

Values: Be Safe, Be Responsible, Be Respectful & Be a Learner

From the Principals desk...

Assembly

It was wonderful to see so many parents and guests at our assembly on Monday. Congratulations to our leaders Grace, Charlotte, Hailey and Sam on their first assembly for the year. They have set a very high standard. We will continue to stream assembly on Facebook each Monday. We aim to start at 8:50am.

Swimming Trials & House Swimming Sports

Congratulations to all our students on their performance and behaviour at our House Swimming Sports yesterday. It was a fantastic day. A highlight for me was the willingness to participate and the support shown for their Houses by our students. All parents would be proud of their child's efforts yesterday. The winners will be announced at our Assembly on Monday.

Kids n Fruit

Students have been enjoying a variety of fruit each day during fruit break. To support this program, we ask that you pay \$15 per child for the year.



Playgroup

We are pleased to announce that Playgroup has recommenced 10-12am on a Thursday. The Save The Children van has loads of fun activities for pre-schoolers to enjoy. All families are welcome to join in the fun in the undercover courtyard at school. Please let us know if you are running late to avoid missing the Van.

Life Education

Due to lack of staffing our Life Education sessions planned for next week have been postponed. We hope to see Harold later in the year.

150 Year Celebration

It is on again and let's hope it is third time

lucky. We will be looking for volunteers so please let us know if you would like to be involved.

2022 Year Books

Did you miss out on ordering the 2022 Year Book? We have a few copies still available from the office for \$15.

School Council Elections

We have five vacancies this year due to current council member's term finishing. We are calling for nominations for election to School Council. Current Councillors can re-nominate. If you are interested, nomination forms are available from the office. A "Notice of Election" form is on display on the noticeboard.

School Council is a very important part of our school and sets policy and oversees school financial practices.

Before School Care and Breakfast Club

It is great to see students eager to be at school in the morning. A reminder that only students who require Before School Care or are attending Breakfast Club should be onsite prior to 8:30am as the yard is supervised from this time. Before School Care is available from 7:45am.

Morning Reading

Students enter the classrooms from 8:45am. This allows them time to get settled for the morning and begin reading. Our Readers' Workshop begins at 9am. All students are required to bring their STAR folder and reading log/diary to school each day.

Skool Loop

Have you downloaded the app yet? This app allows you to notify us of student absences and contact the school directly. You will have access to the newsletter, a calendar and messages from the school. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

**Have a great week,
Karen**



'Be The Best You Can Be' STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Left to Right

Back: Lexie, Peyton & Leo

Front: Levi, Jacob & Maxie

Yr F-1FW – Maxie M – For being a cool and calm role model who is here to learn. How responsible Maxie!

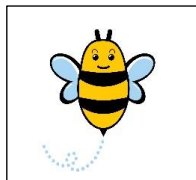
Yr 1-2B – Jacob W – For always doing his best, including making attempts at tasks that may be tricky.

Yr 3-4WW – Leo G – For showing kindness to others and starting the year with enthusiasm and positivity. Keep up the great work Leo!

Yr 3-4WW – Levi H – For showing great responsibility and kindness in our yard. Thank you for helping to keep our school beautiful Levi!

Yr 5-6CV – Peyton D – For being respectful by sitting next to a different fellow student each day to get to know your new classmates.

Yr 5-6CV – Lexie K – For being responsible by listening to and following all of the latest routines in your new classroom.



**Bee Focus: - being safe, responsible &
Establish and follow the rules**

**JSC Fundraiser
Zooper Doopers
for sale
Fridays at lunchtime
50c**

**★HAPPY★
BIRTHDAY!**

**Monday Feb 6 Logan H
Tuesday Feb 14 Wally E**

WEEKLY REMINDERS



**Don't forget to bring a
water bottle to school
everyday**



**Lunch Orders
Mon, Wed & Fri**



**Hats are now a must
no hat, no play**



Headphones Everyday

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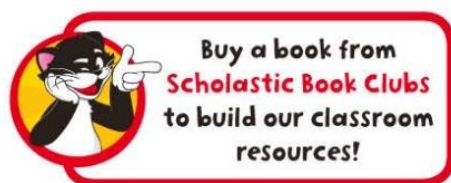
Where did week one go? Is this a sign of how quick this year will fly by? It has been wonderful seeing so many families using our service! We would love to cater for your child/ren every day and the best way to do this is to ensure that they are **BOOKED IN THROUGH THE OFFICE**. Bookings are either permanent or casual. You can book in by contacting the office either by phone or email and letting us know what days you will need the service and how many children you are booking in. We work to a staff/child ratio of 1/15 anything over the 15 means we need an extra staff. We are also capped at 25 children per day. A big thank you to those who have made payments for the holiday program account. Your next accounts are due out next week. Sharon



