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WHAT'S INSIDE



Celebrating Around Our Yarning Circle

**Pest Alert**
Termite Solutions



Did you know that the recent rain
can cause higher Termite activity!
Have you had your House Inspected?

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A Walk Down Memory Lane

WITH JAMES CONSTABLE



SIR FREDERICK DUNCAN MCMASTER AND DALKEITH PART 1

Dalkeith was established by Duncan McIntyre in 1834 and was later sold to Robert and Helenus Scott. The Scott brothers were badly affected by the 1840's Depression which led to Dalkeith being leased and then sold to William and Alexander Busby. In 1890, Dalkeith was sold to Duncan McMaster.

Sir Frederick Duncan McMaster was born July 9, 1873 at Surry Hills, Sydney. Leaving Sydney Grammar in 1891, he took over the management of Dalkeith Station, purchased for him by his father and in 1899, assumed ownership. On November 20, 1901, Frederick married Muriel Evelyn Clara Sherlock, daughter of Cooma pastoralist T J Sherlock of Kia-ora station. They had two children, Ian and Thelma. Sir Frederick died at Dalkeith on November 28, 1954.

Sir Frederick was a councilmember and later vice president of the NSW Sheepbreeders Association and an honorary life-member of the Royal Agricultural Society of England from 1943. In an address to the Sheepbreeders Association in 1929, Prime Minister Stanley Bruce challenged graziers to share with the government, the burgeoning cost of rural research. A few weeks later, McMaster, a foundation member of the State committee of the Commonwealth Council and Industrial and Industrial Research from 1926, gave £20,000 to build an animal health research laboratory in the grounds of the University of Sydney, the Commonwealth government meeting the cost of staff and equipment through CSIR. The F D McMaster Animal Health Laboratory was opened in August 1931. McMaster also assisted in the provision of field facilities for the laboratory. He was Knighted in 1934.



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Merriwa Central School



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St Joseph's Primary School Merriwa

Empowering and challenging students to become lifelong learners

All enquiries welcome

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Meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6.30pm at Merriwa RSL Club

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For children attending Kindergarten to Year 6
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Merriwa Central School

Principal's Report

Our PBL launch was a great success on Friday. Staff and students celebrated the launch with a colour run and sausage sizzle. Our PBL team under the leadership of Miss Kenaly will be rolling out lessons in the coming weeks about what "Safe, Respectful, Learner" means in the classroom and in the playground for students.



Thank you to parents for supporting our parent teacher evening last week. Our office staff were very busy reminding parents about the night, with so much happening at the moment it is easy for parents to lose track. Parents are reminded to download the Skoolbag app to keep up-to-date with school events.

KINDER 2022

Information will shortly be published for parents in regard to kinder orientation for 2022. We will hold parent meetings towards the end of this term with the orientation program to commence in Term 4. Please feel free to contact the office to express your interest to enrol your child for 2022.

SENIOR SUBJECT SELECTION

A parent information evening was held this week for Year 10 students and parents in preparation for Year 11 2022. Students and parents will meet individually with their Year Advisor Miss Golden and Careers Advisor Mrs Hegarty to consider options for senior school.

HSC EXAMS

Due to the COVID lockdown and learning from home some changes have been made to timelines and the commencement date of the HSC exams. The formal HSC exams have been put back one week, and will commence on October 19. Updated HSC timetables will be published shortly. It is important that students register their contact details with NESAs, and check passwords are current to ensure they have the most up-to-date information.

SECONDARY JERSEYS

Our new secondary jerseys look great, and most students have swapped over version one to the correct design. However parents are advised that our introductory special of \$45.00 is due to run out in four weeks. At that time they will revert to full price \$69.00. Once again thank you to the P and C for subsidising the cost of the jerseys.

COVID GUIDELINES FOR SCHOOLS

Thank you to parents for being understanding about the restrictions on access to schools, and in particular with parent drop-off and pick up. We have attempted to run most of our usual activities within the current restrictions and appreciate parents adapting to the new of doing things.

Unfortunately we have had to cancel our Education Week assembly due to the current restrictions. We will aim to post the students performances on Facebook next week.

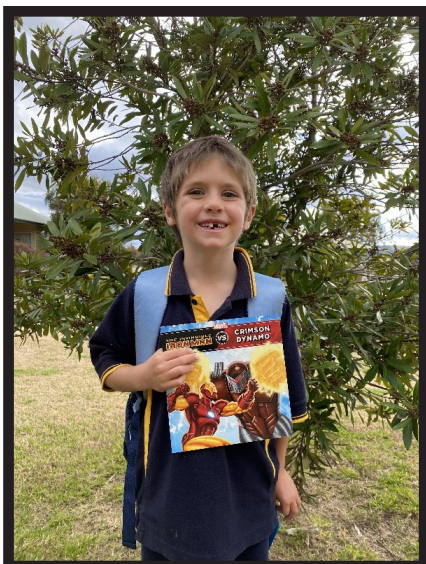
Darren Noonan
Principal

Coming Events

JULY	
Friday 30	Education Week Assembly - cancelled
AUGUST	
Monday 2	Subject Selection Interview - Year 10
Friday 6	Jeans for Genes Day
Wednesday 11	Bell Shakespeare Performance

Primary

STUDENT OF THE WEEK



Kindergarten - Billy Caban for his engagement and enthusiasm in all learning activities



Year 1 - Jacob Sawley for neat book presentation and writing great stories



Year 2/3 - Nathan Shepherd for being a kind and supportive class member



Year 3/4 - Christian Boromeo for his enthusiasm with his Olympic research project



Year 4/5 - Mia Squires for excellent effort in class this week



Year 5/6 - Toby Mead for improvement in his behaviour in the classroom and in the playground.

CLASS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Kindergarten for being awarded 'Class of the week' for Week 2 of Term 3. Kindergarten were noticed this week for their safe and sensible behaviour.



PREMIER SPELLING BEE

Congratulations to our two Premier's Spelling Bee School Finalists; Joshua Sawley (Stage 2) and Paige Carrall (Stage 3). They will now go onto the Regional finals, date TBA.

Well done to the other six contestants who participated in our school final round.

