

Merriwa's Got Talent!!



Saturday September 21st
 Merriwa Showground under the Hunter Mutual flags, 5.00pm start

Singers - Dancers - Musicians - Magicians - Jugglers - Poets

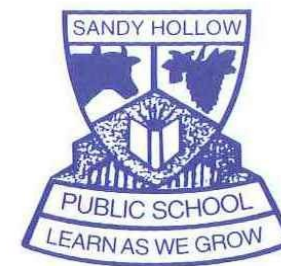
TINY TOTS (2-6 yrs)
JUNIORS (7 -12 yrs)
TEENS (13-18 yrs)

Entries close 5.00pm Tuesday September 17th.
 Entry Forms from **Hunter Mutual** or www.merriwashow.com.au for more information call us on **6548 2651**

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21st August 2013

Netball Gala Day

Congratulations to the students who attended the netball gala day last Friday at Merriwa. Everyone had a great day, playing to the best of their ability. The senior team won two of their games and the junior team won two games and drew in the other four games. This led to the junior team coming second overall. Congratulations to all the junior players.

The trophy that was won by the team will be shared, with each player taking it home for a week.

Thank you to the parents who assisted with transport. Thank you to Mrs Parker for training our teams and organising our participation in the day.

Sandpit

Our refurbished sandpit has been in use for the last week. The students (young and old) are enjoying playing in it. We would like to thank Merv Saunders and his helpers from the Men's Shed who constructed the sandpit and installed a cover. Thank you also to Paul and Wayne McLean who moved all the sand into the pit (and for lengthening and topping up our two long jump pits). Your generous support of the school is most certainly appreciated. We would also like to thank Xstrata's Mangoola Mine for funding the project.

RAW Art

Thank you to all families who have paid for their child to participate in the RAW Art workshops next Monday. If you still haven't paid for our child to participate, please do so as soon as possible. Thankyou.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Touch Football in M'bk for Yrs 3-6
Tues 20th Aug

Fish + chip lunch **23rd Aug**

Raw Art Workshops **Mon 26th Aug**

Enrolments are now open for Kindergarten 2014.
Ring the school for details.

Canteen Monday 26th August
Nicola Field
 Monday 2nd Sept - Michelle Stennett
Next Toybox
 Monday 26th August

Claim the Date

* **Regional Athletics** **30th Aug**
 * **Mini Fete + Car Boot Sale** **7th Sept**
 * **Emily Eyefinger** **10th Sept**

Lost Property

We are half way through the term and we have a large pile of unclaimed lost property. Most items do not have names, making it difficult to return the clothing to the rightful owner. Parents are urged to check through the lost property and claim anything that belongs to their child. Please ensure all your child's clothing is labelled with their name.

Payment of Money

All students and parents are reminded that all money being paid to the school must be given to the class teacher and not paid directly to the office. Student payments need to be marked off against class lists so that staff can keep track of student participation in various events. We thank parents and students in advance for assisting staff as they endeavour to keep track of payments.

Touch Football

All students in years 3-4-5-6 will be travelling to Muswellbrook for the Touch Football Gala Day, tomorrow Tuesday 20th August. They will be accompanied by Mrs Parker and Mrs Smith. Thank you to all parents who have offered to assist with transport.

2014 Canberra Excursion

All students in years 2-3-4-5 were given an information note regarding our major excursion to Canberra next year. A \$60 deposit will be required before the end of term for all students wishing to attend the excursion. We also have space for four parents to attend. Please see Mrs Darlington if you are interested in attending. If we have more than four parents wanting to attend, we will draw names from a hat.

Woolworths Raffle

All families will be given a book of 10 tickets to sell with \$250, \$150 and \$100 vouchers up for grabs. Tickets are \$2 each and are due back to school (sold or unsold) no later than Monday 2nd September. The raffle will be drawn at the mini fete and market day. All money raised will go towards the major excursion to Canberra next year.

CPR and Emergency Care Training

All staff successfully completed CPR and Emergency care training on Saturday. Everyone is accredited for twelve months for CPR and three years for emergency care.

Library training

Mrs Rose and Mrs Smith will be attending library training day this Wednesday. The office will be unattended, so all enquiries will need to be directed to Mrs Darlington in the classroom.

Best Start Software Training

Ms Higgins and Mrs Darlington will be attending training for the next instalment of Best Start software on Thursday afternoon. As most parents are aware the school provides regular reports regarding their child's progress in literacy and numeracy for students in kinder to year 2. The new software being introduced will enable staff to produce more regular reports for students in years 3-6. We will keep you informed as the updates become available.

Christina Darlington
Principal



Weekly Awards

- * Katie Pike - Trying hard in all areas.
- * Corey Parkinson - eager participation in netball.
- * Amy Thompson - excellent effort in mathematics.
- * Kristy Walker - wonderful effort in reading.
- * Matthew Allen - excellent explanation of the sharing strategy.
- * Cambell Hinze - fantastic work with addition and subtraction.

Workers of the Week

K/1/2 - Bill Chambers and Lucas Stair.
3/4/5/6 - Simon Budden, Tylana Cox, Olivia McLean and Shanay Turner.

Student of the Week



Darcy Wallace - displaying thoughtfulness towards others.

Additions and Attachments

- Some receipts.

From the P&C

Last week raffle tickets were sent home with children to sell for some fabulous prizes to be won in our Father's Day Raffle, to be drawn on Friday 30th August. It would be great if all families could purchase tickets as the proceeds will go towards school excursions for our kids, which will lessen the cost for everyone! Also we will be holding a Father's Day stall with some great gifts to buy for dad. This will be held in the last week of August as Father's Day is celebrated on Sunday September 1st.

Jeannie Harris



Trolley as part of Father's Day Raffle prizes.

Breakfast Club

We are looking for some more volunteers for breakfast club. Someone is needed either Mon, Tues or Wed. Takes about 1/2 an hour of your time. Please call at the office or see one of the teachers. Thank you.

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