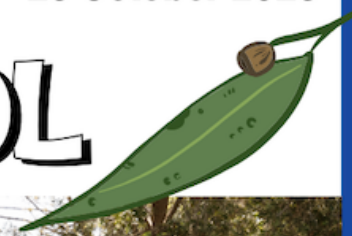




# MURRABIT GROUP SCHOOL

23 October 2023



Our Values

RESPECT • HONESTY • TEAMWORK • LEARNING • PERSISTENCE

## Dates to **REMEMBER**

- 25 Oct – Cluster Day Leitchville
- 27 Oct – Basketball Clinic
- 4 Nov – Murrabit Market
- 7 Nov – Melbourne Cup Holiday
- 9 Nov – Christian School Transition
- 10 Nov – Regional T-20
- 11 Nov – Remembrance Day
- 13 to 17 Nov – Canberra 5 & 6
- 20 Nov – Report Writing Day, Pupil Free
- 21 Nov – School Council 3.30pm
- 28 Nov – Maths PD No Students
- 2 Dec – Murrabit Market
- 4 Dec – Swimming Program commences
- 12 Dec – State Transition Day
- 14 Dec – School Concert & Graduation
- 15 Dec – Reports go home
- 20 Dec – Last Day

### Roster Reminder

Market Morning Teas  
Sat 4th Nov – McNeil, More, Simmonds, Monk and Teasdale

Grounds/Mowing  
October – 2nd Half – Long  
November – 1st Half – Thomas  
– 2nd Half – Ellison

## Principal's Updates: Ms Hogg ☀

On Friday, I had the pleasure of learning how to score and umpire at the Mallee T-20 Cricket on a very warm, sunny day in Swan Hill. The boys' team of nine showed excellent skills, sportsmanship and encouraged each other. The unique catch and bowl of the day went to Austin, who was relatively new to the game. They had a fantastic result as runners-up, playing in the finals against a powerful Swan Hill team. They now have the opportunity to play at regionals on Nov. 10th in Swan Hill again. A big thank you to Sara and Nicole for transporting the team.

We invite all families to join us for a unique opportunity on Friday from 11.30–12.30 pm. The Billie Tea Bush Band will present a Showcase Bush Dance for all our students to help support Koondrook's celebrations. These will be held to mark the 100th birthday of the paddle steamer Alexander Arbuthnot – the last paddle steamer to be built at Koondrook on Apex Park later on that day!

Last week, staff gathered to work together on a cohesive school literacy instructional model. Next week, we will extend this discussion to review the whole school literacy curriculum. All students also completed some procedural writing, which we discussed and moderated.

*Gaby Hogg*



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## INDIVIDUAL EDUCATION PLANS

This week, we continue to make phone check-ins with parents/carers and share how the students are doing. If you have any queries or positive feedback, this is an excellent opportunity to discuss these. If you'd like a face-to-face meeting, please make a time with the teachers or myself.

## TRANSITIONS

If you're still deciding which school to attend at any year level, please join us for a transition day or make a time to have a look at our fantastic school.

Prep Transition – Our Prep transitions for Term 4 start today, and our second is on Nov. 8th from 9–1 pm.

Kerang Christian College – On Thursday, Nov. 9th, the Year 6 students who are enrolled to attend Kerang Christian College in 2024 will participate in an Orientation Day.

## CLUSTER DAY

On Wednesday, Oct. 25th, we will travel to Leitchville Primary School for a Cluster Day. Playground Craze will be presenting a performance for the students on this day. This day has been paid for by a Gannawarra Shire Grant, which Ms Bradford successfully obtained. We will travel by bus, leaving school at 9:00 am and returning to Murrabit by 3:15 pm.

## MELBOURNE CUP LONG WEEKEND HOLIDAY

There will be no school on Tuesday, Nov. 7th, as it is Melbourne Cup Day, and the Gannawarra Shire has proclaimed it a Public Holiday. Feel free to join some of the local fun activities.

## SPORT/FITNESS

Basketball Clinic

Grade P–6 will participate in a basketball clinic organised through Justin Grayling from Kerang Basketball Assoc this Friday morning.

KOONDRÖÖK DEVELOPMENT  
COMMITTEE INVITES YOU TO  
PS Alexander Arbuthnot's  
100TH  
BIRTHDAY PARTY

27 OCTOBER 2023  
4PM TO 8PM  
APEX PARK & WHARF KOONDRÖÖK

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT  
ART SHOW, FACE PAINTING, KIDS ACTIVITIES,  
ENTERTAINMENT, BIRTHDAY CAKE

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Regional Renewal

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Shire Council

FOOD AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE

# STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep / 1

2 / 3 / 4

5 / 6



**Liliarna Holland-Hogan**

For her great independence and confidence in completing her work without needing support.



**Brandon Thomas**

For his excellent reading demonstrated during buddy reading on Friday.



**Hudson Hein**

For showing kindness and support and always willing to lend a hand to his classmates.



