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The MRPS music room would like to introduce Kevin. Kevin is studying a Bachelor of Music majoring in Drums and has been playing the drums for over 10 years. He is going to be spending Mondays and Fridays in the music room helping out the Amy's and running some small group drumming lessons with our older students. We are really excited to have Kevin join our team for the next 6 weeks sharing his skills and enthusiasm.

Music Notes



Last week we had a couple of year 2 students who performed for the class playing their new instruments. Romy Basford has been learning to play the guitar and delighted her class members with a couple of classics. She was very confident in front of the class and everyone love cheering for her at the end.

Samantha Roddy bought her violin to school. She has only been learning since October last year, but her natural abilities were easy to see for the inspired group watching. She played 2 songs and we were all captivated by her performance quality. Music is a wonderful and rich art form and the music room is a wonderful space for students of all ages to show their talents and practice performing in front of their peers.

Thank you for sharing Romy and Samantha!

Amy Johnstone Music Teacher

Term Planners

We are currently modifying the Term 3 planner and will send it out to parents shortly. There are number of activities that have had to be moved or rescheduled which is why we haven't published this on our website yet. The Term 2 planner, sadly, would have only had one item on it which is why there isn't a copy on the website. **BUT** . . . that one item is on the last day of this term and it's PJ Day! It's the one day of the school year when you don't have to wash, iron or insist on students getting ready in the morning. Just turn up in your PJs and make a gold coin donation to our P&C who I know have some exciting things planned for ALL students later this year (which could be a disco that the P&C could fund for everybody!).

Access to School

Thank you to the parents of the students in Years 1 – 6 who have helped keep our school and community safe by dropping off and picking up students from the gates while we still have restrictions on the number of parents on the school grounds. Even though parents of Kindergarten and Pre-Primary students have been able to access the school, many students have shown a level of independence developed over the past few months and are able to take themselves to and from classrooms. Thank you to everybody for your cooperation and consideration.

Playgrounds

We ask that parents collecting Kindergarten and Pre-Primary students after school don't use the playgrounds or remain in play areas in the interest of maintaining social distancing protocols at school. We understand that student might want to stay and play a little longer however we thank you for explaining to them that we need to keep everybody safe and healthy.

Winter Uniforms

Our lost property boxes are overflowing with lost jackets and jumpers! Every couple of weeks we go through the boxes and hand back the items with a name on them but students are able to look in the lost property boxes every day. We understand that having a dry jumper every day can be difficult in winter. Students who arrive in jumper that is not part of our uniform are asked to wear their school jumper the following day or they can alternatively access one of our spares in the office. The uniform is open on Tuesdays and Thursday but you can place an order any day of the week through the front office.

Hang in There!

We understand that the past few months have been difficult for everybody in different ways. Students have been happy to be back at school but equally we need to remember that all of the changes that have taken place recently mean that students are more likely to become agitated quickly, can be unsure about their friendship groups and aren't as focussed in class as what they might ordinarily be. It's important to acknowledge and understand this and to be kind to ourselves. The school holiday break is now only two weeks away and a lot of students will need the rest after returning to school in difficult times. Take care of yourselves and each other and let us know if there is anything that we can help out with.

Aaron Thomas, Principal

REMINDER

Friday 3rd July (last day of term 2), our P & C are holding a PJ Day fundraiser at school.

Gold coin donation.