Peta Higgins
Premier's Spelling Bee Coordinator

STUDENT OF THE WEEK CODY DANIEL

FAVOURITE SUBJECT: Visual Arts – it inspires me because you can use your imagination. I love to use paint and my favourite thing to paint is landscapes

BEST PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT: Helping people – when someone is stuck with their work in class I will help them

CAREER ASPIRATIONS: I want to be an artist and live in a city. I would like to be creating lots of different things

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Sports – I enjoy soccer and basketball. I also like to play with slime! I make my own slime at home

YEAR ADVISOR COMMENT: Cody is a caring and helpful student who regularly attends to his peers in the classroom. He is a conscientious learner who is willing and engaged in his academic development. Cody has shown a keen interest in Visual Arts and has created and practised with increasing sophistication and intention

Hannah Waters - Year Advisor



MERRRIWA CENTRAL SCHOOL

New Secondary Jersey

Year 7 -12



Special \$45

**Normally \$69.00
Introductory Price \$45.00
(Subsidised by P&C)**

Sale ends in 4 weeks!

Purchase from the Office

The Award

This Award is an outstanding opportunity to gain a diverse range of practical experience at the coalface of rural and regional reporting, with three relevant internships that will provide a launch pad to a career telling the rich stories from country Australia.

The Award includes a \$10,000 scholarship along with the following suite of internships providing practical work experience with:

The Royal Agricultural Society of NSW (RAS) Media Team at the Sydney Royal Easter Show

Australian Community Media at The Land Newspaper

Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) in their Brisbane newsroom

<http://www.rasnsw.com.au/foundation/scholarships/jbfaifaxaward/#:~:text=Foundation%20VET%20Scholarships-,JB%20Fairfax%20Award%20for%20Rural%20%26%20Regional%20Journalism%20and%20Communications,-open%20on%201%20July%202020.>

University of Sydney Elite Athletes and Performers Scheme - Applications open

Secondary

CAREER NEWS

JB Fairfax Award for Rural Journalism - Submissions close at midnight August 8, 2021

The JB Fairfax Award for Rural and Regional Journalism and Communications is a prestigious national award that encourages and supports a young student who is passionate about pursuing a career in rural and regional journalism/communications upon graduation. The Award was established through a private donation from Mr John B Fairfax AO.

August 1 - Closes October 31

You will be considered an elite athlete if during your HSC year or equivalent, you were an outstanding Australian state and/or representative in a sport recognised by Sport Australia AND your selection to participate significantly and adversely impacted your HSC preparation or equivalent.

You will be considered an elite performer if you performed in extended or significant productions that significantly and adversely impacted your HSC preparation or equivalent.

Your eligibility will also be assessed on the following:

- Time away from studies devoted to competition/performances during your HSC (or equivalent) which have significantly affected your studies
- The nature of the competition/performance i.e. representation at state, national, or international level during HSC (or equivalent) or during other relevant studies
- Membership of an institute or academy of sport or member of any performing arts associations/institutes
- The number of students competing for entry into and the number of places available under the degree program
- Applicants rank and position in major competitions and performances.

<https://www.sydney.edu.au/study/how-to-apply/undergraduate/admission-pathways.html?tc=edm|stud|mc-student|edu-staff-hss|%20>

UNSW - Yr 8 to Yr12 Girls - Ever wondered where studying maths and science at school can take you?

Young Women In Engineering (YoWIE)

Registrations will open approximately August 2021.

Our next YoWIE event will take place in the April School Holidays 2022 (exact dates to be confirmed).

Please check again to register your interest in attending.

As an engineer, your world is full of opportunities. UNSW Canberra's YoWIE Program is committed to inspiring young women currently in year 9 – 12 to consider a future in engineering. This free three-day workshop aims to show you how your maths and science studies at school can help shape your future.

The YoWIE program began in 2016 and has grown in popularity as more young women join us each year to experience what it's like to be an engineer. By participating in the YoWIE program, you'll have access to a range of hands-on activities, talks by practising female engineers, and the chance to meet other like-minded young women in a fun and supportive environment.

<https://www.unsw.adfa.edu.au/school-of-engineering-and-information-technology/yowie/act-young-women-engineering->

yowie-2020

Discover a Career in Podiatry

The feet are often overlooked when people consider their health. But when you think about how important the feet are for mobility, independence and every day activities, you will understand what an important role podiatrists play. There is a range of movements of the feet and lower limb that can be classified as “normal” and it can be challenging to define abnormal movement

Often people who have played a lot of sport when growing up become interested in this area as they understand the importance of the feet

<https://www.myhealthcareer.com.au/podiatry-career/>

2021 STANSW Young Scientist Paper Plane Challenge

August 14 – 22 2021

The Paper Planes competition will be conducted online with participants sending in validated videos of their best throws. Details will be updated on the Paper Planes website in the next month.

<http://www.paperplanes.youngscientist.com.au/> and <http://www.youngscientist.com.au/2015-dates/>

Building Trades Subject Selection Guide

Plumbing, Bricklayer, Tiling, Carpentry, Shopfitter, Stonemason, Sign Graphics, Painter, Plasterer, Roofer

These flyers are suitable for both school-based apprenticeships or post-school apprenticeships. Each flyer sets out a possible career path for the student and then suggests the elective subjects that will make that career path possible. The subject lists cover choices in Years 9 and 10 and 11 and 12. <https://apprenticeshipengagementforum.com.au/pages/onepage.aspx#body>

2022 TAFE NSW Career and Course Guide

Look for your favourite career and find the course to suit your level of ability that you wish to study for 2022.

Hundreds of courses on offer across NSW. There is a course for you not too far away.

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/documents/60140/197799/TAFE-NSW-CAREER-GUIDE-2020-WEB.pdf>

What's a BlueScope Illawarra apprenticeship? Opens August

We offer apprenticeships in mechanical and electrical trades. You will work with expert tradesmen on some of the largest industrial equipment in Australia. Some departments at the Steelworks offer the opportunity for a rotation every 6-12 months, and you will attend the Wollongong Campus of TAFE Illawarra to complete your Certificate III, and licence if necessary.

Applications open in August through our partner Hunter Valley Training Company. In the first eight weeks you will participate in 'site ready' training, gaining experience with many of the tools you will use and the safety procedures you will experience on our site.

