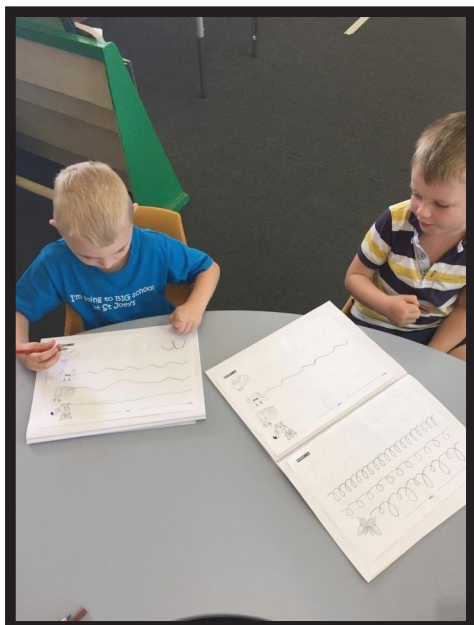
All sessions will commence at 9.30am and conclude at 11.30am.

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

If you are not sure where to send your child next year or if you are looking for a fresh start, please contact Mr Borg on 6548 2035, or at admin@merriwa.catholic.edu.au to see where we can help you get the best out of your child's highly important education.

#joeyskidsrock





BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT MATRIX

Tuesday night, we hosted parents for the first time in an official capacity since COVID-19 restrictions to explain and introduce the newly created Behaviour Matrix.

At St Joseph's, learning comes first and we aim to decrease the time lost in children's important learning due to disruptive behaviour.

In a nutshell, the Restorative Justice Triangle, was the basis for the Matrix. It now gives teachers a more streamlined process for dealing with issues which arise in the playground and the flow charts, which are placed in each classroom, give students a better understanding and a more consistent feel to rewards and consequences.

St Joseph's chooses a "reward first" stance to behaviour. We are engaging with Positive Behaviours for Learning (PB4L) lessons and protocols and have been working closely with Mr Craig Moore, behavioural specialist at the Catholic Schools Office. Each fortnight, a behaviour focus is chosen and explicitly taught by staff. We can not expect students to conform to behaviours if they do not learn what we expect, just like all academic learning.

The behaviours we have been focusing on at St Joseph's in Term Four are:

1. Right Place, Right Time
2. Be Ready to Learn
3. Demonstrate Self-Control (safe hands, feet and words)
4. Be Responsible for My Choices
5. Be Respectful of Other's Space

When students are seen by a staff member demonstrating these behaviours, they are rewarded with a Gotcha, move up the Learning Ladder in class and a generally given verbal praise by the staff.

Each week, our jar, which is getting more full from the wonderful behaviours students are demonstrating, comes to assembly and a prize winner is drawn.

We are also, taking a non-negotiable stance to circumstances where behaviour choices are not to the standards we set. A more consistent approach will ensure a safer and happier place for all.

We hope that all parents will support our increased stance, not only in rewarding our students who are consistently performing to high standards, but for those who require more

assistance with their behavioural choices.



PLAY PERFORMANCE SUCCESS

In this year like no other, COVID restrictions did not stop our talented students perform for the St Joseph's community!

On Wednesday November 11, our students pre-recorded the play, with Mrs Kerrigan, from ASPIRE and Mr Hattam, from the Learning Technology unit at the Catholic Schools Office, assisting during the week to ensure the best possible result.

Students worked extremely hard with their teachers for such a long time and this was reflected in an outstanding production, which we hope all families have been able to enjoy.

For the first time, we were unable to have an audience, which to some extent, may have taken the atmosphere away from the day's performance, but all of the students were magnificent, had a lot of fun and displayed a professionalism beyond their years to produce a terrific performance, which looks great on video!

Thank you to Mrs Anna Kerrigan and Ms Montana Doyle (ASPIRE), Mr Marc Hattam (CSO), Mr Jake McIntyre (Sound), the Merriwa School of Arts, the students and the teachers, in particular, Mrs

Peebles, whose drive, dedication and passion for the Creative Arts shines through year on year to continue to produce fantastic results and outcomes for our students.