Merit Certificates

Room 2	India Ashworth Lilly Gherardi	Room 15	Arden Janssen	Room T9	Thomas Joyce Halle Kaweroa
Room 4	Zed Paton Grace Twine Macy Breslin Zara Notte	Room 16	Sophie Patterson Maddison Partington-Smith	Room T10	Charlie McDonald Jemima Anderson Stella Byrne
Room 5	Riley Hands Flynn Pearce	Room 17	Rosie Walker Mya Pettit	Room T11	Harvey McGovern Savannah Deighton
Room 6	Lucy Bryant Ruby Hancock	Room 22	Demi Chase Jakob Mouritz	Room T12	Skye Palmer Fearne Twyman
Room 7	Charlotte Owen Nathan Josway Savana Leach Ella Harvey	Room 23	Tate Gough Sylvie Brouwers Kirralee Hermon		
Room 8	Willoh Robertson	Room T2	Lila Shannon Oliver Noble		
Room 10	Zara Kmetovik Blake Mulik	Room T5	Jai Walsh Bella Anzulovic		
Room 11	Isabelle Forte Armani Moore	Room T6	Ava Wilson Sullivan Thomas		
		Room T7	Anae Short Connor van den Bergh		



Golden Broom Award

Junior – Room 9
Senior – Room T10

Bee-Bop-A-Lula

Year 6—Room 2



Semester 1 Reports

Thank you again for your support throughout what has been a very unusual school semester. The COVID-19 pandemic is affecting our entire community and has presented us with extraordinary challenges in managing schooling during the first half of 2020. I am pleased that together, we have been able to make the best of this situation and ensure your child's safety and continuity of learning.

With the regular attendance of many students being lower over this time, the breadth and depth of the curriculum covered throughout Semester 1 may have been reduced. For this reason, schools are not required to include A to E grades on this year's Semester 1 student reports and any written comments may provide less information on their progress than usual.

Schooling is once again returning to normal and our students are engaging in the regular curriculum, in their usual classroom environment. Semester 2 reports will reflect this and therefore provide the usual, more detailed information on your child's progress and achievement.

Thank you for your continued support and encouragement as we work together to provide the best learning opportunities for our students. As we progress, we will be sure to keep you updated with any new information.

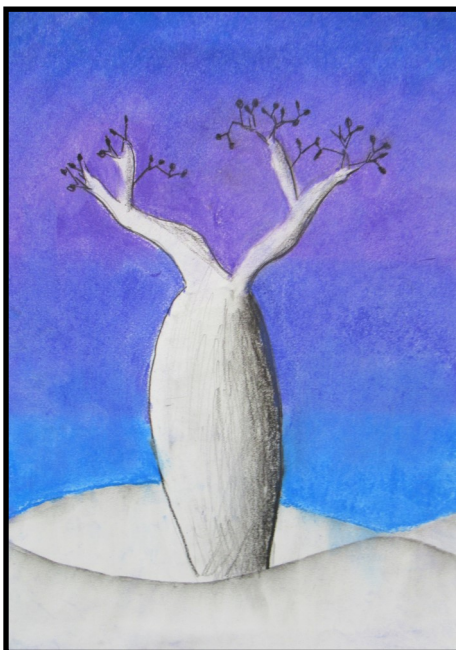
Kindy Enrolments 2021

Expressions of interest in enrolling children into our school's 4 year old Kindergarten Program for 2021 are now open.

Application for Enrolment forms are available on our website here <https://mriverps.wa.edu.au/information/enrolments/applications/> or at the front office.

Forms should be submitted with a Birth Certificate, Immunisation History Statement and Proof of Residential. Any enquiries contact 9757 8500.