Apply online through the Hunter Valley Training Company.

<https://www.bluescopeillawarra.com.au/working-at-bluescope/cadets-apprentices/bluescope-illawarra-apprentices/>

AusApp Pathways

AusAppPathways is a free app that will help students and jobseekers explore the many careers that can begin through an apprenticeship or traineeship pathway. Search through over 3000 examples of apprenticeship and traineeship occupations.

<http://www.ausapp.com.au/>

NECA Electrical Apprenticeships Expression of Interest here:

<https://www.necatrainng.com.au/electrical-apprentices/expression-of-interest/>

NECA Electrical Apprenticeships Aptitude Test here:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=Y494C8RywEulflseIVHQEiBzJID-H3VBqJ4gBrAFVxZUMIVWMk5XT0c2NEJLTDNFMUIOR01BMFA2NyQIQCN0PWcu>

NECA Electrical Apprenticeships

Work on multi-storey buildings, shopping centres, apartments and houses.

- Installation of main and sub-main switchboards
- Power and lighting systems
- Emergency and exit lighting

- Installation of powerpoints and power supplies to specialised equipment

The telecommunications industry is always evolving in phone, optical fibre systems and internet connected devices.

- Computer cabling design and installations
- Telephone/voice systems design and installations
- Optical fibre communication technology
- Building management systems

Install, maintain and repair electrical systems in the growing field in renewable energy systems.

- Solar panel installations
- Battery back up systems
- Smart Grid technology
- Installation and testing of renewable energy equipment and systems
- Working on the transmission of electricity from power stations through high voltage transmission networks to distribution to homes and business via sub stations could be just what you are looking for.
- Or go deep and be a cable jointer looking after the insulated power supply and control cables installed.

<https://www.necatrainng.com.au/electrical-apprentices/>

Jane Hegarty
Careers Advisor

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

HAPPY GRANDPARENTS DAY!



**I AM WITH YOU
ALWAYS**

www.catholic.org.au/grandparents
#IAMWITHYOUALWAYS

**WORLD DAY
FOR
GRANDPARENTS
AND THE
ELDERLY**



People in our community have often asked why we have Grandparents Day at the end of July. Pope Francis has now officially acknowledged what we have known for some time at St Joseph's.

Pope Francis announced earlier this year the inaugural World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will be commemorated on July 25 around the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus, each year.

In his message for the World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly, with the theme "I am with you always", Pope Francis said older people, even if "energy is running out", have a "renewed vocation".

"It makes no difference how old you are, whether you still work or not, whether you are alone or have a family, whether you became a grandmother or grandfather at a young age or later, whether you are still independent or need assistance," he wrote.

"Because there is no retirement age from the work of proclaiming the Gospel and handing down traditions to your grandchildren. You just need to set out and undertake something new."

Taken from <https://www.catholic.org.au/grandparents>

Due to our current restrictions, we have postponed our celebrations until later in the year, though we celebrated as a school a lovely liturgy where we included some special pictures of our grandparents and want them to know we love them very much and they are very special to us.





WEEKLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following award winners.

Week Two - Strength Award – Love

Kindergarten - Claire Raines - for freely showing her love for others

Arman Diwadkar - for his ability to quickly say his sounds

Stage 1 - Lily Schmidt - for her conscious effort to keep our class and school environment tidy

Callum Nicholls – for the love he shows to his peers and teachers

Stage 2 - Samuel Williams – for his excellent example of a liturgy and explanation

Tommy Booth - for his great excitement within his interactions with others

Stage 3 - Jye Bates - for demonstrating zest in all aspects of his life

Shykiah Walters - for efforts and improvements in writing tasks.

Principal's Awards:

Lula Peebles – for her zest for current affairs and debating

Daniel Dallas – for a terrific effort in his writing task.

Mr Ashley Borg
Principal





Cassilis Public School

We are developing lifelong learners and our education system is available for a lifetime.

DEVELOPING LIFELONG LEARNERS

From the first days in child care to post-school pathways, our education system is preparing young people to be agile thinkers and lifelong learners.

Learning can look different for individual students and our system is equipped to provide learning support for all of our students.

Learning often takes place beyond the classroom, and we should celebrate all types of learning that occurs at all levels across our education system.

Parents play a huge role in educating our youth as well. All those valuable moments you spend together not only strengthens your relationship but also increases your child's understanding of their world and builds their curiosity.

Students will continue to celebrate Education, as we do every day, this week by holding a special assembly this Thursday.

While we can't welcome parents at school due to current restrictions, we will be videoing and taking lots of photos to share the efforts and achievements of our students.

The Assembly will include:

- Each student receiving an award recognising an achievement at school
- Each student delivering their speeches about what they want to do when they are older
- Each student being given a special lunch provided by our P and C.



GOOD LUCK, SKYLAH

Skylah will be competing in the 8-year-old girls 100m at the Zone Athletics Carnival tomorrow in Singleton. Run your fastest, Skylah, and we are all very proud of you.



STUDENT OF THE WEEK- LEVI

Levi has received the Student of the Week for his polite, kind, calm and hard-working behaviour. He showed many moments of kindness last week towards students and staff. Levi tries hard at every activity. His writing has made impressive improvements

because of his approach to having a go and not giving up. Levi wrote a great speech about what dream job he would like, ready for the assembly, and has been practising it at every opportunity.

He consistently brings his school uniform and a champion lunch box full of good food for his body.

Levi participated really well in the science lesson and completed his work independently on the excursion to Merriwa, he showed confidence in meeting new students and being in an unfamiliar place.

His lovely smile can be seen all over the school.

Welcome to Education Week!

This week is Education Week. This is an annual celebration of NSW public education and the achievements of our schools, students and education system.

This year's theme is 'Lifelong learners' and celebrates education as a lifelong journey from before a child enters an early childhood setting, progressing to primary and secondary school, and continuing their learning journey into adulthood; learning a trade, entering tertiary education, or the workforce.

EDUCATION IS A LIFELONG JOURNEY

Continuous learning is critical for success throughout life and everyone can be a lifelong learner.

