



# Menindee Central School

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Term 3 —Week 9

15th September 2010

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Students  
enjoying  
recess



## Principal Report

*This week NAPLAN results have been posted out. Results have been obtained from testing in Y3, Y5, Y7 and Y9.*

*Our results are encouraging. Whilst we have our results only since late Friday afternoon and we have not had an in-depth study of them we are confident that we are moving forward and upwards.*

*It is now the school job to analyse this information together with many aspects of our schools life to put into train improvements. This is an annual task and we are working very hard to achieve this as quickly as possible.*

*It was good to see so many parents at our assembly last week to welcome our Deputy Principal, Darryl and his wife were welcomed to the school with a dinner on Friday night and spent the time available meeting members of the community at every opportunity. I have high hopes for next term.*

*We also had the opportunity one of two next TAS teachers who has applied to our school. Peter appeared to be a friendly and competent person who will catch up for the time we have not had a trained TAS teacher. I must pay tribute to other teachers who have had to step in and take the classes in their area. Incidentally Daryl our new Deputy Principal comes from this area as well.*

*With Daryl's expertise my discussions with Dennis Scott will be more meaningful as we work towards providing a better delivery of TAFE services to Menindee.*

*This week will also be busy. James Ladwig will be here to continue his work in the Quality Teaching are working with and observing teachers through the week in the classroom.*

*Senior students will be out of the school on work placement. Thanks to Vicky for the work she does to ensure suitable places are found and to ensure supervision and meeting any problems as the arise.*

*Students will also be travelling tomorrow and for the rest of the week to Bendigo to take part in the VIBE program. This allows indigenous youth to gather and to be inspired for careers later in life as well as giving them opportunities to grow and perform. Jarred, Georgia and Cheryl will be travelling with them.*

*All of our SASS staff will be out at a two day conference in Broken Hill. This is an important training opportunity and to allow them to discuss problems and solutions with their colleagues.*

*I have a quick trip to Sydney to take part with 46 other schools discussions on the implementation of the Devolution program that our school is trialling.*



Brian Debus

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## School Diary

<b>Mondays</b>	<b>Adult Computer Class</b>
<b>Tuesdays</b>	<b>Active After School Program</b>
<b>Wednesdays</b>	<b>Active After School Program</b>
<b>Thursdays</b>	<b>Sport, Lifestyle and Rec Adult class—starts at 6pm.</b>

## Level Movements

Over the past week the following students have moved up a level.

### Level 5 Silver

Kade Fennel:

### Level 5:

Karina Philp; Pamela Philp:

**Congratulations to all these students**

## Assembly Certificates

*The following students received certificates at last Friday's Assembly :*

Mali Kelly, Riley Barnes, Robbie Breton, Karina Philp, Vika Pagano, Amy Walters, Marley Darrigo, Adam Hughes, Braydan Barnes, Hazel Roe, Telicia Briar, Michael Miller, Joseph Newman, William Briar, Hannah Campbell, Richard Doyle and Ashley Cicak.

*Great effort to all these students.*



Year 12 Student/Caregiver Welcome to the HSC Information Meeting

**Tuesday September 21st from 6-7:30)**

This meeting is for the current year 11 students continuing on to year 12 next term and their caregivers. Topics will include:

- The Wilvandee Wiki
- Attendance Policy
- Assessment Procedures
- Student Protocols
- Homework Expectations
- Study Periods
- N-Determinations
- Board of Studies
- Strengths and weaknesses of the Prelim

If you have any questions or concerns please come prepared to discuss them at the meeting.

## PT Room Statistics Term 3 2009

Week	Learning	Respect	Safety	Suspension
8	1	2	-	-

## Term 3 2010

Week	Learning	Respect	Safety	Suspension
8	4	5	4	1

**FUN RUN**....*can students please return their monies to school by this Friday so that prizes can be arranged and given out to students before the school holidays.*

*Thank you.*



## Become a Burke and Wills Botanist.

Mali Moir and a group of friends of the Royal Botanic Gardens will be in town to try to find specimens of plants that Burke and Wills collected in 1860.

