

NEWSLETTER No. 26

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

Concert

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From the desk...

A note from Natasha,
our school council president.
On behalf of the
Murchison School
Council, I would like to
let you know that
unfortunately there has

been no appointment to the role of principal at Murchison Primary School. Lisa has chosen for personal reasons to return to Dhurringile Primary in term 4. We wish her all the best for the future and thank her for all she has done here in our school. We are in the process of readvertising the principal position.

Natasha Boyle

Murchison PS school council president
As Natasha has outlined in her letter above, I
have chosen to return to Dhurringile PS when
my acting position ends at Murchison PS. I
have thoroughly enjoyed my time at MPS and
are sad to be leaving. I would like to thank
everyone involved in the Murchison school
community from the students and staff to the
parents and families for allowing me to lead
your school for terms 2 and 3.

The students and staff at Murchison PS are extremely busy for the next 3 weeks until the end of term. Please read through our newsletter to keep informed of what is happening.

Parent Survey

MPS is conducting a survey to find out what parents / caregivers / guardians think of our school. This Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage all families to participate. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies. More information later in newsletter.

Our annual school concert will be on Monday September 4 starting at 7pm in the Community Centre..

This year each of our classes is going to perform for us along with a performance from the band. We have enlisted Chappy to MC the night. To finish the concert, we are having supper. Each family will be asked to contribute something to share such as a packet of biscuits or cake.

Premiers Reading Challenge

We have 16 days left until the challenge ends. We have read 1593 books and have 52 students finished, well done to those students, along with lots who are well on their way. Again, this year we aim to have all students from MPS finish the challenge. If you have lost your login details, please see Mrs Wheeler and she will help you out.

Book Week

This week is Book Week concluding with our book character parade on the Friday. This year's theme is Read, Grow, Inspire.

House Athletics Sports

Our House Athletic Sports will be held on next Tuesday August 29 at the Murchison Football Oval, weather permitting. Events will start at 10:40am, with lunch at approximately at 12pm.

Father's Day Breaky

On Wednesday
August 30 we will
be hosting a
Father's Day
breaky for all of
our Father's and



father figures together with their children. Chappy is polishing his BBQ trailer to cook bacon and eggs from 8:15am. Please let the school know if you are attending.

Have a great week everyone, Lisa

AROUND THE SCHOOL: Be Safe, Be Responsible, Be Respectful & Be a Learner



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

Left to Right

Back: Sky, Wally, Katrina

Front: Emmy & Maxie

Yr F-1FW – Maxie M – By showing an interest in all areas of learning, being positive and being a great learning partner.

- Yr 1-2B Emmy K By showing resilience when in the classroom and taking her time to ensure her work is completed to the highest standard.
- Yr 3-4WW Sky G For being a 'learner' showing how focussed she can be, to produce some fabulous work. Keep up the great work!
- Yr 3-4WW Katrina M By showing confidence with her learning, particularly in maths. It was great to see your understanding of decimal numbers!!
- Yr 5-6CV Wally E You are showing great leadership qualities in the classroom by always following "The Golden Rule" and in the school yard by organising lunchtime activities.



LEADER'S AWAR



Eliza L Lucy P Mrs Harrap

150 Nights Amity





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, call the school on 58 262 391 for more detail.





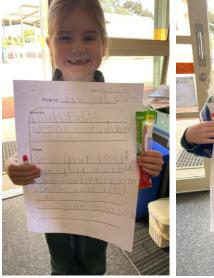
Bee Focus: - Be a Learner - we need to participate in all school activities. We have the Book Week Parade, Athletics and Concert coming up. Why would we want all students to join in?

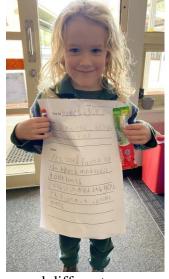
TERM 3 PLANNER

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
7	21 Assembly 8:50 BOOK WEEK	22	23	24 Playgroup Book Club orders due	25 Book Week Parade & Activities Mother Goose Bee Shop	26	27
8	28 Assembly 8:50	House Athletic Sports 10:00 am - 2:00 pm	30 Father's Day breaky Riverlinks "Just Live on Stage" Yr 3-6 School Council	31 Playgroup	Sep 1 Mother Goose	2	3 Father's Day
9	4 Assembly 8:50 CONCERT	5 JSC - Hot Chips Day	6	7 Playgroup RUOK? Day ASHE day Yr 3-6	8 Mother Goose Bee Shop Parent Survey Closes	9	10
10	11 Assembly 8:50 Parent – Teacher interview week	12 District Athletic Sports	13 JSC - Sports Day	14 Playgroup	Mother Goose Circus Incursion Hot Dog & Dim Sim Lunch 2:20 Finish	16	17

F-2 SCIENCE WEEK

F/1's have been working on Procedural Texts, which fitted in nicely with Science Week





The Year 1/2's completed several different experiments for Science Week. We used lots of different materials including balloons, Ziplock bags, plastic bottles, baking soda, vinegar and even eggs! We able to write about the process of these experiments in our writing sessions for our procedural writing. We all had a blast!













