

# MURRABIT GROUP SCHOOL



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## NEWSLETTER

- 18<sup>th</sup> September, 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:

19<sup>th</sup> Sept. Parent Teacher Interviews

20<sup>th</sup> Sept. Last Day of Term 3  
- Dismissal at 2pm

6<sup>th</sup> October Working Bee – 9:30 start

7<sup>th</sup> October First Day of Term 4

Hello Everybody,

### **Parent Teacher Interviews**

Staff are looking forward to meeting all parents at Parent Teacher Interviews tomorrow. This is a great opportunity to find out more about your child's progress, celebrate their successes and clarify any concerns. The Parent Teacher Interview Process makes up part of how teacher's communicate with parents about a child's progress. This includes twice yearly reports, twice yearly interviews and other meetings and informal conversations as required.

### **Mallee Zone Athletic Sports**

Congratulations to our students who braved the cold weather on Monday to participate in the Mallee Zone Athletic Sports. We now have 3 students who have qualified for the regional sports in Free Khongphueng, Jack Keath and Cooper Hein. Great effort boys.

### **Rotary Spelling Bee**

Congratulations to Zeb Hein and Xavier Murray who participated in the Kerang Rotary Club Spelling Bee. This is a very challenging task, spelling difficult words in a pressure situation, and the boys are to be congratulated for having a go at this level.

### **Working Bee**

On **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October** there will be a working bee at school starting at 9:30am. This will be a general tidy up of the school grounds so bring along shovels, pruners, rakes, wheelbarrows etc. More hands make light work.

### **Stephanie Alexander Garden Kitchen**

The Stephanie Alexander Garden Kitchen arrived recently and it looks amazing, with 2 stoves, lots of cupboards and draws and a big bench top. With the garden starting to grow with the watering system and a bit more sunshine, it won't be long before the children have to plan their first lot of cooking. A huge thank you to Greg Maher who coordinated this project and we thank Scott Wishart as well.

### **Camps and Excursions Programs**

Term 4 is an exciting time for camps and excursions as we utilise the excellent weather to involve children in important extra curricular programs that are so important to their growth as a student. These include the Grade 3/4 Barham Lakes Camp (October 21 and 22), Bike Ed Camp and Charlie and the Chocolate

Factory Excursion. **Payment for Barham Lakes Camp is due by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October.**

Staff at our school think carefully, often with staff from other schools, about the educational and social benefits of these activities. Our Grade 3/4 Barham Lakes Camp provides the following benefits for our students:

**1. Social skills, Team building and Leadership**

Great opportunities exist to develop a wide range of social skills that strengthen established relationships and develop new ones. Activities planned involve team cooperation such as team games, cooking activities, music activities and helping around meal times. Children will be expected to take on leadership roles and work together as a team to encourage positive decision making.

**2. Independence skills**

For some children school camp is one of the few times away from home where they have to remember to brush their teeth and look after themselves. Most children rise to this challenge, they enjoy this new found independence and recognise the need to

**3. Encouragement of active lifestyles**

During camp, children will be exposed to a variety of experiences. These experiences are active and facilitate learning in a variety of forms, providing a greater awareness of skills and capabilities that may be new for many.

**4. Personal challenges**

At camp, children will be exposed to a range of activities that they may not have tried before. Often when children are not under the direction of their parents or carers they will display a more adventurous spirit and will be willing to have a go at things that they may not have tried before.

**Bus Timetable**

The new term 4 bus timetable is attached.

**Charlie & The Chocolate Factory**

Payment for Charlie and the Chocolate Factory is **due by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October.**

For parents who need to book a VLine ticket to attend this performance, the booking number is **13791718**, which will ensure everyone is seated together.

Have a great week and enjoy the holidays with your children, **Greg**

**Market Morning Teas**

Those families on duty for the Market to be held on **5<sup>th</sup> October** are:- **Simmonds, Teasdale, Coulter, Keath, Ettershank, Hartley**

Team Leader: Teasdale



**Parents & Friends**

This Friday is the last day of term which is Footy Colours Day where the children can come in their favourite footy colours and donate a gold coin to childhood cancer. We will be cooking party pies & sausage rolls for lunch along with a milkshake for the special day.

Attached to the newsletter is the Mango Fundraiser order forms which are farm fresh mango trays delivered to Murrabit Group School in the last week of November. All trays are 7kg with 12 large or 23 small mangoes for \$25 each. The orders and payment must be made by **the 25<sup>th</sup> of October** to secure your tray. Please spread the word even if you don't like mangoes yourself. If you have any questions please contact Erin or Sara contact details on forms.

Enjoy the school holidays, thanks.

Sara and Michelle

**Curators**

**September – 1<sup>st</sup> Half – Wescombe**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Half – **Coulter**

**October – 1<sup>st</sup> Half – McDonald**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Half - **Simmonds**



## Italian

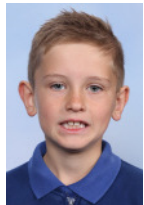
**Hudson Hein** - excellent neatness with writing and drawing on his evaluation sheet.