These specimens will be collected, scientifically identified, pressed and then sketched or painted. All of our specimens will be donated to the National Herbarium (Victoria) and the NSW Herbarium.

### What!



Join Mali and see how to collect, identify and press plants for scientific use.

See how to sketch them accurately so they are a record for botanists in the future. (So important!)

Mali loves it and would love to show you what she does.

Come and join Mali for a 2 hr workshop.

You will also be able to watch botanic artists at work and look through microscopes to identify plant parts.

When: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2pm – 4pm

Where: Menindee Central School

Cost: Priceless! (But free for you)



Please contact Lynne at Menindee Central. Numbers limited. First in best dressed.

### *Learn what Botanic Artists do.*

It is a good opportunity for the kids especially to see how scientists / scientific artists work. We are happy to have adults or kids attend and we have a list of the plants that Beckler collected and the longitude and latitude so we will be going to the same spots!

(Beckler studied medicine at the University of Munich. He graduated in 1855 left Hamburg on 30 September 1855 on the *Johann Cesar Godeffroy*. He arrived at Moreton Bay on 2 February 1856 and then lived variously in Ipswich, Brisbane, Tenterfield and Warwick. An old professor from Munich put him in touch with Mueller and Neumayer. In January 1859, Beckler was working at the Melbourne Hospital.

On the recommendation of a work colleague at the Melbourne Hospital, Dr William Gilbee (a member of the Exploration Committee of the Royal Society of Victoria), he was appointed to the VEE at an Ordinary meeting of the Exploration Committee held on Friday, 13 July 1860, as Scientific Observers' Botanical Observer on a salary of £300 p.a.

He resigned at Menindie between the 14th and 21st October 1860 but waited for replacement. After leaving the VEE he appeared at the Commission of Enquiry and then sailed to Germany. He died in 1914.

(Taken from [www.burkeandwills.net.au](http://www.burkeandwills.net.au) )



## VIBE ALIVE \$5.00 LUCKY SQUARE

Winning ticket number 52, Blister Blore was drawn by Rena Lombardo at the school on Monday 13th September 2010. Thanks everyone who brought a ticket.

A BIG THANKYOU TO RENA FOR HELPING TO SELL THE REST OF THE TICKETS.



Ladies come along to a great night out...

Date: 6<sup>th</sup> October 2010

Where: Community Centre,  
Menindee

Time: 7:30pm

Indulge yourself and learn an easy way of decorating cards - its lots of fun.  
We will have the privilege of listening to Gail Teale-Sinclair speak - one of the Christ Church Blacktown team members.  
There will be a great supper.  
Hope to see you there!

## Art work by Cameron Philp and Robbie Brereton



Robbie, Cameron and Michael working on sculptures



## **MENINDEE LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL**

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YARTLA STREET, P.O. BOX 47 MENINDEE, NSW 2879  
Telephone 08 80914541 Facsimile 08 80914500

### **ORDINARY MEETING NOTICE**

**Notice is hereby given of an Ordinary Meeting of the Menindee LALC**

**Date: Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2010**

**Time: 4.30pm**

**Place: Menindee LALC**

**Agenda:**

- 1 Meeting Open**
- 2 Welcome to Country/Minute Silence**
- 3 Apologies**
- 4 Previous Minutes/ Business Arising**
- 5 Correspondence In/Out**
- 6 Financial Report**
- 7 CEO Report**
- 8 General Business**
- 9 Date for next Meeting**
- 10 Meeting Closed**

**Authorised by Noeline Ferguson acting CEO MLALC**

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abn 14 372 566 732

## What's on Around Town

<i>Friday 17th September</i>	Footy Colours Night - Maidens Hotel - 7pm
<i>Sunday 19th September</i>	Town meeting — Civic Hall 11 AM
<i>Tuesday 21st September</i>	Welcome to the HSC Meeting 6pm—7.30pm
<i>Friday 25th September</i>	Last day of term

