



# Murrurundi Public School

*Pride in our Heritage, Confidence in our Future*

## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 4 — Week 9

Thursday 13th December 2018

### Newsletter Week 9

#### 2018 Presentation Night Principal's Message

Thank you Jaiden and welcome to our families, friends and community members. Thank you to Cr Wayne Bedggood and Mr Sean Andrews for taking time out of your busy schedules to celebrate with us tonight.

It is with great pleasure that I invite Muriel Farnham and Wendy Jackson from the CWA to present the CWA Bursary and the Dux of the school. The bursary is awarded to a Year 5 student to assist them with their education in Year 6. The \$300 may be used for excursions, uniforms or stationary in 2019.

The winner of the CWA Bursary is Madison Cattell.

The Dux of the school is a very prestigious title, which is awarded following careful consideration of the achievements of all members of Year 6.

Dux of 2018 is Jaiden Summers. Congratulations Jaiden, I am so very proud of you and all that you have achieved during this short year that I have had the pleasure of knowing you. With "Mayor for a Day" and now Dux under your belt, I think Cr Bedggood should be a little worried about his job.

Our 2018 school captains have done an exceptional job. I would like to thank them for the dedication they have displayed throughout the year. I look forward to hearing of their future endeavours as they navigate through secondary school, as I am sure that the leadership skills they have developed this year will assist them to succeed in whatever they do. I'd like to call on Jaiden and Reagan to sign this book that they are gifting to the school.

It is now my great pleasure to announce our school leaders for 2019. Each candidate prepared and presented a speech to the school before voting took place. I would like to invite all of the Year 5 students to join me. Year 5, the bar has been set very high this year, but I know that you will strive to do your best as representatives of Murrurundi Public School in 2019.

Next year there will be more than just the two school captain roles, there will also be a vice captain, sports captains and Student Representative Council (or SRC) representatives. All of these roles are very important leadership roles and will contribute positively to your leadership growth and the culture of our school.

The Sports Captains for 2019 are Caitlin Davies and Eden Ferguson.

The SRC representatives for 2019 are Madison Cattell and Jessica Luscombe.

The Vice Captain for 2019 is Madison Taylor.

Which of course means, the School Captains for 2019, as voted by the students and staff, are Rachel Brown and Sophie Luscombe. Congratulations.

Would Rachel, Sophie and Madison Taylor please come forward to repeat the School Captain's pledge after me.

Congratulations school leaders for 2019. A special induction assembly will be held early next year following the election of the rest of the Student Representative Council.

Farewell to all of our Year 6 students, you are able to proudly state that you completed your primary schooling at Murrurundi Public School, a small school with big opportunities. I would like to pay special tribute to the families of Charlotte, Hamish, Benji, Alexis and Jaiden who this year finish their direct association with

Murrurundi Public School. On behalf of the staff, I would like to thank you for your support. To our new and continuing families, we look forward to your support in 2019.

This year saw the beginning of a partnership with Aquis Farm, enabling us to provide the Pre-Kinder "Future is Bright" program that has seen next year's 10 kindergarten students attend school each Friday this term in readiness for learning in 2019. I would like to call on Kara Dixon of Aquis Farm to make a presentation to the very first Aquis, Future is Bright Pre-Kinder students. We look forward to continuing this association with Aquis in the years to come through their support of future Pre-Kinder programs.

The ongoing social, academic and emotional success of our students relies heavily on the amazing network of parents/P&C, carers, community members and businesses. I would like to thank everyone who has volunteered or donated their time, efforts or goods this year, please know that you are truly appreciated and your kind actions have benefited our school and its students.

I would particularly like to thank a number of volunteers with a small gift of appreciation.

Julie Edmonds for the wonderful work she does in our gardens.

Barbara Morgan and Dinah Norton for reading with students who require extra practice.

Colin Leayr for rebuilding our choir program and bringing the love of music and singing back into Murrurundi Public School.

Anita Faulkner for the amazing tuition she provides to our students in the fine arts. The recent InvigorART workshops and exhibition was a tremendous success, not just for our students but also for the students of Belltrees and Blandford Public Schools. The artwork can be viewed at the exhibition at the church gallery over the next few weeks and preparation for InvigorART 2019 is well underway with the Murrurundi Preschool being involved and gallery excursions and Aboriginal art to be included.

Anita, along with the Year 6 students, can you please present the Year 6 gift to the school.

Thank you Year 6 and Anita, what a wonderful addition to our beautiful school.

