



Murrurundi Public School

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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 4—Week 2

Monday 24 October 2022

Date	Event	Who	More Info
31 Oct - 25 Nov	Prac Students	K-2 and 3-4	Students from Newcastle Uni
1 Nov	P&C Meeting - 4pm	Everyone Welcome	
14 Nov - 18 Nov	Canberra Excursion	3-6 Students	
30 Nov	Presentation Day	Whole School	10.00am Start
2 Dec	Student Reports sent home	K-6	
5 Dec - 16 Dec	Swimming Lessons	Whole School;	
12 Dec	Year 6 Farewell		Golf Club
17 Dec	Carols By Candlelight	Whole school & Community	Murrurundi Public School
19 Dec	Last Day of Term 4		

Newsletter Term 4 Week 3

It was great to see everyone return back from the holidays, ready to start a new term. We have already been busy with the colour run, Healthy Harold and rock paintings for the flower show.

Check in

All students in years 3, 4 and 5 will complete Check in Assessments in Reading and Numeracy over the next two weeks. These assessments were introduced during COVID to replace NAPLAN, and are now used to track student achievement every six months. We look forward to seeing how our students have improved since they last completed the assessments.

Behaviour strategy

The NSW Department of Education is committed to creating engaging and effective classrooms, and inclusive and safe school communities for all NSW public school students. Students and staff have the right and responsibility to engage in positive and respectful relationships based on valuing the interests, abilities and diversity of others.

The aim of the Student Behaviour policy and procedures is that all NSW public school students:

- are supported to participate positively, and engage in their learning and in the wider community
- are supported to demonstrate positive and respectful behaviour that will contribute to an inclusive

and safe school learning environment consistent with their responsibilities under the Work Health and Safety (WHS) policy

- have the opportunity to self-advocate as active participants in their own learning and wellbeing

- are encouraged to feel connected and use their social and emotional skills to be respectful, resilient

and safe in line with the Behaviour Code for Students.

This overview should be read in conjunction with the policy and procedures, that outline the individual responsibilities and delegations of department staff.

Rationale for change

Suspension rates are disproportionately high for students with disability, Aboriginal students, students in rural and remote areas, students in out of home care and students experiencing socioeconomic disadvantage. We are introducing the policy and procedures to support vulnerable groups to stay in school and ensure every student is safe, engaged and can continue learning with positive behaviour support. Supporting and enabling positive student behaviour is essential for quality learning, as well as the wellbeing and safety of all students and staff.

During Term 4, we will be developing our school behaviour management plan and anti bullying plan which will be consulted with the community before implementation.

Prac students

Next week we will welcome Aaron Roberts and Kaitlin Smith, from Newcastle University, into our school as they complete their third year practicum. Mr Roberts will join the 3-4 class and Miss Smith will work with K-1-2. We look forward to their visit.

Kindergarten Orientation

We had a fantastic start to orientation. The new kinders settled in well and enjoyed a day of sharing, learning and fun. They particularly enjoyed the Colour Run. See over for photos.

Colour Run

What a fun way to end the week. Well done everyone! Students, staff and parents had an absolute ball. Events like this are not possible without support behind the scenes.

A big thank you to:

- Mrs Gorst, for all her organisation in setting up the colour run and encouraging students to enter
- Robyn from the Information Centre, for donation of prizes for the colouring in competition
- Dooleys for the donation of prizes for highest fundraisers
- Parents and members of the community who help out on the day
- Sam @ Fun Fitness for Littlies, for setting up and supervising the running of the Colour Run on the day
- Everyone who supported our fundraising efforts by sponsoring the students
- Staff who joined in and supported the day

I think I can safely say, we will be holding another one sometime in the future.

Mrs Darlington

Principal

Day	Event	Who	More info
Wednesday	Library	All students	Don't forget your library bag
Thursday & Friday	Sport Thursday Friday with Sam	All students	Wear sports uniform
Friday	Canteen	All students	Don't forget your lunch order. Put your orders in as soon as you get to school.



Thank you Mrs Lonergan for your kind donation of two beautiful Camella's which she planted at the front of the school office last week.



CHRISTMAS CARDS



We have a collection of beautifully created Christmas Cards designed by the wonderful and talented students of Murrurundi Public School. 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.

K/1/2

Goodness! What a busy and fun start to the term we have had. A visit from Healthy Harold and a Colour Run! A big thank you to the families in our class that raised money for our school fundraiser. Our class raised the largest amount, and we were very lucky to win the special reward of being in the VIP tent. A special thank you goes to Jett, who was the biggest fundraiser in the school. Thank you Mrs Gorst for all your hard work organising such a fun afternoon.

In our classroom during Literacy sessions the students have been learning about perspective. Our mentor text has been *The Mess We Made* by Michelle Lord. The students have been investigating how we as humans can protect marine life by not polluting. We made some great posters to persuade our friends at school to pick up the rubbish and not litter. In Mathematics we have been making the connections between addition and multiplication by using a strategy known as repeated addition. We have also learnt how multiplication and division are related. We now know about the symbols that are used for multiplication and division.

Miss Mason, Mrs Dolbel and Mrs Leayr





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3-4 Class News

Welcome back everyone! It was great to hear about everyone's holiday adventures. We have already had a busy start to the term. We had a visit from Healthy Harold, where we did the Mind Your Medicine unit. We learnt about prescription and non-prescription drugs and how they enter the body; identifying how medicines can be used and stored safely; developing an understanding of how medical drugs enter our bodies; and techniques for effective and assertive communication. We will follow up Harold's visit up with some lessons in PDH.

In Maths we have been introduced to equivalent number sentences using addition and subtraction, finding all the factors of a number using arrays and revising our flexible number thinking. This week we move onto number patterns, tessellations, symmetry and angles.

We have started reading *The Sugarcane Kids* and *the Red Bottomed Boat*. This is a story set in far north Queensland close to the Daintree Rainforest. As we read the story, we have been looking at different aspects of the setting - land cleared for farming, sugarcane crops, mangroves, crocodiles etc. This story is highly engaging.

Both year 3 and year 4 will be completing check in assessments over the next two weeks. This is an assessment similar to NAPLAN, however, it only provides data back to the school on how they are going in Reading and Numeracy. They completed the assessments this time last year, so it will be exciting to see how they have improved by.

A reminder that homework is due back on Fridays. Every student who can secretly tell me the answer to the following question by Friday will receive an extra thumbs up.

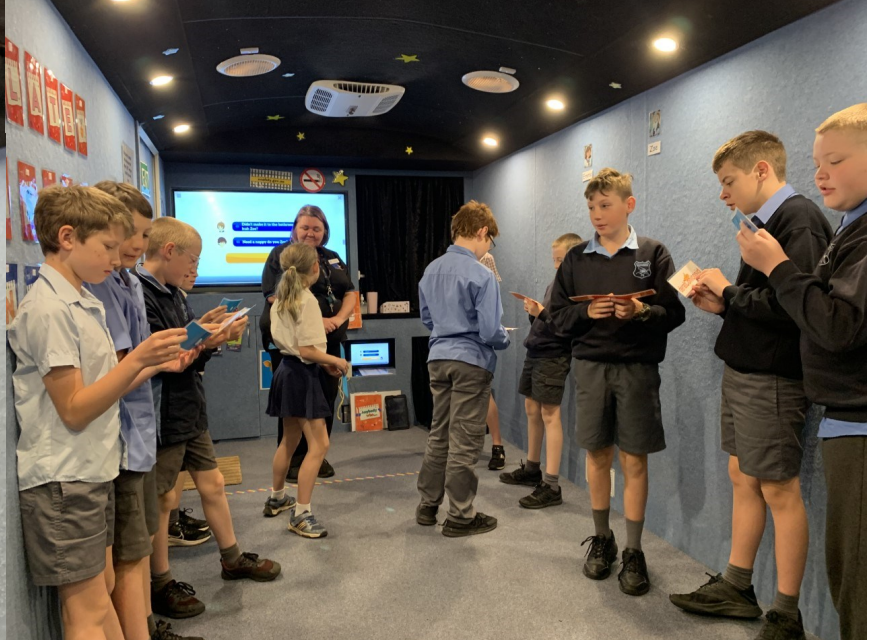




Year 5/6

It was a pleasure to return to learning again for a busy and productive term 4. This term we will be studying Global connections in both English and Geography. In Numeracy we have been studying Patterns and Algebra, learning about equivalence, determining missing values and BODMAS. During week 1 we had the opportunity to participate in the Life Education program, exploring concepts such as mutual respect, personal connections and online communication.

Mrs Foley



Kinder Orientation

Last Friday we welcomed our new kindergarten children for 2023 into our school. Even though the day started off pouring with rain, we did not let that spoil our day. They settled in quickly to a day of fun - reading stories, doing craft, writing names, singing songs and dancing. The highlight of the day was the colour run with the rest of the school. This, I am sure, has made a lasting impression on all of them.





Towarri Physical Culture Club
Murrurundi Information and Free Trial
Day
9th November 2022
4.30pm
Register your interest online at

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdRDnaguofKCZ8F2GWBpqmfOZ-B4bOoZ5LRY1BH8ewlsWTl6A/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0>



TINY TWINKLES & TWINKLE TOTS

For ages 18mths to 4 yrs.
30 minute classes focused on gross and fine motor skills, musicality, coordination and confidence building

From \$50 per term

5 TO 12 YEARS

Dance classes for girls which includes yoga, strength, jazz, Ballet, aerobics and flexibility. Suitable for all abilities

From \$110 per term

LADIES

Ladies classes are fun, friendly and energetic for all levels of fitness.

From \$110 per term

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We're coming to your community



NSW Government services will be available in Murrurundi on Thursday 17th November Between 10:00am and 3:00pm

This includes:

- driver licences, proof of identity documents, and Photo Card applications
- Driver Knowledge Tests
- Working With Children Checks
- NDIS Worker Check
- birth, death and marriage certificates
- up to 70 government rebates and savings
- Stay NSW and Parents NSW voucher applications.



Find us at:
113 Mayne St

Visit service.nsw.gov.au or call 13 77 88 to check our schedule. Unfortunately, sometimes our routes change at short notice.



NOTES TO BE RETURNED

- ◆ Final Payment are now due for the Year 3-6 Canberra Excursion
- ◆ **Total \$573**

Please make an appointment to discuss any concerns regarding payments for the Excursion at the school office.

The next P&C Meeting will be held at Murrurundi Public school
on Tuesday 1 November
at 4.00pm.

All new members are always welcome.

Please use the schools back gate as the front gate will be locked.

Please remember we are always looking for volunteers for Sundays to sell Raffle Tickets at the Royal Hotel –between 1-2pm All proceeds go to Murrurundi Public School. If you able give an hour on a Sunday soon please call Bec Hyde 0400913733.

Voluntary School Contributions 2022

Schools are seeking 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:

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 if you require.

Thank you for your ongoing support of our school.

Mrs Darlington

Principal

Ms R Willard

P&C President