



Murwillumbah Public School

Promoting Excellence in Education

Newsletter

14th December 2018 Term 4 Week 9



Principals Message

Dear Parents and Carers,
It's hard to imagine that the 2018 school year is almost over. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for a wonderful year. There has been so much achieved by our students this year across academic, sporting and cultural endeavours. There is so much to be proud of at the end of the school year; we have all set goals and worked hard to achieve them. The ultimate accomplishment comes from within. The most important thing is that as our children stand in front of the mirror, they should be proud of themselves, remain positive, no matter what the outcome may be. If our students gave the very best of themselves, nobody else could ask for more.

We are blessed with hardworking staff who strive for excellence and the children under their care have grown in student achievement, maturity and personal self-growth. My sincere thanks for all they have achieved.

Our directions for the future are exciting and we look forward to implementing many positive initiatives in 2019.

Planning has commenced for 2019. At this stage, we should have 12 classes commencing at the beginning of the year. We are monitoring enrolments very closely. This may well change in the new year. Children are likely to be placed in temporary classes at the beginning of the school year until our numbers stabilise. I hope that they will be stabilised within the first week. Staff return to work on Tuesday 29th January and all children return on Wednesday 30th January, 2019. Kindergarten will start at 9.30 on the Wednesday.

Thank you to all our parents and school community members that joined us to celebrate the achievements and effort of our students during our Class Presentation Assembly. 2018 has been a very busy year offering our students endless opportunities to thrive and learn across all aspects of school life and it is wonderful to share this with our school community.

ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING

The teachers are very proud of the goals students have achieved over the course of the year and

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this is reflected in the Semester 2 reports which went home last Friday. As students move through schooling, learning expectations increase. If a student receives the same grade for two consecutive reports this indicates they have made the expected progress for this period. For example, if a student receives Sound in the middle of the year and again at the end of the year the expected progress has been made.

While achievement grades are an important indicator of your child's progress at school they are only part of the picture. Student reports also include information on your child's level of effort. A comment was also provided at the end of the report. This will expand on their commitment to learning, strengths and weaknesses and identify student involvement in extra curricula activities.

Congratulate your child on his/her achievements and discuss how he/she can work towards improvement.

It was great to see so many parents respond to the end of year follow up parent/teacher/student goal setting meetings that took place over the last few days. We had around 73% of families visit the school to follow up on the individual progress of goals that were established earlier in the year. Thank you for attending these meetings.

YEAR 6 FAREWELL

Our students enjoyed their Year 6 Farewell on Tuesday evening in the school hall. Many memories were made over many years and

these were all shared during the night. Lots of delicious food was consumed, the dancing was amazing and everyone enjoyed the slide show. Thank you to Mr Gear and his team of helpers for all their hard work in organising the night.

2019 LEADERS

I wish to welcome our incoming leaders for 2019. Congratulations to our School Captains Kohen and Ruby and our Vice Captains Fionn and Maighsi. The leaders are very deserving of the positions and I wish them well. They will be assisted along the way by our other school leaders Tess, Aurelia, Bree and Tiarna. Any one of the students that put themselves forward for a leadership role in 2019 could have been a positive role model to lead our school.

YEAR 6 BELL RINGING

A reminder that our year six children will be involved in the bell ringing next Tuesday 18th. This will take place outside the office commencing at 2.10pm. Parents are welcome to attend.

Have a wonderful Christmas break and enjoy the family time that comes with holidays. On behalf of our staff we wish you all the very best for 2019.

Regards
Les Daley
Principal



Merit Awards

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MERIT AWARD WINNERS FOR WEEK 8 TERM 4

KK: Zoe, Arlo

KS: Arlia, Levi

1S: Edith,

1_2T: Riley, Katie

2W: Oscar N, Nick

2_3H: Sienna, Lynda

3_4L: Poppy, Arden

3_4S: Poppy, Eli

4W:

5_6C:

5_6G:

5_6P:

5_6R:

Music:

Chloe, Kobi

Russell, Tiarna

Bree, Eryn

Noah, Hailey

Shalai, Shatrah

Maisy, Bree, Ruby, Phoenix,
Lachlan



School Supplies - Kindergarten

The following stationary supplies are required for each Kindergarten student in 2018. We would appreciate if you could purchase these supplies and have them **labelled** and ready for use.

