



# Murrurundi Public School

*Pride in our Heritage, Confidence in our Future*

*Be Respectful Be Responsible Do Your Personal Best*



## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

**Term 3—Week 4**

**Monday 12th August 2019**

### Principal Report

#### Strengths Focus - Kindness

We can use our strengths to be happier, strengthen relationships, manage problems, boost confidence, reduce stress and accomplish goals. BUT, we can't use our strengths to help us unless we are aware of what they are, and understand how to use them to our advantage.

**This week the strength that we are learning about is KINDNESS.**

#### Community Consultation Survey #2

Please find attached the second survey that will allow us to compare the 2018 findings on how the school is meeting the needs of our students, parents, staff and community. Please return no later than 23rd of August.

#### Last week's Strengths Focus – Honesty

The following students were identified by the staff as displaying the focus strength of HONESTY last week:

**Kinder- Judd Brown, Billee Rinkin**

**1/2- Lilly Hyde, Eloise Avar**

**3/4/5/6- Zoe Watters, Zai Ahmad-Stone, Justice Richards, Madison Taylor and Kallie Lawrence**

#### Uniform Reward

This term, students in full school uniform will receive a point each, each day of the week for their class (I will convert to a percentage) and the class with the most points will receive a reward at the end of the term.

**Winners Week 2: 3/4/5/6**

**Winners Week 3: Kindergarten**

#### Science Day Tuesday 11th August

Students will present their science projects in class tomorrow. There will be no special Science Day assembly tomorrow afternoon, instead, chosen students will present their projects at the Assembly on **Thursday**.

#### Education Week Assembly this Thursday 2.15pm

As we did not have an assembly last week (and we had so

much going on), we will celebrate **Education Week this week at our assembly on Thursday at 2.15pm**. The choir will be performing along with some of our public speakers and we will enjoy some science projects. We hope to see you there.

#### Book Week Parade Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2.15pm

Students (and younger siblings) are invited to dress up as a book character for our Book Week parade that will begin at 2.15pm on Thursday of next week and will include our Pre School friends. Please join us for some Book Week fun.

#### Book Week Library Visit K-2

K-2 will be visiting the Murrurundi Library as part of Book Week celebrations **on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> of August from 10am-11am** and are invited to wear something over their uniform to fit with the theme "Reading is my Secret Power" (eg. a cape or mask). Students will walk to the Library with their teachers. If you do not wish your child to participate in this excursion, please notify the school office.

#### Student Collection

Please find the Student Collection Procedure attached to this newsletter. There are two notes that must be returned – one is only for students who walk home or across the crossing and one is for all parents to fill out giving permission for adults other than themselves to collect their children.

#### Asthma

All students with asthma **MUST** have an asthma care plan from their doctor. This is Department of Education policy. Any students that have asthma and do not have a current plan, will not be able to attend the Great Aussie Bush Camp.

#### Payment and Permission Notes

All monies and notes are to be returned to the office (not the classroom). Please note that payment is due with the permission note. To assist our office staff, no permission notes will be accepted without payment.

## Uniform Review

The next uniform review meeting will be held on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> of September at 3pm.**

## Great Aussie Bush Camp K-2 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> Aug, 3-6 26<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> Aug

Thank you to the **GABC Fundraising Group and the P&C** who are covering the cost of the bus. Full payment is now overdue. Thank you to the families who have paid in full.

## Zone Athletics

Well done to our students who represented Murrurundi Public School last Wednesday at Singleton: **Rachel Brown, Gracie Kedwell, Justice Richards, Caitlin Davies, Eden Ferguson, Cooper Taylor, Thea Jacobs, Braiden Harvey, Conner Hyde, Zai Ahmad-Stone and Lynx Whitby.**

Congratulations to Rachel who was 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Senior Girls High Jump and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Senior Girls Long Jump.

## Regional Athletics

Congratulations to Rachel Brown and our relay team who qualified for the Regional Athletics Carnival in Newcastle on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> of August in the following events:

**Rachel Brown** - Senior Girls High Jump, Senior Girls Long Jump

**Braiden Harvey, Lynx Whitby, Rachel Brown, Justice Richards** - PP5 Relay

## Public Speaking

Congratulations to the following students who represented our school at Belltrees Public Speaking on Thursday. All of these students are to be congratulated for their efforts and should be very proud of themselves for presenting their speeches to a room full of strangers.

