



Menindee Central School

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Term 4 □ Week 6

25th November 2009

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Above: Our students out the front of the Old Parliament House.

Right: Our 2009 Captains Pearl and Matt in front of Parliament

Remember SRC Disco
Thursday at 6pm



Principal's Report

Today we have had the visit of the Director General of Education Mr Michael Coutts Trotter with us as a special guest for our assembly. This was a great honour. I am sure that he left with many happy memories of our school.

As well over today and tomorrow we will have another special person by the name of Paul Knight who is the NSW representative of Covenant Australia. This organisation was set up to guarantee 50,000 Indigenous jobs. He will be here as the schools guest as we explore the potential of the Enterprise Park as part of a job and training setting.

It was good to see so many tired but happy and safe students return for the NSW Public School Spectacular in Sydney. The performance that they witnessed was fantastic and will be broadcast on the ABC prior to Christmas on a Sunday night. I hope that you might tune to enjoy it too. Thanks to Vanessa, Jen and Daniel for their supervision of

the students.

Today our Year 12 students touched down after their New Zealand venture. From what I have heard they have thoroughly enjoyed their experience and rewarded for the hard work that they done with Kindergarten through their year and exceeded our school expectation that they achieve 85% or better for attendance, participation and study. They will be back in Menindee tomorrow.

The season of special events are about to begin.

Friday we have the Year 10 Formal, our Presentation Night next Wednesday evening and finally our Year 12 Farewell the Friday after.

Just a reminder that school will close on Wednesday, 16th November.

Brian Debus

Level Movements

Level 5 Gold: Naomi Vili, Deanne Pinal and Kirsty Pinal

Assembly Certificates

Term 4 Week 7 Assembly Certificates

Hannah Campbell, Dylan Nimmo, Braydan Barnes, Tea Symonds, Brendan Shephard, Lily Symonds, Keenan Cahill, Kyle Mitchell, Dana Newman, Leonie Nolan, Jak Sloane,



Extra special guest at this weeks assembly: The Director General of NSW Department of Education and Training Michael Coutts Trotter

Active After School Program

Hi Folks,

The pool is now open so we will be going to the pool for the Active After School Program weather permitting. Please remember to bring your bathers and towel for a fun, enjoyable afternoon of activity.

Please remember that we need permission notes before the kids can go to the pool.

Remember the more participants we have, the more fun.

Important!

Students should not be at school before 8:30am.

There is NO teacher SUPERVISION before 8:30am.

This notice is for your children's safety.


The last Primary assembly for this year will be held at 10am on Tuesday the 8th of November

School Diary

Wednesday 02/12/09	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swim School K-6
Thursday 03/12/09	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swim School K-6 SRC Disco
Friday 04/12/09	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swim School K-6 Year 10 Formal, Civic Hall
Monday 06/12/09	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swim School K-6
Tuesday 07/12/09	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swim School K-6

Menindee Charities

Winner of the recent raffle was ticket number 2779 (John & Annette). Our thanks to all who patronised our Xmas Fair. A very special thank you to Santa who made the long trip. Remember when shopping at our Op Shop you are also helping your local Health Service. Santa photos are available Wednesday 2/12/09 at Op Shop. Shop will close 23rd December for a short break. It will reopen on 4th January. Merry Christmas to all! Menindee Charities

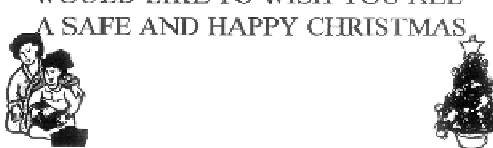


Christmas Toy Distribution

For children 11 years and under
Please call into the Menindee Transaction Centre to fill in the Registration Form

Names need to be in by
8 December 2009

THE STAFF AT LIFELINE
WOULD LIKE TO WISH YOU ALL
A SAFE AND HAPPY CHRISTMAS



Dear Parent/Caregivers

The Morgan Street School Dental team have now finished their school visits for 2009, however the Morgan Street School Dental Clinic in Broken Hill, will be open over the School Holidays. If you do require an appointment please phone 08 8088 2120.

Wishing everyone a safe & happy Christmas

Cheers,

Megan
Senior Dental Therapist





Congratulations to Matt, Nicole, Emma, Simon, Pearl, Felicia and Codie on the completion of 13 years education.

