Principal’s Report

Welcome Back

It has been a very successful beginning to the term with all students transitioning extremely well into their new classes and adjusting to our class and school routine’s. It has been another week of sensational weather and the children have really enjoyed playing outdoors during recess, lunch and physical education lesson times.

Duncan Adams
Principal
P&C Meeting
We have a busy year ahead and I would love to have input and involvement from as many families and community members as possible. Please feel welcome to attend our first P&C meeting planned for Tuesday 10th February at 5.00pm. It will be a great opportunity for Murrami PS parents and community members and Whitton PS parents and community members to meet and put ‘faces to names’.

Please note: This is a general P&C meeting. The AGM will be called for next month in March.

Bus Zone
Over the next couple of weeks the Leeton Shire Council will be zoning and sign posting a Bus Zone outside the front of the school. Until the Bus Zone is completed, the school would appreciate the 45 degree angle parking outside the front of the school to remain clear during drop off and pick up times in order for the children to safely disembark the school bus.

The School Swimming and Water Safety Program
The School Swimming and Water Safety Program is a learn to swim program that develops water confidence and provides students with basic skills in water safety and survival. The Program provides opportunities for students in primary school to attend daily lessons of 60 minutes over two consecutive weeks. Our School Swimming Scheme started on Monday at 11.00am and will run through until Thursday 12th February. The lessons that the students receive will not only ‘sow the seed’ for improved swimming at next week’s swimming carnival, but also play an important role in the water safety and survival for the rest of their lives.

Swimming Carnival
The sporting calendar has already started to fill with the primary students looking forward to competing in the Small Schools Swimming Carnival at the Whitton Pool this Friday 13th February. A reminder that all students need to hand in their permission note by next Wednesday morning.

Swimming Carnival Helpers
For the swimming carnival to be successful there needs to be at least one parent helper from each school to assist on the day. If you are able to help, please contact me at the school.

New School Sport Uniforms
We should have our new school sport shirts and hats by the end of the week.

Crunch ‘n Sip
Once again Whitton Murrami PS will be a ‘Crunch ‘n Sip’ school. This means that all students from K-6 are asked to bring some fresh fruit or vegetables to eat during the morning session. This is a great way to promote healthy eating and set positive life-long habits. Easy ideas are grapes, carrots, apples, capsicum, watermelon or cherry tomatoes.

Financial Assistance
Please remember that if you require financial assistance to help pay for any school activity this year, to come and see me. We have a number of ways in which to help and please rest assured, all details are kept totally confidential. We would like to see all students involved in our planned activities and if finance is a problem please make contact.
Whitton Murrami Facebook Page
Don’t forget to regularly check our Whitton Murrami Facebook Page for school updates.

A reminder to parents to notify the school about your child’s health
The school is also updating our students medical information and updating any health care plans. We welcome information from parents about your child's health, even if you are not requesting specific support from our school. Our school asks for medical information when you enrol your child. It is also important that you let us know if your child's health care needs change or if a new health condition develops.

Information about allergies, medical conditions such as asthma and diabetes and other health care related issues (including prior conditions such as medical procedures in the last 12 months) should be provided to the school by parents. Please provide this information in writing to the principal. This will greatly assist our school in planning to support your child’s health and wellbeing.

Please also remember to notify staff in the school office of any changes to your contact details or to the contact details of other people nominated as emergency contacts.

We appreciate your assistance in this regard and assure you that any information you provide the school will be stored securely and will only be used or disclosed in order to support your son or daughter’s health needs or as otherwise required by law.

School Assemblies
Our school assemblies this term will be as follows:
Friday 27th February (Leadership Inductions)
Friday 20th March (Normal School Assembly)
Thursday 2nd April (Easter Assembly)
Please feel welcome to attend. They generally commence at 2:30pm and run through until the end of the day.

Banking
School banking will be on a Wednesday. Students are asked to drop in their banking to Jodie in the front Office on Wednesday mornings.

I am looking forward to meeting with you and discussing the educational needs of your children and working together to provide a quality education for all students at Whitton Murrami Public School.

Cheers
Duncan Adams

“A smile is a curve that sets everything straight”
Phyllis Diller