

Murrurundi Public School

Pride in our Heritage, Confidence in our Future

Be Respectful Be Responsible Do Your Personal Best

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 4 - Week 9

Monday 29 November 2021

Principals Message

Nov 29 – Dec 10	Parent/Teacher Interviews	Whole school	Further details to come
Nov 29 – Dec 10	Learn to Swim	Whole School	Further details to come
Dec 8	Presentation Day	Whole school	10am start – further details to come
Dec 13	Year 6 Dinner	Year 6, their parents and staff only	Invitations have already been sent out.
Dec 16	Last day of term 4	All students and staff	

Students need to wear their sports uniforms every Thursday and Friday

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

We have recently had some questions about what PBL is and how it is implemented. Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) aims to build a safe, positive and productive learning environment. There is explicit teaching of positive behaviours and expectations are clear across the whole school.

Our core values are:

Respectful

- Listen to and follow instructions given by an adult
- Care for and include others and be a buddy
- Wear our school uniform with pride

Responsible

- Be in the right place at the right time
- · Take care of personal belongings and equipment
- Keep the school environment clean

Personal Best

- Be organised and ready to learn
- · Strive for excellence
- Be resilient

Rewards:

- Thumbs Up are given out by all staff for students who demonstrate the core values of being Respectful, Responsible or doing their Personal Best in the classroom and the playground. Every second week at assembly, one thumbs up is drawn from each class and those students receive a prize. The remaining thumbs up are added to our PBL house. If the tickets reach a certain level by the end of each term, a PBL rewards day is held.
- Awards:
 - 25 thumbs up = Bronze certificate
 - 50 thumbs up = Silver certificate
 - 75 thumbs up = Gold certificate
 - 100 thumbs up = Diamond certificate and a Buddy Badge



Consequences:

Minor behaviours are managed by classroom teacher. These include:

- Refusal to participate refusal to begin tasks, refusal to remain on task, continued interruption affecting whole class
- Physical contact—intentional contact—pushing/grabbing/shoving
- Misuse of property
 – accidental breakage of property and reckless misuse
- Harassment repeated name calling, put downs, intimidation or exclusion
- Disrespectful manner/ swearing repeated lack of respect/ swearing at other without aggression
- Technology misuse— being off task on a non-educational app/ website
- Dishonesty/ theft- intentional dishonesty, stealing food and or property
- Out of bounds/ truancy—repeated presence in out of bounds area, arriving late to class
- Toilet use- inappropriate use of toilet area and facilities (e.g. misuse of toilet paper

Major behaviours are managed by the Principal and parents are notified. These include:

- **Refusal to participate** repeated/ persistent refusal to begin tasks or remain on task, deliberate behaviour affecting whole class learning
- Physical contact
 striking with intent
 kicking, hitting, spitting, biting etc
- Misuse of property
 intentional breakage or damage of property though destructive use
- Harassment sustained name calling, put downs (racial comments), intimidation or exclusion, threatening harm
- Disrespectful manner/ swearing swearing aggressively/ loudly with intent directly at someone
- Technology misuse— damaging technology through purposeful misuse, inappropriate content, cyber bullying
- Dishonesty/ theft- repeated dishonesty, stealing of food and or property
- Out of bounds/ truancy— absconding
- Toilet use— repeated inappropriate use of toilet area and facilities, or damage to area, invading privacy

PBL acknowledges and rewards students for consistent positive behaviour. It teaches and reinforces school wide expectations. The whole school community is involved and it shares a common language. Students understand the expectations. Students not following the core values are issued with consequences based on Murrurundi Public School's behaviour consistency guide.

Mrs Darlington

Principal

Voluntary School Contributions 2021

Schools request a contribution from parents/carers each year to supplement existing funding. Our school relies on these contributions to provide additional resources and learning programs for our students.

Contributions for the year: 2021

1 Child = \$49.

2 Children = \$70.00

3 or More Children = \$90.00

Please note that all contributions—no matter how large or small—are gratefully appreciated. Payments may be made in instalments

Thank you for your ongoing support of our school.

Mrs Darlington

Ms R Willard

Principal

P&C President

Year K-1

K/1 practise reading every day. We enjoy reading to a buddy. This week we chose a special friend to read to. During maths, Kindergarten have been comparing the mass of objects directly by hefting and then checking on the balance to see if we are correct. Year 1 have been learning to model and use equal 'groups' of objects as a strategy for multiplication. We are so excited to start our "School Swimming and Water Safety program" each afternoon. K/1 are going to be very tired for the next couple of weeks!

