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

From the Principals desk ...

ANZAC Day Service

Congratulations to our School Captains, Bella and Jet on their amazing speeches at the ANZAC Day Dawn Service on Monday. Bella spoke about how the role of women has changed over the years and Jet spoke about what ANZAC Day looks like in our community.

You can read both speeches further in today's newsletter. A big thank you to both students also to Mrs Vraca and the Ewart family for the artwork.



Little Learners Love Literacy (LLLL)

Yesterday we saw the Foundation -2 classes have their first LLLL lesson. This is a phonics based approach to learning Literacy. More information can be found further in the newsletter.



Mother's Day High Tea

We are holding a Mother's Day High Tea at school on Friday May 6 starting at 2:00pm. Mums, Grandmas, Aunts, Daughters and special friends are all invited. Our guests will be entertained by our students from 3pm onwards. To help with catering please RSVP on 58262391 or let Shelly know by May 5.



Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club will be starting at the new time of 7:45am each morning, for those parents who need to attend work or appointments.

Mother's Day Stall

This year we have decided to sell small bunches of Chrysanthemum's at our Mother's Day Stall for \$5.

House Cross Country

Parents are welcome to join us for the House Cross Country that will be held on Tuesday May 17 with warmups starting from 11:30am in the Murchison Gardens (near the Historical Society Building). Students may wear house colours during the event.

Save the Date - May 17

We will hold a family BBQ from 5:30pm on Tuesday May 17. Age Group Champions and the winner of the House Cross Country will be announced at this time.

Shade Sail Installation

Another great space for learning and play opportunities.

Pie Warmer

The Pie Warmer will be available every Tuesday and Thursday during Terms 2 & 3.

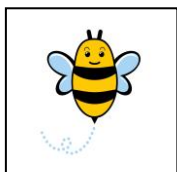
Food must be wrapped in foil with your child's name clearly written on it. Please ensure that food is packed flat so that it fits on the shelving. Please remember that the Pie Warmer is to just 'warm' food so please send along appropriate food. Some suggestions include toasted sandwiches, pizza and spaghetti. Students may bring a thermos to provide your child with warm food on other days.

Naplan

Naplan for students in Year 3 and Year 5 will be undertaken from Tuesday, 10th of May until Thursday, 12th of May 2022. During this time period our students will be undertaking assessments in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions and Numeracy. Students will require their own set of headphones during this time.

Have a great week, Karen





BEE FOCUS: - Be a Learner – be the best you can be!



Thursday April 28 – Emmy & Sylvie K

TERM 2 PLANNER

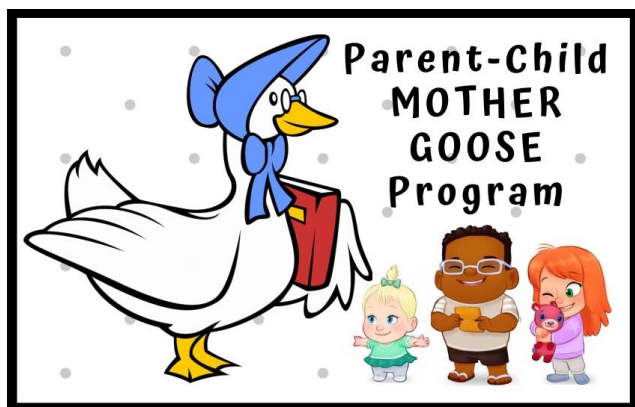
	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	25	26	27	28 Playgroup	29	30	May 1
2	2	3 Coffee Club	4 Footy Clinic	5 Playgroup	6 Mother Goose Mother's Day High Tea & Stall Bee Shop	7	8 Mother Day
3	9	10 NAPLAN	11 NAPLAN Footy Clinic School Council	12 NAPLAN Playgroup	13 Walk to School MSO - Band Mother Goose	14	15
4	16	17 House Cross Country School BBQ Coffee Club	18	19 Playgroup	20 Mother Goose Bee Shop	21	22
5	23	24	25	26 Playgroup SSS - Rehearsal	27 Mother Goose District Cross Country	28	29
6	30	31 Coffee Club	June 1	2 Playgroup	3 Mother Goose Bee Shop	4	5
7	6 Division Cross Country	7	8	9	10	11	12

CHAPPY:

I was greeted at the gate with “Welcome back Chappy”. It was so nice. I hope you had a great holiday and ready for term 2. I have started collating the groups for mechanics club which we hope will start soon. Max said it was “fun as” when talking to the class this morning. Mechanics club is a practical and social club that gives the students hands on experience with inspecting cars and working on various car parts. The students will wear a Fluro top over their uniform to look the part. I know you have been waiting for this announcement, parents coffee/hot chocolate “at the

gate” will be on next Tuesday morning (weather permitting) I found a new machine but it has teething issues. Hopefully it will be up and running soon but will use the other in the meantime. Looking forward to next week. Chappy





The Parent-Child Mother Goose Program is a free drop-in for parents, caregivers, and young children, birth to 6 years old to focus on the pleasure and power of sharing rhymes and songs. Please join us for Singing, Rhymes and Snacks at Murchison Primary School each **Friday during the school term from 9.15am, starting on March 4 call the school on 58 262 391 for more details.**

EASTER RAFFLE: Thank you to everyone who supported our Easter raffle drawn on the last day of term 1. This was a great fundraiser for the school. Winners this year: Sam Finnigan, Gemma Balfour, T. Scott, J Lines, Phoebe Wheeler, Narelle Warwick, J Weidenbach, L Parr, Miranda Anthony, Ash Laffon-Bacon, Lisa McMahon, Eben Broadbent, Tony Bone, Ablitt Family, Elsie Timmins, Jo Ewart, Lucy Palmer, Leavii Penwright, Hailey Gell, Jenny McFarlane & Will Morgan. Thanks again for your support.