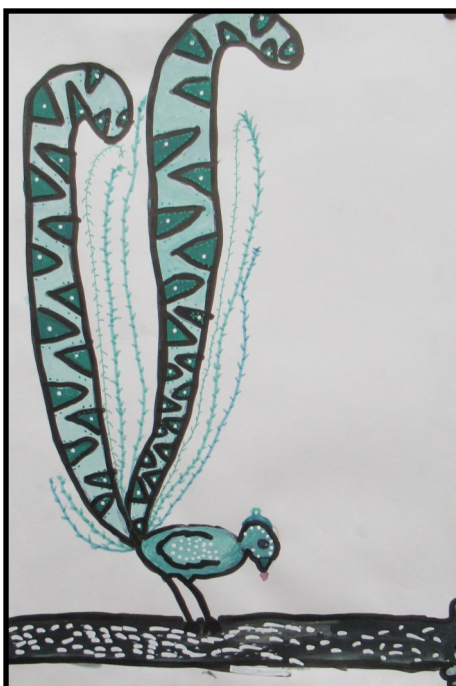


Year 5 Boab Trees

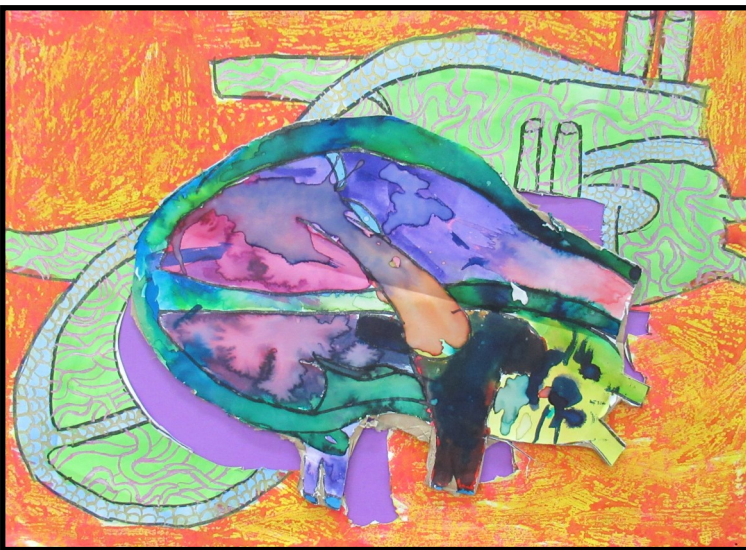
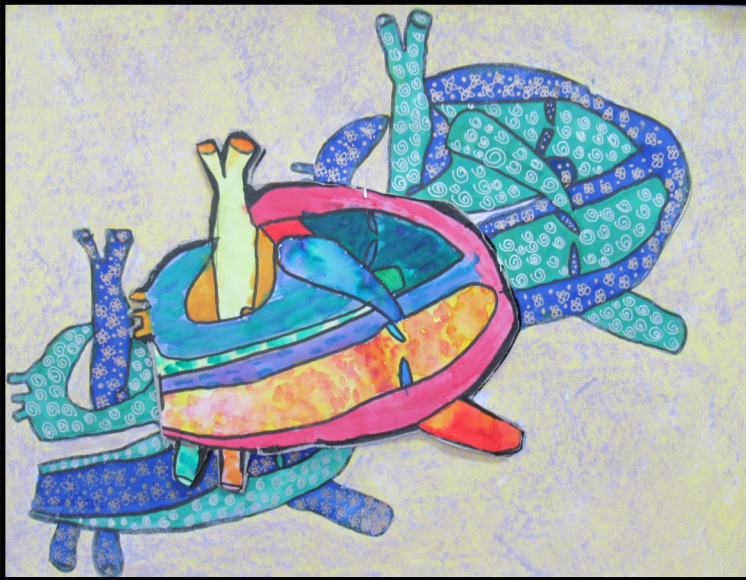
We have some amazingly talented young artists at school who produce an interesting, colourful and diverse range of works . Pictured here is some of the pieces they have created so far this year .



Year 3 Lyre Birds



Year 6 Hearts



Kindy Screening

As Community Health Nurses, keeping everyone safe is our priority during the Covid-19 Restriction time.

The School Entry Health Assessments for kindy students will be conducted in a slightly different format this term.

To allow us to make contact with every student, we will break the screening into two visits. At the first visit, we will check hearing, growth and teeth health. The vision will be checked later in the year.

We will be sending the Health result form home on both occasions.

We have started to book in the screening dates for all the schools, so please complete and return your child's Health Assessment form if you have not already done so.

Kind Regards,

The Naturaliste School Health Team



BANDS ARE BACK...

School band rehearsals return in Term 3 Week 1.

It will be great to have Tony and Graeme back! Same time, same place.