Chappy News

It was a nice sunny day at the swimming sports. Lots of ribbons were handed out and worn proudly. Giving up when you don't do so well can be tempting especially if you're up against someone who resembles a speedboat rather than a swimmer. The students did so well and most importantly they never gave up. We are very proud of you. Looking forward to the welcome BBQ on the 22nd of February, stay tuned for details. COOLFM recommences for term 1. This year we have several students trying their hand at hosting, all the best. The Mechanics roster has been done with 17 students wanting to be involved.

I want to take a moment to think of those in Syria/Turkey who are suffering at present due to a major earthquake, our hearts and prayers go out to them. Chappy



2023	AUSTRALIA DAY
Year	Winner
Kinder	Lulu Kettels
H.M.	Eliza Leeder
H.M.	Arthur Harrison
Prep	Winnie Harrison
H.M.	Jude Leeder
Gr.1	Melina Hill
H.M.	Jacob Wilson
Gr 2	Monique Albrey
H.M.	Amity Saunders
Gr 3	Charlotte Morgan
H.M.	Roy Bathman
H.M.	Gemma Balfour
Gr 4	Wally Ewart
H.M.	Tayte Williams
Gr. 5	Lily Balfour
H.M.	Rory Bone
Gr 6	Frankie Ewart
H.M.	Noah Donders



SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB- Issue 1 is due: Thursday Feb 16.

Book Club offers a convenient way to purchase some great books at discounted prices. There are books for all ages, with 8 issues per year. So twice a term Book Club brochures are distributed to each student.

Simply browse the brochures with your child, make any selections you may want, and order online via the LOOP website or app before the closing date or return the completed order to the school office with correct payment (in an envelope labeled Book Club). Thanks Felicity Watson

TERM 1 PLANNER

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
2	6	7	8	9 Dental Van	10 District Swimming Sports - Euroa Bee Shop ZOOOPER DOOPERS	11	12
3	13 1-6 Swimming	14 Footballers Visit	15 No Foundation Students 1-6 Swimming School Council	16	17 1-6 Swimming ZOOOPER DOOPERS	18	19
4	20	21	22 No Foundation Students Welcome BBQ	23	24 Bee Shop ZOOOPER DOOPERS	25	26
5	27 Division Swimming-Wangaratta	28	March 1	2	3 School Clean Up Aust. Day	4	5
6	6	7	8	9	10 Responsible Pet Education Bee Shop	11	12
7	13 Labour Day	14	15 NAPLAN begins	16	17 Melbourne Symphony Orchestra	18	19
8	20	21	22 School Council AGM	23	24 Ride to School Bee Shop	25	26
9	27 NAPLAN Ends	28	29	30 Skateboarding Workshops	31 ZOOOPER DOOPERS	April 1 150 + 1 Celebrations	2
10	3	4	5	6 Bonnet Parade Last Day Term 1	7 Good Friday	9	10 Easter

STUDENT ABSENCES: Please phone the school or send a message via Skool Loop if your child is going to be away. Children are expected to be at school every day unless unwell. Please support your child's learning and ensure they are at school by 8.45am every day.



Murchison Primary School Student Absence Form

Name: _____

Class: _____ Date: _____

Reason _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Lunch Orders: Students may order their lunch from the Bakery on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays. Orders are to be written on an envelope with child's name, with correct money inside.

2023 SCHOOL LUNCH ORDERS – BAKERY

<u>Sandwiches</u> (toasted 20c extra)	<u>Rolls</u>	<u>Drinks</u>
Cheese	\$3.00	\$3.20
Egg & Lettuce	\$3.20	\$3.20
Ham/Cheese	\$3.40	\$3.60
Chicken/Cheese	\$3.40	\$3.60
Chicken/Avocado	\$3.60	\$3.80
Chicken/lettuce/mayo	\$3.80	\$3.80
Vegemite	\$3.00	\$3.20
Ham	\$3.00	\$3.20
Chicken	\$3.20	\$3.40
Tuna	\$3.00	\$3.20
Salami	\$3.00	\$3.20
Salad	\$4.00	\$4.20
(Lettuce/Carrot/Tomato/Onion/Cheese/Beetroot)		
Meat & Salad	\$5.00	\$5.20
<u>Salad Packs</u> (mayo or French dressing available – no charge)		
Meat & salad	\$5.00	
Ham & Pineapple Pizza	\$3.20	
Plain Pie	\$4.00	
Steak & Bacon Pie	\$4.50	
Chicken Pie	\$5.00	
Pastie	\$4.00	
Sausage Rolls	\$3.40	
Party Pies	\$1.50	
Sauce	0.20c	

*******If you decide to order at the bakery you WILL be charged shop prices *******

Supporting Parents After Separation Program

What is the Supporting Parents after Separation program?

