

MIRIAM VALE STATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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DATE CLAIMERS

TERM 3

SEPTEMBER - WEEK 10

Fri 18th Last Day of Term 3

TERM 4

OCTOBER - WEEK 1

Mon 5th PUBLIC HOLIDAY – King's Birthday

Tues 6th First Day of Term 4

Fri 9th Jake's Candy Delivery Day

OCTOBER - WEEK 3

Mon 19th to Year 9/10 Soaring Learner Camp

Thurs 22nd to Maroochydore, Sunshine Coast

OCTOBER - WEEK 4

Wed 28th 2027 Kindy Parent Meeting @ 10am

Thurs 29th SUBWAY DAY

Thurs 29th Bandanna Day

NOVEMBER - WEEK 8

Thurs 26th SUBWAY DAY

Thurs 26th Year 10 Graduation Dinner

Fri 27th Year 10's Last Day

DECEMBER - WEEK 9

Thurs 3rd MVSS Awards Night

DECEMBER - WEEK 10

Fri 11th Last Day of Term 4

AWARDS



Week 9 Students of the Week



Week 9 Attendance

SPROUTS 97%

**Term 4
School Resumes
Tuesday 6th October**



WEEK 10, TERM 3 2026

I want to start this week's Newsletter by thanking our students and families for a wonderful Term 3. We are grateful for the support we receive, and I am proud of the growth of our students this semester.

READING

One of the reading checks we at Miriam Vale State School use is DIBELS- ***DIBELS is an evidence-based reading assessment system.*** In Term 4 we will have a targeted literacy lesson each Tuesday. The grouping will be based on DIBEL data collected so we can focus on areas of need in reading.

DIBELS stands for:

- **D**ynamic
- **I**ndicators of
- **B**asic **E**arly **L**iteracy **S**kills

What it isn't...

- A program to fix areas of concern for reading.
- Another literacy test with no meaning.
- A useless tool.

What it is...

- A whole of school system to track all students and identify risk.
- A tool to show what type support is needed - targeted, intervention, further testing.
- Monitor if programs or instruction is effective
- Targets tiered level literacy support for students from Prep to Year 8.

This checking system allows us to monitor students as year levels and as individuals. DIBELS also helps us assess teaching, programs and curriculum across year levels so will inform the schools and staff next steps, support and targeted intervention for students.

KEEP A WATCH ON OUR SCHOOL THESE HOLIDAYS

Please look out for after hours crime in our school. If you see anything suspicious, please remember to call the **School Watch Number – 13 17 88** and let the local police deal with the matter. By keeping an eye out, we can work together to create a safer school community and help to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in our community. Thank you 😊

UNIFORMS

At the start and end of each term, we always need to remind our students of how important it is to wear their uniform with pride, and in a way that reflects positively on the school. School uniforms bring a sense of routine to every day and allows students to feel the connectivity of the school.



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Expression of Interest – Relief Schools Officer – MIRIAM VALE STATE SCHOOL

MIRIAM VALE STATE SCHOOL is seeking Expressions of Interest for a **Schools Officer – Grounds and Facilities** relief position for 4 weeks of **Term 4, 2026**, with a view to possible extension into 2027.

The successful applicant will assist with the **general maintenance, grounds, facilities and upkeep of the school**, helping to ensure our school environment is safe, functional and well presented.

Key responsibilities will include:

- General grounds and garden maintenance
- Basic maintenance and repairs
- Assisting with facilities and equipment
- Supporting the school's health, safety and maintenance requirements
- Other duties as directed by the Principal or Business Manager

We are looking for someone who is **reliable, practical, proactive and able to work effectively both independently and as part of a team.**

Interested applicants must have a current Working with Children (Blue Card) and submit to a Police Background Check.

Please submit resume and letter of introduction to admin@miriamvales.eq.edu.au BY Friday 9th October 2026.

PRIMARY FRUIT BREAK

FRUIT BREAK

Primary Classes have a Fruit Break every morning at 10am.

Please ensure you send a piece of fruit with your child every day.





SUPERKIDS KINDY 2027

IF YOUR CHILD WILL BE 4 BY JUNE 30TH 2027,
THEY ARE READY FOR KINDY NEXT YEAR!

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION AND PLAYGROUP MORNING

WEDNESDAY 28TH OCTOBER
10AM IN THE SUPERKIDS
CLASSROOM

Take off with the
SUPERKIDS!



PARENT MEETING AT 10AM
WHILE THE LITTLES PLAY.



JOIN US FOR PLAYGROUP AT
9.30AM.



PBL – COSMIC AWARDS

Students receive their Cosmic Award \$10 Vouchers on parade Tuesday.

These vouchers can be used at local businesses in Miriam Vale or **they can use it when ordering their SUBWAY** (check the back of the Cosmic Award).

Our Cosmic Award recognises students who have received **10 or more Star Cards** for displaying our school expectations of being **Safe, Responsible & Respectful** both in and outside the classroom.

Congratulations to all students who received their COSMIC Awards on parade Tuesday.



STUDENT COUNCIL --- 2026 SUBWAY

SUBWAY - EAT FRESH SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM



TERM 4

Thursday 29th October
&
Thursday 26th November



Students who are drawn out on weekly parade for **"Star Student of the Week"** for Primary & Secondary will receive a **Voucher from SUBWAY** which entitles them to a 6 Inch Sub of their choice.

