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HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Merriwa Education Support Centre

Dear Parents & Families,

We are now in week seven and looking forward to a very busy remainder of the term. It has been a pleasure to see the children engaged in their learning and managing well despite the wet weather. The students have particularly enjoyed their cooking classes and community access visits.

Unfortunately, our Junior and Senior carnivals were rescheduled due to bad weather. The new dates are as follows:

- Junior Carnival at Creaney ESC: Thursday, 19th September
- Senior Carnival at Beldon ESC: Tuesday, 22nd October

Communication

At Merriwa ESC we provide families with various forms of communication to ensure that you are well informed about upcoming events and information. Have you downloaded the Dojo app to keep in touch with your class teacher? We also have our new website to share information, load the newsletters and inform our community of the latest news. Please be sure to contact the office or your classroom teacher to get more information on how you can be kept up to date.

New Website
merriwaesc.wa.edu.au

Father's Day

To all of our Dads, Grandfathers and family carers who care for the students at Merriwa ESC, we wish you a Happy Father's Day. I know that classes have been focussing on how important you are.

Kind Regards
Natalie Jones
Principal

What's On ?

P & C Sausage
Sizzle
Monday 2nd
September
orders closed

Fathers Day Raffle
drawn Friday
30th August

Year 6 Graduation
Photos 8.30am
Thursday 5th
September

Merriwa Schools
Faction Carnival
Friday 6th Sept

Year 6
Swan Valley
Excursion
Thursday
12th September

Book Fair
Monday 16th -
Thursday 19th
September

Book Character
Parade
Wednesday
18th September

ROOM 25

Each week the children explore a different literacy text - last week we focused on 'Sharing a Shell' by Julia Donaldson. Students engaged with the story in multiple ways, listening to the text being read aloud, looking at the text independently and they also watched an animated story book online. The story explores the importance of sharing with others. Linking to the text, the children looked at different types of shells, using magnifying glasses to see the different colours, textures and patterns. They even had a chance to play with the shells in a fun sensory tray, they did some clam painting and created their very own shell art.

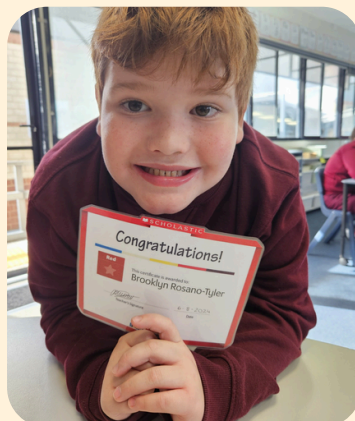
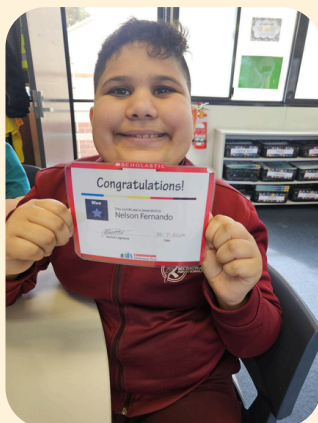
We have also been participating in the cooking program, which the students have been enjoying. Last week we made Nachos.

Each Friday, Room 25 visits the sensory room, engaging with the various resources available. This is a good opportunity for us educators to see what each child enjoys, what they are drawn to, including what helps them to regulate themselves. We can then try to incorporate these tools in the classroom where we can.



ROOM 30

Congratulations on these students receiving their Literacy Pro Awards



COMMUNITY NEWS



Let's get our running shoes on this October. Did you know we have 92% of our students with an ASD diagnosis?

Team Merriwa ESC is taking on Run for autism 2024 challenge and we'd love for you to join us!

Autism prevalence has increased to an estimated 1 in 40 Australians (from 1 in 70). There is now a bigger demand for autism-specific services, and the services Aspect delivers are so vital.

That is why we're taking on Run for autism this October. Please join our team and help us raise vital funds to change the lives of children and adults on the autism spectrum

Together we can create a more autism-friendly Australia for the next generation.

<https://www.runforautism.org.au/join/teammerriwaesc>



School Services

2025 applications for student transport assistance through School Bus Services

School Bus Services (SBS) is encouraging parents to submit applications for transport assistance before 15 November 2024 to save their child a seat for 2025. Late applications may not be processed in time for Term 1, 2025. SBS has provided resources that you can use to promote the closing date to parents.

Enquiries: School Bus Service

Phone: 13 62 13

MERRIWA PRIMARY SCHOOL

SPORT CARNIVAL

WEEK OF EVENTS

MONDAY

2nd September

- P&C Sausage Sizzle

TUESDAY

3rd September

- Passing of the Shield
- Faction Lunch - Students eat lunch together in their factions.
- 8am Faction accessories for sale

WEDNESDAY

4th September

- Jumps and Throws 8.30am -12.45pm
- Parents Welcome

THURSDAY

5th September

- Faction Lunch - Students eat lunch together in their factions.
- Graduation Photos

FRIDAY

6th September

- Faction Carnival
- Faction Lunch
- Parents Welcome
- Parent picnic inside the school for lunch
- P&C Raffle and accessories for sale

Don't forget
to wear your
faction shirt
Friday 6th

Food trucks will be available in the carpark near the back gate. Only students who have parents present will be able to access the food trucks at lunch time. We cannot allow them to access the food truck without their own parent or guardian present as it is a safety concern.

