



MERRYLANDS PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

THURSDAY 5TH DECEMBER—TEACHERS FEDERATION MEETING

There WILL BE MINIMAL SUPERVISION FOR STUDENTS THIS THURSDAY UNTIL 10:30am as many of our teachers will be attending a meeting called by the Teachers Federation. Lessons will recommence at 10:30am.

SWIMMING GALA DAY

Due to the meeting on Thursday morning this event has been rescheduled to Friday 13th December. A reminder note will be sent home.

CAPOEIRA PERFORMANCE

It was wonderful to see the Capoeira showcase yesterday. Our school is very privileged to have this program available for our students and we are excited to know that it will continue in 2020.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Friday morning we are holding a special event and all members of our community are welcome. Community Connections has been a great way for parents to get to know each other and become connected with our school.

STAFFING

I am pleased to be able to announce that Miss Tarzia and Miss Salameh now have permanent positions at Merrylands Public School. We are in the process of allocating staffing positions for 2020 as a number of roles at our school can only be filled through temporary contracts due to our staffing allocation from the department. Class allocations will not be finalised until the beginning of the 2020 school year.

KINDER 2020

We have one Kinder Orientation to go this Thursday. If you know of anyone who intends to enrol their child here in Kindergarten next year, please advise them to contact the school as a matter of urgency.

IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 5 December

Kinder Orientation (Week 4)

Friday 6 December

PSSA Grand Final-Softball only

9am Community Connect "End of Year Party"

Tuesday 10 December

Thank You Morning Tea

Wednesday 11 December

K-2 Movies excursion

Thursday 12 December

Presentation Day

Friday 13 December

Year 2-6 Swim Gala Day

Tuesday 17 December

Stage 3 Bowling Excursion

Year 6 Farewell

Wednesday 18 December

Last Day of 2019 for all students

Wednesday 29 January 2020

First Day 2020 for Years 1-6

Thursday 30 January 2020

First Day 2020 for Kinder

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT continued**BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE**

Wesley Mission were the successful tenderer for our OOSH starting in 2020. There is a brochure included in the newsletter and additional brochures available at the office. For families eligible for subsidies there will be additional information available soon. If you have not yet expressed your interest, please let the office know.

THANK YOU MORNING TEA

I am looking forward to our Thank You morning tea next week. It would not be possible to have so many wonderful things happening at our school without the generosity of time and good will of our community.

PRESENTATION DAY

Next Thursday will be a very special day at school. Not only will it be a celebration of learning and achievement, we will have a range of special performances and a community morning tea in between the 2 assemblies. To keep the celebrations going, class parties and special class activities will also be happening on this day.

REPORTS

Reports are scheduled to go home at the beginning of Week 10. Please be aware that your child's attendance will be recorded on their report until the end of Week 8, however, their attendance is recorded with the department until the last day of school.

OVAL UPGRADE

Over the next 2 Saturdays the existing grass on the oval will be sprayed in preparation for grading and mulching in Week 10. The chemical used to spray is non-toxic and students will still be able to play on the oval until the end of Week 9. The water tanks and timed irrigation system and new grass will be installed in January ready for early Term 1.

SKOOLBAG

Stay in the loop with our school through the Skoolbag App, operating on iPhones and Android phones.

As well as receiving alerts and newsletters electronically, you can send your child's absentee notes to the school direct via the App.



SPORT REPORT

Both our softball teams are playing in the grand finals this week at Jones Park:

Girls - 9:20am vs Parramatta West

Boys - 10:10am vs Parramatta West

They are training on Thursday 3:00pm-4:00pm and will require bus money on Friday. All other teams will not train but have fun games against each other on Friday morning at Merrylands High School. The cricket, basketball and league tag programs will also finalise this week. All students must wear sports uniform including school hat, joggers and drink bottle to participate.

Many thanks to our Summer PSSA coaches: Mrs Douglas (softball), Mr Sadler (cricket), Miss Ristivojevic, Miss Salameh and Miss Kalamvokis (T-Ball) for the time and effort they've put into teams this year.

SWIMMING GALA DAY

The Swimming Gala Day organised for this Thursday 5 December has been postponed until Friday 13 December. All arrangements remain the same. This means a league tag intra school gala day planned for that day has had to be cancelled.

RETURNING NOTES

For all sporting events and excursions a note with details and a must return date are included. This is because on that day, numbers have to be collated and other associations (eg bowling lanes, NRL, cricket NSW, Guildford Pool and Guildford Leagues Club) must be informed. Therefore, the numbers have to be exact. This is done at 9:00am on the day specified after notes and/or money is collected and counted. Any child not returning notes by that time cannot be included because we have already committed students numbers to the organisations.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 6 December - Final Sports Day and payment due for Stage 3 Bowling

Tuesday 10 December - Payment due for Year 6 Farewell

Friday 13 December - Years 2 - 6 Swimming Gala Day at Guildford Pool

CRICKET SKILLS SESSIONS

Over 180 of our students participated in Cricket Skills sessions and games at Merrylands Oval this week. These sessions were organised through Cricket NSW. Children and teachers had a wonderful time and all gave positive feedback. None of our students actually play organised cricket outside of school hours so this was a terrific opportunity to experience this great game. This may give them the confidence to register at a local club and further enhance a healthy lifestyle. Special mention must be made of Stage 3 where the participation rate was 90% being 120 students.

GOLD AWARDS

Yasmine M - 5/6D	Ehsan M - KW	Sienna A - KW	Mobina M - KW	Moeid M - 2/6LJ
Sydra G - 2/6LJ	Mia-Angel C - 2/6LJ	Jema G - 2/6LJ	Kodie B - 2/6LJ	Siyamand O - 4/5O
Michael F - 4/5O	Chelsea G - 4/5O	Michael F - 4/5O	Amira K - 4R	Bilal M - 4R
Rony F - 4R	Sarah F - 4R	Shireen J - 4/5O	Narjis A - 4/5O	Jazmin S - 4/5O
Demirhan D - 4/5O	Sanna Z - 4/5O	Zeynab R - 4/5O	Mahnaz A - 3D	Mohamed H - 3/6S
Shahan L - 3/6S	Bek H - KS	Amara K - KS	Naved Q - 2/3O	Ralf C - 2/3O
Yasna O - 1C	Mostafah K - 1C	Adea H - 5/6D	Najma N - 5/6D	Amar E - 3/6S
Jordyn L - KS	Yama M - KW	Rachel W - 4/5O	Bianca B - 4/5O	Addison B - 4/5O
Siar H - 4/5O	Donny C - 4/5O	Isabel B - 4/5O	Serine H - 4/5O	Lisa-Sherie H - 4/5O
Zeynab R - 4/5O	Razia M - 4/5O	Ali N - 3D	Isata J - 1T	Sara M - KS
Keleni T - KS	Baran D - KS	Derrick G - KW	Pou Junior P - KW	Brandon P - 1/2P
Zahra R - 5/6N	Mariam M - 5/6N	Hussain M - 5/6N	Zainab M - 5/6N	Isaac K - 5/6N
Boran S - 5/6N	Oliver M - 5/6N	Bahram S - 5/6N	Crystal Z - 5/6N	Yousif T - 3D
Aliza M - 2S	Jasmine A - 5/6D	Katie J - 5/6K	Sadia H - 2/3O	Mohammad E - 5/6K
Amarr M - 1J	Billal O - 5/6T	Kester H - 2R	Roxana Z - 2S	Rami M - 2S
Oesha H - 5/6K				

MERIT AWARDS



Rami M - 2S	Stayash A - 1C	Stayesh H - 5/6S	Fayth R - 5/6S	Yusif S - 4R
Bassella C - 5/6T	Saima C - 1J	Farzanah M - 5/6N	Nagin A - 2R	Qasim M - 4P
Ayah S - 3/6S	Bassem C - K/3L	Ali H - 5/6K	Roukaya D - 3/6S	Rasool D - KF
Braxton C - KW	Katrina Y - KZ	Emre Y - 1T	Mahnaz A - 3D	Mohammed A - 1/2P
Sydra G - 2/6LJ	Dana A - 1T	Mujtaba B - 5/6N	Sadia H - 2/3O	Ryan B - 2/3O
Zainab Q - 3S	Abas R - 3S	Heba M - 3S	Zakia Q - 4R	Dina A - 4P
Taghred M - 4R	Cem G - 4P	Qasim M - 4P	Siaymand O - 4/5O	Marwa B - 5/6S
Farzanah M - 5/6N	Bahram Q - 5/6N	Batool H - 5/6N	Hussain M - 5/6N	Yousra O - 5/6K
Wayne W - 5/6K				



Community Connect End of Year PARTY



ALL WELCOME—Especially any new families/community members

Come and join us in the Community Hub for our end of year celebration. Please bring a plate of food to share if you would like to contribute. We are looking forward to sharing food together and celebrating the wonderful year we have had.

When: Friday 6 December between 9:00-10:30am

Where: Community Hub/SPA area

Bring: Plate of food to share (if you would like)

Please See Mrs Sarkis or Mrs Bahram if you have any questions.

CANTEEN SPECIALS \$4.50

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
Hot Dog w/ Oreo & Jelly Drink	Chicken Burger or Beef Burger (\$5.50 with drink)	Macaroni & Cheese & Water	Lasagne & Milk	Pie or Sausage Roll & Milk

CANTEEN HOUSEKEEPING

1. Please do not ask for credit. If you pre-order lunch for your child and your child is away and the canteen is not notified by the parent, the lunch must be paid for.
2. All food must be paid for at the time of ordering.
3. The canteen is unable to heat up lunches. Please do not send food that requires reheating to school with your child.
4. PLEASE bring small notes for payment, larger notes are extremely hard to give change for.

