



Merriwa Education Support Centre

Dear Parents & Families,

World Teachers' Day

On Friday, 30 October, we proudly celebrate World Teachers' Day and recognise the extraordinary dedication, care and commitment of our teaching staff. Every day, our teachers go above and beyond to create engaging learning experiences, nurture wellbeing, and inspire our students to achieve their very best. Their passion, patience and unwavering belief in every child make a lasting difference in the lives of our students and school community. On behalf of all our families and students, I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to our wonderful teachers for the incredible work they do each and every day. Happy World Teachers' Day!

Reminder Open School Board Meeting

I warmly invite you to attend our Open School Board Meeting on Thursday, 5 November 2026 commencing at 12 noon. This is an excellent opportunity to meet our current Board members, observe a Board meeting in action, and gain a deeper understanding of the important role the School Board plays in supporting the strategic direction and ongoing success of our school.

Thank you to our P&C Committee

On behalf of our school community, I would like to sincerely thank our P&C Committee for hosting the fantastic Let's Glow Disco. It was wonderful to see our students having so much fun on the dance floor and embracing the excitement of the evening. Fundraising events like this provide important support for our school while creating enjoyable experiences for our students. Thank you to our P&C members and volunteers for your ongoing commitment and generosity.

*Kind Regards,
Karen Macri*

What's On ?

World Teachers Day
Friday 30th October

Open School Board
Meeting Thursday
5th November at
12 noon

ESC Junior Assembly
Friday 6th November



Christmas Concert
Friday 11th December

Year 6 Graduation
Tuesday 15th December

Class Awards
Wednesday
16th December

Students Final Day
2026
Thursday 17th December

Sensory Activities

Sensory input happens all over our campus, not just in classrooms. Every environment provides opportunities for sensory experiences that help us learn, engage, regulate, and connect with the world around us.

We all process and interpret sensory information differently. Our bodies use eight sensory systems, each with its own level of sensitivity and tolerance. These systems work together continuously, helping us filter information, make sense of our surroundings, and determine how we respond to different stimuli. Understanding our unique sensory needs allows us to access the tools and strategies that help us feel regulated, engaged, and ready to learn throughout the day



As Jesse independently controlled his movement through the Body Roller, he was able to receive deep pressure input at a pace that suited his needs. He paused halfway through to stretch and experience the vibration from the massager. This type of proprioceptive input supports regulation, body awareness, and grounding.



Jaxson and Caleb independently incorporated the bolsters into their outdoor play, taking turns rolling down the junior playground hill while enclosed inside them. They demonstrated teamwork by pushing the bolsters back up the hill between turns. The activity provided significant vestibular and proprioceptive input through speed, impact, and pressure, while the outdoor setting offered additional sensory opportunities. This combination of sensory experiences promotes regulation, body awareness, coordination, and cooperative engagement.



Dylan is regulating his nervous system on the floor spinner. The predictable, self-controlled spinning movement provides vestibular input and supports the integration of his visual system, helping him become more organised and ready for learning and engagement.



Hendrix was engaged in visual sensory seeking, closely observing the lighting patterns and the effects of light and shadow on his hands and items around him. Exploring these visual elements provides valuable sensory input, supporting regulation, concentration, and environmental awareness. He was calm, engaged, and actively investigating the visual details within his surroundings.

LET'S GLOW DISCO



Thank you to Cycling Without Age for treating our students to a wonderful ride on their special bikes, bringing smiles, laughter, and plenty of joy as students delighted in tooting the bike horns along the way.



Term Four Planner 2026

MTH	Wk	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	3	26	27	28	29	30 World Teachers Day
Nov	4	2	3	4	5 Open Board Meeting	6 MESC Jnr Assembly
	5	9	10	11	12	13
	6	16	17	18	19	20 Assembly Rm 2



SOURCE DISABILITY EXPO

FOR KIDS, TEENS
+ YOUNG ADULTS

FREE ENTRY

Perth
6-7 NOV



See you there!



STEP FORWARD
CARE GROUP

CHILDREN FIRST Support Second

You carefully choose who
cares for your child....

We believe Disability Support deserves
the same consideration.

Children & Young people with Disability are children, first and foremost. They deserve support from people who understand their development, communication, interests & individual needs, not simply someone who is available.

QUALIFIED PEOPLE



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CHILDHOOD



YOUTH
WORK



ALLIED
HEALTH



EDUCATION
SUPPORT



DISABILITY
SUPPORT

MEANINGFUL MATCHING



INTERESTS



CULTURE



LOCATION



SKILLS

Looking for
support or
know a family
who is?



SUPPORT THAT GROWS



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