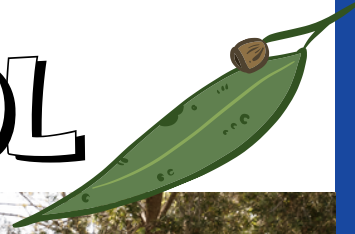




MURRABIT GROUP SCHOOL

19 FEBRUARY 2024



Our Values

RESPECT • HONESTY • TEAMWORK • LEARNING • PERSISTENCE

Dates to **REMEMBER**

- 23 FEB – Cluster Swimming (Koondrook)
- 4 – 8 MARCH – 5/6 Camp
- 11 MARCH – Labour day
- 13 – 15 MARCH – NAPLAN
- 19 MARCH – Zone Swimming (S. Hill)
- 21 MARCH – D. Centre Visit
- 22 MARCH – Summer Sports (Kerang)
- 28 MARCH – Last day of term
- 29 MARCH – Good Friday

Reminders

Market Morning Teas:
2nd March: Danson, Heffer, McNeil and Ellison.

Grounds/Mowing
February: 1st Half – Lavey
2nd Half – Keath

Principal's Updates: Ms Hogg ☀

It was such a pleasure to see the Grade Five/Six receiving their leadership badges on Friday by Peter Walsh and giving great impromptu speeches about their roles. The new Grade Six wind-cheaters look fantastic too. The students will make an amazing leadership team in their varied roles in 2024.

Well done to the zone trial swimmers last week for giving it their best and for the four that got through to zones. Thank you to the parents for taking them and Miss Bath for her support.

Thank you to Miss Taylor for organising an educational visit from the Ambulance on Thursday as a part of the Inquiry units.

Murray Plains Cluster Swimming Sports

We have a fun Friday this week as we compete in the Murray Plains Cluster Sports starting at 9.45 am. We are co-ordinating the day this year, so any help setting up or running the events would be appreciated. Set up is at 7.30 am on Friday at the Koondrook Pool. If anyone has a spare marquee, that would also be helpful. The canteen will not be open; however, Zooper Doopers will be given out again at the end of the day. The bus will leave the school at 9.20 am. Please pack all swimming and sunsmart items, snacks, drinks and lunch.

Gaby Hogg

Acting Principal

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Cottage By The Sea- Queenscliff

The Grade 5/6 camp is only a couple of weeks off, so please finalise any outstanding payments. Notes with amounts left to pay were sent home last week.

Camps Sports and Excursion Funds

A reminder that CSEF application forms were sent home last week and need to be returned by Friday 23rd February. If you are the holder of a current Health Care Card or are a foster parent, you are eligible to claim \$150 CSEF.

NBN Free Internet

Please remember to fill in the forms sent home if you'd like to be considered for free internet for a year.

Murrabit OSHC

Booking forms will come out this week for Before or After-school care. We will commence next week if we have a coordinator and families that would like to use the service.

Tobie Cameron Mural

Tobie has completed the poles outside the front of the school and will start on the cow and Buddy Bench with students' ideas next week. Students have been involved in lovely conversations with Tobie and his family. The artwork looks fab.

Staff PD

Last week the remainder of our staff participated in Professional Development with Matt Knight around reading comprehension. Teaghen and Angie will commence Sounds-Write training to support our literacy program this week.

Staff movement

We wish Miss Devereux a speedy recovery. Tonya Arnett will continue in Gr 3/4, and we also welcome back Colin Rohde as a CRT.

Sentral

Thank you to all parents who have got Sentral up and running. We will put the Cluster Swimming note via the App for you to give permission for the event, rather than printing and sending notes home to families. Please also don't forget to get on and book your Individual Education Plan interviews with class teachers for this coming week.

School Council postponed until 27th February.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep/1/2

3 / 4

5 / 6



Jackson Lavey

For a fantastic start to school and demonstrating persistence in adapting to new routines.



Brandon Thomas

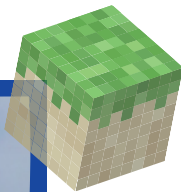
For an amazing start to Term 1 – displaying dedication and persistence in his work and being an honest team player when participating in 3-6 Sports.



Myrtle Pappin

For using persistence to complete her testing this past week and trying her best with it all.

STEAM



Tyler Long

For respectfully working to build our 'Minecraft Murrabit' and assisting those who need it.

ITALIAN



Evan McNeil

For his quick typing and Canva skills, great collaboration and leadership during our class songwriting project.



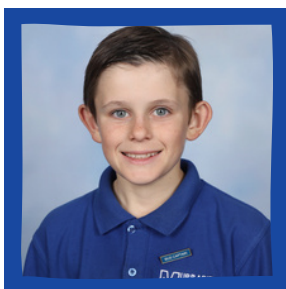
MUSIC



3/4 Class

For their great singing and Boomstick action with Miss Hulands on Monday.

Kitchen/Garden



Hudson Hein

For showing phenomenal teamwork and helping our P-2 students during the kitchen/garden program.

PE



Dustin Pappin

For displaying persistence during PMP activities.

Principal GEM Award



Dustin Pappin

For offering to help others after finishing work quickly.

PREP/1/2 CLASSROOM NEWS

Another busy week of learning and growing in Prep/One/Two. During literacy, we have been developing good reading routines, building valuable decoding skills and have started our narrative writing unit. We have been focusing on 'number' in math – using lots of concrete materials, practising our number formation and counting. We have started our new inquiry unit 'Community – People who help us', where we were lucky enough to have a very special visit from Ambulance Victoria. This week is our final prep rest day. We can't wait to have our prep student join us full time. Over the last few weeks our P-2 students have been doing their English and Math online interviews and I am blown away with the skills our P-2 students are showing, this will certainly help inform our teaching and learning. Finally, a huge well done to our P-2 students for their dedication to their home reading.