## Music:



**Belle Morton and Emmity Hartley** – for lovely blended vocals



**Jobe Hein** – for singing, listening, playing and collaboration



**Jakob Simmonds** - super groovy singing of Old Town Road

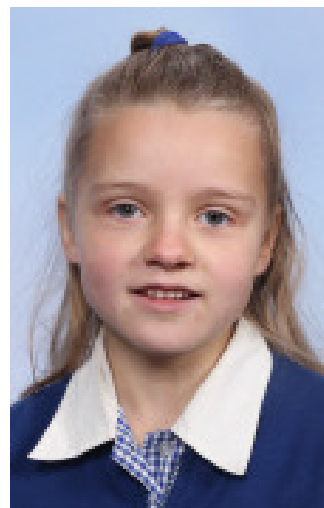
Angie Jones



## Fathers Night



## Students of the Week:



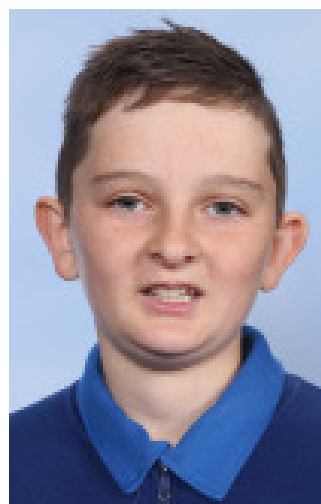
**Charlotte Keath** for always producing a high standard of work in all areas of her learning.



**Jobe Hein** - for being an organised and hardworking student



**Claire Edgley** - for her great buddy work in reading and maths



**Zeb Hein** – for his home reading

## **Sue's News...**

### **Mallee Zone Athletic Trials**

Well done to our competitors on their awesome effort on Monday. They represented our school well and showed excellent sporting behaviours. The wet, cold weather was definitely **challenging** for all! Congratulations to Cooper, Jack and Free who qualified for the Regional level in Bendigo next term on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> of October.

Here are a few comments:

Jack: *It was very cold and wet but it was an exciting day. They cancelled the hurdles and high jump but my two events, triple jump and shot put, were still on. I came 1<sup>st</sup> in triple jump and second in shot put. I can't wait to compete at Regionals in Bendigo. I was thrilled that I qualified in both my events. I will be training hard for another few weeks...watch my muscles grow (an add on comment from Sue!)*

Free: *It was really cold and too much rain! I came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 100 m final and 2<sup>nd</sup> in my discus. I am excited to be going to Bendigo and I hope I can win!*

Cooper: *It was really rainy and cold but both my events were before and after the rain. I came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 1500 m and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 800 m. I am so happy that I got to Bendigo and I hope I can get through to State. Go Cooper!*

Emmity: *I did shot put in the rain and I had to wait 45 minutes for my turn! I threw 6.14cm which was over a meter further than last time and I came 3<sup>rd</sup>. I should have come 2<sup>nd</sup> but I was disqualified for not going out the back of the circle. I can't believe I did that! Then I ran in the Murray Plains relay and we came 5<sup>th</sup>. We all ran well!*

Jed: *I did not qualify in the 800 m as I came 8<sup>th</sup> but I want to get through to State next year( in long jump as well), so I am going to train harder to get fitter and stronger. My hurdles were cancelled and I was annoyed because I do not get the chance to compete in this now. This was bad luck for me! I hope Cooper does well in his 800 m.*

Xavier: *I competed in the triple jump and 100 m. I came 4<sup>th</sup> in the final of the 100 and 4<sup>th</sup> in the triple jump. I hope I can qualify for Bendigo next year. Good luck to Cooper, Jack and Free and I hope they do well.*

## **Parent Teacher Interviews.**

Some interview times needed to be adjusted as we had multiple requests for the same time slots. If your interview time does not suit, let us know and we will arrange another time for you. Thank you for your understanding and we are looking forward to seeing you to share your child's wonderful achievements.

## **Jump Rope for Heart**

### **"Jump Off" 9-11.00am**

Our skipping skills have improved over the past two weeks...well done everyone! Sponsorship money can be brought in over the next few days with all money to be returned by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October, to be sent to the Heart Foundation. Thank you for your support of this event. I hope we reach our target... every dollar counts!

### **Gold Coin Donation for Footy Colours Day**

It's an out of school uniform day but don't forget to wear your **football jumper** on Friday. A T-shirt underneath might be a good idea as we will get warm skipping. Don't forget your **gold coin** for the Anti- Cancer Foundation!

## **Bike Trail for Everyone...**

**11.30 – 12.55pm.**

**ALL** children may bring their bikes to school on Friday to participate in our bike trail. This session will support our Bike Education program. We do have a few bikes at school that the children may ride. The bike trail is in the school grounds and around the Recreation Reserve. Just for **fun**...you may add a decoration to your bike! (Eg. Streamers, stuffed toys, flags)

### **\*\*The BACK-UP Plan**

The weather for Friday does not look promising! It will still be **footy colours** day but we may need to cancel the 'Jump Rope and Bike Trail.' We will let you know on Thursday at interviews and/or on the school facebook page.

## **Term 3 ...lots of celebrations, achievements and successes.**

Congratulations to our wonderful students who worked hard and aimed to be the "best they could be" throughout the term in all aspects of their education. Wishing our Mighty Murrabit students a 'Safe and Happy Holiday!' Don't forget to be especially good and helpful! You are the BEST! Stay FIT!! **Thanks Sue**



## More Father's Night Photos



## **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