Early Stage 1: **Luke McNab, Judd Brown**

Stage 1: **Charlie Power, Henry Avar**

Stage 2: **Blake McNab, Abby Ashford**

Stage 3: **Jessica Luscombe**

## The Twits

All students from Pre-Kinder to Year 6 travelled to Quirindi to see the theatre production "Roald Dahl's The Twits" on Friday. **Thank you to our P&C** who paid for the bus to the Royal Theatre, Quirindi, making this excursion more accessible for our families.

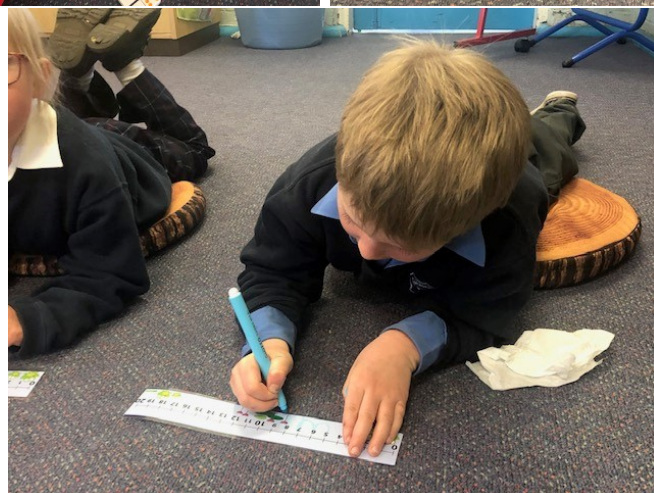
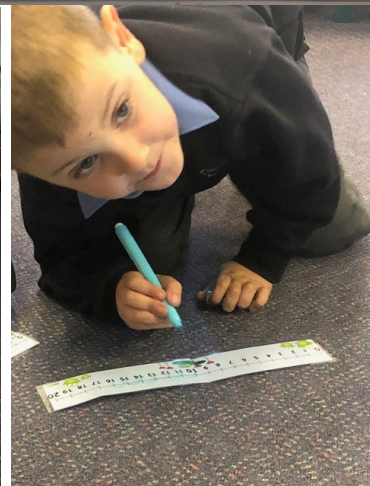
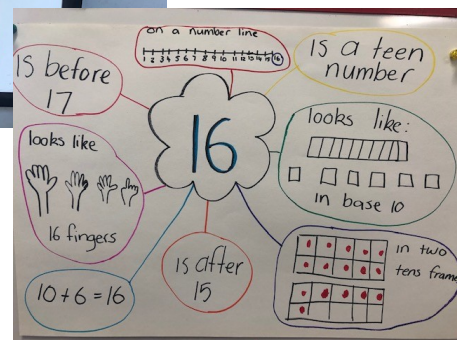
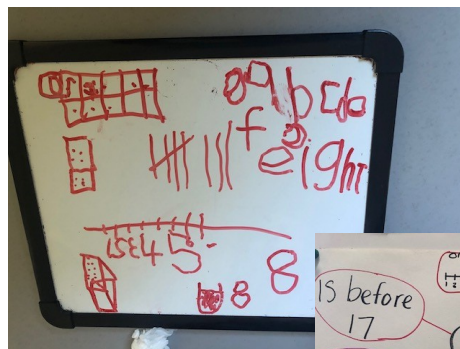
**Mrs Hopkins**

**Relieving Principal**

## Kindergarten

Kindergarten has been building their number sense. We looked at everything we knew about the number 16 and how many different ways we could show 16. We have also looked at number lines. We used them to demonstrate that when we add numbers together the total gets bigger and when we subtract the total gets smaller. In literacy we have read the book "Chalk Boy" by Margret Wild and Mandy Ord. The students enjoyed making their own Chalk Boy artworks in class.

## Miss Callaghan and Mrs Coffey





## Year 1 and 2

Last week we welcomed Courtney from Centrecare into our classroom to deliver the Rural Resilience program. Courtney read some stories to us and spoke to us about what being resilient means- bouncing back! We also identified our character strengths and created a rainbow cloud displaying our six strengths.

Henry and Charlie represented our class at the Belltrees Public Speaking Competition on Thursday. Henry spoke about Lego and Charlie spoke about big cats. We are very proud of their efforts and heard that they spoke very well!

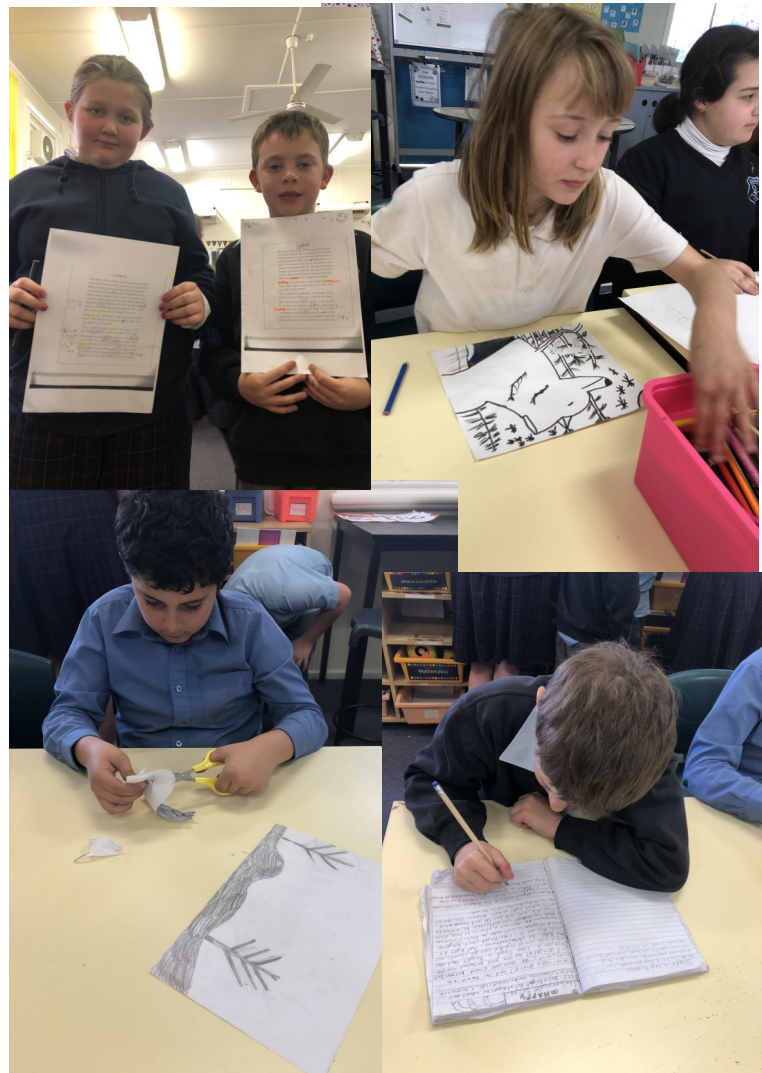
**Miss Reeves, Mrs Quirk and Year 1 and 2.**