- *Art Shirt (or an old business shirt)
- *4 Glue Sticks
- *Large box of tissues
- *Library Bag (can use the one you were given in transition)
- *4 whiteboard markers - these will be collected and used as a class set
- *Eraser (not battery operated)

Please remember that these supplies run out and need to be restocked throughout the year. Some books may be sent home to be covered.



School Supplies - Years 1 & 2

The following stationary supplies are required for each Year 1 & 2 student in 2018. We would appreciate if you could purchase these supplies and have them **labelled** and ready for use.

- *Art Shirt
- *Pencil case
- *Lead pencils - please stock up the whole year (preferably HB)
- *Coloured pencils - 2 packets of 12
- *Textas
- *Wooden ruler - labelled in millimetres as well as centimetres
- *Sharpener (not battery operated)
- *Erasers (not battery operated)
- *2 x A4 96 page exercise book
- *2 x 128 page A4 sized exercise books
- *4 Glue sticks
- *Felt tip pen (black) thin Artline 210
- *Large box of tissues
- *Library bag
- *Gel pens and highlighters (optional)

Please remember that these supplies run out and need to be restocked throughout the year. Some books may be sent home to be covered.

2019 School Supplies - Year 3 & 4

The following stationary supplies are required for each Year 3 & 4 student in 2018. We would appreciate if you could purchase these supplies and have them **labelled** and ready for use.

- *Pencil case
- *Lead pencils - please stock up the whole year (preferably HB)
- *Scissors
- *Coloured pencils
- *Textas eg. Connectable
- *Wooden ruler - labelled in millimetres as well as centimetres
- *Sharpener (not battery operated)
- *Erasers (not battery operated)
- *2 x 128 page A4 sized exercise books
- *1 x 64 page A4 sized exercise books
- *4 Glue sticks
- *Large box of tissues
- *Art Shirt
- *Library bag
- *Gel pens and highlighters (optional)
- *Small Calculator
- *Felt tip pen (black) - thin. eg Artline 210
- *Black permanent marker
- *4 Whiteboard markers



Please remember that these supplies run out and need to be restocked throughout the year. Some books may be sent home to be covered.

2019 School Supplies - Year 5 & 6

The following supplies are required for Years 5 and 6 for 2018. We would appreciate if you could purchase these supplies and have them **labelled** and ready for use.

Students in year 5 and 6 have the opportunity to enjoy a digital classroom environment. The school provides each student with a laptop computer to use for learning activities each day. The school is also providing some exercise books including maths and handwriting.

The following items are ESSENTIAL for students to supply and must be clearly labelled.



- *Headphones with a standard audio jack (these are essential and may need to be replaced throughout the year, cheap ones can be bought from Dinky Di's)
 - *Pencil case
 - *Lead pencils (enough for whole year)
 - *Coloured pencils
 - *Blue and Red pens
 - *Ruler (including cm and mm)
 - *Glue sticks (enough for whole year)
 - *Sharpener and eraser
 - *Whiteboard markers (enough for whole year/ these are used regularly)
 - *Black permanent marker
 - *3 x 128 page A4 exercise books
 - *At least one large box of tissues to share with the class
- Optional extras
- *Gel pens
 - *Coloured textas
 - *Highlighters
 - *Mouse and mouse pad

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Community Notices



Early Bird sign up NOW OPEN
Term 1 2019 Tweed Heads
FREE After-School program

Call 1800 780 900 or visit www.go4fun.com.au

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SUMMER READING CLUB

is on again!

Richmond Tweed Regional Library has been running this successful program for many years. The theme for this year's event is *Curious Creatures*, and we're encouraging all children to join in the fun!

Every book, ebook or audiobook you read or listen to from the library during December and January, will earn you an entry in the competition to win an iPad Mini with thanks to our major sponsor, Bolinda Digital!

The more you read the more chances you have to win!

Summer Reading Club will begin on Saturday 1 December and runs until Thursday, 31 January 2019.

Visit your local library, become a library member and collect a free activity pack containing summer reading ideas, a reading log and fun activities with a chance to win an iPad mini!

CALENDAR

Term 4	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
10	17th December Wet'n' Wild Concert Band Excursion	18th December Crazy Hair Day	19th December End of Term- Last Day for Students		
Term 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1		29th January	30th January First Day of Term for all Students 2019	31st January	1st February

*This Calendar is updated as new information becomes available,
 so please continue to check over the course of the Term.*