REMEMBRANCE DAY

Thank you to Mrs Hagley, Grace (School Captain) and Peter (Vice-Captain), for representing the school with distinction at the Remembrance Day commemoration at the Merriwa RSL Sub-Branch. I received some wonderful feedback about the student's conduct and their excellent manners, which continues to put St Joseph's in a positive light in the community.

St Joseph's also held a short ten-minute commemorative liturgy at the School of Arts, which we thank Mrs Hagley for organising and William C and Bethany for facilitating.

Lest we Forget.

Merriwa Ringer



2021 SCHOOL CAPTAIN NOMINATIONS

During the next two weeks, students in Year Five will be completing their nomination forms, as part of the Student Representative Council (SRC) process. On their forms, they will briefly write why they wish to become School Captain or Vice-Captain and which Character Strengths they use in order to help them achieve this goal.

The nominations will be displayed in the MacKillop Hall and students will make speeches, which will be pre-recorded, for the St Joseph's community to view.

At the conclusion of the speeches, staff and all students Kinder-Year 6 will vote for their 2021 School Captain and Vice-Captain. All other non-selected students, who meet the success criteria for SRC, will be given the honour of wearing the coveted SRC badge in 2021.

We wish our Year Five students the very best for the process. You all deserve to be School Captain!

WORLD CHILDREN'S DAY NOVEMBER 20

This Friday is World Children's Day and St Joseph's, as part of our Wellbeing Week, will be dressing up for the occasion! We encourage all

students and staff to come dressed in clothes which represent a nation (eg. Kimono for Japan) or the flag colours of a country.

Further information about World Children's Day may be found at the following website:

<https://www.unicef.org/world-childrens-day>

Unfortunately, I will be absent on this day due to interviewing for a new Behavioural Specialist in the Upper Hunter Region, a position which Mrs Megan Baird holds until the end of the year.



COLOUR YOUR THREADS FOR POS ED

Last week, St Joseph's "coloured their threads for Pos Ed". As part of our commitment to Positive Education through the "Where There's A Will" Foundation, we focused on character strengths - our own, and the strengths of those around us, which have helped us get through a difficult year and support one another.

Many colourful clothes were worn and a lot of fun was had by all. Even the teachers got involved!

BOOK FAIR THANKYOU

Thank you to Mrs Collins for her work with the Redgum Book Fair. We managed to transition into an online platform for sales and we envisage continuing this in the future.



MATHS BEE

Last week our Maths 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 - Nevaeh
- Stage One Champion - Tess
- Stage One Runner Up - Isabel
- Stage Two Champion - Samuel
- Stage Two Runner Up - Rihanna
- Stage Three Champion - Rhianna
- Stage Three Runner Up - Bethany

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



GYMNASTICS THANKS

We show our thanks and appreciation to Nicky Western, who for the past five weeks, has coached our students Kinder-Year 6 in a terrific Gymnastics Program for sport. This was paid for with Sport Schools Australia grants, which we are always appreciative of applying for and receiving.

Nicky's expertise is invaluable and we love having her at St Joseph's! Hope to see you next year, Nicky!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- **23/11** – Colourful Kindies and Parent Session 9.30am – 11.30am
- **24/11** – Hayley Maeder (counsellor) on site in lieu of 26/11
- **25/11** – Swimming Lessons commence

- **26/11-27/11** – Mr Borg on Retreat with Upper Hunter Principals
- **29/11** – First Sunday of Advent
- **30/11** – Colourful Kindies and Parent Session 9.30am – 11.30am
- **2/12** – Year 5 Captain's Speeches and Voting
- **7/12** – Year 6 Retreat
- **9/12** – Presentation Day at St Joseph's (see note for live stream times)
- **11/12** – Reports on Compass
- **14/12** – End of Year Liturgy and Year 6 Graduation (see note for times)
- **15/12** – Cleaning Day
- **16/12** – Reward Day and Secret Santa (LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS)

Once again, thank you all for your unwavering support of our wonderful school. I am so humbled to be Principal of such a supportive and nurturing environment.

