



SCHOOL NEWS

Dear Parents, Carers and Community,

Thank you to all of the parents and caregivers who have met with teachers this week as part of our mid-year parent-teacher meetings, collaboratively reviewing student achievement and planning goals for future growth. If you have not yet spoken with your child's teacher and would like to, please contact them via Class Dojo or by calling our office. Thank you to our teachers for giving up your afternoons/evenings to meet with parents and caregivers.

Michelle Huddleston – Principal

PSSA Regional Athletics:

Merimbula Public School recently won the Far South Coast District PSSA Athletics Carnival, with many students achieving their personal best. The following students were successful in their events, as well as, met qualifying times/distances. They will now be travelling to the Australian Institute of Sport on September 2 for the Primary School Sports Association's Regional Athletics Carnival:

- Laura Hutchinson – 8 yrs 100m;
- Lara Taylor – 11 yrs 100m;
- Jaycee Norman-Cruickshank – 11 yrs 100m;
- Kyla Burhop – 12/13 yrs 100m;
- Amelia Ford – 12/13 yrs 100m;

- Ivy Porter-Watson – Junior Long Jump, Junior High Jump;
- Isla Collins – Junior High Jump;
- Indi Emmerson – 11 yrs Discus;
- Jetta Millyn – 12/13 yrs Discus;
- Dane Hobill – 10 yrs 100m and Junior Discus;
- Harry Beuzeville – Junior 100m and Junior High Jump; and
- Ryan O'Keefe – 11 yrs High Jump and 11 yrs Shot Put.

Finalists for the 800m and 1500m events will be announced in the coming weeks.

Our school will also be sending a Senior Girls' Relay Team to the carnival. The girls representing our school in the relay are:

- Jaycee Norman-Cruickshank;
- Amelia Ford;
- Lara Taylor; and
- Kyla Burhop.

Representative hoodies went on sale on Monday night. Details of how to purchase a hoodie were included with student permission notes, as well as, via a link on our Facebook page.

P&C News: Our next P&C Meeting will be held on Monday next week, August 15. The meeting will be held via Zoom between 6.30-8pm. Please contact the P&C for more details via: merimbulapublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au

COMING EVENTS

Week 5:

Monday, August 15: P&C Meeting 6.30-8pm – via Zoom;
Thursday, August 18: Library classes start visiting the Book Fair to complete 'wish lists';

Week 6:

Monday, August 22: 2023 Kindy Special Transition #2 @ 9.30-10.30am; KP Assembly 2.05-2.55pm;
Thursday, August 25: Book Fair and Book Parade @ 12pm;

Week 7:

Wednesday, August 31: P&C Father's Day Stall;
Friday, September 2: P&C Father's Day BBQ Breakfast;

Week 8:

Monday, September 5: 2023 Kindy Special Transition #3 @ 9.30-11.30am;
Tuesday, September 6: Weyman Shield Stage 3 NRL @ Pambula;
Wednesday, September 7 to Friday, September 9: Tell Them From Me Surveys – Year 4 to 6 Students.

Our next P&C Meeting (via Zoom) is on next Monday, August 15 6.30-8pm





Stopping The Spread of Childhood Infections:

Infections are common in children and often lead to illness. If your child has symptoms of an infection, they should visit their doctor to rule out an infection before returning to school. Students with the following infections are required to stay at home: *Chickenpox (Varicella); Conjunctivitis; Gastroenteritis; Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease; Hepatitis A; Impetigo (School Sores); Influenza, Measles; Mumps; Ringworm; Rubella (German Measles); Scabies; Scarlet Fever; and Whooping Cough.*

If a child has *Glandular Fever*, they do not need to be excluded from school unless they are sick at the time. If they are showing flu-like/COVID-19 symptoms, a letter from their doctor sharing it is fine for them to be at school would allow them to attend.

Students with *headlice* do not have to miss school if they have commenced effective treatment. More information about childhood infections, and the amount of days a child will need to stay at home from school, if infected, has been sent home with today's newsletter.

Sporting Schools Term 3:

Our school has received another \$3,400 *Sporting Schools* Grant. This grant will be used to fund a lawn bowls program for Stage 2 and 3 students this term. More details will be shared via a permission note soon.

Does Your Child Regularly Arrive At School Late?

If a child misses 5 minutes a day of school, this adds up to three days each school year. Being 25 minutes late once a week also adds up to a child missing three school days per year.

Children who come to school late also miss important learning instructions, which can affect their participation and disrupt an entire class. Leaving school early can also add up to many lost days over a child's schooling years. Parents/caregivers are encouraged to book appointments and holiday leave outside of school hours where possible.

Catholic Scripture: Catholic Scripture is no longer taking place due to a shortage of teacher volunteers. Christian Special Religious Education continues to take place each Friday. Parents/caregivers can have their child change, join or withdraw from SRE/Scripture classes by contacting the office in writing.

MPS Mini Fete Save the Date !!!

Our Stage 3 students will be hosting a Mini Fete on Tuesday, September 20 (12pm-2pm)

SAVE THE DATE...

Merimbula Public School's Mini Fete

SO MUCH FUN

Tuesday, September 20 from 12 - 2pm (Week 10)

47-55 Main Street, Merimbula

ADMIT ONE

Minutes lost = days lost per year

A couple of minutes here and there doesn't seem like much, but...



Patterns of lateness can have a serious impact on your child's education.

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