

# MURRABIT GROUP SCHOOL

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## NEWSLETTER

- 9th August 2023

### School Values:

- Respect
- Honesty
- Teamwork
- Learning
- Persistence

### Dates to Remember:

**15<sup>th</sup> August** Murray Plains Aths

**16<sup>th</sup> August** TBall Bendigo

**17<sup>th</sup> August** Prep Transition 9-11am

**21<sup>st</sup> August** Parent Information – 4:15

**25<sup>th</sup> August** Book Parade

Aren't our days beautiful at the moment after crisp and misty mornings.

It was so great to see so many helpers and supporters at school last Friday, even though the weather conditions were challenging. So many photographs reflected the smiles on the students faces as they tried their best and cheered each other on. The healthy lunches were a hit with everyone. We will complete the distance runs this afternoon so we can declare a winning team. Thank you Miss Taylor for organising the day and all the teachers that helped set up and run the day.

A Caring, Country, Community School



The next athletics day will be **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> August** at the Murray Plains Cluster Day in Cohuna. Supporters and volunteers are still needed for the day. Thank you for getting the notes back (we are still waiting on a few) and \$5 for the school bus. Please wear school uniform, bring snacks, drinks and lunch, apply sunscreen and wear a hat.

Notes will go home shortly about the Kerang District Zone Athletics trials in Kerang on September 1<sup>st</sup> for students 10 years and over.



Congratulations and well done to Eve who competed in netball yesterday at the regional competition in Swan Hill.

### Public Speaking

What a wonderful afternoon of speeches at the Cohuna Anglican church on Sunday. It was a very tough competition but Pippy and Sophia did an amazing job giving well prepared and rehearsed speeches. Congratulations to Pippy who was awarded the runner up of the 3/4 group. Sophia battled on after having surgery days before and gave her speech. We thank Hunter and his family who were ready to step up at short notice. Thank you Neil and Murrabit Lions for organising the event and supporting the students. This year is the first time the competition goes to state level. We are very proud of our students and what they have achieved in this space as well.



## Literacy

Thank you for all the parents that helped out with the book covering. We are also after any parents/ grandparents that would be interested in listening to reading once again.

On Monday 21<sup>st</sup> August at 4.15pm to commence book week, we will be holding a parent information session about the school reading and word study program. We will also be distributing student reading kits for home reading and information to help parents at home.

## T-Ball

Next Wednesday, Jobe, Oliver, Austin, Hunter, Hudson, Evan, Casey and five other students from Kerang Sth and Cohuna Consolidated will travel to Bendigo to verse Candlebark P.S. at Kennington Primary school for the regional T Ball match starting 11am. We ask all families to be there by 10.30am and thank you for taking the students down. I will be there to organise and cheer them on too.

## Parent Opinion Surveys

We encourage you to enjoy your chocolate frog with a cuppa and fill out the survey. Your feedback is a crucial aspect of fostering a successful and supportive educational environment. The feedback empowers educators to adapt their teaching methods and curriculum to better meet the diverse needs of parents and students alike. We also like to find out what we are doing well and expand on this. It is important to foster a strong relationship with school and community. Working hand in hand with parents ensures a holistic approach to a child's development reinforcing positive behaviours and addressing challenges effectively, as we nurture lifelong learners.

## Bus Forms

Permission forms for bus travel were sent home 2 weeks ago and need to be returned as soon as possible please.

Gaby Hogg

## Curators

August – 1<sup>st</sup> Half – McNeil

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Half – Hein N&E

September – 1<sup>st</sup> Half – Pappin

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Half – Holland-Hogan



## Market Morning Teas

Those families on duty for Market Morning Teas on 2<sup>nd</sup> September are:- **Lokeni, Maclean, Thomas, Morton and Larkin**



## Parents & Friends News

P&F were glad to supply a healthy lunch for all the kids, teachers and spectators at the athletic carnival last Friday. There were some big appetites and the wraps were enjoyed by all.

Thank you to everyone who has supported our recent fundraisers. We have had an amazing response to the recent Bridgewater Bakehouse Pie Drive and we can now look forward to delivery in a couple of weeks. 🍪 😊

Michelle 😊



## Music Appreciation

1. Roll Over Beethoven - Chuck Berry - *This one was the best because Mrs Jones was a bit nervous and I like rock. I think it's a happy song, it is my favourite out of the 5.* - Charlotte.

2. Pass It Along - Scott Cook - *I think it is sad and happy - Narky. It is happy and sad at the same time. It's about rights. I like the song when you pick the strings* - Jobe.

3. Vincent - Don MacLean - *I think it is a really sad song - Jorja. I think it sounds like a sad song. I think the person who wrote it did a good job to write about the painter (Vincent van Gogh) - Eve. I think the person who wrote the song made it sad on purpose* - Jaz.



4. Thank God I'm A Country Boy - John Denver - *I also live on a farm. I like country music - Hudson. It is a happy song. I like country songs - Casey. I liked this one because I know it* - Kobe.

5. Bring It On Home To Me - Sam Cooke - *It is kinda cringy! - Narky. It's about a girl who left the man and he's sad* - Oliver.

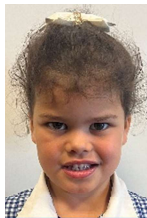
## Music:



**Aaliyah Lokeni** - for her 'can do' attitude and for her marvelous singing.



**Emily Murray** - for being respectful of others and for playing musical instruments correctly.



**Oliver More** - for always being prepared to assist the younger learners and for excellent timing using the Boom sticks.



