



# Menindee Central School

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Term 2 —Week 2

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## SHELLEY AND JESSE AT JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

### Principal's Report

As Bill Lawry said, "It's all happening!" Our classroom is underway and if they keep on task will be finished on the 29<sup>th</sup> June. Much has been written about the waste and extravagance of the program but from this early end of the journey it is very professional and looks good.

Friday was a great day with the Jump Rope for Heart event. This event has always been supported by the school pupils but just as importantly by you the parents and community. This money helps research to find answers to one of our greatest killer- heart disease. Well done to Anne Marie and teachers who organised the event.

This event was preceded by a workshop at which our police worked with students on strategies and road sense. We thank Jim, Jan and the other officers for their support.

The school wishes to express our condolences to the family affected by the tragedy that occurred on the Pooncarie Road over the weekend.

Congratulations to Amanda who has recently given birth of her daughter. Amanda was a police liaison officer and worked at the school prior to her new responsibilities. Our radio has at last started regular programming. Its only a small bite but it will grow. Thanks to Ann Marie and her work in getting it off the ground at last. To sustain it will be the test.



Congratulations to Colin Doyle (President), Jane McEwan (Vice President), Russell Shepherd (Vice President) Georgia Shepherd Secretary and Howard Seddon as Treasurer who were elected as Officer Bearers of the P&C. Thanks to all the other parents who turned up in force to be there. Many thanks are extended also to staff who were there to make sure that we have a significant P&C.

Brian Debus

Principal



## APISAI AT OUR BIKE DAY



## Jump Rope for Heart

Jump rope for Heart money and sponsorship forms are due this Friday 30th April at the latest.

Thanks

Georgia Shephard  
Jump Rope Coordinatort



## Country Womens Association

Winner of Easter Raffle

**Josie Barnes**

The association would like to thank all those who contributed.  
Special Thanks to:

**Plants Plus  
Big W**



## Learn about the law

FREE legal training  
day for Aboriginal  
workers and  
Aboriginal  
community  
members



### What you'll learn:

- A birds-eye view of the legal system
- Taking care of business – Wills, powers of attorney and guardianship
- Caring for kids in Aboriginal families – family law and care and protection
- Domestic violence and AVOs
- Victims compensation
- Where to go for legal help in your area

28 May 2010  
9.30am – 4.15pm

Broken Hill Community Inc.  
Blende Street Broken Hill  
Refreshments and lunch provided

### RSVP

Meg Kelly on 08 8088 2020  
megk@farwestclc.org.au

**Legal Aid**  
NEW SOUTH WALES

## Outback Rugby League



There Will be a Rugby League meeting in the School Library on this Friday 30th April at 3.30pm.

Ken Kennedy will be there to explain how the 2010 season will run, and he will also be there to answer any questions you have about the Outback Rugby League season 2010.

Fiona Kelly  
Secretary ( Menindee Yabbies)

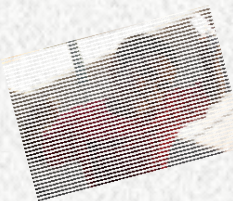
*Anybody interested in  
participating in an over 40's  
Deb Ball?*

*Please see: Fiona Kelly  
Tina Philp or Debra King*





# Jump Rope for Heart



## National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy 2010

### Letter to Parents

In May 2010 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 in all government and non-government schools. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy learning of students in all Australian schools.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement. Each student's level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student's right to privacy is maintained.

The tests will be conducted across Australia for all students from 11-13 May 2010.

TUESDAY 11 MAY	WEDNESDAY 12 MAY	THURSDAY 13 MAY
<b>Language Conventions</b> (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar)	<b>Reading</b>	<b>Numeracy</b> (Number; Algebra, function and pattern; Measurement, chance and data; and Space)
<b>Writing</b>		

In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors. In Years 7 and 9 there will be two Numeracy tests: one where a calculator is allowed and one where calculators are not to be used. For the calculator test, the student should use the calculator that they currently use at school.

**Friday 14 May** – A 'catch-up' day is scheduled for students who missed a test or were absent on a test day.

Students may be considered for exemption from the tests if they are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English, or if they have significant intellectual and/or functional disability.

All other students are expected to participate in the tests. Special provisions which reflect the student's normal level of support in the classroom will be provided for students by the school. Large print, Braille and Black and White versions of the test are available for students with vision impairment.

Access to special provisions and exemption from the tests must be discussed with your school's Learning Support Team and the school Principal, and a parent or carer consent form must be signed. Students may be withdrawn from the testing program by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents and carers in consultation with the Principal. If you wish to withdraw your child from the tests you must sign a parent or carer consent form. Consent forms are available at your school.