MRS CUNNINGHAM LEFT US A WONDERFUL GIFT

Wonderful people never really leave. They always leave a special gift and, in our case, not only do we have lots of memories of Mrs Cunningham's time at Cassilis, she also bought the school a gorgeous mat for our yarnning circle. The staff and students were amazed at her generosity and beautifully written card which accompanied the gift.

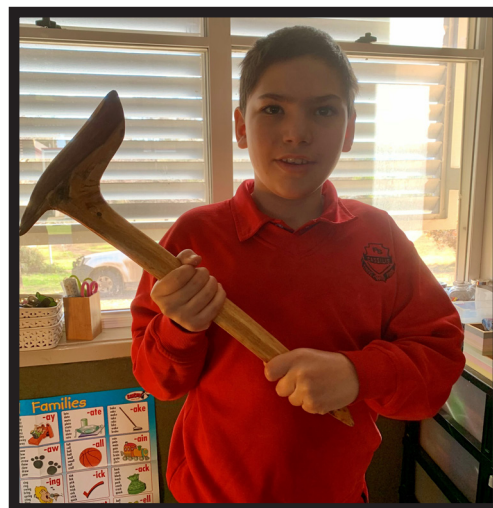


CELEBRATING NAIDOC WITH OUR FRIENDS

Celebrating our unique Aboriginal and Islander culture in style today with our friends at St. Joseph's in Merriwa.



We had a wonderful time discovering, exploring, dancing and creating, eating delicious kanga bangers and wattle seed ice-cream and having fun in the sun.



Thank you to the staff and students at Merriwa for their friendly hospitality and fun activities. Chad, you did an amazing job storytelling and letting the students have a great hands-on experience with the items you brought in.



MERRIWA PHARMACY SUPPORTS OUR HEALTHY EATING

Robert Smith at Merriwa Pharmacy has been a long-time supporter of our school. Thank you to Robert for another generous gift to support our healthy cooking program. Every fortnight the students learn new recipes that they can try at home. Cooking lessons are often the most favourite activity at school.

LEARNING SPACES TO GET A FACE-LIFT THANKS TO MERRIWA ROTARY

New furniture will



make our classrooms more exciting and flexible for learning.

We look forward to our next collaborative day together.

I can't wait to test my boomerang and if it doesn't fly, I will grind the edges. I found the Aboriginal words quite tricky to pronounce but had lots of fun with another smaller school. - Gordie



I really enjoyed learning about the correct way to throw a boomerang. - Angus



I liked tasting the kanga sausages and painting the boomerang. - Levi

It was great fun making a kiwi and spending time with other children. I loved the wattle seed ice cream. - Ben

It was a great day and I enjoyed everything. - Cooper

Making new friends made me feel very happy. - Skylah

I really enjoyed the boomerang painting. - Paul

Thank you to the Anderson family for the use of their van.

AND THE GAMES HAVE BEGUN!

Last Friday night saw the Opening Ceremony take place in Japan. Students will be learning about different sports, athletes, time zones,

and Japanese culture and geography over the length of the Olympics. Ms Sanders can even speak a little Japanese!

If you haven't already, watching some of the Olympics is a great use of screen time.

The students really enjoyed watching and learning more about skateboarding yesterday.

The Olympics are also a great chance to chat to your child about important life skills of having a go, achieving success through hard work and bouncing back from disappointment.

GREAT THINGS HAPPEN WHEN YOU HAVE A GO

Aussies love to 'have a go', so we're encouraging people of all ages to #HaveAGo at an Olympic sport.

Whether it's taking up a new sport, keeping fit, meeting new friends, or starting the journey to become an Olympian, great things happen when you have a go.

A very important lesson for all of us to model and teach to our children!

2022 TRANSITION TO SCHOOL

Keep an eye out in next week's newsletter for details on our transition to school plan. This is for all students who are interested in enrolling next year, not just in kindergarten.

Orientation will start in Week 5 this Term.

THESE CREATURES MAY HAVE A 'STITCH' FROM ALL THEIR SWIMMING



Following on from Ms Sanders Underwater Creatures theme which the primary students are focusing on for their reading and writing this term, Mrs Nairne designed a clever activity for the students. Sewing is a great activity to calm and focus our students and they have improved in their skills. We can't wait to finish our sea animals the next time we sew.

MORE BIKE RIDING LEARNING

Bike riding for sport has continued to be a huge success with every student getting lots of exercise and improving their skills. Thank you to Mr Des Turnbull for transporting some of the bikes down to the Recreation Ground and to Mrs Jenny Riley for letting us borrow her bike. Our school really appreciates our wonderful community members who make sure that all students have what they need and that no one misses out.



THE SOUND OF AFRICAN BEATS WERE HEARD AROUND CASSILIS

Last week students practiced the 'Call and Response', also known as "talking drums," which is a repetition of simple drum rhythms that are first played by the teacher and then echoed by, or responded to, by the rest of the drumming group. Students will continue learning drumming tunes and look forward to playing to a crowd soon.



**Katie Burgess
Principal**



Anglican News

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REFLECTION - PENTECOST 10 – Mark 9:2-10

In ancient times mountains were considered places where one could experience the divine since they were close to the heavens. It is likely that Jesus climbed Mt. Hermon since this incident takes place soon after Peter's confession at Caesarea Philippi which is on the lower slopes of Mt. Hermon. This is the highest mountain in Israel, and is usually snow-capped. On this high mountain, perhaps surrounded by glistening snow, Jesus experiences again his close relationship with God. He knows himself to be 'my Son, the Beloved'. The appearance of Moses and Elijah adds to the revelatory character of the scene as both of these prophets experienced God on a mountain.

Just prior to this scene Jesus was asking his disciples 'Who do people say I am?'

