

What's On in 2012



Stage 3 will be located upstairs in the main building. Classroom locations will include (from the office end of the building):

6K Mrs Kellaway & Mrs Dykes;
6H Mr Hughes;
5M Mr Morris and
5H Ms Hensman.

Special Dates for Term 1:

- Jan 30 – Students return
- Feb 2 – Parent Information Evening
- Feb 3 – Swimming Carnival
- Feb 6 – SRC / Leader Induction Assembly
- Feb 13 – Elective Creative & Performing Arts Program Begins
- Feb 13-16 – Personal Learning Plan Teacher Interviews
- Feb 24 – Elective Sports Program Begins
- Apr 2-5 – Multicultural Speaking Festival – Stage Presentations
- Apr 3 – Cross Country Carnival
- Apr 4 – Celebration Disco

Proposed Year 5 Camp Dates –
February 15 to 17 (Week 4)

“Merimbula Public School offers choices to engage students in their learning and develop their talents!”



Happy holidays from Stage 3, 2012!

As communicated in last week's '2012 Staffing' letter, Stage 3 teachers for 2012 are Mr Adam Hughes (Stage 3 Leader), Mr Craig Morris, Ms Manda Hensman and Mrs Lisa Kellaway and Mrs Lorraine Dykes (Team Teaching). All Stage 3 teachers are looking forward to working together and teaching the Stage 3 students in 2012.

As in previous years, Stage 3 Mathematics groups will be graded. The *Enrichment* class will be the highest class, followed by the *Late*, *Development* then *Early* class.

By grouping students according to their ability level, we will be supporting them in achieving their learning goals through structured programs and lesson activities.

Once again we will be participating in *Mathletics* activities (funded by the school).

Stage 3 students will have the opportunity to represent the school in the Primary School Sports Association Knockout Teams. Students wishing to represent the school in Rugby League, Soccer, Netball or Basketball will have the opportunity to participate in a development program prior to team selections. With the competition being a 'knockout', talented players will be selected for positions.

Students who do not get selected will still get to participate in an AFL and AusTag / League Gala Day throughout the year.

Exciting new programs and engaging electives!

Stage 3 students will be working with their *Home Class Teacher* as well as other support teachers.

Stage 3 students will attend the library each week, borrowing books and participating in a library skills program. This will be taught by Mrs Francine Dessaix or their class teacher.

Mrs Lorraine Dykes will be taking each Stage 3 class for a weekly writing lesson, focusing on writing conventions, grammar and text structure.

The Years 3-6 Elective Sport program will continue, allowing students to participate in 5-week programs within the school and at local facilities, for example: Flipper Ball, Learn To Swim, Lap Swimming, Zumba, Tennis, Cricket, Soccer, Netball, Basketball, AFL & more!

Students will also be able to participate in 1 to 2 Term Creative & Performing Arts Electives in: Dance, Djembe Drumming, Recorder, Band, Wood Crafts, Robotics, Vocals and Digital Photography.