"The more you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." Have a wonderful week. – Dr Seuss

Miss Taylor



KITCHEN/GARDEN PROGRAM

This week it was 'Shrove Tuesday' and we made pancakes in our kitchen/garden program. Our P-2 and 5-6 students teamed up and what an amazing job they did. Our 5/6 students were amazing role models and helpers to our P-2 kids. Our 3-4 were a much smaller group, but nevertheless did a fantastic job. All our students found the required materials, ingredients, carefully followed a recipe and successfully made some yummy pancakes.

Here is what some of our students thought:

Lenny Hein 'Very Yummy'

Lilly Monk 'Good – especially the ones I made'

Rumi Hein 'Surprisingly good'

Tyler Long 'Awww-some!'



3/4 CLASSROOM NEWS

WOW – what an incredible week in Year 3 and 4! The classroom culture has a wonderful vibe – students are developing routines, working to expectations, taking risks, developing as a learner (Mrs Jones/Mrs Arnett are impressed to see), as we continue building a reading and writing community. We are currently reading and understanding the book ‘Matilda’, as part of the Readers Workshop Program. Students have been building their stamina with independent reading and reading conferences have started. The Reading Homework Program has started strong (well done students!) – Thank you to our wonderful parents for supporting your child at home and working in a partnership. This is appreciated.

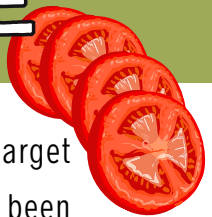
Testing will continue next week with some reading assessment which will conclude Term Ones schedule. Shout out to Mrs Jones who celebrates a birthday this Tuesday – Happy birthday to you! We hope you have a wonderful day.



Mrs Jones and Mrs Arnett



MUSIC/LOTE



In Italian this week we got back into the swing of reading in the target language and recalling vocabulary learnt last year. Younger learners have been reading Mangia Mangia! Which means Eat Eat! Where the boy feeds all his food to the cat!



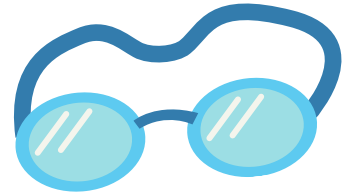
5/6 CLASSROOM NEWS

Another great week in our classroom. We have completed most of our testing to inform our term's learning. We had two special visitors come and see us on Thursday. Mr Peter Walsh came to our school to present our school leaders with their badges, so they can officially start their roles in our leadership team. We also had two Ambulance Victoria members visit our school as a part of our 'Community & Belonging' theme this term. On Tuesday last week, we had 8 students from our 5/6 class compete at our Zone Swimming trials in Kerang, with 4 qualifying for Zone Swimming in Swan Hill today. Congratulations to Evan, Xavier, Darcy & Pippy, who competed in Swan Hill today.

Miss Bath

Evan's summary of the week

Last Tuesday, we had zone trials for swimming and had lots of fun at the pool. The next stage is Swan Hill on Monday, and the people going are Evan, Pippy, Xavier and Darcy. Well done to all who participated and gave it their best. We have done a lot of testing in class before we get into some work this week. On Friday, we also had Peter Walsh MP come in and present all the leadership badges to our class.



STEAM



Our STEAM lessons this week have been filled with fun, and the building of our 'Minecraft Murrabit' is starting to come along nicely – we have a river, Murrabit Trading, the footy oval, golf course, roads, gardens, and the school all starting to take great shape. It's been great to see the cross-year level collaboration even without being in the same lessons.



P.E.

P-2 PE: The PMP circuit has started this week – woohoo! Students challenged themselves when completing the balancing frame and stepping activities – even using a ball behind their backs and above their heads for an added challenge – wow!. All students have displayed leadership and teamwork skills to set up the stations and pack away the equipment. We are looking forward to next week’s session which will be on Monday. There will be no PMP session Friday due to the Cluster Swimming Sports.

3-6 PE and Sport: Monday sessions will focus on skills and drills and Friday sessions students will use those skills to transfer to a game. Friday Sport is also based on having input from Student Voice. Last Monday students played indoor teamwork and independent games due to the hot weather and on Friday they played kickball using the set out of T-ball; so bases to run to. Thank you to the Sports and School Captains for setting and packing up. What a great way to end the week!

Good luck to Evan, Pippy, Xavier & Darcy at Zone swimming today.
Cluster swimming Friday 23rd



Weekly Highlights



What's going on this week?



CLUSTER SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2024

Friday 23rd February
Koondrook Swimming Pool

Good Luck to all our Students participating in their events.

A Cluster Country Community School



Zone SWIMMING

SWAN HILL OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOL

19TH FEBRUARY START 10AM

Good Luck to all our participants

MURRABIT GROUP SCHOOL

KERANG BADMINTON CAR BOOT SALE

SUNDAY 3RD MARCH 2024

TIME:
BUYERS: 8:30 AM TO 1:00 PM
SELLERS FROM 8:00 AM TO SET UP

KERANG SHOWGROUNDS
PARK ROAD ENTRANCE

Site Bookings (REQUIRED)—\$15 per site paid at gate
Other items by commission
Please contact KAYLA on 0482 668 325
Bookings close on WED 28th Feb 2024



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