



# Murrurundi Public School

*Pride in our Heritage, Confidence in our Future*

*Be Respectful Be Responsible Do Your Personal Best*



## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 4 — Week 8

Monday 30th November 2020

### Swimming

Swimming lessons start on Wednesday (2nd December). The students will walk to and from the pool under staff supervision.

**Group 1** (K-1-2) will leave the school at 12.30 ready for their lesson at 12.45 and return to school at approximately 1.35.

**Group 2** (3-4-5-6) will leave the school at 1.10 ready for their lesson at 1.25 and return to school at approximately 2.15.

As we cannot use the change rooms at the pool, all students will change into their swimmers at school before they go and change back into school clothes upon their return to school.

Students need to remember to bring a hat, a rashie or cotton shirt (to wear in the water) and a drink bottle to take to the pool. They also need to remember swimmers, towel and spare underwear (if they choose to wear their swimmers to school under their uniforms).

Swimming will continue everyday until Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December.

### Presentation Day Arrangements

Due to current COVID-19 restrictions, we ask that family members attending our annual presentation ceremony next Wednesday adhere to the following procedures.

Plan to arrive at school between 9.40 and 9.55am.

Social distancing rules must be followed at all times.

Sign in at the Office – usual sign in page and COVID-19 sign in.

Make your way directly to the COLA and find a seat. Please remain seated until advised to move.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, we ask that all family visitors remain seated while students return to their classes.

All family visitors must leave the school grounds within 15 minutes of the ceremony concluding and sign out at the office on the way out.

If everyone follows these procedures, it will ensure the safety of all students, staff and visitors.

**Mrs Darlington**

**Relieving Principal**

We are learning how to be respectful, **responsible and do our personal best** when playing with our friends. Lately, we have been getting a bit too close to our friends and our games have turned rough. We need to remember to play appropriate games at school and keep our hands and feet to ourselves. Tweet, Tweet!





## K/1

We have been working hard on our writing with Miss Bettington. We published our letter asking our parents if we could have a monster and found out when to use speech marks. We spent measurement time in the sandpit finding out different volumes of objects. The students learnt all about staying safe at the beach and how to organise our waste.

**Mrs Coffey**





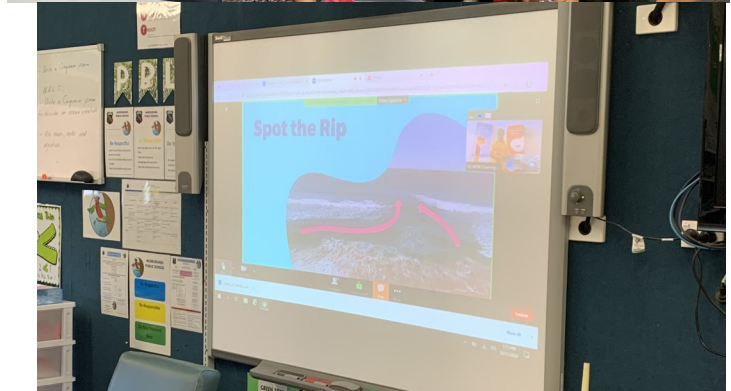
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This week we had the pleasure of two special visits. One from Surf Lifesaving NSW via Zoom and one from the Environmentors program. We got to speak with a real lifesaver from Narabeen and learn about beach safety and ocean creatures. We had lots of fun and really enjoyed the experience. The Environmentors program taught us about waste avoidance and the significant amount of packaging used on food. We learned how excess packaging can damage the environment and how we can help to reduce waste. It was very informative and lots of fun.

**Premiers Sporting Challenge**

Last term the whole school completed the Premiers Sporting Challenge in which we were all encouraged to monitor our minutes and hours of physical activity and increase the time every week. All students have received a GOLD level award for their participation. Congratulations everyone!

**Mrs Quirk and Mrs Foley**





4/5/6

This week has been a very enjoyable week of learning in 4/5/6. The students wrote narratives this week after a few weeks of poetry writing, and it was wonderful to see them applying their descriptive writing skills with some wonderful vocabulary being used.

We have also been having lots of fun in Drama with Readers' Theatre based on Roald Dahl's Revolting Rhymes: Jack and the Beanstalk, Little Red Riding Hood and Goldilocks and the Three Bears. These fractured fairy tales are very different from the traditional tales they are based upon.