Thank you Tannum Sands Subway for sponsoring 'The Star Student of the Week'!!!

Tannum Sands Subway @ Tannum Sands Central Shopping Centre also give the School \$1 for every order that is ordered and is delivered free to the school.



WEEK 10 | ENJOYING THE HOLIDAYS SAFELY

FOCUS: HOLIDAY WELLBEING AND SAFETY

The holidays are a time to rest, have fun and reconnect. Young people still need clear plans for water, roads, online spaces, transport and time away from home.

Try this at home: make a simple check-in plan. Agree on where your child will be, who they will be with, when they will contact you and what they should do if they feel unsafe.

Keep a few basic routines in place, such as regular sleep, meals, movement and time away from screens. Younger children need active adult supervision. Older students still need clear limits and a trusted adult they can call.

We wish every family a safe and enjoyable holiday.

8 DOMAINS OF LEARNING NEEDS



Use these eight domains to identify where a student's learning barrier actually lives. When we locate the domain under strain, we can match the right support—and remove the right barrier.

1		ACADEMIC SKILLS	Weak decoding, spelling, or math fluency may signal foundational skill gaps. Reading research shows that reducing decoding load improves comprehension for struggling readers (Perfetti; Seidenberg).
2		ATTENTION & EXECUTIVE FUNCTION	Working memory, task initiation, cognitive flexibility, and organization challenges affect a student's ability to follow directions, start work, shift tasks, and manage materials (Diamond, 2013; Barkley).
3		PROCESSING SPEED	Slow retrieval and response speed make it harder for students to keep up with verbal directions, transitions, and fast-paced tasks. When pace exceeds the brain's processing capacity, accuracy drops and overwhelm increases (Kail, 1991; Diamond, 2013).
4		LANGUAGE	Slow output or difficulty keeping pace can reflect processing-speed limits, not motivation (Kail).
5		SOCIAL COMMUNICATION	Difficulty reading cues or initiating communication is linked to communication-profile needs, not behavior (Prizant).
6		SENSORY NEEDS	Noise, lights, movement, and tactile overload affect engagement and attention (Dunn).
7		EMOTIONAL & BEHAVIOURAL REGULATION	Anxiety, frustration, or shutdown reflect regulation demands exceeding capacity (Brackett; Perry & Szabolvitz).
8		PHYSICAL & MEDICAL	Health conditions, fatigue, medication effects, pain, or nutritional needs can directly affect attention, stamina, behavior, and learning access.



SUPPORT STARTS WITH UNDERSTANDING THE NEED.



Look for the need behind the behaviour.



Match support to the domain under strain.



Remove the barrier—grow the learner.

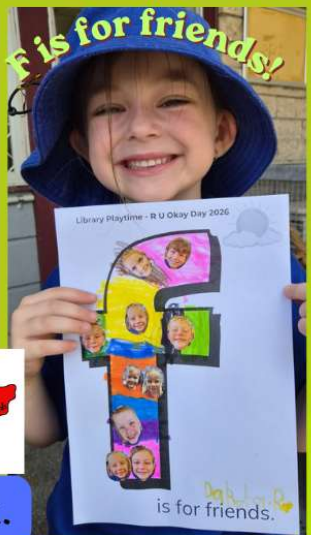


Every learner can grow with the right support.

R U OKAY DAY

LIBRARY PLAYTIME

Thankyou Sandra for a wonderful LIBRARY PLAYTIME last week! Sooooo SUPER to be able to play with all our playgroup friends, including LOTS of little GREEN SHIRTS getting ready to be big Kindy kids next year.



CONNECTEDNESS
Building positive
relationships.

IDENTITY

Building a sense of security and trust.

What is 'R U Okay DAY' learning

all about when you are a

SUPERKID?

friends



It's learning about the QUALITIES of a GOOD FRIEND.

I accept and respect
people's decisions
about themselves.

I include
people.

I use kind
words.

I listen to
what my
friends say.

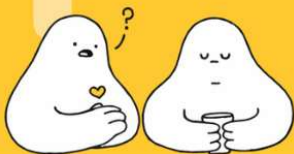
I say sorry
when I need
to.

I can play
other people's
ideas.

I play nicely.

I share.

I use a kind
face.



Ask R U OK?

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Listen

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Encourage
action

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Check in

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

GARAGE SALE

SATURDAY 26th SEPTEMBER ----- 8am to 3pm

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**4PM
SATURDAY
19
SEPTEMBER**

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***The Librarian*, coming to GECC at 4pm on Saturday, 19 September.**

It's a funny and imaginative circus adventure for children aged 5–12 and their adults, combining clowning, physical theatre, acrobatics, juggling and plenty of playful storytelling. The show runs for 50 minutes, and tickets are only \$15 per person, making it a lovely way for families to begin the school holidays together.

Tickets and further information are available here:

[The Librarian – information and bookings](#)



19 Sept - 4 Oct
www.gladstone.qld.gov.au

DON'T MISS OUT!!!

FREE GOLFING CLINIC

Will be held at

MIRIAM VALE GOLF CLUB INC.

Sunday 4th October 2026

9.30a.m. to 11.00 a.m.

With PGA Professional Bill Webb

Open to Members and Social Players

Here is your opportunity to

"Have a go at golf"

All Welcome!



***For further information or to register an interest
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