This week's Star Message is:

**At Merrylands Public School we are
RESPONSIBLE on the grass area.**

We demonstrate this by:

Playing sensibly
Sharing the space
Waiting for the teacher
Letting others join in activities
Reporting accidents to the duty teacher
Leaving the grass area when the bell rings





Merrylands Public School
would like to invite all
parents/carers to the

Celebration of Achievements



Thursday 12 December
Years 3-6 9.00am – 11.00am
K-2 11.45am – 1.00pm

Morning tea will be served.

This is a formal ceremony to recognize
the outstanding achievements of our
students.



KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION 2020



Kindergarten Transition 2020

Part 1: Information and class visits

Thursday 14 November 2019

Time: 2.00pm - 2.50pm

Part 2: Special Guests and class visits

Thursday 21 November 2019

Time: 2.00pm - 2.50pm

Part 3: Compulsory interviews and class visits

Thursday 28 November 2019

Time: 2.00pm - 2.50pm

Part 4: School Tour and class visits

Thursday 5 December 2019

Time: 2.00pm - 2.50pm



Come and visit our school

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W: merrylands-p.school.nsw.edu.au

School Office and entrance via Holdsworth Street

2019 UNIFORM ROOM OPENING HOURS

Tuesday	8.30-9.15am	
Thursday	2.30-3.30pm	Cash only
Friday	8.30-9.15am	

STUDENT NUMBERS

The number of students who will be at the school in 2020 is important in the planning process at this time of year. The number of teachers and classrooms depends on the number of students. Therefore, if you have yet to enrol a Kindergarten aged child for next year please come to the office as soon as possible to complete the enrolment process.

Also if you are away or moving and your child will not be returning to Merrylands Public school on the first day back in 2020, please contact the office (9632 9709) as soon as possible or complete and return the form below.

PLEASE RETURN TO THE OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

My child/ren (please write names and class) _____

will not be returning to Merrylands Public School in 2020 until _____ reason _____

OR will not be returning to Merrylands Public School 2020 due to _____

Signed _____ Date _____

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Hearing Check Parent Consent Form

The school is conducting hearing tests utilising the hearing screening App Sound Scouts. The App has been developed by Sound Scouts HQ in collaboration with Australia's National Acoustic Laboratories, the research arm of Hearing Australia and is supported by the Department of Health.

Your child will play a game on an iPad/tablet or smart phone using a set of headphones under the supervision of a responsible adult. A report will be automatically generated following the test. Hearing assessment is encouraged due to the importance of early intervention of hearing issues. Optimal educational outcomes are dependent on good hearing.

If you would like your child to participate in the test please complete and sign this form:

Name of Child: _____ Class: _____

1. What is your child's month and year of birth? (mm/year) _____

2. Is English your child's first language? (Yes/No) _____

3. Has your child had any history of hearing problems? For example, has he or she ever been fitted with grommets?

Please circle Yes / No. If yes, please provide details:

4. Has your child had any history of learning or attention disorders? Please circle: Yes / No

If yes, please provide details

I have read the above information and agree to my child having their hearing checked using Sound Scouts.

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

(block letters)

Parent's email address for report: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

For more information about Sound Scouts and to view their Privacy Policy please visit: www.soundscouts.com

NB: Optimal results from Sound Scouts are dependent on the test being carried out as per the instructions in the App. Please note the only mandatory information transferred from this form to the Sound Scouts App is the birth month and year of your child. All other information is retained by the school.

Sound Scouts is supported by:



We have been given an opportunity to have up to 40 students from Merrylands Public School tested for any hearing issues. If you have any concerns about your child's hearing and would like to be tested, please complete the tear off slip below and the above note will be sent home for you to complete. Alternatively, you can pick up the note yourself from the front office.

REQUEST FOR HEARING TEST

Student's Name: _____

Class: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____



Wesley Out of School Hours Care, Merrylands

A home away from home, where kids can be kids

- Before school care
- After school care
- Vacation care
- Pupil free days

Commencing 29 January 2020 at Merrylands Public School,
Fowler Road, Merrylands NSW 2160

**To register your interest email us on
oosh@wesleymission.org.au**

Wesley Out of School Hours Care, Merrylands in 2020

the good you can
every life matters

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Session Information

• Before school care	7am – 8.30am
Cost:	\$15 Permanent Booking \$18 Casual Booking
• After school care	3pm to 6pm
Cost:	\$17 Permanent Booking \$20 Casual Booking
• Vacation Care	7am – 6pm
Cost:	\$49
• Pupil Free days	7am – 6pm
Cost:	\$49

Or for more information
Call 9626 6620 or email oosh@wesleymission.org.au