Mr Ashley Borg
Principal

WEEKLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following award winners.

Week Five – Character Strength – Spirituality

Kindergarten - Myles Hvif – for his spiritual strength and ability to think beyond himself to forgive and understand others

Stage 1 - Lily Schmidt – for her perseverance and enthusiasm during play week

Stage 2 - Savannah Beeney – for her strength of spirituality, particularly for putting the needs of others before her own

Jeremiah Raines – for his excellent facial expressions during our school play

Stage 3 - Liana Pearce - for outstanding use of voice and dramatisation in the school play

Jeremy Hopkins - for demonstrating a strong understanding of his own and others spirituality

Principal's Awards - Bethany Wightman – for her outstanding performance as “Queenie” in our play

Annabelle Marshall – for her excellent acting and dancing skills in the play

Charlie Constable – for his excellent work in “jogging” for our play

Tess Grocott – for wonderful delivery of her lines in helping us conserve water in the play

Shykiah Walters – for outstanding poise and presence when delivering her lines in our play.





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REFLECTION - CHRIST THE KING - Matthew 25:31-46

The final Gospel of the liturgical year offers great insight into firstly Jesus and then Matthew's understanding of what lies at the heart of our Judeo-Christian tradition. The King in the story identifies himself with the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked, the sick and imprisoned. Responding to God necessarily involves our response to the needy in the world. Christianity is not simply a set of pious practices or rituals; the spiritual person is necessarily ethical.

As I write this reflecting on the past year I fear our Australian society may be found wanting in this judgement. The strangers to our shores have not been made welcome; the hungry and thirsty have not found nourishment; the sick and naked have been turned away. The Gospel of Jesus rebukes our lack of compassion. 'In so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me.'

In Matthew's infancy story the name of Mary's child is Emmanuel, 'a name which means God with us'. This final episode in Jesus' ministry continues this proclamation. God is with us in the poor and the destitute of our world. 'What you did to the least of these you did to me'. As we move into a new liturgical cycle and prepare again for the coming of the child, may we keep this Gospel image in mind so that we will truly recognize God-with-us in a naked child lying in an animal's feed bin. God comes to us among the least of this world but will God find a welcome? (From "Sundays Under the Southern Cross" by Mary Coloe PBVM)

Love and blessings, from Rev Pat.

DIARY DATES

Lent starts next week and then its Christmas.

Don't forget, Eucharist at Holy Trinity each Sunday at 9.00am.

Eucharist each Friday at 10.00am. followed by Extended Eucharist at the Hospital and Hostel alternately at 11.00am.

Rev Pat Kirkby

RM Property and Livestock

REAL ESTATE NEWS!

At RM Property and Livestock we are experiencing a high demand for rental properties at the moment, and have a waiting list of qualified applicants looking for homes. If you are thinking about renting your property give us a call to arrange a rental market appraisal and take a look at our property management prospectus.

We are also looking for new listings! The "SOLD" stickers have been going up regularly around town and we have a steady stream of solid enquiries still happening. If you are thinking about listing your property but don't know where to start, why not give us a call? We would be only too happy to come to you and have a chat.

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Megan Moore

POSITION VACANT

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Please include a cover letter and two referees with your resume

Applications close on Thursday November 19

Merriwa Rotary

THE VARIETY BASH 2020

This year's route commenced in Newcastle and moved on to north west NSW, returning by way of New England and the Lower Hunter over a period of one week. Participants raise money for VARIETY, the children's charity which provides financial support for things like specialist equipment, therapy, and medical supplies to those who cannot afford them and when government assistance is not available.

WELL.... WHAT A SUNDAY!

Last Sunday, Merriwa Rotary followed up on an undertaking to host 250 Variety Bash participants for lunch on the opening leg of their tour. This is the second time we have been asked to do this. This year's effort required complying exactly with many, many pages of rules which we had to tick so as to comply with Covid 19 regulations.

It was a day which ran close to perfection, despite our club participant numbers being necessarily lowered by the clash with harvesting.