MASK:

Welcome back!

Accounts went out over the holidays. Please let me know if you are not receiving these emails. Check your invoice to see if you are receiving the correct CCS rebate, if you believe it is incorrect contact Centerlink. This is something that must be done by the parent, we have no control over CCS.

Thank you to those who have paid your account on time.

This term we have introduced

the Mystery Box which will change over to the Useful Box as I had a rethink as I was putting the bags together. So what does this really mean? The children will have control of their own craft this term. They will have access to a range of items that they can create their own items with. Sharon



WEEKLY REMINDERS



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



Broad-brimmed hats must be worn until the end of April (Friday) - no hat, no play



**Pie Warmers
Tuesday & Thursday
Lunch Orders
Mon, Wed & Fri**



Headphones Everyday

FOOTY CLINIC

Today we had the first week of three football skills sessions



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 8.50am every day.



Murchison Primary School Student Absence Form

Please
hand to

Name: _____

Class: _____ Date: _____

Reason _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Little Learners Love Literacy

The Foundation, Year 1 and 2 team are very excited to be implementing a literacy program called Little Learners Love Literacy, a structured and explicit program with engaging multisensory activities. It is a fun, engaging and evidence-based literacy program that is carefully sequenced in seven stages to teach children the 44 sounds of the English language and the principles of the alphabetic code (that each speech sound can be represented by different groups of letters, such as the sound /i/ as in I, sky, pie, ice, cycle, and that a letter (or group of letters) can represent different sounds, such as the letter 'y' in yes, gym, funny, sky).



Did you know that learning the alphabetic code gives children the knowledge to read and spell 84% of ALL words? (Hanna, Hanna, Hodges, and Rudorf, 1966)

We start with teaching the simple code in Stages 1–4. We will focus on phonics and phonemic awareness to build the strongest foundations for reading and spelling success. We will also focus on building vocabulary and oral language skills to develop equally strong foundations for comprehension and writing.

Meet Milo and friends

In the first few weeks of term, we will be learning letters and sounds. We will be enjoying the Milo's Birthday Surprise storybook, meeting a new character and sound regularly. We will also learn to blend sounds to say words with the Ally alligator puppet and segment them for spelling, as well as learning handwriting.



Decodable books

Once we finish teaching a Stage, we will start to send home Pip and Tim decodable books. (This will vary depending on your child's level of development) These are our secret to success – our 'no tricks' books. Each story practises the sounds and letters that we have taught, so children will be able to read the books themselves by sounding out and blending.



How can you support you child at home?

Reading to your child

Read many books to your child and talk about what you just read.

This is crucial for vocabulary and linguistic comprehension. Choosing a quiet time, such as bedtime, can help build an easy and fun reading routine.

Activities

Complete activities that have been given to your child over the week, reinforcing the letter sound focus for each week (in STAR folder). These could be recorded as nights of reading, along with picture storybooks or readers depending on your child's Little Learners Love Literacy stage.



Play with sounds



Read the Little Learners letter that we will send home each week. Ask your child the questions that are included with the letter.

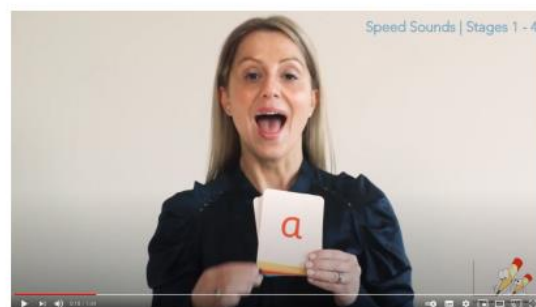
This will support the development of phonemic awareness (helping in the ability to identify,

blend, segment and manipulate speech sounds within words).

Say the sounds

Say the 'pure' sounds without an 'uh' sound on the end; for example, 'lllll' rather than 'luh'. You can listen to the sounds on the Little Learners Love Literacy® YouTube channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0KmfVGQdRC0>



Practise decoding

When our decodable storybooks start to come home later, encourage your child to sound out to read unknown words. Remember that this is the beginning of your child's learning to read journey and, just as when they were learning to walk, your child will need support to build confidence reading.

If you would like to find out more about the program, you can visit the website littlearnersloveliteracy.com.au, or contact the members of the Foundation, Year 1 and 2 team.

