



# Murrumburrah Public School

NEWSLETTER: 25 May 2020 ~ Term 2 Week 5



27 MAY – 3 JUNE

#NRW2020 #InThisTogether2020

Dear Families,

National Reconciliation Week 2020 will be celebrated entirely online this year, something we are all becoming very familiar with! This year's theme is *We Are All In This Together* and marks 20 years since Australians participated in the reconciliation Sydney Harbour Bridge walk. 90% of Australian's now support reconciliation. Students will engage in a range of on-line resources in their classrooms and we will share photos of some of their activities in next week's newsletter.

## Students return to school

Today all students returned to school, five days per week and this is cause for celebration! Together we have flattened the curve and aspects of our daily life are returning. We do need to keep **practicing social distancing and regular handwashing** to minimise the spread of the virus.

Students are expected to be at school if they are well. If they have a sore throat or a temperature, they are to stay home. Please contact your classroom teacher to explain their absence. Please **do not** send your child to school if they are unwell. If your child becomes unwell during the day we will call you and ask that they be collected. Please make sure the **contact details we have at school are up-to-date**. If children are at home because of an on-going medical issue they require a medical certificate.

If you need to **collect your child during class time**, please phone the front office. We will then call for your child and they will walk to the office. Parents are to **park on Albury St** and office staff will walk the child to the car. Enhanced cleaning procedures for the classrooms, fixed play equipment and the staff are continuing. Staff and students are regularly washing their hands. Please **do not send food** to school for students to share, such as birthday cake or cupcakes. Individually wrapped confectionary is ok. Please remember **NO nuts or nut products**.

During Phase 3 we cannot hold assemblies, go on excursions, or have volunteers, other than essential services in school grounds. Our **library program** resumes next week so please remember to pack borrowed books to be exchanged on your child's designated library day.

From my desk...

*Clare Crawford*



# THANK YOU!

We would like to thank our families for complying with our physical distancing rules and not entering the school grounds during drop off and pick up.

We understand this is a difficult new process and appreciate your willingness to do the right thing.

# National Simultaneous Storytime

Wednesday 27 May is National Simultaneous Storytime and we are excited to be participating as a school again this year. At 11am on Wednesday each class will read the same story along with thousands of other children across Australia. The event attracted a staggering 1,138,000 readers last year. The title selected for this year is *Whitney and Britney Chicken Divas* written by Lucinda Gifford. This event is organised each year by the Australian Library and Information Association and is a wonderful way to promote reading.



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Please note, we are currently not producing a paper copy of the newsletter. The newsletter is uploaded every Monday afternoon and can be accessed via the following platforms: Facebook, Skoolbag, Class Dojo, email and the Murrumburrah Public School website.

## ...P&C NEWS...

### Uniform Shop

Our Uniform Shop is now available online!!! To purchase, please click on the link below.

<https://murrumburrah-public-school-pc-uniform-shop.square.site>

Please ignore the pick up date set for your order, due to limiting the number of parents on school grounds, if you live locally we will endeavour to drop your order to your front door. You will receive an email or text to let you know once your order is ready and when we can deliver etc.

## Birthday wishes this week!

Wishing Marko Djukic, Alex McMillian, Tommie Parker, Holden Pearsall and Imogen Steele the happiest and healthiest birthday!



## PHASE 3

## PHASE 4

### At all times

- Schools are safe places for students, teachers and staff.
- All students engage with a single unit of work.
- Keep up-to-date with your school's communications to make sure you receive important messages about timetable changes.
- Any identified cases of COVID-19 will continue to be managed in line with health advice, including temporary school closures where necessary.

### Students at school five days per week, with social distancing measures.

- Students with increased health risks may continue to learn at home to suit their individual needs.
- Students remain in the same classroom for the day, break times can be staggered to reduce mixing between class groups.
- No excursions or inter-school activities.
- Continued enhanced cleaning and hygiene supply arrangements.

#### You can now

- Send your child/children to school every day.
- Access community services run on school sites, where they are not restricted by Public Health Orders.
- Use the school canteen and uniform shop where appropriate hygiene measures are in place.
- Walk your child/children into and out of school while maintaining social distancing.

#### You must continue to

- Follow your school's advice regarding changes to drop off and pick up, including staying in your car when dropping off and picking up your child/children if safe to do so.
- Maintain social distancing by avoiding gathering outside of school gates.
- Make sure your child/children have access to lunch and snacks, noting some canteens may not be operating at this stage.
- Support your child/children to continue to learn at home if they are required to learn remotely.
- Communicate with your school via email and phone wherever possible.
- Follow the health advice and keep your child/children at home if they are unwell.

### Students at school five days per week, with full school activities.

- Normal school breaks and entry/exit processes will resume.
- Infection control procedures will continue on a school by school basis.
- Communication to staff, students and families regarding NSW Health advice will continue.
- Continued communication to the Early Childhood Education sector regarding NSW Health Advice.

#### You can now

- Send your child/children to school every day.
- Participate in school excursions and inter-school activities.
- Use playground equipment at schools.
- Drop your child/children off at school as you would normally do.
- Participate in school based activities such as volunteering in classes and assemblies.
- Use services that usually operate at your school like canteens and other community run activities.