Writing merely as one of the workers, I can unashamedly hail the preparation, the planning and the implementation of the plans. (In true Merriwa Rotary fashion, the planners were there to share the work.)

The ongoing upgrading of our Showground impresses. It is more and more a great asset to our community.

Our visitors were unanimous in their appreciation of what Rotary Merriwa delivered.

It was our pleasure!



Mark Smith

Upper Hunter Shire Council

NOTICE OF CLOSURE

Merriwa Administration Office and Library

Due to Council's annual Union Picnic Day, the Merriwa office and library will be closed on Friday November 20.

These services will reopen on Monday, November 23.

The Council office in Scone, Visitor Information Centres, Waste Management Facilities and Libraries (with the exception of Merriwa) will remain open to provide essential services to the community



Ringer Deadline!

*Please remember to place
your articles
and advertisements into
the
Merriwa Ringer*

by Mondays, at 12.00 noon

A Walk Down Memory Lane

There were some parts too degraded to read, but it won't affect the general meaning. So the translation indicates Sir Chen is from Fujian province and passed away in June 1883.

There is another grave site up Avocado road but on the other side of the road. The Shire erected a sign but the sign has been removed and the grave is on private property.

Photo 1 the biro tip shows where the headstone once stood.

Photos 2 and 3 shows the headstone alongside the museum.

Photos 4 and 5 shows the other grave which we have been unable to find any information about. It is of ironstone and bears no inscription what-so-ever.



Elders Merriwa

With only five more Fridays until Christmas, Elders Merriwa have a fantastic prize for one lucky shopper.

For your chance to win a 6v John Deere Gator, make any in store purchase between November 16, 2020 - December 17, 2020 to receive an entry into the draw.



Entries Close 5.00pm December 17, 2020, with the winner announced December 18, 2020.

COLOURING COMPETITION

Get your entries in for our colouring in competition! Either print the image from our Facebook page or head in store to pick up a copy. Entries open November 16, 2020 and close December 17, 2020 at 5.00pm. Entries must be returned so they can be displayed for judging with winners announced December 18, 2020.

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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 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

Merriwa Trinity Markets

Trinity Markets is now able to receive donated items. We still have to comply with Covid 19 regulations and isolate items for several days. As our storage space is limited initially we will only take in bags ONE DAY per week, on a Thursday.

No Items to be left in the doorways as we have to ensure that they did not come from a hot spot area.

Our racks are well stocked with clothes and other treasures.

Thank you for supporting the Trinity Markets and helping us comply with Covid 19 regulations.

Beatrice Voysey



Merriwa Country Education Foundation

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

To be held:

When: Thursday December 3, 2020

Where: At Reg Fletcher Room
Merriwa RSL

Time: 6.00pm

Everyone welcome. RSVP Jane Hegarty on 0408 761 052.

Jane Hegarty

Congratulations

Congratulations to all the clever students that are still working hard across the schools.

And to the Campbell families - WOW!

Hylt Cronin

Merriwa Senior Citizens

We will try to have a small meeting on Tuesday November 24 at 11.30 am in the Squatter's Room, Merriwa RSL Club - depending on numbers who come.

Mary O'Neill

Merriwa CWA

Merriwa CWA will be hosting a cake stall on November 27. Kick off will be at 9.00am and will be filled with many glorious cakes and slices, home made for your enjoyment.

Any donations are very welcome but be early for your morning tea.

Barbara Campbell

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

Merriwa Newsagency

There are just 4 weeks left to enter the National Creative Writing Competition. There are two prizes of \$1000.00 each if you need some incentive! Also win \$100.00 to spend in store at newsXpress Merriwa to the local winner! Give it a try... you have nothing to lose!

PREVENTION

- Your summer wellness plan; healthier, happier and the best is yet to come! Ready to revamp yourself inside out? Let fitness coach Tiff Hall lead the way with her smart advice, easy workout plan and healthy weeknight meals
- The A-Z of weight loss; when it comes to losing weight, there's so much information out there it is difficult to separate science from the fake news. Here are the facts from the experts, follow these to the letter and you will hit your goals!
- The number one anti ageing trick; it's the natural youth boosting move that costs nothing and can help take years off your looks and boost your energy levels as well. It's simple, standing up straight!