**SCHOOL SPECTACULAR WILL BE ON AGAIN IN NOVEMBER...**

**What behaviour level are YOU on?**

**Level 5 Gold will be attending....Yr 4 and up...**

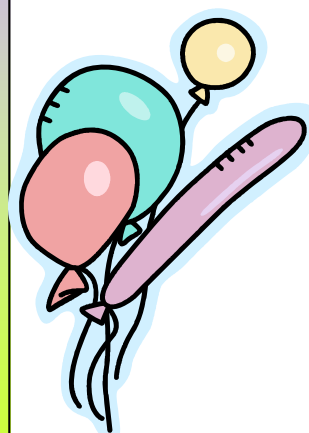
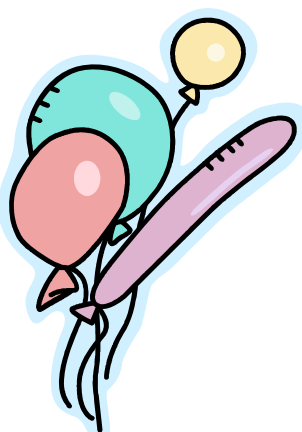


## This Weeks Birthdays



Georgia Sheppard  
Tim Harris  
Pamela Philp  
Shane Blore

We hope you all enjoy your birthday





**PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE SCHOOL NEWS DEADLINE FOR ADVERTISEMENTS IS TUESDAY AT 12PM.**

## **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.

**WANTED TO BUY:** 7 X 5 TRAILER. RING RON 80914143

**Lucky ball:** Drawn : 13/09/10 : 3;4;5;7;9;12: Jackpot: \$1856.00 No winner. Pick 1-14.

**CANCER FUND RAISER  
FOOTY COLOURS NIGHT  
FRIDAY 17TH SEPT  
MAIDENS HOTEL. 7PM**

**COME DRESSED IN YOUR  
FAVOURITE RUGBY LEAGUE,  
AUSSIE RULES AND  
SOCCER COLORS**

*Help raise money for cancer*

**TOWN MEETING  
SUNDAY 19TH SEPT  
11 AM  
CIVIC HALL  
COME ALONG  
AND HAVE YOUR SAY  
ALL WELCOME**

**CL LORRAINE LOONEY  
PH: 80914 282**

## **RECIPE OF THE WEEK**

### **Little apple cakes**

#### **Ingredients**

½lb. flour or 2 cups heaped  
1 teaspoon baking powder  
1 egg  
¼ cup sugar  
¼ lb. butter  
Stewed apples



#### **Method**

Mix flour, baking powder, sugar and butter.  
Add beaten egg. Mix well.  
Put pastry in patty tins, add stewed apples, and cover with more pastry.

HAPPY 15TH  
BIRTHDAY  
BRIDGET MARLOWE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

LOVE FROM

ALL OF YOUR  
FAMILY



## The Yarn Up Play Group



Come over to 'The Yarning Circle'  
at the Menindee Enterprise Park  
(near the school train). You can come for half  
an hour, an hour or the whole hour and a  
half.

You don't need to register, or come every  
week. Just turn up when you can.



Wednesday

Mornings:

9.00am-10.30am

## Kids Club 2010

Christ Church Blacktown Anglican from Sydney is  
visiting Menindee to hold a Kids Club in the school  
holidays.

**Date: October 5-8**

**Where: Community Centre  
Menindee**

**Time: 9.30am to 12.30pm**

It will be lots of fun. There will be games, craft and  
other activities to do during the morning.

**Wednesday night October 6 - 7.30pm**

Ladies night - Come along and learn how to make  
cards the quick and easy way.

**Friday night Family Fun Night - 6.00pm**

Free sausage sizzle.

For more information email Karen at

[krntuckwell@yahoo.com.au](mailto:krntuckwell@yahoo.com.au)

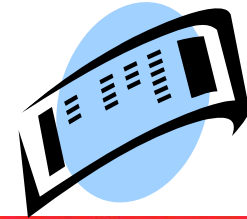


## Can we please have your Coles dockets?

The school has registered for the Coles Sport for Schools program.

