



SCHOOL NEWS

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community,

Well done to all Years 4 and 5 students who completed an expression of interest when applying for a school leadership position (School Leader, House Captain, Flag/Library/Technology/Bus Monitor and Mascot) during recent weeks.

The following Year 5 students have expressed interest in being one of our 5 School Leaders, for consideration to lead our SRC. This was also their first preference for leadership roles in 2026. As a result, these students will be writing a speech, and presenting it at Merimbula Public School on Monday, November 24 in the Jackson Hall at 11.30am. Parents and carers are welcome to attend.

School Leader 2026 Candidates:

- Callum A
- Isabella B
- Lexi D
- Dakota I
- Anna F
- Grace H
- Barbara Jean R
- Eamon K
- Shelbie M
- Rudrakshya P
- Ryder S

Following the speeches, students in Years 1 to 5 will be having an 'election' to vote on their School Leaders for 2026. Staff do not vote. An information note has been sent home today with the above election candidates.

Expression of interest applications have demonstrated that each of these children hold qualities that would support them in their leadership of our Student Representative Council. Congratulations to these potential leaders on your leadership efforts and qualities until now, and on your wonderful expression of interest applications.

For more information on which children have received other leadership positions for 2026, a Roll of Honour will be shared in the coming weeks. Successful students will be inducted into their new leadership positions at their relevant graduation assembly later this term.

Regards,
Michelle Huddleston
Principal

School News:

Staffing News: Following the recent move of Mrs Erin Feneck, our Librarian Position has now been permanently filled. Congratulations to Mr Ben Kirk! Mr Kirk will commence as our new Teacher Librarian in 2026!

COMING EVENTS

Term 4:

Week 5:

Monday, November 10:

Tuesday, November 11: 2026 Yr 7, EMHS Support Class transition visit;

Wednesday, November 12:

Support Class Life Skills Program; Year 5 Jindabyne Camp;

Thursday, November 13: BVSC

Playgroup; Year 5 Jindabyne Camp;

Friday, November 14: Hot Dog Day orders due to the canteen; Year 5 Jindabyne Camp return.

Week 6:

Monday, November 17: Talent Quest Auditions;

Tuesday, November 18: Talent Quest Auditions; 2026 Year 6 polo and hoodie orders due; Party Day consent and payment due; 2026 Yr 7, EMHS Support Class transition visit;

Wednesday, November 19: Talent Quest Auditions; Support Class Life Skills Program;

Thursday, November 20: Talent Quest Auditions; Draft 2026 School Leader speeches due; 2026 Kindy Orientation 9.30-10.30am

Friday, November 21: Talent Quest Auditions.



Stage News:

K-2 Party Day Reminder: Students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2, as well as Family Class students in the same years, will be going to the movies and to Spencer Park for a picnic lunch for their party day.

Please review the excursion details and pay promptly before the 18th of November. **No extension for payment will be possible.**

Stage 2 and 3 Party Day Reminder: Our end of year excursion to Magic Mountain is confirmed and has been published to Compass Events, please review the excursion details and pay promptly before the 18th of November. **No extension for payment will be possible.**

Year 6 Hoodies and Shirts 2026 Reminder: If not already done so, please place your order before the 18th of November. **No extension to the ordering timeline will be possible.**

Please note: The Year 6 polos and hoodies are purchased from a different supplier than the regular Merimbula PS school uniform, so if in doubt order the bigger size. We have some samples in the administration office, for students to look at for sizing if required.

Year 5 Camp Reminder: Students are to be walked into school and dropped off by 6.45am to the Jackson Hall door. *Please do not park in the bus bay at drop off/pick up, or there will be nowhere for the bus to pull in.* The full pack list and camp itinerary is attached for reference.

Stage 3 Raiders League Tag Gala Day:

Stage 3 students have been given the opportunity to attend a mixed Raiders League Tag Gala Day on November 27. This event is a fun, inclusive, 7-a-side non-competitive day for students of all abilities to participate and enjoy. Students not attending will remain at school on the day. If your child would like to attend, please provide consent and pay before Sunday, November 16.

SAVE THE DATE! 2025 Graduation/Presentation Assemblies:

We are pleased to announce the schedule for our Graduation and Presentation Day assemblies. These special events celebrate the hard work and achievements of our students, and families are warmly welcome to join us in the Jackson Hall at Merimbula Public School.

The roll of honour will be shared closer to the date.

Assembly Dates and Times:

- Kindergarten: Tuesday, 9 December, 2.00–2.55pm
- Year 6: Wednesday, 10 December, 1.30–2.55pm
- Years 3 and 4: Thursday, 11 December, 2.00–2.55pm
- Years 1 and 2: Tuesday, 16 December, 2.00–2.55pm
- Year 5: Wednesday, 17 December, 1.30–2.55pm



Raising Kids in a Digital World Seminar:

Join us for an engaging night of information and discussion about how to keep our kids safe in an increasingly digital landscape.

The team from Inform & Empower bring a mix of expertise and passion to help schools confidently navigate the online world.

This event is open to all Bega Valley parents, carers and educators of children up to Year 6, and due to the nature of the content being discussed, this is strictly an adults only event.

A donation on entry is appreciated, and will allow us to continue holding these important events for our community!

📅 Date: Tuesday 18th November 2025

Time: 6:00pm for a 6:30pm start - the presentation runs for approximately 90 minutes so the evening should be wrapped up by 8:30pm



RAISING KIDS IN A DIGITAL WORLD

A SEMINAR FOR PARENTS & CARERS

Tuesday 18th November 2025
6:00pm–8:30pm
Club Sapphire, Merimbula



Join the experts from Inform & Empower to learn how to help your child safely navigate the online world, from gaming and social media, to screen time, privacy, and tricky online situations.



Who's it for?
Parents, carers and educators of children up to Year 6 in the Bega Valley and surrounding areas
Due to the nature of the topics to be discussed, this is an adults only event.

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