COUNTRY STYLE

- Christmas special! Meet the woman saving our wombats. When an unexpected visitor fell down her chimney three decades ago, it changed Carol Seeger's life. It wasn't Santa, instead it was a ringtail possum. This little visitor led her into the world of animal rescue which has become her life's work. Her aim is to always release animals back into the wild and it makes her incredibly happy to do so
- Also inside this issue, a gift guide, decorations to make and a festive menu plus gorgeous pictures of lovely homes and stories of their occupants lives. Pick up a copy today.

AUSTRALIAN GEOGRAPHIC

- Sir David Attenborough's landmark witness statement for our planet. In this special interview that took place in May, the legendary broadcaster and naturalist shared his hopes and fears for our Earth's future
- Little Aussie diggers; Echidnas on the march. Australia's most widespread mammal is one of our least understood. Pioneering research is unlocking the enigma of this ultimate

survivor the echidna.

AUSTRALIAN GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORERS KIDS MAGAZINE

- Destination Mars; NASA's youngest astronaut. Alyssa Carson wants to be one of the first to land on Mars. At 16 she was the youngest to graduate from the Advanced Space Academy and the first person to ever finish all of NASA's seven space camps. So technically she is allowed to fly into space and she loves to say that! In 2030 NASA plans to launch a manned mission to Mars and Alyssa is planning on being on it
- This issue is full of posters, puzzles and heaps of cool things to learn.

A TWIGSEEDS MOMENT

Wishing you a big bunch of sunshine!

BEANIE BOO

My name is Spirit.

I'm a strong German Shepherd, both smart and bold, with tremendous spirit and a heart of gold.

My birthday is May 15.

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Crews plan to carry out essential work on the network which supplies Merriwa Zone Substation.

Unfortunately, to safely carry out this work we will need to interrupt the power supply for customers in the Merriwa area on

Sunday 22nd November 2020 - between 8.30am and 4.00pm (weather permitting).

The areas affected will include:

- Merriwa - Merriwa Town, Flags Rd (Merriwa end only), Depot Rd, Coulson's Creek Rd, Cullingral Rd, Forrest Reserve Rd, Bow, Idaville Rd, Ringwood, Golden Highway.

We apologise for the inconvenience this essential work may cause. Our aim is to minimise disruption caused during this work, however the times listed may change in the event of unforeseen circumstances or weather.

For more information before the interruption, please contact: **Chris Power 02 6542 9043**

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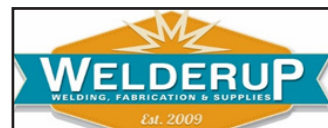
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WEEKEND MASSES

St Anne's Merriwa

1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday - Sat 6.00pm

2nd & 4th Sunday - Sun 8.30am

St Joseph's Cassilis

2nd & 4th Sunday - 10.00am

Parish Priest - **6548 2086**

St Vincent de Paul - 6548 3092

Churches



St Joseph's Primary School Merriwa

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All enquiries welcome

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Merriwa Central School



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Principal:

Mrs Katie Burgess

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Cassilis NSW 2329 Fax: 63761005
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Schools



Merriwa Pre-School and Activity Centre

(PO Box 96) 43 Bow St, Merriwa NSW 2329
Ph: 0265 482 083
merriwapreschool@tpg.com.au

Merriwa Pre-School

For children 2-5 years

Activity Centre

For children attending Kindergarten to Year 6
After School Care and Vacation Care

MERRIWA TOURIST WELCOMING CENTRE & MEN'S SHED

Arts, Crafts, Farm Produce!

Clean toilets!

CENTRE:

Open every day

9.30am-2.30pm

MEN'S SHED:

Every Thursday

10.00am onwards

President: E Shipway

Telephone: 6548 3201



CWA

Meets Second Monday
of the month
10.00am
CWA Rooms
159 Bettington Street

Visitors and new members are always welcome

Enquiries to:

President: Penelope Fenley

Phone: 6548 3060

Email: penelopecwa@iinet.net.au

Secretary: Kim Clydsdale

Phone: 6548 2558

Email: kmclydsdale@gmail.com

Dress For Less



Trinity Markets

Accessories, Books, Nick-Nacks
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DONATIONS WELCOME!