# STEAM NEWS

This week in STEAM we have a brand new challenge for our students – we are this week designing and building water carrying devices that can only fit inside a 15cm x 10cm box. This design criteria of needing to fit inside the box has caused some difficulties for students but their creative nature has been thriving and they have come up with some awesome water carrying devices (see images below) that will be put to the test next week.



## PREP/1 CLASSROOM NEWS



**Daisy** We started off the week we had a very small, fluffy and cute visitor in our room for the day – Daisy is Miss Bath's cavoodle puppy. She loves hearing everyone read and watch them do all their amazing learning.



### Literacy & Maths

In our literacy block we have been very busy, working in making and recognising rhyming words, writing procedural texts and consolidating our understanding of the /er/ sound digraphs. In maths we have been finishing up looking at fractions and moving into building and understanding patterns we have made and that we can see in nature.

### HOW DO YOU BRUSH YOUR TEETH

This week we would like to share two pieces of procedural writing from our class on the topic: "how do you brush your teeth"

1. I put toothpaste on my toothbrush
2. I brush my tongue and teeth
3. I brush at night
4. I rinse my toothbrush
5. I wash my face and wash my mouth

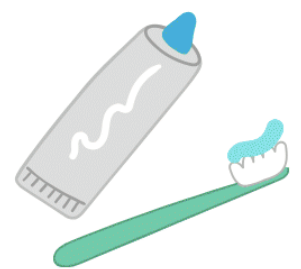
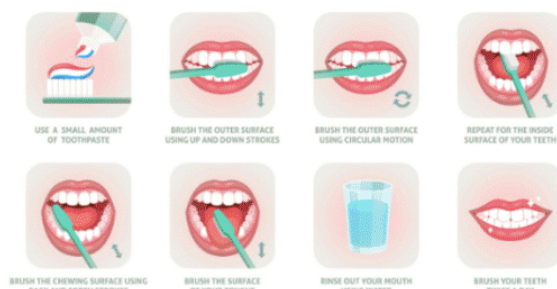
By Karleigh Thomas.

1. Get your toothbrush
2. Put toothpaste on your brush
3. Clean your teeth side to side
4. Rinse it off
5. Put water in my mouth then spit it out

By Beau Murray



### HOW TO BRUSH YOUR TEETH



Have a great week,  
*Miss Bath*



# 2/3/4 CLASSROOM NEWS



2/3/4 students have had a huge week of learning.

In literacy, we have started our procedural writing unit, where all students wrote a procedure on how to brush your teeth, these were nothing short of amazing. In reading, we have also been looking at inferences and using what we already know to make educated guesses about something we don't know in texts, as things aren't always told directly. In maths we have been looking at fractions; specifically halves/quarters/thirds/fifths and comparing fractions to one another.

*Miss Taylor*



# 5/6 CLASSROOM NEWS

## CLASSROOM UPDATE BY OLIVER MORE

This week in Grade 5/6 we have been very busy. In maths we made 3D robots and labeled them; they were very impressive!

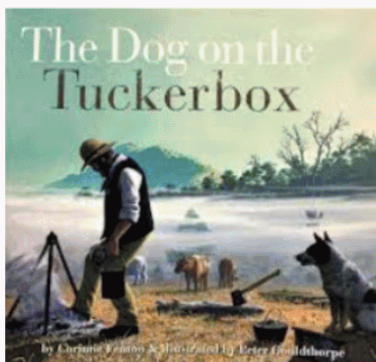
In literacy we have been making predictions about picture story books. The books we have been learning about are Edward and Edwina the Emu. On Thursday we started a new book called Little Cat and the Big Red Bus.

Jobe, Evan, Darcy, Austin, Kobe, Hunter and Oliver are very excited to compete in the T20 cricket blast in Swan Hill on Friday, it will be a very fun day. Last Wednesday the grade 5/6 helped clean out the big sports shed.



## THE DOG ON THE TUCKERBOX

Book review by Narky Lea



The Dog on the Tuckerbox is an amazing book and is inspired by a famous Australian poem called "Bullocky Bill". The Dog on the Tuckerbox statue monument can be found in Gundagai in NSW, Gundagai is also where the story is based. The book is about a little dog called Lady and her owner Billy the Bullocky.

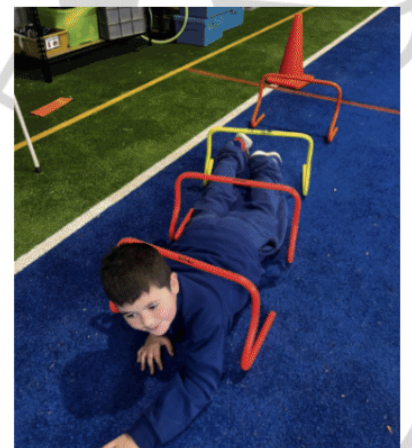
My favorite part of the story is when the children from the homestead came over to play with Lady, Lady let them pat her and shake her paw. I also enjoyed when Lady saved her team from the stray bull during their journey.



# PE & SPORTS

WITH PREP/1

Grade Prep/ Ones have been busy during PE and Sport over the past few weeks perfecting their fundamental movement skills.





# Mallee T-20 Cricket