Delicious Hot Chocolate \$2.00

Available from the lovely canteen ladies during recess and before school every day.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

With the cold weather well and truly here, we are seeing an increase in a variety of non-school uniform jumpers and jackets. Can parents please remind their children that they are not allowed to wear non-school uniform items to school. Thank you for your support in this.

Our lost property boxes are very full with jumpers so this is a great place to have a look for any misplaced items. We also have quite a few second hand jumpers available from the front office.

Just pop in and see the friendly team in admin.



Student Health and Wellbeing

MRPS Code of Conduct incorporates six core values:

*Cooperation, Empathy, Enthusiasm, Flexibility, Honesty and **Respect***

Respect

At Margaret River Primary School, one of our core values is Respect. This is just another way to say 'I value and care for you' and focuses on respecting people for their good qualities and or achievements.

Always remember the golden rule "Treat everyone as you want them to treat you". Respect each other's space and belongings because what goes around comes around.

You show respect to others when you listen quietly, keep unkind thoughts to yourself, speak kindly to others, willingly share and use simple courtesies like "Please" and "Thank You."

Remember, that we should fear no one, but respect everyone.

SDERA—Resilience and Wellbeing - Social Awareness

It's important for your child to learn the personal and social skills that will help them to become more resilient and cope with problems and difficult situations that may come their way. Learning these skills help children recover quickly from difficulties. They will learn how to communicate to be able to share toys and play harmoniously in the playground. Encourage your child to take responsibility for the things they have done or haven't done that may have contributed to an unhappy situation or setback. Don't be a blind mouse - Think for yourself - Don't let someone else tell you what to do or think - Stand up for what you know is right or fair. Let them know where to go to ask for help, at home, at school and in the community. Practicing these skills in a safe and supportive environment also increases the chances of these skills being used in children's everyday life. Teach your child to turn words such as – "*I'm stupid or she hates me*" - into more helpful and optimistic thinking – "*I made a mistake, everyone makes mistakes or she doesn't hate me, she just feels like playing with someone else today.*"

- ◆ Learn to read and respond to others' emotions and needs.
- ◆ Accept that everyone experiences setbacks and problems at some time.
- ◆ Value differences in others' intense feelings.
- ◆ Do not exclude others because of their differences.
- ◆ Appreciate others' points of view.
- ◆ Show empathy for the feelings of all involved in a bullying situation.
- ◆ Help children think of new ways to tackle problems.



Thank you for playing a vital role in your child's resilience and wellbeing education.

For more information visit www.sdera.wa.edu.au

TERM 3 SWIMMING LESSONS 2020**STAGES 1/15****MON/ TUE/ WED/ THUR AFTERNOONS****JUNIOR LIFE GUARD (SWIMMING FOR FITNESS-) Breakfast included****TUE/ STG 7 (7-8am) - WED/ STG 10 + (7-8am)****PARENT & CHILD CLASSES / 6 months to 3 years****TUE/ WED/ THUR MORNINGS****DUO CLASSES/ 2.5 years to Kindy (2 CHILDREN PER CLASS)****TUE/ WED/ THUR MORNINGS****CONTACT Roberta Williams 0429 651 450****EMAIL info@aquaticacademymargaretriver.com.au****WEB www.aquaticacademymargaretriver.com.au****TENNIS HOLIDAY CLINIC**

We are running a Tennis Holiday Clinic at the Margaret River Tennis Club for children between 7 to 14 years old during the school holidays. The Holiday Clinics are a good way for children to learn the skills of tennis and at the same time to meet new friends. We will teach basic skills and do fun games from 9am till 12pm.

Dates:**7 - 8 - 9 of July****14 - 15 - 16 of July****Prices:****1 DAY \$25****3 DAYS \$70**

All kids welcome, there is no need of tennis experience. We can provide tennis racquet. Each children need to bring their own morning tea.

NOTE: If the weather is wet , we will cancel for the day.

To enroll contact Pablo at:**Email: mrtennisacademy@gmail.com****Phone number: 0478773520**