Tues-Fri

9.00am - 12.30pm

Sat

9.00am - 12.00pm

118 Bettington St. Merriwa

Groups

Hunter Medical Practice

Merriwa and Denman

Monday – Friday 8.00am – 6.00pm

Merriwa

Cnr Brisbane and MacKenzie Streets

Denman

51 – 53 Ogilvie Street

For appointments please phone 6532 5013

MERRIWA & DISTRICT LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE

2020/21 starts Oct 12!

Tots (3 & 4 yrs) to u/17 yrs

Mondays 5.30 to 6.30ish

at Merriwa No. 2 Oval
(season ends 22 February)

New Members Welcome

ph: Belinda Keane 0407 875 876
e: belindak@live.com.au

MERRIWA SPORTS CLUB Ltd 6548 2028

Golf, Bowls, Squash, Putt Putt, Darts, Pool, ATM and Club Keno

Opening Times:

***Monday & Tuesday - 4pm *Wednesday - Sunday - 12pm**

Thursday Night 7:00pm Bingo
Friday 5:00pm - 7:00pm Happy Two Hours and Free raffles
Saturday - **7.45pm** Monster raffles and members' badge draw
Sunday: 5:00pm to 7:00pm meat voucher raffle and members' badge draw.

The Sporties Chinese/Australian Restaurant 6548 3228

Dine in or Take Away. Banquets and Function catering available.
Lunch Specials
Lunch: Wednesday to Sunday.
Dinner: Tuesday to Sunday



Rotary Club of Merriwa Inc

ROTARY

SERVICE Above Self

**Meets each Tuesday
at the Merriwa Sports Club**

7.00pm for 7.30pm

4 x 4m Marquee for Hire
0429 482 389

Merriwa Magpies



Rugby League Football Club

Merriwa Rugby League Football Club

President: Ben Robins
Vice President: David Martin
Secretary: Gaynor Blackadder
Treasurer/Publicity Officer: Jessyca Morgan

MERRIWA TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Find us on Facebook

President: Jason Bear

Day - Night Competitions
Junior Competitions
Court Hire



2021 Merriwa Springtime Show

Established 1908

17 to 19th September!

www.merriwashow.com.au

Tyler Austin - President
Marie Scott - Secretary
Tel: 0498 378 500



Clare Martin
President 6548 2201

De Patterson
Secretary 0416 194 501

Fiona Morgan
Treasurer

Rally days every 2nd Sunday of month from February to October

Merriwa R.S.L Club Ltd

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Lunch & Dinner 7 days
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MERRIWA SSAA AND APA

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President: Nathan Telfer
Secretary: Phil Martyn

Contact 6547 6031 for information

Shooting weekends 2nd and 4th weekend of the month



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Find us at 19 Vennacher Street Merriwa

Open Monday - Friday 7.30am - 5pm
Saturday 9am - 12pm
Phone: (02) 6548 2071

Season starts **Term 4**

Make a SPLASH!

Merriwa Swimming Club

merriwa.swimming.org.au


BBQ area and Kids Play area

Friday
Raffles and 3 Members Badge Draws

Sunday
Raffles
Members Badge Draw between 11.30am & 1.30pm

Club: 6548 2157
Bistro: 6548 2295

For the information of members and their guests.