Year 12 Graduation Dinner

Friday 11th December

6pm in the School Hall

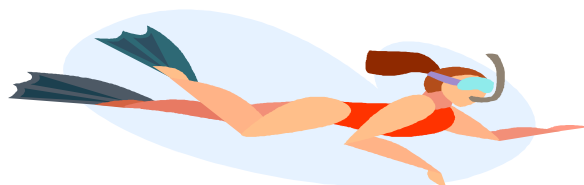
\$20.00 per head and tickets can be purchased from the front office before Monday 6th December.

Swimming School

Students in years 2-7 are invited to take part in the School Swimming Scheme again this year.

This is a great opportunity for your child to receive swimming and water safety instruction. The program runs for 10 days starting on Monday 30th November and running through to Friday 11th December.

If you would like your child to take part in the program please return the permission note attached to the back of the school news by Friday 20th November.



Classified Ads

All submissions for the school news are to be in by Tuesday 1pm. A written copy can be left at the school/Post Office addressed to 'SCHOOL NEWS'. Your advert must have your name, address, phone number and signature—this same limit applies to teachers. Every endeavour will be made to print all submitted articles; however, due to a 'space limit' some articles may have to be held over or reduced to suit our requirements.

Advertising costs are: \$4.40 (basic advert), \$11.00 (quarter page), \$22.00 (half page) and \$44.00 (full page) per week.

Payment is required when placing advert.

PLEASE REMEMBER: IF SELLING A CAR OR MOTORBIKE YOU MUST INCLUDE THE REGISTRATION NUMBER OR ENGINE NUMBER. Adverts without the above information will NOT be included, phone 80 914 409.

Luckyball: 30th November, 6-9-12-13-14-18, No winner. Jackpot \$789.00. Pick numbers 1-19.

For Sale: large fridge in good condition. Printer for computer, near new. Cowboy's pool stick in the case. Dart board with Cowboy's darts. Phone Kathy 0488 161 377.

MENINDEE C.D.E.P.

Summit Employment & Training

- Assistance with community projects
- Program co-ordination to enhance the future of Menindee
- Vacancies for interested persons

Call in and see

Trevor Johnstone,
33 Menindee Street
Menindee, or phone

0418 761 612

Canberra Excursion 2009

Hello Menindee! Sorry this is a bit late, better late than never! Had a great time with the year 11 and 12 students in Canberra. Had a few sooky kids but overall it was a very good trip. There were many highlights including Old Parliament House, Parliament House, Australian War Memorial, Telstra (for the kids on the excursion 'Optus') Tower, National Film and Sound Archives, National Museum, Australian Institute of Sports, Electoral Education Centre and heaps more!

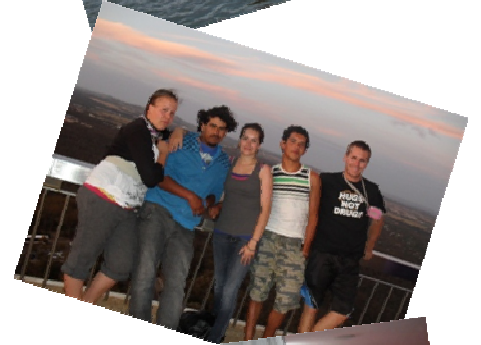
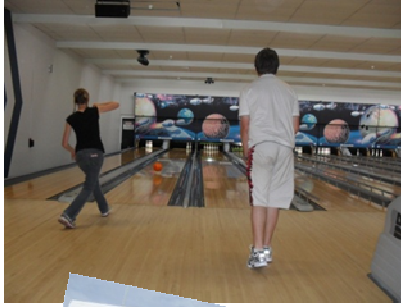
My favourite part was just having a good laugh with the kids. Especially kayaking when Pearl, Kevin and Jeda absolutely soaked me with water.... Just remember, I'll get you back when you least expect it!

Ice skating was also a lot of fun. Matt Faeamani showed us all how it was done as I think he was the only one who didn't fall.

I'd like to thank all the kids for their respect and tolerance with me. It was a very full on trip and we were all tired and a bit grumpy by the end! I'd also like to thank Roy, Don and Pam for their support. Without you the trip could never have happened.

I'd also like to acknowledge the government as we were eligible for a PACER rebate of \$60 per student!

Looking forward to the next trip in 2011!



LAKE BED ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY COMMUNITY MEETING 3

A meeting will be held to discuss the draft report and draft GIS maps for the lakebed archaeological survey undertaken by Dan Witter and community field advisors.

When : 10 am Thursday 3rd December

Where : Menindee Local Aboriginal Land Council

Who : The Menindee Paakantji Elders; and also all interested Menindee community members are welcome; and agency representatives (State Water, National Parks, DECCW and CMA).

Sarah Martin will be representing Dan Witter of Witter Archaeology.

