



Millars Well

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friendship and Achievement

Community Newsletter

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Millars Well, Karratha 6714

Upcoming Events

16th Nov – Science
Assembly

20th Nov – P&C Meeting
7pm

29th Nov – Kindy & PP 2018
Parent meeting

30th Nov – LOTE Assembly

1st December - Parent
Helper Morning Tea



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Principal's Message

P&C Update

Last week on Monday I attended our P&C meeting. There was our President, Secretary, Treasurer, Canteen Manager, a teacher, 2 other parents and myself who attended. We briefly discussed the big fan that the P&C have fundraised to purchase, the new boundary fence that will be constructed and goals for 2018. We didn't have enough people present for a quorum so a formal meeting didn't occur, but we did have a productive discussion.

We touched briefly on how to include more parents, when is the best time to hold meetings and various options tried. Previous strategies have included: meeting at school during school hours, changing the day for meetings and changing the venue for meetings.

Even trying different options the outcome doesn't really change. If you would like to be involved and have a suggestion please see a P&C Member.

Our next P&C meeting will be on Monday 20th November in the staffroom at 7pm. I know we are all very busy, however, it would be great if you and a friend could attend the meeting to wrap up the end of the year with our P&C.

WA Ballet

This week the WA Ballet has been in our school providing a Residency in School program. They have worked with a group of students each afternoon for an hour and on Friday presented a short performance to the whole school. It has been a great opportunity for these students and the school to have representatives from the WA Ballet here.

Scitech Partnership

We have been chosen to work in partnership with Scitech in 2018 as a school focusing upon IT and Robotics. This is an exciting initiative to be chosen for and we will learn more about the program at our staff meeting on Wednesday 29th November. Staff will be supported in developing IT and Robotics in their classes and the school will receive additional resourcing from the partnership with Scitech.

Class placement request and planning for 2018

If you have a class placement request for your child in 2018 please put it in writing or email. Clearly outline the request and provide a detailed reasonable explanation. Your request should be marked Private and Confidential and be addressed to the Principal - Mr W Jackson

Attendance

Currently our whole school attendance rates are a little above the rate for the same time last year. This is a great result and I really congratulate students for their regular attendance at school. On Friday we provided a reward to students that were able to come to school five out of five days this week. Keep up the good work and remember everyday really does matter.

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Enrolments 2017

Will you be here next year? If you know that you will be leaving town before the commencement of the new school year (31st January 2018), or that your child(ren) won't be attending Millars Well PS next year, please advise us at the office as soon as possible. Thank you to parents that have already indicated they will be leaving in 2018. This helps with our advance planning for class structure and staffing.

If you know of young families that have not yet enrolled please encourage them to do so as soon as possible.

You Can Do It

This is a whole school program that uses a common language supporting positive behaviour, attitudes and values.

The program's core purpose is the development of young people's social and emotional capabilities, including: Confidence (academic, social), Persistence, Organisation, Getting Along, and Emotional Resilience. Central to the development of these 5 foundations is instilling in young people 12 Habits of the Mind that support and nourish the 5 foundations, including Accepting Myself, Taking Risks, Setting Goals, Planning My Time, Being Tolerant of Others, Thinking First, Playing by the Rules, and Social Responsibility (includes the values of respect, responsibility, caring, fairness and honesty).

Our whole school focus for the remainder of this year is Persistence.

Our next assembly is Thursday 16th November; we hope to see you there, or at our next P&C meeting on Monday 20th November 7pm.