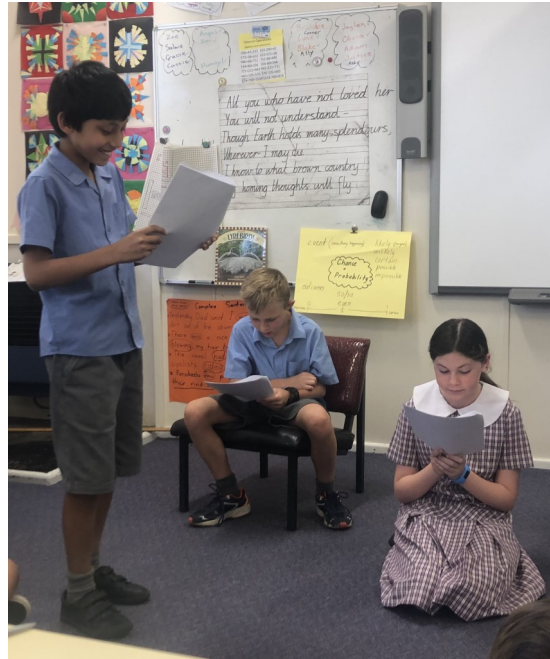
The class has participated enthusiastically in learning a rap and dancing along to it. They may even get a chance to perform for an audience before the end of the year.

Year Six are very excited to be heading off to their respective High Schools on Tuesday for their orientation days. They are busy in their lunch hours on a top secret Year Six project.

Congratulations to Gracie, Zoe and Cassie, who all achieved their personal best results in QuickSmart Maths this week with Mrs Leah.

I would also like to congratulate the class as a whole for the positive attitudes they are displaying both in the classroom and the playground. It is wonderful to see the senior class setting such a great example for the younger students.

**Mrs Maxwell and Mr Ralston**



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and receive a card from Santa in return

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- Each card comes with a wooden ornament to keep
- Follow the steps to send your card to Santa
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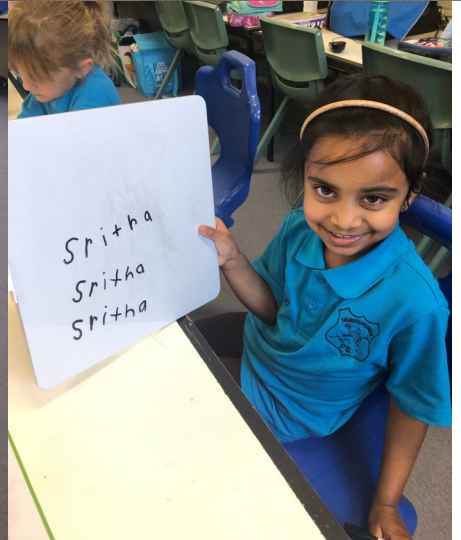
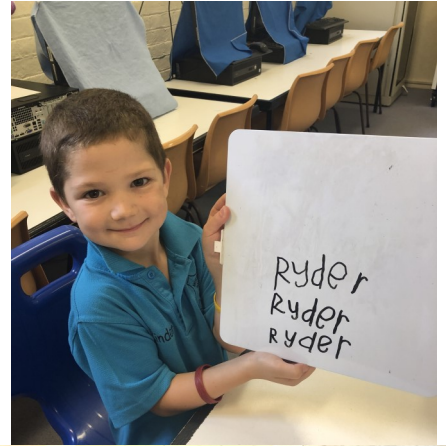
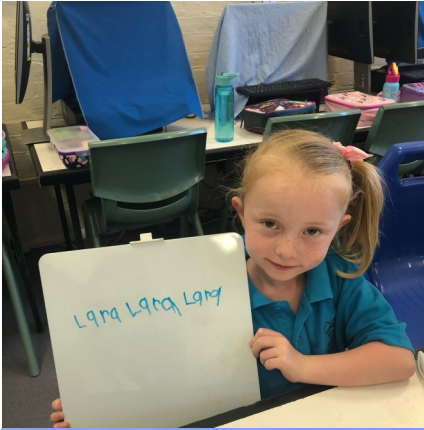


Murrurundi Students practicing for Presentation Day





## Pre Kinder Week 8



Last Week of Pre Kinder for 2020

We look forward to you coming on the 1st February 2021  
as our Kindergarten Class 2021





Where there's a Will Gratitude Quilts are now on display for the next week at Nelliebelles Cakes and Bakes Murrurundi. Thank you to the wonderful community members who contributed to these beautiful creations.