The disciples respond with names from Israel's past – 'Some say Elijah, some say one of the prophets.' The issue of Jesus' identity lies behind this dialogue. In the Gospel of the Transfiguration his identity is clarified – Jesus is not Elijah, nor a prophet like Moses – he is the beloved Son of God. In this scene he seems closer to heaven than to Earth and his appearance takes on divine radiance. But notice that this moment of glory is soon followed by the reality of his approaching death. Jesus lives his life within the rhythm of glory and suffering which will be manifest at Easter. This same rhythm is the pattern of all

Christian lives. We too have mountain moments of glimpsing the rich beauty of God, but we too must descend to the reality of life where suffering may await. But we descend with the assurance of being God's Beloved. (From 'Sundays Under the Southern Cross' by Mary Coloe PBVM)

DIARY DATES

10.00am - Sundays second and fourth Sundays Eucharist at Holy Trinity

10.00am - First and third Sundays Morning Prayer at Holy Trinity

10.00am - Friday Eucharist at Holy Trinity

11.00am - Friday Extended Eucharist at MPS or Hostel alternating

Rev Pat Kirkby

Merriwa Rotary

AUSTRALIA IS GOING TO THE POLLS !
(When we cannot say)

On the other hand....ROTARY MERRIWA IS GOING TO THE POLES.

THE ROTARY 100 DOWN UNDER PEACE POLE PROJECT

This is a peace project, celebrating the 100 years since Rotary was established in Australia in 1921. The project began in Canberra at the Rotary Club of Canberra Burley Griffin as the club donated a Peace Pole to a primary school in their area. Currently 126 Peace Poles have been reserved by Rotary Clubs around Australia. The number of Peace Poles which can be donated as part of the project is unlimited.

The Peace Poles bear the Universal Peace Message, "May Peace Prevail on Earth." The pole and the message symbolise our common wish for a World at Peace. They stand as a silent vigil for peace, reminding us to think and act in the spirit of peace.

The peace message is written in four languages one on each side of a Peace Pole. Each school is invited to participate by its local Rotary Club

The schools select the four languages to be used on their Peace Pole, based on the language usage of each school, with schools determining the location of the Peace Poles on their grounds.. The cost of the poles delivered to Merriwa/Cassilis is approximately \$250.00.

Once a pole has been installed, the school is invited to participate in the United Nations World Peace Day., when the words are recited in the four languages which the school has chosen for its pole. Some schools ask the local Rotary Club to send a member to deliver the keynote message from the Secretary General of United Nations to the school.

More information is available on the internet by searching Rotary Australia Peace Poles.

Merriwa Rotary already has an indication of the possible donation of a pole for one of our schools. For more information, please contact our Club President, Robert Goodear.



Mark Smith

Community Notice Board

Merriwa Swimming Club

Merriwa Swimming Club will be holding a meeting at the Merriwa RSL Club on Thursday July 29 at 6.00pm. It is important that all attend and that when you attend to please remember to complete your Covid Safe Check-in.

Donna Thorley
Secretary

Merriwa Surgery

For all your medical needs

Opening hours

Monday to Friday 8.30am -5.30pm

Closed for lunch 12.30pm to 1.30pm daily

For bookings please call the surgery on 02 6548 2305

Merriwa Surgery would like to advise Dr Jasem will be on leave from July 15, 2021 until September 6, 2021. For those that are concerned Dr Jasem is returning following his leave and will continue to provide ongoing healthcare to the community.

During this time Dr Plaskitt will be in the practice three days per week working Monday's through to Wednesday's, unfortunately the surgery will need to be closed for one week during Dr Jasem's leave commencing Monday August 9, 2021 through to Sunday August 15, 2021.

Dr Shashi who has been with us for the last six months has chosen not to stay and extend his contract, Merriwa Surgery would like to wish Dr Shashi all the best in his future and career and thank him for the time he has spent with us.

As of September 1, 2021, we would like to advise changes to our billing, we have previously been a Bulk Billing practice, this is no longer feasible for the practice and changes to mixed billing will commence in September, this means that unless you hold a pensioner concession card or are a child Under 16 years, there will be a fee for your consultation. These fee's will be available in the surgery in the coming weeks.

Please note above the change in lunch break times during Dr Jasem's leave and while Dr Plaskitt is here. The above closed lunch break will be in place starting August 9, 2021. Please be patient with our telephone system and messages as the current telephone message does not reflect our changes.

Merriwa Surgery continue with our Covid vaccination clinics, please phone reception for more information.

Dr Emad Jasem

Quote for the Week



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.



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His generosity was also frequently demonstrated in less public ways. In 1930, he gave 500 stud rams to the State government to distribute to needy settlers. On his death, his estate was valued for probate at £216,403 for eventual bequest to CSIRO. He was survived by his wife, Lady McMaster and an unmarried daughter, Thelma, who founded a Hereford stud at Dalkeith and managed the property until she died in 1981.

Part of this article was extracted from the publication 'Australian Dictionary of Biography' vol10 1986.



Merriwa Create and Grow Playgroup

It was great to be together again after a short break during the school holidays.

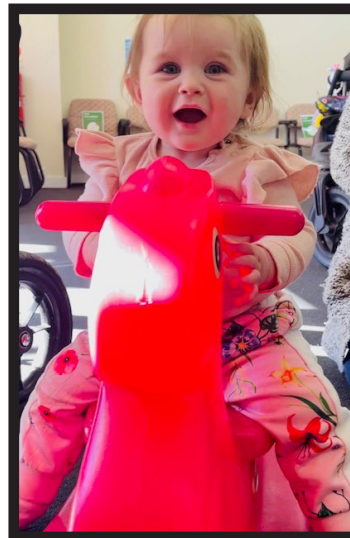
We have relocated for a little while to the old library (near the Visitor Centre) so we can have a few more little people and parents as per the latest Covid sqm rules. Thanks to all the parents that came along prepared with their own masks! Thanks also to the parents who kept their bubs at home who were unwell. We hope you all get better soon!

Toni our tireless creative coordinator did a great job cutting out lots of colourful fish for our play-'groupers' to colour and decorate. We listened to a NAIDOC inspired story about Auntie Dollo and we even managed to get all the way through story time without too much wriggling and jiggling!

Music time was a big hit with Cameron hitting

the high notes with his fabulous rendition of Wheels on the Bus. Lacey managed a couple of spectacular push ups. Dakota was all smiles on the pink pony while our other energetic kidlets grooved to the 'Move It' Madagascar sound track and zoomed around catching bubbles before morning tea.

We meet again at the old library on Thursday August 5. If you'd like to join us just send Tash a text on 0458 574 015 and she will add you to her playgroup text reminder list! A gold coin donation to go towards craft is very much appreciated. Bring your own morning tea. Parents and carers need to wear a mask during playgroup until further notice.