President Andrew Constable
Secretary Fiona Morgan
Treasurer Kellie Porter

All enquires to the secretary
0418417186
fionamorgan6@bigpond.com

MERRIWA RACES

April 24, 2021

Race Club President - Paul Frampton

Contact - 0428 485 182

Visit www.merriwaraceclub.com.au

MERRIWA BUSHMAN'S CAMPDRAFT EST. 1947

President: Jamie Edmonds 0428 308 010

Secretary: Kellie Porter 0432 109 760

Treasurer: Kelly Curtis

October Long weekend 2020

merriwacampdraft@gmail.com

MERRIWA



FESTIVAL of the FLEECES

Merriwa Cricket Club

President: Jon Osmond 0428 714 648

Vice President: Mark Fieldsend

Secretary: James Armstrong 0412 926 525

Treasurer: Mick Curteis - 0475 980 254

MERRIWA DISTRICT PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

Get involved in influencing decisions on matters that affect the whole local community

Meets on Third Wednesday every month at 6.00pm Merriwa RSL

merriwaprogress@gmail.com

Clubs/Sports

Merriwa RSL Club

With the raffles yet to restart all badge draws remain on hold, however we have reintroduced some of our happy hours with some variations;

Saturday's \$5.00 schooners and house spirits 6.00pm till close.

Sunday's \$4.00 schooners 11.30am – 12.30pm

Wednesday's \$6.00 pint night

Friday's 5.30pm – 7.30pm \$5.00 schooners and house spirits.

Our current hours of trade are;

Bar – Monday to Wednesday 11.30am – 9.00pm

Thursday 11.30am – 10.00pm

Friday 11.30am – 11.30pm

Saturday 11.00am – 11.30pm

Sunday 11.00am – 3.30pm

Bistro – Tuesday/Wednesday 5.30pm – 7.30pm

Thursday/Friday/Saturday 12 noon – 2.00pm/5.30pm – 8.00pm

Sunday 12 noon – 2.00pm

Every Sunday lunch we have pork and lamb roast on the menu.

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.

HONKI HAUS RESTAURANT

Chinese/Australian Restaurant closed Mondays and Tuesday. Open for dinner Wednesday to Saturday 4.30pm to 8.00pm. Sunday dinners 4.30pm to 7.00pm. Open for lunch Saturday and 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

Tuesday 3.30pm till 8.30pm

Wednesday 3.30pm till 8.00pm

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.

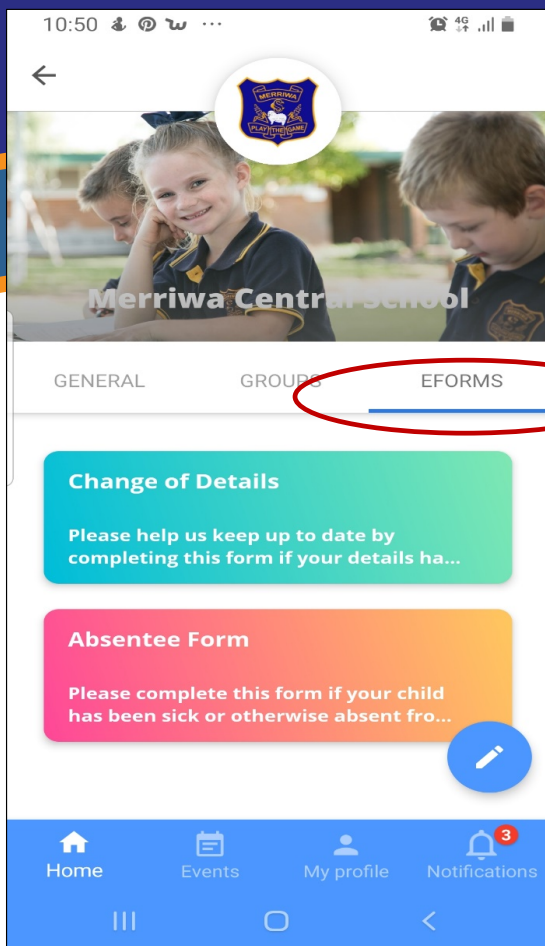
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Some parent feedback last week indicated a problem with finding absentee forms.

By clicking on the Merriwa Central School badge, it will take you into the home page with three groups – General, Groups, Eforms.

Eforms are where you will find:

- Change of Details – when you change address, phone or email address
- Absentee forms – for informing when your child is absent from school
- When surveys are being run, you will find them under the 'Have Your Say' tab and you will be able to see and comment from this tab as well.



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