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# NEWSLETTER

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### PRINCIPAL REPORT.

Dear Families,

It's hard to believe that we are nearly halfway through the term! Schools are busy places to be and with so much happening at Murray Bridge North School, time flies when you're having fun! That certainly was the case this week when Adam Page, a multi-instrumentalist, composer/recorder and music educator joined our instrumental music students in the gym for a workshop. I have also had the pleasure of hearing our choir and the amazing sound they produce when their voices sing as one. Can't wait for the choir to perform in public later this year. A big thanks to our teacher Meg Maxwell for organising these great events for our students.

Looking forward, it won't be long before Book Week is upon us and we are all rushing round madly to find a costume to wear for this year's theme 'Old worlds, New worlds, Other worlds'. Scheduled for celebrations in week six, from the 21<sup>st</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> of August, this year's theme is guaranteed to bring children and books together across one fantastic week in celebration of Australian children's authors and illustrators. Look out for more information on our Facebook page and within the pages of our newsletter.



### Upcoming Events

For more events see planner

16th August

National Science Day

17th August

SAPSASA District Day

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Reading is  
our School  
Priority

Every child attending  
North School is  
expected to read  
aloud to an adult  
every day.



## More important information

Whilst I'm on the topic of reading, our own Library has a fantastic selection of books that our staff, particularly our SSO's and volunteers, keep up to date and importantly, organised. It's a huge job and our Library wouldn't be the same without their care and passion. Simply put...Thank you for putting in such an amazing effort each week!

On a slightly different note, can I express my gratitude and a huge thank you for your understanding and patience regarding The Department for Education's decision of limiting parents on to the school site. It has been a challenging time. It is a credit to our students, especially the little ones that have shown great resilience; especially in the morning, when they have been asked to come onto the school site without the support of their parents/grandparents/carers. Your continued support and patience throughout these government authorised restrictions is very much appreciated. I wish to impress upon you that, your child's wellbeing and safety is our immediate priority; and any decisions we make and then implement are to ensure that we can maintain the highest level of care for all of our students.

In related news, our teachers not only successfully navigated a very different start to term three, they ensured that things have returned to 'normal' by providing the care and curriculum to get our students back on track. Thank you so much for your words of support and appreciation. We had many positive comments from our school community about the way our staff stayed connected with your children even when lockdown meant that the majority of students couldn't be here. Thank you for working in partnership with us!



## Notes From North

### School Times

Please be reminded that school is unsupervised before 8:30am. We ask that students do not arrive before this time.

### Head Lice

Please remember to check your child's hair for headlice and treat them before sending them to school.

### UNIFORM

Just a reminder of our school uniform policy. All students need to be in school uniform. Lost property is located in the bins near the library. Please name all items.

### School Zones

Reminder It's 25km/h when children are present



Finally, can I acknowledge and thank the staff and volunteers who work in the Canteen. When new families tour our school, it is often a surprised yet thankful response from parents and carers that we have a Canteen on site to provide our students with warm snacks or lunch. Teresa and the crew work hard at providing families with that little extra support needed and realise that in leading busy lives, we often appreciate the option of ordering our children lunch. Thank you for supporting our canteen and the wonderful work they do!

James will be back next week and will again be writing to you in the coming Newsletter. Till then take care, stay safe and thanks for your ongoing support.

Kindest Regards

Jason Saxby

Deputy Principal

MBNS

## **MBNS limited uniform stock available from the front office**





## Dear Parents and Caregivers

Book Week 2021 celebrations will be held on August 21<sup>st</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>.

The theme this year is:

**OLD WORLDS, New Worlds, Other Worlds!**

Students will be involved in colouring competitions and the annual costume parade.

Prizes awarded for these events will be vouchers for the \*Book Fair, which will start in the following week.

(\*Look for separate notices about this in the Newsletter and on Facebook)

The Library Staff have created a wonderful landscape for classes to use as a photo opportunity to snap their characters from **Other Worlds!**

**Book Week Finalist Titles** will be available in the library for staff and children to enjoy.

We will also have a **Dress up day** and invite students to come as characters from **Other Worlds** in favourite books.

