



Manjimup Education Support Centre

An Independent Public School

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Dear parents, carers, staff, students and community members

The year of 2022 has been a challenging one, with the school facing many operational restrictions in Semester One due to COVID-19. Despite the virus still being prevalent in the community, the majority of government sanctions have been removed allowing us to return to a new post pandemic normal. The restrictions posed on education in Semester One are becoming a distant memory but we must be mindful of the psychological toll these events placed on our community and the lasting effects it will continue to have. One noticeable area is in school attendance which was adversely impacted during the pandemic and continue to present challenges for some of our most vulnerable students across the state. Fortunately, Semester Two has seen MESC return to pre-covid activities, and I reflect on what our students have completed this semester with pride and joy. MESC staff have maintained a focus on delivering the best education to our students throughout the year, no matter the circumstances. I believe we have delivered on this commitment and students and staff have earned themselves a well-deserved rest during the summer holidays. I have taken my rest further and will be on leave in 2023. I will be very relaxed and rejuvenated when I return in 2024. I will send home a letter regarding the new principal when the recruitment has been finalised.

ASDAN

This year MESC has had over 50 ASDAN modules endorsed. This is a massive achievement, exceeding expectations and is testament to staff planning and student engagement. Feedback from ASDAN moderation in Perth acknowledged the joy our students displayed in their learning. Congratulations to high school students who all achieved an accredited ASDAN module in 2022.

School Review

On the 10th of November MESC had a school review. The outcome of the review is still to be officially documented but the team acknowledged the outstanding achievements of the school over the last few years. The recommendations of the review will provide guidance for school improvement over the next three years. The fact that the school review team will not be returning until at least 2025 is testament to their faith in MESC's policy and procedures. The staff are extremely pleased with the recent review, as it is validation of the hard work they have completed to address the recommendations from our last review at the beginning of 2020. I personally, would like to thank the MESC team for continuously seeking to improve and being open to new policy and procedure.

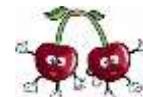
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End of Year Awards & Graduation Ceremony

Our end of year celebration will be held on the 15th of December, the last day of the term. Coffee Delights will be hosting a complimentary afternoon tea at the high school campus. Refreshments will be available from **1.15pm to 1.45pm**. The awards ceremony and graduation will then be held on the primary campus commencing at **2.00pm**. This is a great event and celebrates the amazing achievements our children have completed over the year. For catering and seating purposes could you please let the class teacher know how many family members will be attending the Coffee Delights afternoon tea and/or the awards and graduation ceremony.

Primary Outdoor Area Upgrade

Our Primary outdoor area has received a major facelift this term. Earlier this year we received a grant from Variety to purchase new outdoor equipment. This prompted a drive to have the area painted. Bunnings kindly donated resources and time to paint the area to improve the aesthetics for the children. This was completed in early November and looks amazing. There are pictures of the area later in this newsletter. MESC would like to say a massive thank you to Variety and Bunnings for their generous funding to refurbish our area. Thank you to Vikki Shields, our P&C representative, for her organisation to make it all happen.

Swimming Lessons

We have just completed our swimming lessons for Years P-6. It has been fantastic to have so many of our children participate in the lessons. The newsletter has pictures of our children enjoying their time at the Aqua Centre.

Variety Visit

Variety came to visit MESC on the 11th of November as part of their motorbike fun tour. The children loved looking at the bikes and enjoyed the costumes worn by the riders. MESC would like to thank Variety for their donations of toys to the students. It was also great to let the Variety crew look at our new outdoor area which we received a grant from Variety for.

Reports & Pathway Planning Meetings

Reports will be posted in the last week of the term. Pathway planning meetings for Year 10-13 will be held before the end of term. If you have not received documents for pathway planning, please contact Admin on 9771 9050. The pathway planning meetings will be used to help shape ASDAN module selection for your child and potential work experience options.

Family Game

At the very end of the newsletter there is a little game to play with the family. The game involves trying to match a baby photo to the staff member. Please submit the answers before our PBS assembly on the 23rd of November to potentially win a prize.

As this is the last newsletter for the year, I would like to wish you all a safe and festive holiday period.

Regards
Ross Davidson
Principal

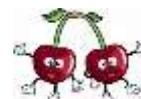
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Key Dates – 2022

Term 4 10 October- 15 December SDD Day 6 16 December – no school for children	Staff Development Day (SDD) – No children. <i>(Date is the same as MSHS & MPS)</i>
PBS Assembly – 23 rd November	Upper Primary – 2.00pm
Cherry Festival Excursion – 9 th December	Heritage Park – 1.00 - 2.30pm
Awards & Graduation Ceremony – 15 th December	1.15pm - Complimentary Coffee Delights – 1.15pm- 1.45pm at the High School 2.00pm - Awards Ceremony – Primary

Key Dates – 2023

Term 1 Students - Wed 1 February - Thurs 6 April Staff Development Days (SDD) – 30 & 31 st Jan	<i>(SDD dates are the same as MSHS & MPS)</i>
Term 2 Students - Mon 24 April - Fri 30 June SDD Dates – To be confirmed	
Term 3 Students - Mon 17 July - Fri 22 September SDD Dates – To be confirmed	
Term 4 Students - Mon 9 October - Thu 14 December SDD Dates – To be confirmed	

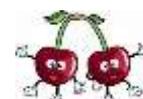
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P- 6 Swimming lessons



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Bunnings/Variety Primary Upgrade



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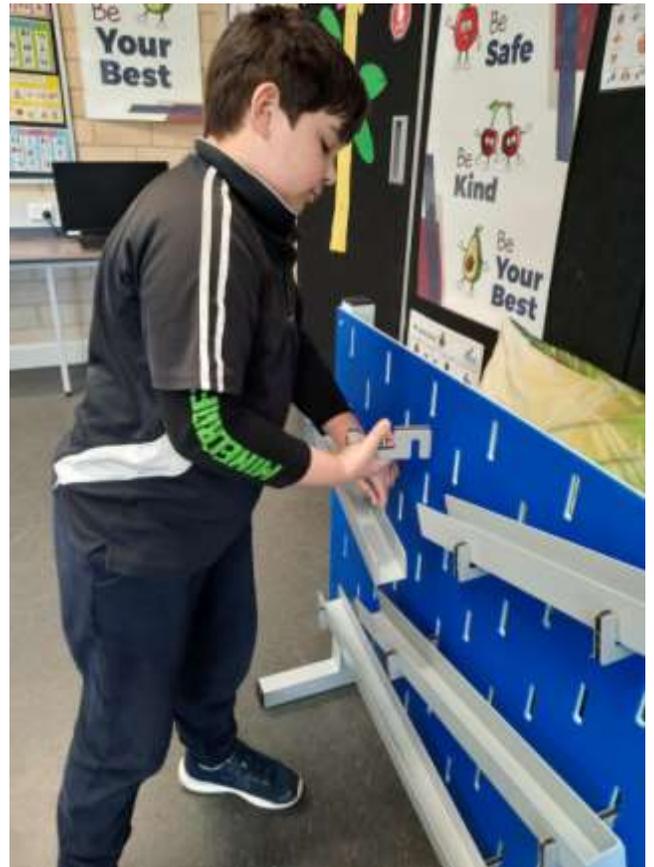
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MESC High School Cricket Incursion



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Upper High School Nannup Excursion



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