This term, to encourage pride in our school uniform, I began a class uniform competition. Each day students who were dressed in full school uniform were awarded a point for their class. The winner will receive a pizza party next week.

The winner of the class uniform competition is K/1. Congratulations K/1 and thank you for showing both pride in yourself and your school.

I would like to finish by thanking the staff, who this year, supported our students to achieve in many ways, not just academically. It has not always been easy, but with the help of the staff, we have worked to build positive partnerships, and events such as Scarecrow Day, Christmas Carols, Biggest Morning Tea, InvigorART, NAIDOC Day and Grandparents Day have enabled us to reconnect with parents, carers and community, in turn ensuring the best outcomes for our students. I would particularly like to thank Judith Wilson, as her support and commitment has enabled me to do my very best to lead the school forward. Jude not only carries out her role as School Administration Manager with professionalism, but also puts in many extra hours due to her love of the school, its community and students.

Thank you for joining us to celebrate this evening, and I hope you continue to enjoy your association with Murrurundi Public School.

## Classroom Awards

### **Week 8 - Science**

**K/1 - Charlie Power**

**2/3/4 - Connor Hyde**

**5/6 - Jaiden Summers**



## Thumbs Up Award

Justice Richards



Principal's Award  
Lacey Rose Campbell  
Judd Brown

Uniform Award K/1



Assembly Award  
Winners



## Save These Dates

Year 6 Farewell – Monday 17th of December

Mugs Cup – 19th of December

Last day for students – Wednesday 19th of December

\$1.00 SAUSAGE SIZZLE

## Week 9 in K/1

Christmas craft and activities have begun in K/1. The students have been busy creating some wonderful Christmas art and craft. They even had a paper-chain challenge to see which group could create the longest chain.



Well done to our Home Reading award winners for this week. It is wonderful to see some students have already reached their goal of 50 nights of reading.

Keep up the reading K/1, some of you are so close to reaching 50 nights.



Ms Hurst 😊

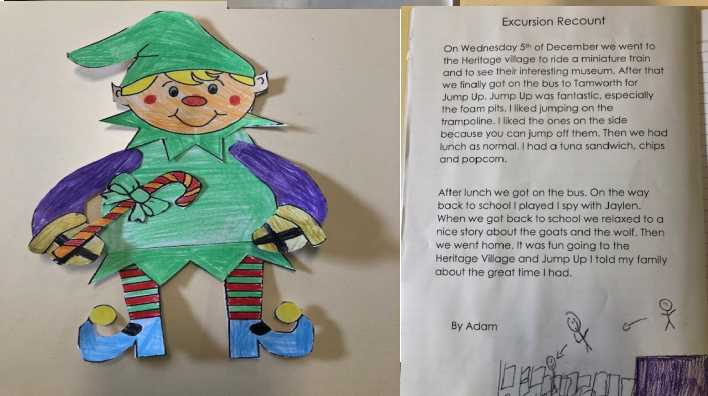
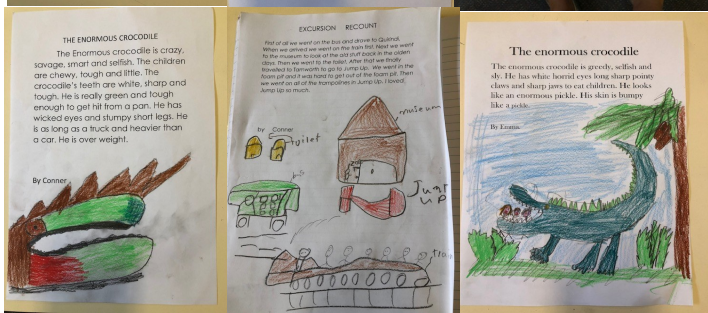
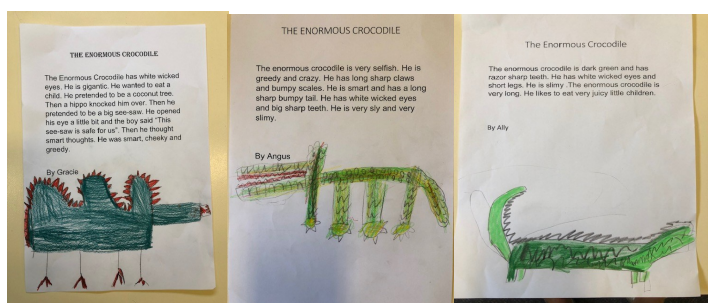


## Week 9 in 2/3/4

During Week 9, 2/3/4 have been busy publishing our descriptions about the 'Enormous Crocodile.' We have also written and published recounts about our fabulous excursion last week to the Quirindi Heritage Village and Jump Up Trampoline Park in Tamworth.

In the afternoon sessions 2/3/4 have been having fun making Christmas decorations and singing Christmas carols!

Lyn Quirk



## INVIGOR-ART EXHIBITION

Where: Church Gallery

When: Saturday/Sunday

15th/16th December

22rd/23rd December

29th/30th December

10am to 1pm & by special appointment

The exhibition will also be open for the Murrurundi

Twilight Christmas Shopping from 6pm.

Cost: \$2 adults ,children free

Artwork for sale with artist's consent

\$5 per item or \$20 with frame

Contact Anita on 0455493827 or 65466040 for

further information.

## Christmas Church Service

Students will walk to St Anglicans Church on Monday December 17th for a Christmas Service at 12.30. There is no cost involved and students are asked to wear full school uniform. If you not wish your child to attend please contact the school office on 65466057.

## Uniform Shop

A motion was passed at last weeks P&C meeting regarding the ordering and purchasing of uniforms from the uniform shop. All orders must be returned with a **deposit** and all uniforms must be paid for **in full** before being collected. No credit will be given. Order forms are available in the office. We thank you for your understanding.



## Winanga-Li Aboriginal Cultural Day





## Community Christmas Carols

The Christmas Carols hosted by the Lions Club and the Murrurundi Public School with assistance from the Upper Hunter Shire Council were a huge success. We would like to give special thanks to Colin Leayr for giving his time and talent preparing our students for their wonderful performances, Brett Gorst from BG-Tech Computers for the AV component, Little Big Rig Pty Ltd for the use of their microphones, the cute reindeers from Murrurundi Pre-School, the Ukelele Group for their enthusiastic performance and the beautiful voices of the Scone Singers. Congratulations and thank you to all of the Lions Club members and the staff of Murrurundi Public School for putting on this enjoyable event. We look forward to another wonderful carols in 2019.





Murrurundi Public School visited Murravale, Murrurundi Hospital, Liverpool Lodge and the town centre to sing carols and spread Christmas cheer to the residents.





## CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 4

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19th DEC

Special last day of school treat — sausage sizzle \$1.00

Thank you, Steph

### P&C Christmas Wind Up Party

All P&C members are welcome to come along to celebrate the end of 2018.

Friday 14th December - 6pm

Railway Hotel

### Christmas Raffle Winners

1st Prize Jillian 2nd Prize Barbara Morgan  
3rd Prize The Ashfords 4th Prize The Ashfords  
5th Prize Debbie Aboozaid 6th Prize Michael Scholz  
7th Prize Jenny Vaughn 8th Prize Chris Betts  
9th Prize Chris Betts 10th Prize The Sevils  
11th Prize The Rinkins 12th Prize The Ashfords

### The P&C have a new email address

[murrurundiPandC@gmail.com](mailto:murrurundiPandC@gmail.com)

If you need to get in contact or send us information please don't hesitate to use this email

## EVERYDAY COUNTS

Regular attendance at school is essential for students to achieve quality life outcomes. Schools, in partnership with parents, are responsible for promoting the regular attendance of students. Parents of children from Kindergarten to Year 12 must ensure their children attend school every day. Children must commence school by age 6. On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

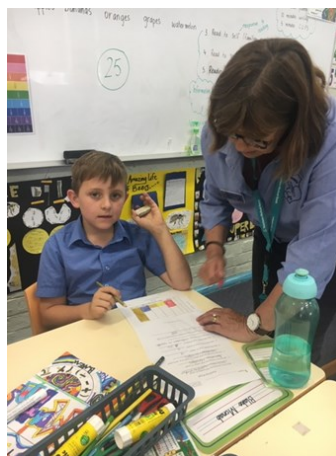
being sick or having an infectious disease

having an unavoidable medical appointment

being required to attend a recognised religious holiday

exceptional or urgent family circumstances e.g. attending a funeral

Parents must provide an explanation for absences to the school within 7 days from the first day of any period of absence. Where an explanation has not been received within the 7-day timeframe, the school will record the absence as unjustified on the student's record



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday WEEK 9 TERM 4	Thursday	Friday
Canteen Christmas Service	Student Banking	Last day of School for students	SDD	SDD
Music—Mr Garrett Year 6 Farewell	Library Please return all books	2.30pm Mugs Cup		