



# MURRABIT GROUP SCHOOL

4th September  
2024



Our Values

RESPECT • HONESTY • TEAMWORK • PERSISTENCE

## Dates to **REMEMBER**

- 2nd - 6th - Smile Squad
- 4th Sept - Dagogo Dance
- 5th Sept - Murrabit Cluster Day
- 6th Sept Zone Athletics - Kerang
- 10th Sept - School Council Meeting
- 13th Sept - Where Produce Comes From Tour
- 16th Sept Mallee Aths - Swan Hill
- 18th Sept First Aid In Schools
- 20th Sept Last Day Term 3 ( Pioneer Settlement?)



### Reminders

Market Morning Teas:

**7th September** - Hein N&E,  
Hein B&N, Maclean and  
Thomas

## Principal's Updates

It was such a pleasure to welcome Cathy and Terry Hope to the school on Friday morning. Cathy had many fascinating items to share with the group as well as providing an opportunity to connect to an amazing author. The students and staff enjoyed the visit and many stories.

On Monday we gained the opportunity of an incursion, learning about growing worms at school. Students had many questions and were very respectful. The presenter gave us feedback about this being the best group she'd ever worked with! We now plan on setting up our worm farm at school and welcome any parents to champion this project.

Once again our school community is adapting to change and with this comes anxiety and uncertainty for some. You will all have received an official email about the leadership changes on Monday. I'd like to begin to reflect on my time at Murrabit with great pride in the opportunities and professionalism the staff and community provide to this wonderful, country school. It is such an outstanding education hub and we've continued to work together to create a calm, supportive environment for all. Individual success has been at the forefront as everyone adapts, and shows flexibility and commitment to best practice. It is a happy and friendly place and a school we are so fortunate to be a part of. Strong academic, sporting and cultural platforms are in place and will continue.

Please be mindful of everyone, be kind in words and actions and come and speak directly to me with any concerns. Students listen to adult conversations. By all contributing positively we will make this a smooth transition for the students and the Murrabit community.

*Mrs Gaby Hogg*



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## **School Council**

School Council has been postponed until Sept 10th at 4pm in the staffroom

## **Zone Athletics**

Grade 4-6 students that have qualified will participate in the sports in Kerang on Friday 6th Sept. We ask parents to coordinate travel into Kerang. Students have chosen three sports they will try out for and will have the chance to proceed in two events. Mrs Hogg, Mrs Maclean and Ms Morrison will attend.

## **Spelling Bee**

The Kerang Rotary Club will be running the Annual Spelling Bee on Monday 16th September at Thornley Hall in Kerang. The Spelling Bee is open to any students in Years 4/5/6.

## **Swan Hill Zone Athletics**

The students who make it through the Kerang Zone Trials will qualify to compete in the Swan Hill Zone Athletics. On Monday 16th September the Zone Athletics in Swan Hill will be held at the Ken Harrison Reserve. After the Kerang Zone Trials, permission notes will be sent out and will need to be signed and returned. Parents are responsible for transport to and from Swan Hill.

A timetable of the events is listed below:

### Timetable for Parent Information Order of Events

**9.15am** - 1500 metres time trials

**9.45am** - 200 metres heats & finals - 9/10yr shot put - 11yr long jump - 12/13yr discus

**10.15am** - 12/13yr high jump - 11yr shot put - 10yr long jump

**10.45am** - 9/10yr & 11yr hurdles and finals - 11yr high jump - 10yr discus - 12/13yr shot put

**11.00am** - 100m heats and finals

**11.15am** - 10yr high jump - 11yr discus - 12/13yr long jump

**11.45am** - 10yr triple jump

**12.15pm** - 12/13yr hurdles and finals - 11yr triple jump

**12.45pm** - 12/13yr triple jump 1.00pm - relay finals

**1.45pm** - 800 metres

\*These are approximate times. Some events may start earlier than times shown.

\*\*Track runners will be held after their heats until the finals, so schools and competitors must tell the organisers of the field events that they are at a track event.

## **Dagogo Dance and Cluster Culture Day**

As part of our school arts and culture program, the students will work with Dagogo Obogo once again for the day, learning dance and getting ready to perform at the cluster day on Thursday, September 5th. Each year, our four schools come together to take part in a cluster day. This time, Murrabit will host the day, and we are excited to welcome around 180 students and staff to our wonderful school. Grade 6 students will have the opportunity to compete for girl and boy champions instead as the cluster sports were cancelled this year due to the weather and other planned commitments. This option will be instead of the cultural activities for the Gr 6 students only and is a choice activity. Medals will be presented. The school continues to provide many varied sporting and fitness opportunities for our students as well as other excellent learning opportunities. Thank you to everyone who has enabled our annual cluster cultural day. It is excellent to bring all the cluster students together to enjoy each other's company and participate in organised activities of dance, health, music, indigenous art and games. Parents are welcome to join in and watch the concert as well. Lunch has been provided by the parents club including two sausages, bread, a prima and a Zooper Dooper.