## WTAW Holiday Auction

Like most charitable organisations Where there's a Will has had a tough year on the fundraising front so you can only imagine our delight recently when Bengalla offered us 2x accommodation packages for a family of four to enjoy a five night stay at the luxurious Royal Pines Resort on the Gold Coast. Both of these packages are now up for auction, with online bidding closing at 9pm this Sunday 29 November. We would greatly appreciate if you could share this information amongst your networks so we can maximise the money raised to support our mission to improve mental health and wellbeing across the Upper Hunter.

This is a direct link to the online auction: <https://www.32auctions.com/wtaw>

## School Banking day is **Tuesday**



Remember, **Tuesday** is School Banking day and students can bring in their weekly deposit.

For every deposit made at school, students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their regular savings habits.

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives a Regular Savers Contribution of \$5 for every 10 deposits processed per student as well as an Annual Contribution which is based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year.

If your child has lost their book, please contact your School Banking Co-ordinator for a replacement or visit any Commbank Branch.

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at Murrurundi Public School.



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## Coming Events - 2020

Date	Event	Who	Further Information
23 November	Kindergarten Orientation	Mrs Quirk	
26 November	Online Beach Safety Program	K-6	
27 November	Sustainability Program	K-6	Topic – Lunches Unwrapped
<b>30 November</b>	<b>Mr Andrews visiting</b>  <b>Last day for Kindergarten Orientation</b>	<b>Principal</b>  <b>Mrs Quirk</b>	<b>Special presentation to Pre-Kinders at 3.15.</b>
1 December	Scone High/Quirindi High Orientation	Year 6	Permission notes have been sent home
2 December	Swimming	K-6	See Mrs Foley
3 December	Swimming	K-6	See Mrs Foley
	School Counsellor visit		See Mrs Darlington
4 December	Swimming	K-6	See Mrs Foley
	Miss Bettington finishes Prac		
	Last school assembly	Everyone	
7 December	Swimming	K-6	
8 December	Swimming	K-6	See Mrs Foley
9 December	Presentation Day ceremony 10.00am	Everyone	One invite per family
	Swimming	K-6	See Mrs Foley
<b>10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Parent / Teachers Interviews</b>	<b>K-6</b>	<b>Times to be confirmed</b>
10 December	Swimming	K-6	See Mrs Foley
11 December	Swimming	K-6	See Mrs Foley
14 December	Swimming	K-6	See Mrs Foley
	Year 6 Farewell Dinner	Staff and Year 6	At Nellie Belles – invitation only event
15 December	Swimming	K-6	See Mrs Foley
<b>16 December</b>	<b>Last day of term for students and staff</b>  <b>PBL Reward Day – out of uniform – Christmas theme</b>	<b>Everyone</b>	
17 <sup>th</sup> and 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Office only open		

## Coming Events - 2021

27 January	First day of term for Staff only	Staff	
28 January	Pupil Free day	Students	
<b>29 January</b>	<b>First day of term</b>	<b>Students in Year 1 to Year 6</b>	
<b>1 February</b>	<b>First day of school for Kindergarten</b>  <b>Small Schools Swimming Carnival</b>	<b>Kindergarten students</b>  <b>All students over the age of 8</b>	<b>At Scone Swimming pool – further information to follow</b>





## IMPORTANT MESSAGES FROM THE P&C

### CANTEEN DAY FOR 2020

#### Volunteers Required

Please contact the school if you would like to volunteer.

**A canteen order bag will be sent home every week for canteen orders on Fridays**

**Please remember to write your child's name, class and teacher on the bag with money**

And if you misplace the bag you can send the order and money in an envelope or something similar.

Remember a copy of the menu is on the schools website.

### Uniforms

Our uniform shop is stocked with new summer uniforms.

Please contact our school office to place an order.

A new supply of girls summer uniforms have just arrived in Sizes 4 – 16.

### Next P&C Meeting

Tuesday 1st December

Murrurundi Public School

4PM

Agenda Items must be in to Donna by 23rd November

### FUNDRAISING RAFFLE SELLING ROSTER

Our P & C is requesting volunteers to sell raffle tickets for only 1 hour on the following dates:

Saturday 5 December 9.30am to 12.30pm

Contact our school office to volunteer.

Your time is appreciated as all funds raised support our students at Murrurundi Public School.

## CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR SALE

The wonderful and talented students of Murrurundi Public School have created Christmas designs that have been made into beautiful original Christmas cards! The cards have the design on the front, a short message inside and the student's name on the back. These will be available for purchase from our school. Please place your order, including money, at our front office.