Please make an appointment with the Principal of the school your child attends if you would like further information about your child's participation in the National Assessment Program.

Additional information about NAPLAN can be found at:

<http://www.naplan.edu.au/parents/parents.html>  
<http://www.naplanforparentsns.w.com.au>



## CENTRAL DARLING SHIRE COUNCIL

Constituted 1 May 1959

### PUBLIC NOTICE

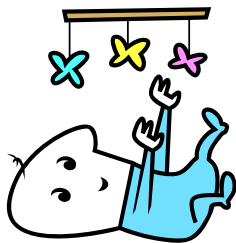
Please be advised that due to unforeseen circumstances the May 2010 meeting of the Central Darling Shire Council will now be held in the Wilcannia Customer Service Centre Meeting Room on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2010 commencing at 9am.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

**Tim Hazell**  
**GENERAL MANAGER**

# The Yarn Up Group

Wednesday  
mornings:  
9.00am>10.30am



**MEET NEW PEOPLE  
AND HAVE A CUPPA  
AND LET YOUR BABY  
PLAY.**

**Come along and  
have a yarn.**



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.

## Church Corner



Gather around at Ailsa's place every Tuesday from 7.30pm to sing with our new guitarist and learn new chorus's as we get together and share. All are welcome.

In the business of daily life remember God has a word just for you. Be still and let God be God in your life.  
- Psalm 46 verse 10

Move forward. You are as close to God as you want to be. The more you draw near to God the more he will draw near you  
- James Chapter 4 Verse 8

God wants to be close to you but he is a gentlemen, he waits for you and he wants you to have him in every area of your life. We could not want any more than the creator and sustainer of the world who wants to be close to us in our lives. The breakfast cereal 'Sustain' gives a great message of us giving strength staying with us and making us fit. Our God does this for each of us individually as we ask and also sustains the whole universe.



## Menindee Children's Centre News

The annual general meeting for our management committee will be held on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> April at 3.30pm (2<sup>nd</sup> week back at school) at the preschool. Everybody is very welcome and encouraged to come along. Without a full committee the centre cannot operate, so please give a small amount of your time to come along and support your community preschool.

Until Next Week  
Hayley D'Ettorre

**Canteen News**  
Zing Frozen Yoghurt fruit bars are  
no longer available.  
They are trying to source a similar  
item so will keep you posted.

## 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.

**Lucky ball:** Drawn 26/4/2010. Numbers 1-2-9-14-15-17. Jackpot: \$793.00. No winner. Pick 1-19.  
and Friday

5pm - 8pm

# Random *Student* Interview

Name: Leonie Nolan

Age: 13

Where is your favourite holiday destination?

I like to go to Perth to see my family.

Do you play any sports?

Yes i love hockey.

What is your favourite food?

Chocolate!

If you could be any other person in the world who would you be?

Tayla Newman.

What would you do with \$1,000,000?

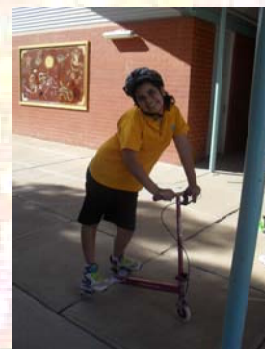
I would travel all around the world with Tayla.



## MARSHALL'S CARPET CLEANING

Marshall will be here between the 6th May  
and the 14th of May.

To make an appointment to have your  
carpet cleaned or for more information  
please contact Marshall on 0419 636 830



# Rip sticks, Bikes and scooters!!





## Chong's 10 Completely Useless Facts

- Caliginophobia is a fear of beautiful women.
- Retired tennis pro Evonne Goolagong's last name means "kangaroo's nose" in Aboriginal language.
- Indiana Jones - Raiders of the lost ark used 7,500 snakes and 50 tarantulas making the film.
- Donald Duck comics were once banned in Finland because he didn't wear pants.
- The largest school in the world is a K-12 school in the Philippines with an enrolment list of over 25,000 students.
- The Hoover dam was built to last 2,000 years. The concrete in it will not be cured for another 500 years.
- The average ice berg weighs 20,000,000 tonnes.
- The average lead penicil will write 50,000 words before running out of lead.
- A car operates at maximum economy (petrol wise) between 40 - 55km/hour.
- There are no clocks in any of the Las Vegas Casinos.

Keep your eye out next week for 10 more useless facts!!



### Joke of the Week

Q: What has 34 legs and 34 arms and can't climb a ladder?

A: The Melbourne Storm



### This Week's Birthdays



Jasmine Meehan turns 5



Emma Slater turns 18



# ANZAC DAY 2010

*Lest we forget*