Meet at the Menindee LALC office at 10 am, morning tea provided

PLANT HIRE



CENTRAL DARLINGS SHIRE COUNCIL

CONSTITUTED 1 MAY 2009

Contractors are advised that the 2010 Plant Registration Documents for the hire of works machinery are now available from Council.

To obtain a copy of the documents, please contact Miss Joyanne Williams, Engineering Secretary on (08) 8083 8800. The Registration Forms will be received no later than 3pm on Friday 18th December 2009.

PO Box 165
WILCANNIA NSW 2836

Tim Hazell
General Manager

Have you borrowed equipment from the nursing service?



Any persons that have borrowed equipment from the nursing service please return it. We need to have our equipment serviced and replaced if the equipment is too old. It is much appreciated if you could return these items as soon as possible. The main items we are seeking are crutches and nebulisers.

*Thank You
Menindee Nursing Service*



PRESS RELEASE

White Cliffs receives High Commendation at recent 2009 Tidy Towns Awards

At the recent Tidy Towns awards ceremony in Tamworth, White Cliffs and Tibooburra received high commendations, the Mayor Ray Longfellow and Deputy Mayor Graham Wellings attended the event and both came away very impressed saying "we didn't expect to see so many people, this is a big event!"

For the first time Central Darling Shire towns entered the Tidy Towns awards. The Mayor Ray Longfellow said "our shire is starting to get involved with a lot more things that give us exposure, we saw Tidy Towns as a way to highlight the fact not only to visitors but to locals that we as residents have a lot to be proud of out here" he further said "it was a big step for some towns, some people said we weren't ready but really when are we ready? By going through the process of having the tidy towns inspectors come through each town, we now have a written report of how to improve the appearance and make our towns more attractive, and be more waste and water wise"

The Mayor said "the shire intends to enter each of towns and villages next year and we are encouraging any locals that want to assist to contact the shire office"

For more information please call the shire 08 8083 8900.

For Sale

Yamaha Generator.
1 KVA, in good condition

Phone: 8091 4514

Girls Night In

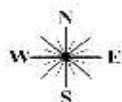
I would like to thank the following people who helped make my night a success.

Billy-Jo, Tracey, Petrina, Mum, Dimity, Codi Mitchell, Sam, Drew, Anthony, Deena Lomnardo, Judy Campbell, McLeods Traditional, Wayne Nimmo, Albermarle Hotel, Red Sands and Maidens Hotel for their donations. Daniel Muscat for his continued support for the last 2 years.

Thanks to all the ladies who attended my house for a night of racing. A total of \$1370.00 was raised for womens cancer!.

Thank You!

Jo-anne



CENTRAL DARLING SHIRE COUNCIL

Constituted 1 May 1959

PUBLIC NOTICE

Please be advised that ALL Shire Offices (White Cliffs, Menindee, Wilcannia & Ivanhoe) will be closed due to the Union Picnic Day on Monday 7th December 2009.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

Tim Hazell
GENERAL MANAGER

Grape Exchange Farming □ Position Vacant

Cartmen and Shed Hands

Grape Exchange Farming has positions available for the upcoming harvest for Shed hands and Cartmen. Commencement will be mid December.

Shed hands duties include loading boxes onto conveyor system, quality inspection of boxes, palleting of boxes, operating of cool rooms, operation of forklifts and pallet movers and loading of trucks.

Cartmen duties include operation of tractors, placement and collection of empty boxes and collection of 10KG boxes from the vineyard.

Selection Criteria:

- Ability to carry out physically demanding work
- Ability to work in harsh climatic conditions (hot)
- Ability to operate a tractor with trailer
- Previous experience in table grape harvest would be an advantage
- Forklift licence is desirable
- Both positions will involve constant manual work and extended hours of work which may also be seven days per week for up to five weeks.

Grape Exchange Farming is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Wage negotiable depending on qualifications and experience

Contact 08 8091 4342 to be placed on eligibility list.

Grape Exchange Farming □ Position Vacant

Technical Assistant

Grape Exchange Farming has a casual position available for a Technical Assistant. Hours will vary dependent on workload.

Duties include collection of leaf, petiole and berry samples. Operation of basic scientific equipment (including SAP meters, Merck Meter and Refractometer) and collating Data.

Selection Criteria:

- Ability to carry out physical work
- Drivers licence
- Ability to operate basic scientific equipment
- Ability to maintain standards of operating procedure
- Attention to detail
- Previous Experience in test brix and sugar to acid ratios would be an advantage

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Contact Richard Unsworth 08 8091 4342. Expressions of Interest close on Friday 4th December 2009.