



Murwillumbah Public School

Promoting Excellence in Education

Newsletter

2nd December 2021 Term 4 Week 9



Principal's Message

Dear Parents

As the year starts to wind down, things are certainly not slowing down at school with lots of activities to finish the year. I have been relieving in Mr Daley's absence as he has been unwell. Mr Daley will hopefully return sometime next week. As well as preparing reports, the staff are busy preparing a number of events including the K-2 and 3-6 award ceremonies. As mentioned in the previous newsletter, unfortunately, with the current restrictions, we are unable to safely accommodate parents attending. Following the assemblies, videos and photos will be uploaded on the school's Facebook site, acknowledging the recipients of the awards. Kindergarten has been practising the annual Nativity. The Nativity has been recorded and will be uploaded to the school's website after the award ceremonies. Both the school's Dance Group and the Kindergarten Nativity will perform at both the K-2 and 3-6 award ceremonies for the students.

School Values - Respect

At this time of year, it is important to remember our school values in particular, Respect. Respect can be defined as allowing yourself and others

to do and be their best. It is the goal within schools to create a mutually respectful atmosphere between all individuals involved including administrators, teachers, staff members, students, parents and visitors. At Murwillumbah Public School this is demonstrated by letting others learn, speaking and acting nicely and caring for everyone. When we talk about Respect, it is an opportunity to reflect on what this means and how it can be applied in the last few weeks of 2021. This will help to ensure the students finish the year on a positive note and enjoy the fun activities the school is offering after what has been another testing year due to COVID.

Industrial Action & 3 - 6 award ceremonies

Due to the proposed 24-hour teachers strike next Tuesday December 7, it has been decided that the 3-6 award ceremony will be moved to Wednesday 8 December. The K-2 assembly will be unaffected and remain on Monday 6 December. As mentioned earlier, parents are unable to attend the award ceremonies due to COVID restrictions. More information will be provided regarding the proposed strike on Monday.

Principal's Message Cont.

High School Orientation

Year 6 students have been recently attending both the Wollumbin High School and the Murwillumbah High School orientation programs. This has been a great opportunity for students to begin to prepare themselves for the transition into high school. The feedback from the students has been that they have found them not only informative but lots of fun, too. Preparations continue for the Year 6 Farewell and the annual bell ringing ceremony. More information on these exciting events for our Year 6 students will be released as the dates gets closer.



Kindergarten Transition



Last Friday was the conclusion of our Kindergarten Transition program. We were so impressed with how well our 2022 Kindergarten students settled into school life over the two-day program. The students enjoyed themselves making craft, yoga and learning school routines. If you know of anyone that has a Kindergarten enrolment

for next year, it's not too late to give the school a phone and discuss enrolment.

Colour Fun Day

The school is organising a Colour Fun Day for Friday 10 December. Students will need to have a white or light coloured t-shirt to participate in the activity, which will most likely remain stained. Students will not be able to participate in their school uniform. Children will get wet and then run through various colour stations. We will be sure to take lots of photos to upload on the various platforms. Students will need to bring a plastic bag to put their wet clothes in afterwards. There will be no cost for the students. More information will be sent home regarding the date soon.

School Captains 2022

We have started the process for our Year 5 student nominations for School Captain, Vice-Captain and Leaders for 2022. A short list of nominated students was announced last week and they will be interviewed on Thursday. Candidates will answer questions regarding leadership and school values. Each student will then present their speech on Friday, followed by voting by students from K-5.

Have a great week

Regards

Tim Gamble
Relieving Principal

School Uniforms

Uniforms can be ordered at anytime through our school office and paid for via the Parent Online Portal. This can be accessed by going to our School website <https://murwillumb-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>.

Our uniform shop will be open for purchases on Friday 28th January and Monday 31st January 2022 between 10am – 12pm.

Public Speaking



Around the School with Mrs Armour

Christmas on Glockenspiels and Xylophones

The sounds of Christmas are ringing through our school as every student from Kinder to Year 6 has been learning to play Christmas music to share with their family over the Festive Season. Download a Glockenspiel or Xylophone App onto your phone or ipad and enjoy your child playing for your family. They have all had the opportunity to take the sheet music home and I have loved hearing from many parents that there is lots of playing happening at home.



Untuned Percussion

Check out these Stage 1 students who have enjoyed learning to read and play percussion scores.



Digital Music

Year 5 and 6 students have been exploring the world of digital music making by using digital apps including Groove Pizza, Blob Opera and Chrome Music Lab. They have enjoyed composing and recording their own melody and accompanying rhythm tracks.

Merit Awards

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MERIT AWARD WINNERS FOR TERM 4 WEEK 8

K/1L: Amber, Isabella, Chayse	5/6H: Calan, Layla, Leila, Angelina
K/1W: Ruben, Charlotte, James	5/6K: Nate, Matilda, Jarod
1/2A: Olivia, Wyatt, Indie	5/6S: Poppy, Oskar, Willis
2W: Amity, Audrey, Izabella	Mrs Kester: Vishakka, Izabella, Jemma
3/4B: Damon, Liam, Arlia	
3/4P: Jonah, Lara, Mallika	
3/4G: Kaylee, Ava, Zoe	

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MERIT AWARD WINNERS FOR TERM 4 WEEK 9

K/1L: Scarlett, Zaze, Kobie	5/6H: Layla, Angelina, Jemma, Ivy
K/1W: Logan, Taya, Ayla	5/6K: Nevaeh, Hamish, Amos
1/2A: Saskia, Xanthe, Sophie	5/6S: Samuel, Izzy, Nicholas
2W: Paityn, Keira, Willow	Mrs Kester: Willow S, Amaliah, Lexie
3/4B: Zarli, Maddison, Gabriel	Library: Carlin, Lachlan, Charli
3/4P: Levi, Dylan, Connor	Music: Jarod, Zavier, Lachlan
3/4G: Arlo, Danielle, Cooper	



CALENDAR

Term 4	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9	29 November	30 November WHS Orientation	1 December	2 December Captain Speeches	3 December
10	6 December K-2 Presentation	7 December	8 December NEW DATE 3-6 Presentation Sport & Music Presentation	9 December	10 December Reports sent home Colour Fun Day
11	13 December ES1 & S1 Interviews Yr 6 Farewell	14 December S2 Interviews Book Parade	15 December S3 Interviews Yr 6 Bell Ringing	16 December Last Day of School for Students	17 December Staff Professional Development Day

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

Community News

JUNIORS COME AND TRY EVENING

5pm
On both the
3rd & 10th December

The come and try evening
on the 10th will be
CHRISTMAS THEMED
Be sure to
dress in **GREEN & RED!**

**SANTA WILL BE
COMING!!!**



**LET'S GET YOU
PLAYING!**

Competition starts Friday
21st Jan 2022 → sign on
closes 14 Jan 2022

Cost: \$75 (if you do not need a shirt)
\$100 (includes playing shirt)
➤ You can utilise NSW
kids sport vouchers

Entries open for
individuals & teams

Nominating teams **must** have a
parent representative that will
also be the coach