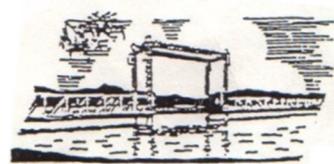


# MURRABIT GROUP SCHOOL

A Caring, Country, Community School



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## NEWSLETTER

- 15th May, 2019

### School Values:

- Respect
- Honesty
- Teamwork
- Learning
- Persistence

*Murrabit Group School respectfully acknowledges  
the traditional custodians of the land.  
We pay respect to their ongoing living culture.*

### Dates to Remember:

15<sup>th</sup> May KTHS Info Night 6pm  
16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> NAPLAN Testing  
20<sup>th</sup> May Transition Book Launch  
22<sup>nd</sup> May KTHS Open Day  
23<sup>rd</sup> May Biggest Morning Tea  
28<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> 15 Mile Creek Camp 5/6

Hello Everybody,

### **Mother's Day Luncheon**

The Mother's Day Luncheon was a great success on Friday with a wonderful effort put in by many parents, staff and students to make it this way. For anyone who made a contribution, be it through donation of food or time, a big thank you. A big thank you also to Chloe Keogh for her engaging and passionate speech – I have spoken to a number of people who made extremely positive comments about Chloe's contribution. Many comments were also made about the delicious food, excellent raffle prizes and amazing performances by

the children, from the P/1's on stage to the 2-6 students who made a video.

Money raised from events like this help to subsidise activities such as the Charlie and Chocolate Factory trip later in the year.

### **Gannawarra Transition Book**

Next Monday at 11am we are lucky enough to have been chosen as the district school that will launch the Gannawarra Shire Transition Book. Gannawarra Council Representatives, including Councilor Charlie Gillingham, will visit the school as part of this activity.

### **Education Week –**

### **Biggest Morning Tea / Open Day Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May - 10am – 11:30am**

Next week is Education Week and 2019 is the 75th year of Education Week in Victoria as we aim to positively profile and celebrate the strengths and achievements of Victoria's government education sector. At our school we think our children are amazing and the work that they do deserves to be showcased. We have done this in public at different times throughout the year, such as the ANZAC Service and Mother's Day Luncheon. This is another opportunity to do so, and by performing in public it builds the confidence and self esteem of the students.

We are inviting community members and family members, but are particularly keen to have prospective prep parents. If you know anyone who is thinking of sending their child to our school in 2020 and would like to see what our fantastic school has to offer, please encourage them to come along.

The Open Day starts at 10am with classroom visits, before the whole school performances and morning tea at 11:00am.

### **Transition Activities**

This Sunday, the 19<sup>th</sup> May, Barham High School have an Open Day for our Grade 6

students, while Kerang Tech High School have an Information Day next Wednesday, the 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

### OHS Audit

Last Thursday we had our Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) Audit which took a lot of work to get ready for. It was great feedback to receive that our school is doing well in most areas of OHS and there were only 14 items that need our attention. Some of these include:

- No smoking sign on the front gate
- Volunteer inductions before working bees

### NAPLAN

Yesterday the students started Naplan testing, with the Grade 3 students completed the writing test in a written booklet while the Grade 5 students completed their writing test online. All other tests will be completed online. If a student misses a test due to an absence, they will catch up the tests next week.

### 15 Mile Creek Camp

This camp is not far away, the dates being Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May. I will be attending with the Grade 5 and 6 students. It promises to be great fun. Final notes have gone home with the students today.

Have a great week, Greg

### Woolworths Earn and Learn

The Woolworths Earn and Learn campaign will run until 25<sup>th</sup> June. Please collect stickers if you are shopping at Woolworths, and encourage your friends and family to do the same. Boxes for stickers are in Kerang, Swan Hill and in the office at school. The stickers earn points that the school can then use to redeem educational resources, including Maths, English and Arts and Crafts.