**COVID restrictions will mean that we are not able to have parents on-site for this event.**

Beverley Sharrad Jones

## DRESS-UP DAY

Thursday 26th

August

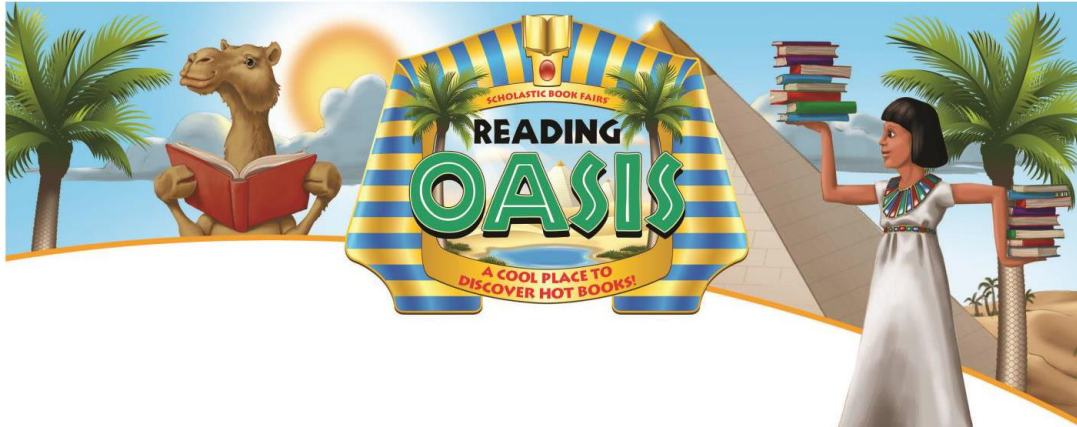
We hope to see some characters that are

**out of this World!**

We will do our best to get class photos to you via Seesaw, Facebook and Newsletter.







## Book fair Schedule 2021

To address COVID-safe procedures and create the best opportunities for parents and students to get access to the Book Fair, we have created the following schedule, which has these features:

- rostered **Wishlist time** so that children have the opportunity to write down their selections to give to their parent/caregiver for face-to-face or online purchases
- **booking system** to give adequate shopping time to parents and carers while maintaining a COVID-safe environment: **A link will be posted on Facebook and in the newsletter closer to the date**

	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Monday	Tuesday				
9:00	Delivery and set-up	Students visit with class and buddies to make Wishlists	Parent/Care-giver sales timeslots.*	Parent/Care-giver sales timeslots.*	Parent/Care-giver sales timeslots.*				
9:30									
10:00									
10:30									
11:00									
11:30									
12:00						*See roster in email and posted in the staff room and Library	No sales	No sales	
12:30							Student sales*	Student sales*	Student sales*
12:50									
1:25									
1:30	Students visit with class and buddies to make Wishlists	Closed	Parent sales timeslots.*	Parent sales timeslots.*	Closed				
2:00									
2:30									
3:00									
3:30	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed				
4:00									
Parent Information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Single person entry by booking online at Eventbrite:</b> Maximum of 10 people per session</li> <li>• COVID check in</li> <li>• Social distancing</li> <li>• Masks required</li> </ul>									
Student Information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Only students who have money to purchase will be admitted at student sales times</b></li> </ul>									



This term 4.4 are doing a unit all about space. We are using the book "Zelda's Big Adventure" as a base for this unit. We are learning about: space terms in the Discovery Room, counting backwards to blast off, shapes to build a rocket and creating art using primary and complimentary colours.

Check out our book responses to "Zelda's Big Adventure"

Have a look at us having fun in the Discovery Room.

# MBNS Term 3 Planner

WEEK	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
<b>1</b>	19/7 Student Free Day	20/7 First Day of Term 3	21/7	22/7	23/7	24/7-25/7
<b>2</b>	26/7	27/7	28/7	29/7	30/7	31/7-1/8
<b>3</b>	2/8	3/8	4/8	5/8	6/8	7/8-8/8
<b>4</b>	9/8	10/8	11/8	12/8	13/8	14/8-15/8
<b>5</b>	16/8 National Science Week	17/8 SAPSASA District Day	18/8 Adare Camp	19/8 Adare Camp	20/8 Adare Camp	21/8-22/8
<b>6</b>	23/8 Book Week	24/8	25/8	26/8	27/8	28/8-29/8
<b>7</b>	30/8	31/8	1/9	2/9	3/9	4/9-5/9  Father's Day
<b>8</b>	6/9	7/9 Governing Council	8/9	9/9 R U OK ? Day	10/9	11/9-12/9 Pedal Prix
<b>9</b>	13/9	14/9	15/9	16/9	17/9	18/9-19/9
<b>10</b>	20/9	21/9	22/9	23/9	24/9 Last Day of School Early Dismissal 2:10pm	25/9-26/9





## Before School, After School, Student Free Day or Vacation Care Programs

We offer quality care with fun activities, friendships, games, arts, crafts, great food and special events all in a comfortable home like environment at competitive prices.

### BUILDING ATTENDANCE HABITS

How to help your child build a habit of going to school every day.



regular evening and bedtime routine and enough sleep



limit the use of electronic devices in the evenings



help your child be organised in the morning to get them to school on time



arrange alternative transport in case something unexpected happens



take family vacations during school holidays



make appointments outside of school hours or in school holidays



talk positively about school



show interest in what your child is learning, their progress and their friends



regularly communicate with your child's teacher