## Years 3/4/5/6

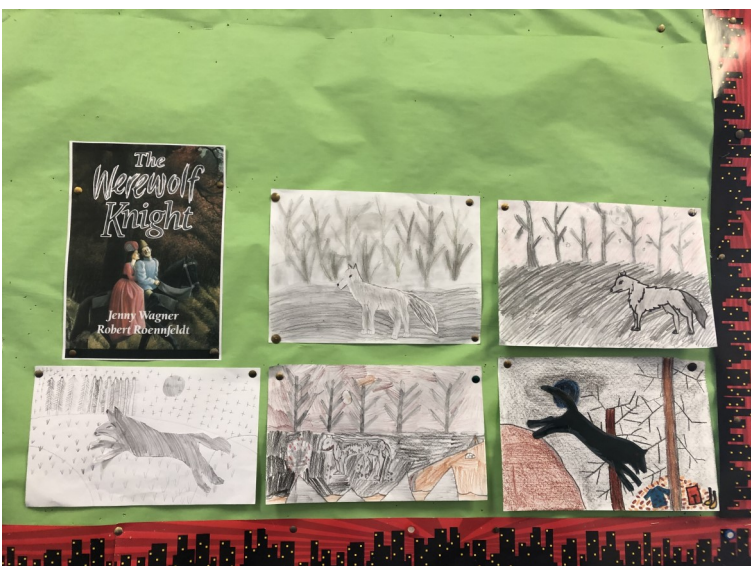
In English this term, 3-6 are studying narratives involving characters such as knights, princesses, magicians and dragons. Our first text was "The Werewolf Knight" by Jenny Wagner. The students enjoyed this intriguing narrative about a knight called Feolf. They also loved the opportunity to create artworks about this text.

The second text we are studying is "The Knight and the Princess" by Joy Scherger. We have found this text to be very rich in new vocabulary that we can clarify. We have already learnt new words like "lotions", "alight", "moat" and "serpentine". We have also used this text to look at how the author has used adverbs to make the narrative more engaging. Students have started to write their own narratives around a character who is a knight. They will apply their learning about adverbs when reviewing their own stories by adding adverbs to enrich their stories. **Mrs Foley and Mrs Maxwell**





3/4/5/6 continued



Science Day

Science Day is fast approaching. We hope that students and parents have enjoyed working on their science projects! On Tuesday August 13th students will present their projects in class. On Thursday afternoon on assembly (not Tuesday afternoon as previously advertised), chosen students from each class will present their projects. The assembly will commence at 2.15pm. All welcome.



**Royal Hotel Social Club  
Op Shop Spring Ball  
21st September 2019**

**Non- Members \$23 pp**

**Members Free**

**Includes 2 Course Meal**

**Bookings & Payments Essential**

**RSVP 14th September 2019**

**Prizes & Raffles on the Night**

**Come along & support your**

**Royal Hotel Social Club**



### Zone Athletics

Congratulations to all students from Murrurundi Public School who competed at the Zone Athletics Carnival on Wednesday. Many students achieved a PB in their events, and all students competed with determination and pride.



**Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)**

We are learning about the character strength of *kindness*. Showing gratitude, helping others, and being kind make our brains and our bodies feel good. We are happier when we are thankful. Work hard at being thankful, helpful, and being kind to those around you! Tweet, Tweet!



**FATHER'S DAY STALL**

**MONDAY AUGUST 26<sup>TH</sup> - 9AM TO 9.30AM**

The stall will be held every morning of this week or until items sold out

Gifts starting from 50c and up

**Father's Day – 1<sup>st</sup> September**

Come and get something special for Dad!



## P&C Information

### Term 3 Canteen Roster

Date	Names
12 <sup>th</sup> August	Nikki & Sue
19 <sup>th</sup> August	Max & Barney
26 <sup>th</sup> August	Camp Week – NO CANTEEN
2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Laine & Julie
9 <sup>th</sup> September	Michelle & Rachael
16 <sup>th</sup> September	Jane & Julie
23 <sup>rd</sup> September	NO CANTEEN AT THIS STAGE

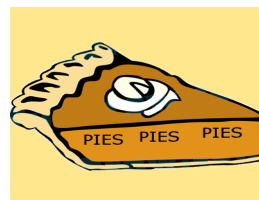
*If you are unable to attend your rostered shift please try and a swap with someone.*

## Murrurundi Public School

### Thompson's Pie Drive

Reminder that orders are to be returned to school with the correct money by 13th September.

Delivery to the school is on Friday 20th September



### Notes to be returned please

- ♦ Student Collection Permission
- ♦ Community Consultation Survey #2

### Save the Date

13 August - Science Day

14 August - Upper Hunter Public Speaking

20 August - QHS Year 5 Taster Day

22 August - Book Week Assembly

26-30 August - GABC Excursion

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday Week 4	Thursday	Friday
Canteen	Student Banking Science Day			Pre Kinder
	Choir Library		Assembly 2.15pm	