Kind Regards

Lee-Anne Wheeler, Elly French, Karen Vraca and John Ford.



Teaching ALL children to read, write and spell with confidence.



Basketball Skills Session

Lisa McMahon (Katrina's mum) has offer to run basketball skills sessions each Thursday from 3:20-4pm. This is an informal session and students of all ages and skills are welcome to join them to shoot some hoops and improve their basketball skills.





Good morning. My name is Jet Williams and I am a School Captain at Murchison Primary School this year. This speech, which I have written, is about Murchison and how our community commemorate ANZAC Day.

Every year Murchison Primary School holds an ANZAC Day service. All year 6 students have something to say during the service; this is my favourite part because everyone is involved. Very special members of the local community come along and tell stories of their time during war. All students and staff listen with respect to these stories and be thankful for the sacrifices these war heroes have made for our freedom.

At Murchison Primary School we have history lessons that help us understand the effects of war in the world. During our Art Lessons, we also learn about war. We all focus on a finished piece of work around ANZAC day that relates to war. All students work hard and with interest to do their best work and we have these Art works on display during this special time. My favourite piece of artwork was a silhouette of a soldier standing in a field of poppies. The morning sky behind the soldier was a dark blue colour. The same colour as a stormy sea. You may see these Art works displayed in our local community shop windows.

Every year we gather here at dawn to pay our respects to the service men and women that have served our country. So many of our local community attend and pay their respects. During this community service, the item that means the most to me is the minute of silence. After this service the tradition continues with a delicious Aussie breakfast provided by the SES. Just another Murchison tradition that will continue for years to come. ANZAC Day... a time to reflect, a time to remember the sacrifices, a time to remember our local community. Living in this amazing town we call Murchison.



Good morning and welcome; my name is Isabella and I am one of the school captains at Murchison Primary School. I am honoured to be here today. To remember those who have fought for our country but also to talk about the role of woman and how their part in war has changed throughout history.

When talking about war, and learning history we always focus on the battle, the violence & fighting and what it meant. However, as a young girl I always wondered about the women during these times. How did they fit in? What did they do during the war?

Women started out helping on the home front as war fund workers. They undertook duties as Red Cross Voluntary Aids, packed care parcels for soldiers, knitted and were nurses. All of these roles kept them safe from

harm. However, these duties were not acknowledged as proper war work.

It was interesting that the care parcels for soldiers had in them what is known today as the "ANZAC biscuit". These biscuits were made as none of the ingredients spoiled during the long journey. They were also created to raise funds for the war effort and used as a connection to the war.

It was during War World 1 that women were given the opportunity to become nurses in the Australian Army Nursing Service. However even then, women were expected to be single or widowed. Women who were married had to go through a recruiting check.

During World War II, women started to play more active roles with the creation of the Women's Auxiliary Services and opening of positions due to the shortage of manpower. As time continued, women began to serve in the defence force on naval ships, in operational positions in

the army and the air force. 2,139 women served in the Australian Army Services overseas during War World II.

Women faced many challenges but continued to fill roles as they worked not only as nurses but drove trucks, repaired airplanes and many more contributions.

Although all support roles of women ended at the end of the war. It wasn't until the late 1970s that women were given permanent roles in the defence force. However, this was still restricted as they were not allowed to apply for combat roles.

Today women are on the front lines of the Australian Defence Force! They make-up roughly 20% of permanent ADF workers and have no restrictions. Women today fight alongside men and receive the same training and opportunities as men.

Today we stand here on to remember what occurred on April 25th, 1915, as Australian & New Zealand Army Corps fought in Gallipoli. We remember them, their battle, their sacrifice always.

But also, for myself and perhaps others, to remember the little things that have a big impact... that sometimes aren't showcased but can help shape woman of the future. Through thinking about the woman of the past and how brave, resilient, and strong they were.

Thank you for listening and Lest We Forget

GREATER SHEPPARTON SECONDARY COLLEGE

If you haven't had a chance to visit Greater Shepparton Secondary College, scan the QR code and enjoy this virtual tour. Parents and students, particularly Year 6 students intending to go to GSSC, can click on classrooms, the gymnasium, theatre and a range of other specialist learning areas. The drone footage and school grounds really show off the college's features and the size of the central courtyard, which is as big as Federation Square. Scan the QR code with your smartphone and for each image, just move your cursor up, down and around to enjoy this "walk-through" of GSSC.



Mothers Day 2022



Sunday May 8th.

Celebrating the special person in your life

Mum, Step-mum, Wife, Partner.

Daughter, Daughter-in-law, Grand-daughter,

Nonna, YiaYia, Nanny,

Aunty, Niece.

Number One.

Send us a photo of your special person and tell us what makes them so special to you.

Email to

info@murchison.org.au

Subject Line.

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no later than Monday 2nd of May.

We will print your entry in 3610.

Number Two

Send us the recipe of the most yummiest favourite dish your special person makes for you and tell us why you love it so much.

You can include a photo too.

Email to

info@murchison.org.au

Subject Line.

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no later than Monday 2nd of May.

We will print your entry in 3610.



Neighbourhood House Murchison
The heart of our community