## **Billabong Ranch Camp**

The final cost for the Billabong Ranch Camp is \$320.00, with the final instalment of \$170.00 to be paid by Wednesday 18th September.

Accounts with the final balance owing were sent home last week with account credits (for Market Duty payments) and CSEF deducted.

# STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

**P/1/2/3**



**Huey Hein**

For being a responsible class leader, and for his persistence and leadership in the P/1/2/3 classroom

**4/5/6**



**Casey Heffer**

For being kind and courteous in the classroom as well as asking questions when he needs support with his learning.

**STEAM**



**Rumi Hein**

For working well in a team to build a circuit using both a battery and a hand crank.

**Italian**



**Riley Danson**

For blitzing the leaderboard on Duolingo, joining our Trivia game and for trying to steal the cash in our Blooket Italian Sports vocabulary game

**Music**



**Moppy Pappin**

For an amazing 'Baby Elephant Walk' and for playing guitar 1 strum, 4 strums and singing at the same time!

**Principal**



**Lilly Monk**

For supporting Karleigh in riding her bike.



**Principal**

**Darcy Ellison**

Darcy for being so kind and caring to others when he is on crutches

# P/1/2/3 CLASSROOM NEWS

We wish Miss Green a happy birthday, and wish all fathering figures a happy day last Sunday. We hope you like our gifts! We have finished our unit on division in maths.

How do farmers do division? ..... With a cow-culator!!!

Our reading and writing has been on Persuasive Text, reading the Mentor texts "The Day the Crayons Quit" and "Mr. Huff." For Inquiry we have had an airport set up (so good, Miss Green!) Now we have a cutting, painting, camping, kitchen and a money station. We said goodbye to Liliarna last Friday as she moves to Barham 😞. In Inquiry we have been working on naming Australia's states, territories, capitals and tourist attractions. Next week we look forward to riding our bikes on the pump track.



Smarties Division



Smart Spelling. Photography: Beau

*Mrs Angie Jones  
&  
Ms Makayla Green*

# 4/5/6 CLASSROOM NEWS

This week in year 4-6 we have had a very eventful week. It all started last Friday when we had author Cathy Hope come and speak to us about her book 'Murray River Girl'. The students loved hearing from the author herself, they shared some great thoughts and conversations about the story.

On Monday we had an incursion from 'Worms in Schools' where we heard from Caitlyn about worm farms and composting and why it's great for our school and environments.

Today we had Dagogo come and teach us a new dance that we will share tomorrow at our Murray Plains Cluster that we are super excited for.

Weekly Recap from Jasmine:

Last week we finished our "Redesign our classroom". We all had many different ideas on how we could redesign the room. Cathy Hope and Terry, her husband, came to our school to talk about the book, Murray River Girl, it's about a girl called Roma and her Teddy.

Also on Friday we did a Fathers Day stall for last Sunday. On Monday we had Worms in School visit, we learned how they produce nutrients, and some cool facts.

*Miss Bath*

# STEAM

This week for STEAM in 4-6 we only had 8 students at school so we spent time experimenting with the 'Gear Bots' LEGO Kit.

We finally had STEAM back in P-3 again after a short hiatus due to the other amazing events we have had during the term on a Friday; we spent time in the lesson revising Gears & Mechanics; we also discussed what electrical circuits are and experimented with some electricity kits to see how circuits work.

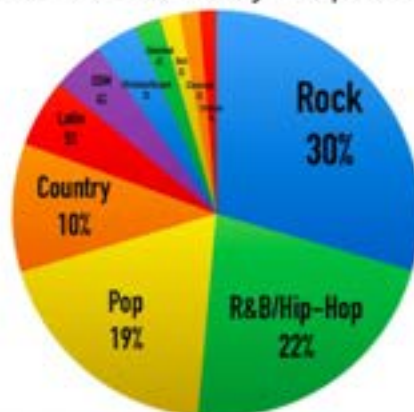
See some photos of all the amazing things that the students have made this week in STEAM.



# MUSIC & ITALIAN

MUSIC: In Music 4/5/6 students are studying different musical genres: Country, Hip Hop, Jazz, Orchestra, Electronic, Blues ... what is your favourite?

P/1/2/3 played our band song, walked like Baby Elephants and did some awesome singing.