Weston Jackson
Principal

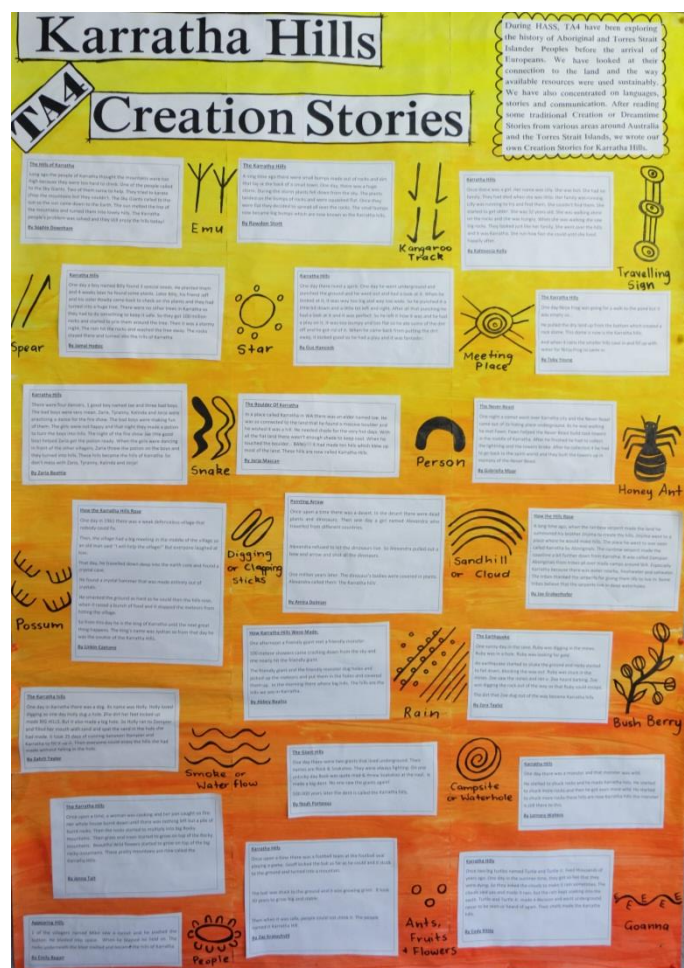
School Dental Service

The Karratha Dental Therapy Centre at Karratha Primary School will be **closed** for the school holidays from Friday 3rd November and will reopen Wednesday 31st January, 2018. For any emergencies please call the The Baynton West Dental Therapy Centre at Baynton West Primary School from Monday 6th November through to close of school term.

Any emergencies during the School Holidays please contact your local dentist or the Hedland General Dental Clinic 91722223.

Karratha Hills Creation Stories

During HASS, TA4 have been exploring the history of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples before the arrival of Europeans. They looked at their connection to the land and the way available resources were used sustainably. They concentrated on languages, stories and communication. After reading some traditional Creation and Dreamtime stories from various areas around Australia and the Torres Strait Islands, TA4 wrote their own Creation stories for Karratha Hills which are displayed in the front office.



Canteen Update

During Week 7, 20 -24th November, the canteen will be swapping the daily specials on Tuesday and Thursday. This means that sushi will be available on Thursday and the good eating pie available on Tuesday.

Quick box challenge ends on the 18th November and the winning class will be announced at the assembly.

h e l l o
Konnichiwa

clock at look
tokei o mite

now time
ima nanji

9 hour 4 0 minute
九 ji 四十 pun

outside at look
soto o mite

weather i s h o w
tenki wa dou?

sunny i t ' s
hare desu

little windy i t ' s
chotto kaze desu

calendar at look
karenda o mite

today i s w h a t
kyou wa nani?

Wednesday i t ' s
Suiyoubi desu

11th month i t ' s
十一 gatsu desu

8th day i t s
八 nichi desu

s o l e t s s t a r t
jya hajimemashou

TENKI



hare



kumori



kaze



ame



kaminari



yuki

Days of the week

Sun - 日 nichiyoubi

Mon - 月 gestuyoubi

Tues - 火 kayoubi

Wed - 水 suiyoubi

Thu - 木 mokuyoubi

Fri - 金 kinyoubi

Sat - 土 doyoubi



Recently in Nihongo
we have been starting
our day with a rap
covering weather, the

date and time for the seniors.
Make a beat and rap along.



WA Ballet Visits Millars Well Primary School

On Monday the 6th to Friday the 10th of November the Western Australia Ballet came to Millars Well Primary School.

Some students from Years 4 and 5 chose to participate in the ballet that was held in the music room after lunch.

The students spent time learning the moves for their performance on Friday. They learnt the **pirouette** and **plie**. The students had a hard time remembering the steps. The students were looking forward to performing on Friday the 10th of November.

The students worked hard to get it all perfect; they had a fantastic time learning their new skills.

By Jorja Maccan