



# Melrose Primary School

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### **PUBLIC HOLIDAY**

KINGS BIRTHDAY  
Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June

### **Tuck Day**

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June  
(Order form has been emailed)

### **Finance Meeting**

Tuesday June 20<sup>th</sup>  
9.00am

### **Governing Council Meeting**

Tuesday June 20<sup>th</sup>  
6.30pm

### **Early Dismissal 2.20pm**

SPELD Training for staff at  
Orroroo  
Thursday June 29<sup>th</sup>

### **FOR ALL SCHOOL INVOICES**

BSB: 065-509  
ACC: 10039517

## **Week 6 Term 2**

### **Dear Families and Friends of Melrose Primary**

Throughout this year we have broadened the opportunities for students through several special activities. Each of the opportunities provides our students a chance to connect with their peers, extend their areas of interest or try something new.

### **Playcentre**

The youngest members of our school community visit each Wednesday morning. Elin is the Playcentre Leader, and each week organises play-based activities. This includes singing songs, reading books, making, and art activities. It is also a time for parents to meet and have a chat and enjoy the company of others.

### **Year 6 Student Leadership Program**

The Year 6 students in our school take on many different leadership roles. Our student leaders create new initiatives, support other students, share information and assist to create a warm and welcoming school environment. The Year 6 leaders are involved in the following:

- Leading a supportive and safe school environment
- Attend a one day student leadership conference
- Buddy Group Leaders
- Sports Leaders
- Leading fund raising activities for chosen charities
- Assisting with each term's special event e.g. Harmony Day in Term 1, Reconciliation Day Term 2.

### **Sustainable Garden**

All students are involved in maintaining our sustainable vegetable garden with Ms Wanda and are learning what plants to grow through the seasons and how to maintain and build soil health.

### **Recycling**

Both classes are involved in reducing waste in the school, learning what can be recycled with the goal to reach an almost zero waste culture.

### **Sporting Schools**

Each term the school is fortunate to be granted funds towards being involved in a different sport. Funds are used to employ coaches and purchase sporting equipment. This year we have been involved in lawn bowls with gymnastics being next term.

### **Reconciliation Week Activities**

The school will hold a day of First Nation cultural activities later this term. We plan to include a special feature of this day in our final newsletter for this term.



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### **School Camps**

Every second year we plan to hold a whole school camp. Separate class excursions and camps are held during the following year. This year we have a whole school camp at Woodhouse Activity Centre being on Monday to Wednesday of Week 10, Term 3. More information and invoices will be sent home soon.

### **Tuck Day**

A reminder that tuck day is planned for Wednesday 14 June. The menu is looking like spaghetti bolognese and a hot chocolate drink. Order forms have been emailed to parents today. Sounds good!!!

There are many other activities held during the year which we believe create a well-rounded and rich learning program for all our students.



### **Volunteering at Melrose Primary**

As a small community-based school – **Our School, Our Community, Our Future** - we welcome and value volunteers. To be able to volunteer, and/or attend at other times throughout the school year, we ask that you hold a current Working with Children Check – WWCC - (this is only needed by parents/caregivers when attending excursions, or transporting students). A WWCC is not needed by parents if volunteering to work in a class. If a volunteer is not a parent a WWCC is required.

A WWCC for volunteers is free for our volunteers. Please see Jodie for further details. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at school. This process ensures we maintain a child safe environment.

### **Literacy Prize Competition 2023**

Our annual literacy prize competition is well underway. As previously mentioned this year the competition involves researching a Melrose building or landmark and producing an **information report** on the above topic to be read by a panel of judges including a community member.

To date we have conducted a walking excursion around Melrose, visited the Melrose Historical Centre and Melrose Museum and will have a guest speaker visiting today to talk about the Brewery buildings to the Upper Primary students.

I am looking forward to reading the reports and learning more about Melrose. We plan to display the students' work at the Melrose Show later this year.

### **Thank you**

Thank you, Tess McCallum, and Ronda Fitzgerald for having the school students visit the History Centre to gather information for their Literacy Prize competition work.

Thank you, Sean Moylan from the Melrose Museum, for hosting the Upper Primary students as part of the Literacy Prize competition work.

Thank you to Dale Hobbs from Jacka's Brewery for visiting the Upper Primary class to talk about the history and redevelopment of this building complex.

Thank you to Shane and Jodie McCallum for their work in tidying the front garden and adding some new plants.

Finally thank you to all families who generously gave donations for our Bake Sale and for all people in the community who came and supported this.

### **Nut Aware School**

Gentle reminder re: Nut Aware school. Now have student with peanut and walnut allergy, please be mindful of what you pack for your child's recess and lunch. Trying to keep all our students safe.

Regards  
Murray