Tash Taaffe

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BETTER HOMES AND GARDENS

- Smokin' Hot Italiano ! Try these superb recipes, 'Smoked Cheese Lasagne' with a side of 'Roasted Tomato and Rosemary Focaccia' finishing with 'Pistachio Biscotti and Tiramisu Dip'. These recipes and many more delicious flavours for you to try out in this latest edition. Also included, gluten free glorious bakes such as 'Toffee Apple Layered Crumble', 'Caramilk Macadamia Brownies', 'Orange Drizzle Cake' and 'Passionfruit Melting Moments'. Now what you must decide is which one to make first!
- Need a new sofa? Have a look at the BHG guide with tips to help you on your way to give your living space a refresh
- Bedroom projects galore! From making your own nightstand to a fold out bed or turn a window into a door. Easy... just follow these steps for space saving ideas and change the look of your place.

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- Greenrebuild Toolkit; building from the ground up with naturally fire resistant materials. While no material is 100% fireproof, the right choices can dramatically improve the resilience of your home. Materials typically considered green include mud brick, straw and recycled non toxic re useable material. These choices have implications for energy saving as well improving the overall comfort of your home.
- With one in 20 Australian homes set to be uninsurable by 2100 there needs to be a new approach to bushfire insurance. Currently, around 97% of all federal funds spent on disasters are spent after the event occurs, despite the fact that one dollar spent on mitigation reaps a saving of around \$5.00 in post disaster damages.

SCIENCE ILLUSTRATED

- What do animals think? New techniques reveal secrets of their brains. Researchers have discovered that the humble Roundworm has a total of 302 brain cells and might not be considered intelligent in the grand scheme of things but this little creature thinks and feels like us in many ways. A new method allows every nerve signal to be seen

as a flash of light in the worm's tiny brain and this same method allows scientists to observe larger animal brains too.

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A TWIGSEEDS MOMENT

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NSW GOVERNMENT FUTURE OF GAS STATEMENT

Upper Hunter Shire Council welcomes the NSW Government's decision outlined in the Future of Gas Statement to not renew the expired petroleum exploration licenses [PELs] within the shire and the prohibition of any future gasfield development in the Upper Hunter.

Council's vision is 'A Quality Rural Lifestyle in a Vibrant, Caring and Sustainable Community,' and supporting this vision Council has a longstanding and resolved opposition to both Coal mining and Coal Seam Gas [CSG] exploration and extraction within the Shire.

"The protection of our prime agricultural land, our diverse agricultural industries and the precious water resources they rely upon was the guiding principle behind Council's long held opposition to CSG exploration and extraction within the shire." Mayor Collison said. "I am glad NSW Government's Future of Gas Statement aligns with this vision."

Deputy Mayor Cr Kiwa Fisher adds, "I'm pleased Council's longstanding advocacy and resolve with regard to Coal Seam Gas has finally been successful. This is a win and a relief."

Although Council recognises it is not the consent authority for mining or CSG developments, Council will continue to advocate on behalf of the community to ensure the future of all sustainable industries, especially agriculture, that support and grow our unique reputation and identity.

FUNDING SECURED FOR NEW CYCLE AND WALKWAY IN MERRIWA

Upper Hunter Shire Council has secured \$922,674 for a new cycle and walkway in Merriwa under Stage 2 of the Bushfire Local Economic Recovery Fund, co-funded by the Australian and NSW Government.

The project will see approximately 4 km of cycle and walkway paths constructed within the town.

Upper Hunter Shire Mayor, Maurice Collison said the project will be an asset to the Merriwa community.

"The new pathways will link up with existing paths to the town's sporting facilities including the recently completed skate park. The path will also incorporate Merriwa's existing River Walk," Cr Collison said.

"We are pleased to have secured funding for this project as it will make a real difference to the community. It will improve connectivity of the town and provide opportunities for exercise and community building.

"The paths will also be a great attraction for tourists passing by. Visitors who stop at the Merriwa Driver Reviver can utilise the walkway and spend more time in the town, which will benefit local businesses," Cr Collison said.

The project is one of 195 that have been allocated funding in the latest round of the Bushfire Local Economic Recovery Fund, which is part of the \$4.5 billion overarching bushfire support program co-funded by the Australian and NSW Governments for bushfire recovery, response and preparedness in NSW.

Through the Stage 2 BLER Fund, \$283 million has been committed to local community projects supporting economic or social recovery, strengthening resilience and delivering ongoing community benefit.

Community consultation will be undertaken on the final design of the project which is yet to be determined.

NEW DATES FOR GOOD FOR THE HOOD WORKSHOPS

The Good for the Hood workshops will no longer be held in July, workshops have been rescheduled.

New workshop details are as follows:

Thursday September 30 - Scone Council Chambers - 6.00pm to 7.30pm

Friday October 1 - Murrurundi CWA - 10.00am to 11.30am

Friday October 1 - Merriwa School of Arts - 6.00pm to 7.30pm

The workshops will cover:

- What a more connected community looks like.
- How to tackle loneliness and improve social inclusion while helping the environment.

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MERRIWA AND CASSILIS WORKS SCHEDULE

The following construction and maintenance works are happening in Merriwa and Cassilis this week.

- Toilets, garbage
- Parks, sports fields and reserves mowing and maintenance
- Public toilet maintenance
- Playground inspections and maintenance
- Capital works tree planting
- Bunnan Bridge to Kars Springs construction works
- Bettington Street footpath
- Cassilis Community Hall, construction works
- Driver Reviver ongoing works
- Golden Highway, road maintenance
- Golden Highway patching works and guardrail installation.
- Maintenance Grading –Stotts Lane, Neeleys Lane, Summerhill Road
- Action requests as required

The following roads are to be inspected next for the grading/maintenance program:

- MR214
- MR618.

Hannah White



Where There's A Will

The Where there's a Will Foundation is very pleased to reveal the identities of our final five Merriwa Wellbeing Superspreaders. The Superspreaders will start their work with the wellbeing coach from next week and they'll be learning how they can infect as many people as possible with the 'Wellbeing Virus'.