**Jasmine Maclean** - for her full answers when critiquing songs.



## Italian:



**Beau Murray** - for great focus when learning the Italian numbers 11 to 20.

**Dusty Pappin** - for helping our class get heaps of points on the Italian quiz.



**Clancy Pappin** - for joining in on the class conversation about UNESCO World Heritage Sites in Italy.

**Huey Hein** - for great progress on Duolingo - you are very high on the Leaderboard!



*Angie Jones*

## Principal's Award:



**Hunter More** - for showing resilience and humility when things don't work out, and for his willingness to step up.



## Students of the Week:



**Dustin Pappin** - for his wonderfully creative and detailed drawings that go with his writing.



**Pippy Morton** – for a confident and creative speech at Cohuna Lions Club



**Austin Gurnett** – for demonstrating concern and empathy for others during our Athletics event

# P/1 CLASSROOM NEWS

### THIS WEEK IN PREP/ONE

Can you believe that today is half way through term 3! It's been a fabulous term so far with still so many other exciting events coming up. We have been working hard on learning new spelling combinations for the sound /ae/, developing our knowledge of Australian Cultures and also practicing our subtraction sums.

It was great to see so many parents join us last Friday for our school mini athletics day - all students had a great day and participated to their best ability at all times.

Today we had our school photos - it was wonderful to see all students in full school uniform with big smiles.

Please don't forget that next week we have our Cluster School Athletics in Cohuna - we need all notes and money for the bus returned by Friday (11/8).

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Wednesday 9/8 - School Photo's**
- **Tuesday 15/8 - Cluster School Athletics (Cohuna)**
- **Thursday 17/8 - Prep Transition #2 (9-11am)**
- **Friday 25/8 - Book Parade in Kerang (10am)**

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Massive congratulations to all students at the Murrabit Athletics Carnival. It was so great to see students showing resilience, determination, beating their personal bests and everyone having a go. We are looking forward to attending Cohuna next week.

This week in our classroom we will be exploring length, perimeter and area, looking at different parts of speech and continuing to explore Australian landmarks and locate these on maps. We will continue visiting the library weekly to choose "just right" texts to read and use our "interest books" on Monday MARC van.

We have a few students who are currently in the lead for our class reading competition. Well done Emily, Xav, Brax, Myrtle and Zeik for taking the lead.

## 2/3/4 NEWS



## Grade 5/6 News!

We are almost already halfway through this term and our Canberra adventure creeps ever closer!

We are currently working on our Structural and Behavioural Animal Adaptations posters as well as analysing picture books to write detailed summaries and give informed opinions through book reviews. We continue to build our awareness of fractions, decimals and percentages and have learned how to compare, order and interpret mixed and irregular fractions.

Congratulations to Eve for her participation on the Lightning Premiership for netball and Sophia for doing a great job in the third round of Lions Club Guinness World Records speeches, held at Cohuna last Sunday. Last week we had some excellent Speaking and Listening presentations from Ollie (Mentos/Coke experiment), Cooper (Engines powerpoint presentation) and Casey and Charlotte who brought along their pet cat and dog to show us. We even had a visit from Sophia's pet horse! A big thank you to the parents who support the students to complete their presentations by helping them organize it behind-the-scenes. We really look forward to the diverse topics that they deliver.

*Anita*



**Faye & Terry Morton setting up the Aths**







# Murray Plains Cluster 2023 Athletics Day

Don't forget your runners, water bottles, snacks and lunch.



**When:**

9 am - 3 pm

Tuesday 15/8/2023

**Where:**

Little Athletics Centre -  
Cohuna Island Road,  
Cohuna






# 2024 ENROLMENTS

**Kerang Technical High School are now accepting 2024 Enrolments.**

Year 7 enrolments need to be submitted by August 18.

**ENROLL NOW**

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📧 Yrs 7-9: Zoe.Ferrier@education.vic.gov.au  
Yrs 10-12: Nathan.Henry@education.vic.gov.au



**OUR VALUES**

- ✓ RESPECT
- ✓ RESPONSIBILITY
- ✓ RESILIENCE

## MENS BREAKFAST

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> August 0800hrs

David Hosking and John Pay will be present as your chefs for breakfast



## Men's Breakfast Meet Up

Wednesday 16th August 8.00am



## Knowing Your Teen

Parenting teenagers is not easy, it requires creativity, determination, and patience! It is a tough phase for everybody, but you are not alone.

Join other parents and carers in this workshop that aims to provide information, improve understanding, and explore strategies that focus on the strengths and challenges of this stage of development.

✓ Strategies

✓ Problem Solving

✓ Growth

### Workshop Details:

Date: Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2023

Time: 6.30pm – 8.30pm

Location: Sir John Gorton Library, Kerang

This is a FREE single session workshop only.

Delivered by CatholicCare's Regional Parenting Team

Early registration is recommended.

Refreshments will be provided.

### RSVP to:

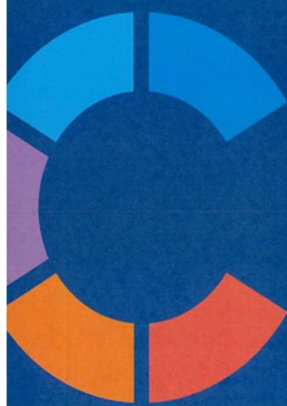
Sir John Gorton Library, Kerang  
Phone: 03 5452 1546

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[www.catholiccarevic.org.au](http://www.catholiccarevic.org.au)

(03) 5438 1300 | 176 – 178 McCrae Street, Bendigo VIC 3550



We're hosting a meet up for all males who were affected in the 2022-2023 floods to join us for breakfast.

This catch up will give you the opportunity to connect and socialise with others in the area.

Breakfast provided.

**Where**  
Murrabit Boat Ramp,  
Gonn Crossing Vic 3579

Please bring your own chair.

For more information or to register your attendance contact Mallee Family Care on 5032 4479