Miss Fin, Mrs Quirk and Mrs Leayr

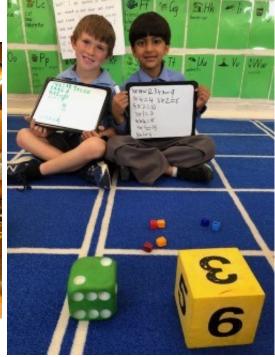












Our Little Dance Duo
Congratulation Girls

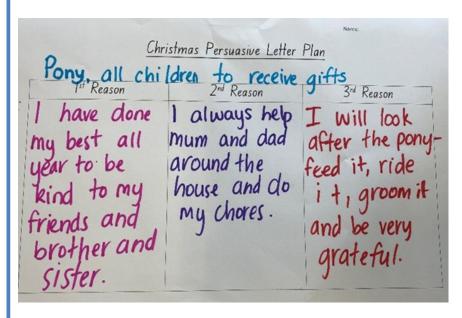
Year 2 and 3

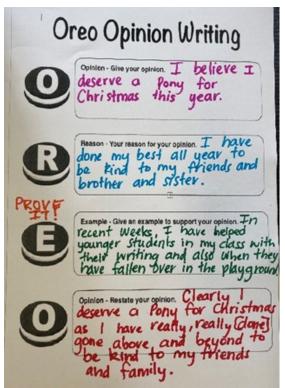
Parent-Teacher interviews are being held this week and next week, for our class they are on Monday and Tuesday afternoons. We have times available from 3:30pm – 4:45pm. Please use your Booking Sheet that went home last Friday or contact the school office. We would love to see all our parents/carers, so we can celebrate the successes our students have had this year.

Last week in 2/3 we started a new persuasive writing task, which is set to get us into the Christmas spirit. The students are writing a letter to Santa Claus to convince him to bring them a present for Christmas. They have to provide reasons and give examples to Santa of why they are deserving of their Christmas wish. We are using the "OREO" template to guide us in writing our persuasive texts. We are continuing to work on this during the

coming weeks and can't wait to send our letters off to the North Pole.

Miss Reeves and Mrs Jones





4-5-6 Class News

In Literacy students have been learning about point of view in literature. We have been studying the extremely interesting book *The Lost Thing* by Shaun Tan. Students have been using fantastic descriptive language in their writing and compiling fabulous texts from the Lost Thing's point of view. In Numeracy students have enjoyed investigating area. Stage 2 explored square metres and Stage 3 explored and compared countries and continents measured in square kilometres. Last week we built on our knowledge of area to investigate Volume. Students enjoyed creating prisms and determining their volume

We were also able to enjoy our PBL Bikes and Scooters Reward Day. It was great fun and well deserved by our hard working, respectful and responsible students.



Thank you to everyone that supported our recent Scholastic Book Fair



Over two weeks that our Book Fair was held \$991 of books were purchased. This event is a terrific fundraiser for our school. Murrurundi Public School will receive approx \$148 in Scholastic vouchers to purchase much needed resources for our school.





Library

With Week 9 now upon us please search for library books that need returning to school before the end of the term.

Our last week of borrowing will be Week 9.

Overdue notices went home recently. Please advise Mrs Smith if library books cannot be located.

Last day of School Banking will be Tuesday 7th December 2021.

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

Even though the CommBank School Banking program will not be returning to our school after this year, you can continue to make deposits into your child's Youthsaver account through online transfers or at any CommBank branch. If you need further information please phone 132 221 or visit your local CommBank branch.

Assembly Term 4 W	<u>'eek 8</u>	Princ	ipal Award	Merit - Academic		
<u>PBL</u>		Ryder		Heidi		
<u>Respectful</u>	<u>Silver</u>	<u>Awards</u>	Gold Awards	Corbin		
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Lara

Will

Chase

Pre-Kinder last day of Orientation for 2021





Tuesday 7 December 2021
At School 4/5/6 Classroom
4.00pm

Reminder to follow
COVID-19 regulations
Double Vaccination Status
rules apply.

Volunteers required to sell

Xmas raffle tickets on

9 December

down the street.

Also required on voting day 4
Dec to cook & sell BBQ and
drinks at the CWA rooms

Please see Bec Willard,
Jane Sullivan or Rob Ashford

CHRISTMAS CARDS

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.



Cards are \$2.00 per card or Pack of 16 for \$25.00.