Supporting Parents after Separation is a FREE program that assists separated parents in conflict to:

- Navigate the challenges of their separation
- Understand how conflict affects a child's development
- Develop effective co-parenting communication strategies
- Develop safe care strategies

The program consists of a 3.5 hour group session followed by individual support and is offered to parents who are separated or going through a separation.

Face to face and online zoom group sessions are available. Parents attend separate groups.

For more information:

Hume Region
Post Separation Services
110 Wyndham Street (PO BOX 1108)
Shepparton VIC 3630
T (03) 5822 8100
E pss@berrystreet.org.au

www.berrystreet.org.au



Hume Region

Downloading the Skool Loop app - a step by step guide

Once you have downloaded the Skool Loop App, via either your Google Play or App store, please follow the below instructions to select your school -

- Open the Skool Loop App - you will land on a welcome page.
- Click the 'Select your schools' this will bring you to a menu you can either search your school or follow the country/region prompts.
- Once you reach your school, select it with the tick on the righthand side.
- Tap the 'select schools' button in the top right corner.
- Tap the big orange choose button. This will load your school and bring you to the settings page.
- Subscribe to the groups that are relevant to you, then click the 'go back' button on your phone, which will bring you to the main screen of your schools app.



Dear Parents/Guardians

Murchison Primary School provides students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian Curriculum and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. Nevertheless the ongoing support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students. We want to thank you for all your support. This makes a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

For further information on the Department's Parent Payment Policy please see a one-page overview attached.

Yours sincerely

Karen Goodwin

Natasha Boyle

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<i>Classroom consumables, materials & equipment</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classroom – pens, pencils, textas, glue sticks, writing, graph and scrap books, whiteboard markers, eraser, sharpener, folders, display books, scissors, rulers, star folder, diary etc. Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper, glue, card, wool, material, clay, wood, beading etc. Science – ingredients, books, shared classroom materials Mathematics – numeracy blocks, calculators, stationery, maths kits English – book boxes, class sets, novels, readers Physical Education & Sport – ribbons, materials, equipment Auslan – shared classroom materials Library – books, subscriptions Music – shared classroom materials 	\$100
<i>Online Subscriptions</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lexiles StudyLadder StoryBox Little Learners Love Literacy Smart Spelling 	\$ 30
<i>ICT Devices – provision of devices from the shared classroom sets</i>	\$ 20
<i>Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials</i>	\$ 30
<i>Whole school events</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sporting Events Cross age activities etc Life Ed 	\$ 20
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
<i>Maintaining school grounds – eg mowing, maintaining grounds etc.</i>	\$ 20
Total Amount	\$220

PARENT PAYMENTS POLICY

ONE PAGE OVERVIEW



FREE INSTRUCTION

- Schools provide students with free instruction and ensure students have free access to all items, activities and services that are used by the school to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements in Victorian Curriculum F-10, VCE and VCAL.
- Schools may invite parents to make a financial contribution to support the school.



PARENT PAYMENT REQUESTS

Schools can request contributions from parents under three categories:

Curriculum Contributions

Voluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum.

Other Contributions

Voluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides for free to deliver the Curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis.

- Schools may also invite parents to supply or purchase educational items to use and own (e.g. textbooks, stationery, digital devices).



FINANCIAL HELP FOR FAMILIES

- Schools put in place financial hardship arrangements to support families who cannot pay for items or activities so that their child doesn't miss out.
- Schools have a nominated parent payment contact person(s) that parents can have a confidential discussion with regarding financial hardship arrangements.



SCHOOL PROCESSES

- Schools must obtain school council approval for their parent payment arrangements and publish all requests and communications for each year level on their school website for transparency.



junior pool party

FREE DRINK | FREE BBQ | \$4 ENTRY

MURCHISON SWIMMING POOL

SATURDAY 11TH FEBRUARY 2023 - 11AM TO 3PM