When you shop at Coles, please keep your docket and send or bring them into school and place in the box in the front foyer. We will get \$1.00 for every \$10.00 spent in the store so this will be a great way to get new sporting equipment for our school. The program runs from 2<sup>nd</sup> September until 31<sup>st</sup> October so please bring your dockets in. Also if possible ask your friends and relatives for their dockets – they will be greatly appreciated.

Once again we thank you for your ongoing support.



**Central Darling Shire Council**

## Menindee Waste Depot – Changes to Opening Hours

Council has reviewed the operation of the Menindee Waste Depot and advises the following changes will occur.

- Longer opening hours on Saturday – New opening times from 1pm to 3pm; old opening times (9am to 12noon) to remain as well.
- Closed on Mondays

These changes will start on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2010. For further information please contact Council's Environmental Services Department on 08 80838900.

Tim Hazell  
GENERAL MANAGER

P.O. Box 165  
Wilcannia NSW 2836

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## POSITION VACANT CASUAL SWIMMING POOL ATTENDANT MENINDEE

Central Darling Shire Council is seeking to appoint a Casual Swimming Pool Attendant for the current swimming season.

Further information, including position description is available by telephoning the Environmental Services Administration Officer, Mrs Adelaide Elliott, (08) 8083 8900, or by email to [council@centraldarling.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@centraldarling.nsw.gov.au)

Written applications should be addressed to the General Manager, marked 'Confidential' and received by 4.00pm on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2010.


## Joke of the Week

What do you do when your tooth falls out?

Use Toothpaste.

## Points to Ponder

**Sept 16th 2006;** The largest school reunion involved 3,299 former pupils of Stadium High School, Tacoma, Washington USA.



## BODY BLISS

### MESSAGE & WAXING

*Pamper yourself, indulge and relax  
with a therapeutic massage*

**Bookings essential**

Phone Kris on 0429 029 906

**Gift Vouchers available**

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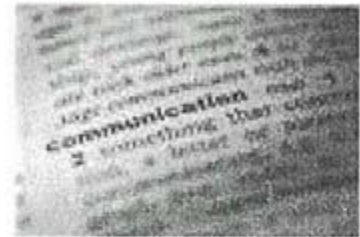
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## Building your child's vocabulary

**Early vocabulary knowledge consistently predicts children's later reading achievement.** So how do children build their vocabulary? Mostly, young children learn words from talking, talking, talking with parents, brothers and sisters and friends. You can also help children learn more words by using a variety of methods to develop their awareness of words. Always keep the learning of new words fun.



### Here are some ideas to use at home.

**Act out and illustrate words when you are reading aloud.** Children who know very few words enjoy sounds and actions as well as direct explanations of what a word means. Children with larger vocabularies often prefer to discuss the new word and its meaning.

**Read poetry and rhymes.** Look for collections of poems that appeal to children. Repeat them often so children learn them by heart. Make up nonsense verses when out in the car. Make it a game to find as many words as possible to rhyme with their names or other words they already know well.

**Use new words in new contexts.** Try to use a new word again in your conversations and discussions. Make using it as natural as possible. Say to your child, "This is the word we read last night. Remember?"

**Explain what a new word means.** Link it to other words they already know.

**Look at the letters and sounds in new words.** Make it a regular game when

reading together to say new words, sound them out and look at the letters and letter combinations.

**Choose a letter and everyone thinks of as many words as they can beginning with that letter.**

**Use family outings to point out words on signs and in shops.** Even young children can identify initial letters and guess what the word means. Ask them the names for things.

**Play word games but keep them short and move on when children lose interest.**

**Play with word associations.** You say a simple word like 'dog' and they have to reply with the first word that comes to mind. Then they say a word and you say the first word you think of. You can also play this game with rhymes.

**Look out for board games you can play that use words.**

Acknowledgement: "Vocabulary Practices in Prekindergarten and Kindergarten Classrooms" by Rebecca Silverman and Jennifer DiBara Crandell in *Reading Research Quarterly*, July/August/ September 2010