# CLUSTER DAY SCHEDULE

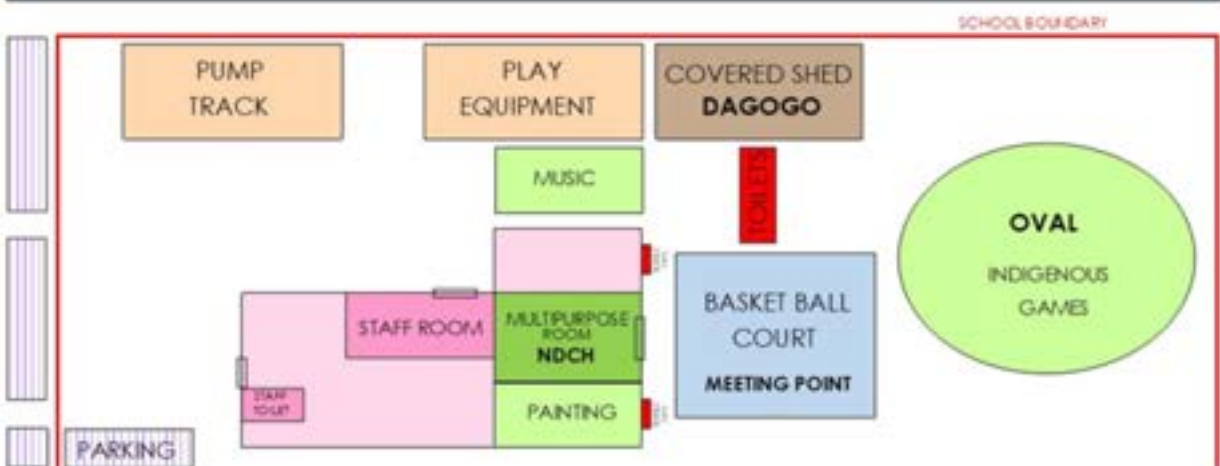


## JUNIOR GRADES (P-3)

## SENIOR GRADES (4-6)

All Staff please evenly disperse between Activities. Students that require support should be allocated staff.

10.00 am	Welcome & Housekeeping	
10.10 am	Welcome to Country & Smoking Ceremony	
10.30 am	All staff & Students will have the opportunity to walk through smokes. Please identify students that may be asthmatic/ impacted	
11.00 am	DAGOGO Session in Covered shed	NDCH Presentation on Nutrition
11.40 am	DAGOGO DANCE CONCERT Schools to Perform Dance Items	INDIGENOUS ACTIVITY MUSIC, PAINTING, INDIGENOUS GAMES & ATHLETIC SPORT EVENTS students participate in 1 of these
12.00 pm	RECESS BREAK (Bikes & Pump Track out of bounds) Staff Morning Tea in staffroom 6 staff to supervise students in yard > Please organise staff for your school	
12.30 pm	NDCH Presentation on Nutrition	DAGOGO Session in Covered shed
1.10 pm	INDIGENOUS ACTIVITY MUSIC, PAINTING & INDIGENOUS GAMES students participate in 1 of these	DAGOGO DANCE CONCERT Schools to Perform Dance Items
1.50 pm	LUNCH BREAK (Bikes & Pump Track out of bounds) BBQ sausages in bread, prima & zooper dooper for students & staff 6 staff to supervise students in yard at one time (2 X 25 min blocks) > Please organise staff for your school	
2.00 pm	Thanks & Dismissal	



# PARENTS & FRIENDS

Happy Father's Day for Sunday to all our school Dad's! Hopefully the kids enjoyed sharing the special gifts purchased at our Father's Day Stall and spending the day with someone they love. A big thank-you to Nicole for organising and coordinating the gifts and ensuring all the gifts were wrapped beautifully.

The Murrabit Group School Masterchefs Cookbook 2024 is at the editors and getting very close to publishing. A huge thank-you to Jo Danson for the tremendous amount of work done behind the scenes to bring this book together. Watch this space in coming weeks for the book launch 🙌

The P&F group will be supporting some of the kids activities in the next few weeks with some fundraising funds used to provide lunch for the upcoming Cluster Day and assisting with bus travel expenses for the Produce Farm Tour. Please keep supporting our events so we can keep supporting our kids. 😊



## 100th Anniversary Murrabit Township

1924 - 2024

**Saturday, 5 October 2024**  
**Murrabit Market**



Featuring photographic displays on early history of Murrabit

**Sunday, 6 October 2024**

## Worm Farming



# COMING UP




MURRAY PLAINS CLUSTER SCHOOL


## Cluster Day

BE A PART OF THE FESTIVITIES!

THURSDAY, 5TH SEPTEMBER 2024  
MURRAY PLAINS CLUSTER SCHOOL  
9:30AM - 2:30PM



INFORMATION FOR THOSE PARTICIPATING HAS BEEN SENT HOME



## ZONE ATHLETICS

FRIDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER | 9:30AM START

YEAR 4-6 STUDENTS ONLY | KERANG TECH HIGH SCHOOL



## DISCOVERY CENTRE VISIT

11:30AM - 1:30PM  
6TH SEPTEMBER 2024



We acknowledge and show respect to all Traditional Owners/Custodians of the land on which we learn, the Barapa Barapa people and pay our respects to their Elders, past and present and emerging'.



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Join our learning community

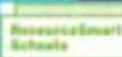
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Sciences & Technology

Wellbeing/ Arts  
Languages

Excellence in Learning  
Sports and Health  
small classes



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