Department of Education

2023 Parent / Caregiver /

Guardian Opinion Survey:

WE WANT ALL OUR PARENTS / CAREGIVERS / GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

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All families are invited to participate in the survey.

The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open from **Monday 7 August to Friday 8 September 2023.**

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the survey period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

https://www.orima.com.au/parent

School Name: Murchison Primary School Campus Name: Murchison Primary School

PIN: 616413

The survey results will be communicated to parents / caregivers / guardians through annual reporting.

Please speak to Lisa if you would like more information.



AUGUST Sunday 20 Jayde K, Eddie C Wednesday 23 Savy H Sunday 27 Micah S Tuesday 29 Hugh H

The Value of Reading

Children who
have access to books at
home do better in school.
Having books in the home
is more important than
parents' education levels
as a marker for success
in school.

Independent choice is key to keeping children engaged in reading. Children are more likely to read and finish books if they pick the books themselves.

The simple pleasure of reading can have a powerful impact on the mental, social and emotional health of children.

- Issue 6 Scholastic Book Club <u>Due:</u> TOMORROW Thurs August 24

*This is the last issue for Term 3. If you would like to place an order, please order via LOOP or return the completed form to the office before the closing date.

Scholastic currently has many titles at \$5 or less. This provides the perfect opportunity to get a book in every child's hand.

We have been able to purchase many books for the library just through credit raised from families placing orders so thanks again for your ongoing support. Felicity Watson





Positive Parenting Telephone Service

Our free 6 to 10 week program helps you to:

- have stronger, more positive relationships
- set rules and limits
- · manage everyday behaviour problems.

Our program is for parents, grandparents and carers of children aged 2 to 12 years.

Participants complete a workbook and are supported by weekly 30 minute phone calls with a trained parenting educator.

All of this can be done from the comfort of your own home at a time that suits you.



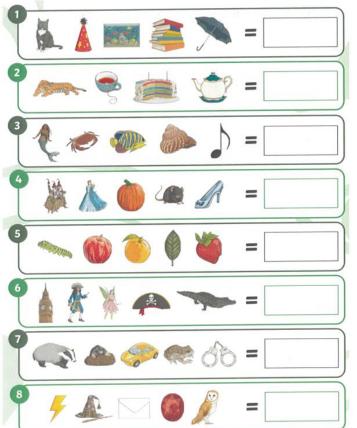
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This is a FREE service, and enrolments are taken all year round. Call us for more information or to enrol.





Do you know the name of these books?

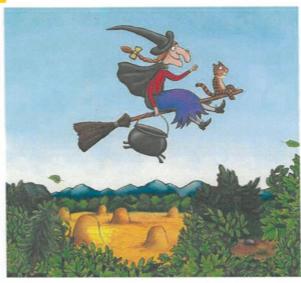


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Fun Facts About Books

- There are around 130 million published books.
- The most sold book is the bible. It is believed there are 5 billion printed copies of the bible in the world.
- The longest book in the world is 'Remembrance of Things Past'. It has 9,609,00 characters and was written in 1912.
- The most expensive book in the world is 'The Codex Leicester'. It is Leonardo da Vinci's science diary and sold for 30.8 million dollars in 1994.
- The first ever story written was 'The Epic of Gilgamesh' in 2100 BC.
- The largest collection of books consists of 1.5 million books.
- If you read 20 minutes a day, you would have read 1.8 million words in a year!
- You can read books in lots of different ways including e-books and audiobooks.

Can you spot the 8 'Room on a Broom' differences?





TOURSE DEAD

Each year since 1945 the CBCA has brought children and books together across Australia through Children's Book Week®. During this time schools and public libraries spend one glorious week celebrating books and Australian children's authors and illustrators. Classroom teachers, teacher librarians and public librarians create colourful displays, develop activities, run competitions and tell stories relating to a theme to highlight the importance of reading. You will often see parades with students dressed as their favourite book character.

Answers to names of books. 1 The cat in the hat. 2. The Tiger who cam to Tea. 3. The Little Mermaid. 4. Cinderella. 5. The Very Hungry Caterpillar. 6. Peter Pan. 7. The Wind in the Willows. 8. Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone