

Murrurundi Public School

Pride in our Heritage, Confidence in our Future

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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 3 — Week 4

Monday 14 August 2023

Date	What	Who	Further Information
24 August	Book Week—Dress Up Day	K-6 and Staff	
1 September	Fathers Day Breakfast	Students, Parents and	Order Form RSVP 22 August Please.
	8.30-10.00	Staff	Late orders will NOT be accepted.
5 September	Touch Football Gala Day	Stage 3	
23 September	Last day of Term 3	Students and staff	

Weekly Reminders

Library Day - Wednesday please ensure your child has a library bag so they can borrow books from the school library .

Sport Days - Wednesday and Friday - Please wear your sports uniform.

Canteen Day - Monday . Canteen order bags go home Friday

Education Week Principal's Speech

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all our visitors today. It is great to see visitors coming into our school as things return to some form of normalcy post COVID.

Education Week this year holds a special place as it not only gives us an opportunity to acknowledge the success of students, staff and members of the community, but also marks 175 years of public education in NSW. Being the 7th oldest school in NSW, we will celebrate this momentous milestone next year. Prior to 1848, schools operated under a denominational system and were the responsibility of churches and charities.

The theme for Education Week 2023 focuses on learning from our past, celebrating our achievements and embracing the future with confidence.

We reflect on the past in order to move forward in the best way possible for our students. This is certainly evident with the overhaul of curriculum across all KLAs and the many changes to the way technology is used to enhance learning.

We continually acknowledge achievements of students across many domains including attendance, academic achievement, sporting achievement, leadership, and wellbeing.

We are embracing the future with confidence as we welcome changes to support student learning and prepare our students to be agile thinkers and lifelong learners.

Last week, at the official ceremony for the Scone Learning Community some of our staff, students and community members were presented with awards to acknowledge the many contributions made to ensure our students have

the opportunity to reach their full potential.

Teaching Awards went to:

Ms Mitchell for dedication, commitment, and excellence in providing high quality learning opportunities.

Mr Pulik for leading and supporting the integration of digital technology across K-6

Non Teaching Award went to:

Mrs Gorst demonstrating dedication in supporting student engagement with the community.

Student Award went to:

Elsie Bell for demonstrating core school values and outstanding achievement in sport.

Community Award went to:

Jane Sullivan for her dedication in supporting P&C activities.

Please join me in congratulating the recipients and thanking them for their contributions.

Mrs Darlington

Principal











EDUCATION WEEK ASSEMBLY 2023



K/1 Reuben and Fletcher
Ms Mitchell



2/3/4 Lara - Matilda T and Alyssa
Mrs Foley



4/5 Eloise - Elsie and Ayaan Mr Pulik

Primary Principals Day 2023

Celebrating Mrs Darlington on the 4th August for Primary Principals Day. Thank you for your amazing contribution to the students, staff, families and community that is Murrurundi Public School. The students and staff surprised Mrs Darlington in the K-1 classroom on Friday 4th August with flowers, chocolates and certificate! A big hip hip hooray!!!



THE HON JASON CLARE MP MINISTER FOR EDUCATION

PRIMARY PRINCIPALS DAY 2023

On Primary Principals Day, I send my best wishes to primary school principals across the country.

This isn't a message just for today.

You have the most important job in the world. You change lives for the better and open doors that would otherwise stay closed.

I see the work primary principals do up close, as a dad of a child in primary school and now as the Minister for Education.

I know how important the work you do is. How complex it is. How hard it is. And of course, how rewarding it is. It's why you do this work.

My job is to help you do that. To make that task a little bit easier.

Part of it is funding, but it's not just funding. It's also about making sure that funding is invested in the things that help you meet the challenges you face everyday.

That's the work I want to do with you. Not just today. But everyday.

Jason Clare MP Minister for Education



Class K/1

K-2 have completed their design task in science. They made arcade games from cardboard boxes utilising the force of pushing and pulling.

Mrs Darlington, Ms Mitchell and Mrs Leayr









Class 2/3/4

2/3/4 are working very hard this term to improve in all areas. I can certainly see an improvement in spelling and sentence writing from most students! In Literacy we are studying a beautiful text called "Drawn Together" written by Minh Le. Through the text, students are learning to identify how symbols and illustrations bring deeper meaning to texts and convey cultural representations. In Numeracy we are focusing on patterns, multiples and multiplication. Students enjoyed photographing patterns in their own school environment. In Science, stage 2 enjoyed learning how heat can transform objects by watching popping corn being cooked, however, the real treat was to eat it!

Mrs Foley, Ms Fin and Ms Petrie

















Class 5/6

We have had a very busy fortnight in 5/6. In English, we have turned our attention to Bushfires and have been deconstructing the text 'Fire' by Jackie French and Bruce Whatley. The book follows a more poetic form than other books within the series, which led the class to be writing poems about topics close to them. These were on display for open day for everyone to read. Our next unit focus' on the book 'Drought' also by Jackie French & Bruce Whatley. Our Maths has been centred around financial maths, including addition, subtraction, multiplication and division and has incorporating budgeting. In Week 4 we also have welcomed Mr Mitchell to our class. Mr Mitchell will be joining us for 4 weeks as he completes his university placement.

Mrs Jones, Mr Pulik and Mrs Gorst



Murrurundi Public School Year 5 students attended a fantastic day of leadership training. The aim of the day is to introduce Year 5 students to leadership prior to entering Year 6 where they are often required to conduct leadership activities as the senior students in their school. The day was held in Scone.







We are an Eco-School!

Our school is committed to long term environmental projects and entrenching sustainability into the school culture, through democratic youth led eco-councils, curriculum built around sustainability and working closely with the local community.

https://eco-schools.org.au/





Summer Uniform Orders

We are now taking orders for summer uniforms. Orders and payment can be made at the office. If you are unable to visit the school office, order forms (with payment) can be sent to school with your child. Please ensure there is a name and contact number provided. We also have a large number of quality school uniforms available in our clothing pool which can be purchased with a donation to our P & C committee.

Orders need to be returned by Friday 8th September 2023.

Order forms are available at our school office or on our school website calendar.

Murrurundi P&C General Meeting

The next P&C Meeting will be held Tuesday 5 September in the class 2/3/4 classroom at 4.00pm. Everyone welcome and invited to attend.

Please enter the school via the back gate behind the Bowling club.

You are invited to the next meeting to discuss the organisation of the school's 175 years of operation in 2024. The Meeting is the 13 September at 5.00pm in the 2/3/4 classroom. Please enter the school via the back gate. We are looking forward to hearing your ideas.

Public Education in NSW

Bike and Scooter Safety - Please make sure you always wear your helmets.

Bicycle riders must wear an approved helmet securely fitted and fastened. This includes children on bikes with training wheels and any child being carried as a passenger or in a bicycle trailer.

Do kids have to wear helmets on scooters?

Scooters may be ridden on the footpath by children under 12, unless specifically prohibited by a sign. **Helmets should always be worn**, along with other safety equipment such as knee pads and elbow pads.

If your child is not wearing a helmet parents will be called to collect them from school at home time. Keeping our students safe.