If you know any of these Superspreaders make sure you touch base with them in coming weeks to find out more about what they've been learning and the difference it's making to their wellbeing. You'll also be able to track their progress by following @merriwawellbeingsuperspreaders accounts on Facebook and Instagram. Make sure you spread the word so we can get this Wellbeing Contagion happening in Merriwa!

Leanne 'The Doer' Hunt

No fuss, no fanfare, just get the job done, that's Leanne 'The Doer' Hunt. She's the first smiling face you see when you walk in the door at St Joseph's where she works in admin and because she's a 'doer' she's also heavily involved in the P and F.



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Her daughter Annabelle is a student there and her sons Thomas and Aidan are at St Joseph's Aberdeen. You'll also find Leanne rolling up her sleeves and getting involved at Merriwa Junior Rugby League, Touch Footy, Little Athletics (she

still plays both Netball and Touch and hits the gym whenever she can!). As a self confessed 'crafter' she also volunteers one day a month at the Merriwa Welcome Centre where she sells some of her crochet and sewing handiwork. Leanne also owns Welderup with husband Justin and they've got family everywhere across town.

Bruce 'The Stalwart' Blackadder

Bruce Blackadder, what a stalwart. For 20 years this tough as nails second rower fronted



up every winter weekend for the Merriwa Magpies. He began and ended his career with a Grand Final win and now in his 'retirement' he's the #1 supporter of son Tye (11) and has taken on duties as the First Aid Officer for the

League Tag team coached by his wife Gaynor, a Lands Assistant with Upper Hunter Shire Council. And because too much footy is never enough, he's also President of the Magpies Old Boys Association. By day he works for Ausgrid and recently bought some acreage where he's running a few head of cattle and enjoying the good life with his family that also includes daughters Shai and Elly who return as often as possible from uni and traineeship commitments.

Emma 'The BBQ Queen' Sparrow

If there's the smell of a BBQ on the wind and if it's raising money for a good cause, there's a chance Emma Sparrow will be on the tongs. This



woman can and will turn a sausage. Touch Footy, Rugby League, League Tag, Little Athletics, Merriwa P and C, Merriwa Ride for Cancer this woman has helped them all. Right now her focus is on Merriwa Pre-School P and C supporting

her youngest Delcie (3). Her older two Grace (11) and William (6) are at Merriwa Central. She also works with her husband Mark, to run

cattle operations at Merriwa and Bundarra. Anddddddd, Emma also does catering through her business The Sparrow's Nest on the side. If there's a spare second in her day for downtime, crocheting is where it's at!!

Henry 'The Champion' Killen

Henry 'The Champion' Killen is the sort of person everyone should have in their life. If you need to



move a trampoline or even a whole house, he'll be there. If you need a chat or something fixed, he'll be there. He's now running the family farm 'Papanui' but he's a boiler maker by trade and the handiwork he displays with firepits, troughs

and trailers is admired by many. Henry's also on the committee for Merriwa Race Club and is Deputy Captain of Gummun RFS. His greatest achievement is yet to come – he's due to marry fiancée Emma (a teacher at Merriwa Central) in March next year.....! He's at his happiest with a beer, with friends, with a fire in a paddock.

Julia 'The Dynamo' Hardy

Grandmother of nine, Landcare chief, Little Athletics coach, yoga practitioner and walking.



Walking on the golf course.... in the bush.... with friends..... it's probably fair to say that old age isn't slowing Julia Hardy down one bit. No siree, this woman is a dynamo. A horticulturalist by trade, the garden is where Julie truly

shines and she loves to share her knowledge with others. She's propagated thousands of trees over the years, gifting them to friends and rehabilitating landscapes and there are few better when it comes to flower arranging. Julia's also still very hands on managing the farm with husband David. She's especially passionate about the Merriwa Show; it's 110 years old and with Julia's enthusiasm behind it, the best is yet to come. She's fit, she's vibrant and whether you're nine or ninety, this woman is a friend to everyone.

Polly Yuille



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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
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Clubs/Sports Merriwa RSL Club

The Friday night Members Lucky Badge 7.00pm draw for \$180.00 was won the number was 478, This week it jackpots to \$200.00.

The 8.30pm Members Badge draw worth \$1250.00 was not won the number was 37, this week it jackpots to \$1300.00.

The 9.00pm Members Badge draw for \$100.00 was won the number was 462, this week it commencing at \$100.00. LTPS/19/36118

The Sunday Members Badge Draw for \$1200.00 was not won last week the number was 169, this week it jackpots to \$1250.00 and will be drawn between 11.30am and 1.30pm and you must be present to win the money. LTP/19/36118

Members must be present to claim any of the draws and present their current membership card upon request. It is an offence to NOT have your membership card on your person when on the premises.

Nominations for Board of Directors will open on July 16 and close on August 1, 2021.

Voting will commence on August 27 and close September 5, 2021.

Wednesday Nights from 6.00pm - \$6.00 PINTS. – For every pint sold between February and June 30 the RSL Club will be donating \$1.00 to help with Miranda Boland's recovery, and after three months we have donated \$1899.00.

Dine and Discover vouchers – please register and download or print your vouchers and use them before they expire on August 31, 2021. If you don't have a smart phone or computer, contact the local Service NSW department at the UHSC Merriwa office.

Saturday nights – free juke box, pool comp \$100.00 first prize, \$5.00 schooners and House spirits. From 6.00pm till 10.00pm.

Courtesy Bus – the clubs courtesy bus if available for pickups on Friday's from 5.30pm (you must book by ringing club), with drop offs at 9.15pm and 10.00pm.

HAPPY HOURS

Friday 5.30pm to 7.30pm

Saturday 6.00pm to 10.00pm

Merriwa Ringer

Sunday 11.30am to 12.30pm

Bistro hours – lunch Thursday – Sunday 12/2.00pm, Dinner Monday – Thursday 5.30/7.30pm Friday - Saturday 5.30/8.00pm.

Matt Morgan

Merriwa Sports Club

STATE OF ORIGIN

What's better than a good game of State of Origin? Origin on the BIG SCREEN, hot dogs and the chance to win money! The Merriwa Sports Club will be playing the game on the big screen and will be supplying hot dogs. Doubles are also on sale for \$1.00, match the two first try scorers and you win \$100.00.