### Market Morning Teas

Those families on duty for the Market to be held on

**1<sup>st</sup> June – Teasdale, Wescombe, Hartley and McNeil**



### Students of the Week:



**Kobe Teasdale** - for his excellent sentence writing.



**Eliza Maher** – for working hard in all subjects and always willing to give a helping hand



**Drew McNeil** – for being such a happy positive class member who always does his best



**Jack Keath and Lachlan Maher** – for their effort during literacy and numeracy

## Italian



**Xavier Hein** - 100% for Family members quiz

**Lyla Morton** - 100% for How Old Are You Quiz

**Lachlan Maher** – for getting 100% on the quiz about Families

**Cooper West** – for knowing the colours and reading the farm animals book in Italian



## Music



**Emmity Hartley** – for singing and playing keyboard simultaneously

**Hudson Hein** - for doing his best singing and dancing to Octopuses Garden

**Jorja Danson** - for being a super leader to the preps on xylophone

**Harrison Maher** - for helping to set up and pack the musical equipment

Angie Jones



## Suz's News

### Mallee Division Cross Country

This event is being held next Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> of May in Swan Hill at Riverside Park. (Near the outdoor swimming pool.)

The following students will be participating – Zeb, Angus, Caleb, Jack, Lachie, Dustie, Leah, Ivy, Xavier, Cooper H, Callum and Jed. If your child needs transport, please return the permission form by tomorrow (Thursday 16/5). The first event (9 year old girls) commences at 11am but runners need to arrive half an hour before their race. Good luck everyone and well done for having a go! We are proud of you!

The children attending have been given an information sheet regarding the day. Please ensure your child is appropriately attired – running shoes and shorts. If the

weather forecast is cold and wet, a coat will be needed. A cut lunch and drinks will also be required. Any queries, please do not hesitate to ring. (0428160008)

Thank you Suz

## Parents & Friends

Our Mother's Day luncheon was a great success. We had 45 lovely ladies meet for the day at The Murrabit Complex. There was a lot of work put into making the day very special. We'd like to thank all the wonderful parents who helped out on the day and donated food. There needs to be a special mention to Nicole Hein & Jo Danson for really getting behind the event along with Juliet Wescombe, Ang Morton, Jodie Hartley, Jo Yard, Naomi Dern and Carly Ettershank who helped make the day run smoothly.

The day was completed with the drawing of the Major Raffle.

**1st prize** - The Tailored Peach, \$100 gift voucher, gift hamper, plus personal styling morning was won by **Emily Bryan**.

**2nd prize** - Bundarra Berkshires Charcuterie Pack won by **Dorothy Knox**.

**3rd prize** - Skin Essence, Massage & gift pack won by **Cass Carter**.

The Biggest Morning Tea & school open day is next **Thursday the 23rd**. Could all families please bring a slice or cake to share at morning tea time. Everyone is most welcome. There will be a raffle and donations box for the Cancer Council.

Our next meeting will be held after the Biggest Morning Tea at 12pm. Hope you can make it, agenda items include: Lions change over dinner and the end of school lunch, if anyone has any ideas it'd be great for you to join in at the meeting.

The Parents & Friends have started collecting cans/bottles/drink containers which have the 10c symbol on them to be Recycled at the Barham Newsagents. If you have any containers that can be recycled for 10c, we urge you to leave them in the shuttle near the sports shed, where they will be collected and counted. We have already raised \$59 through this initiative.

## Curators

**May** – 1<sup>st</sup> Half – **Hartley**  
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Half – **McNeil**

**June** – 1<sup>st</sup> Half – **Gurnett**  
-2<sup>nd</sup> Half – **Hein N&E**



## **Absence Note**

Student Name.....

Date of Absence.....

Reason for Absence (please tick)

illness

family reasons

medical appointment

holiday

other .....(reason)

Signed:.....  
(Parent/Guardian)

## **Market Swap**

**Name**.....

**I have swapped market duty**

**with**.....

**For the** ..... (month) market