SATURDAY NIGHT RAFFLES

Come along and enjoy our Saturday night raffles, ten meat trays, two fruit and veg trays, an IGA voucher, cleaning pack and a snack pack up for grabs. The trays and packs are amazing, thanks to Merriwa IGA and Max's Country Cuts. Raffle begins at 7.30pm. The members draw was drawn on Saturday night, member was not present so the badge draw jackpots to \$825.00 this week. Drawn anytime between 6.30pm and 8.30pm, you must be there to win.

FRIDAY NIGHT CHOOK RAFFLES

Friday night Chook Raffles held every Friday night with tickets on sale from 4.30pm to 6.30pm. Draw will start at 6.30pm with 10 chooks to be won. \$2.00 per tickets.

HAPPY HOURS

Friday 5.00-7.00pm

Saturday - ALL DAY! That's right, all day happy hours. \$5.00 schooners, house spirits and wine. ALL Day. Happy Satdy everyone.

POOL AND DARTS COMPETITION

We have had a great few weeks of darts, with a new winner every week. Join us for pool and darts on Thursday nights. Names in by 6.00pm. \$5.00 entry for each competition, winner takes all.

CLUBS OPENING HOURS

Mondays to Friday 3.30pm to close

Saturdays to Sundays 12.00pm to close

HONKI HAUS RESAURANT

Honki Haus now doing lunch time specials on

a weekend. Come on in for a delicious meal, whether it's for lunch or dinner. Honki Haus Restaurant closed Mondays and Tuesdays. 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.

DRAG SHOW - POSTPONED

CanAssist's Drag Show they were hosting has been postponed, the date is to be confirmed, Watch this space!! Tickets are \$50.00, this includes a two course meal, provided by Eat@153, and a fabulous show. There will be games, prizes and a lot of fun. All money raised will go directly to CanAssist Merriwa. Book your table of eight today, tickets are selling fast!

MERRIWA WOMENS BOWLS

Coolah Friendship Day is on Tuesday July 27. Box draw triples.

Morning tea will be at 9.30am to 10.00am.

Names to be placed on the board at the Merriwa Sports Club or given to Loretta Cooper on 0428 482 679 by July 23.

Loretta Cooper

Merriwa Rugby League Football Club

On Saturday was a day to thank our wonderful sponsors. We appreciate all of them for their continued support for the Merriwa Magpies. We loved having you at our home game cheering us on.

Unfortunately, the Monarch Blues tag game was a lot harder and quicker than what we expected. The Magpies went down 62-4 against Scone. We need to all get to training and put in, ready to take them on again on Saturday August 7 at home.

Players Player: a draw, Taylah Blackadder and Gaynor Blackadder

In the Reserve Grade though, the Magpies took on Greta-Branxton, the last time these two teams played each other the score was 10-6 to the Magpies. This round though, the Magpies being at home, have the crowd behind them, they were able to come up winners again but this time, the score being 26-10. Great work, boys.

Players Player: Sam Wesley

We have a weekend off for the teams and their partners to get together and bond.

Our next game is Saturday August 7 at home, Merriwa v Scone. Kick off at 2.00pm for Monarch Blues tag and Reserve Grade at 3.00pm.

Let's go Magpies.

Please remember to stay safe, wear a mask and keep away from Covid hotspots, we have a season to finish. Take care.

Let's go Magpies

Jessyca Morgan

Merriwa Junior Rugby League Football Club

UNDER 6'S WHITE

A fabulous game had by all! Everyone taking a turn at scoring a try this week with Olivia scoring her first try for the season.

It's great to see little improvements each week made by the whole team. This week every player demonstrated improvements in every aspect of the game.

Great sportsmanship shown by Geoffrey and Billy, putting their hands up to play for the opposition as they were short a couple of players.



Well done team, keep up the great work!

Cassilis Park Player of the Week went to Olivia Urso.

UNDER 7'S

Saturday was a cold / windy, pretty miserable day all round really.

We were without a bench and only five players on the field.

All players really tried there little hearts out, putting in for all four quarters. There was a few good tackles but it wasn't a defence based game that for sure. To sum it up, there was probably more tries scored than tackles made

Meat Pies went to: Charlie B-8, Cj-5, Kaden-1, Myles-1.

It's always a pleasure watching the kids enjoy themselves out there, little things like, a hi 5 after one of them does something well and just the smiles on there faces in general.

Special shout out to our little injured mates Callum Nicholls and Charlie Constable, speedy



recovery fellas, hope to see you on the paddock in no time.

Cheers Baz

The Craig MacPherson Haulage player of the week went to Charlie Barry scoring a few tries and making some really good tackles.

UNDER 9'S

The Cory and David Vero Player of the Week for Round 13 went to Hudson Wallace.

UNDER 11'S

Massive shout out to The Under 11's Merriwa Magpies Team!

They all played an absolutely

amazing game and got the win, 28-12 against Muswellbrook.

Great team spirit and team work.

Good Job guys!

Merriwa Ringer

The Eat at 153 Player of the Week went to Chad Booth.



GIRLS LEAGUE TAG UNDER 12'S

The Welderup Player of the Week went to Amelia Wright and Grace Collits.



UNDER 14'S

The Merriwa Engineering Player of the Week went to Rachael Hunt and Lula Peebles.



UNDER 16'S

The LJ and CA Constable Earthmoving Player of the Week went to Brooklyn Blackadder.



Merriwa Junior Rugby League Football Club

ROUND 13

Well we are getting close to the end of the season for our League Tag girls. Last Friday was another home game, all tag teams put in 100% effort as usual despite the freezing cold weather.

On Saturday our Merriwa tackle teams headed to Aberdeen, all kids were busting to play after last week's home game cancelled due to wet weather. It was an early start for some, it was cold and rainy however that didn't stop our little magpies from giving it their all.

Also a big shout out to the Under 11's this week with their first win of the season, they played an amazing game, all their hard work paid off. Congrats kids!

Thank you to our wonderful committee, volunteers, coaches, League safe, team managers, parents and most importantly our invaluable sponsors.

Have fun Magpies!

Brooke Marchese and Amanda Tudor

UNDER 6'S BLACK

The Sparrows Nest Player of the Week for Round 13 went to Billy Caban.



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