



# Menindee Central School

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Term 2 — Week 10

23rd June 2010

## NAIDOC WEEK

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#### Principal's Report

Last Friday was a great learning day for teachers. It is wonderful to have the technology at our finger tips but it's value comes with our ability to use it in a variety of ways to teach our students. A major focus on Friday was training in the use of the software One Note. This is installed on laptops being rolled out for students in Years 9 and 10. I am confident that all these students will be proficient in using this software by the end of this year.

Another positive feature of the day was that students from the SRC came in on their day off to cater for teachers. They organised a barbecue lunch which was served up on board Annie. They would have raised funds in excess of \$100. I congratulate them on providing a great lunch and for showing willingness to volunteer to do something extra.

I wish to remind all parents that there will be no staff development day at the beginning of next term. This day has been scheduled in early Term 4 after the Spring holidays. **School will resume on Monday, 19th July.**

This week is **NAIDOC Week**. We have already enjoyed a great movie *Bran Nue Dae*. I had been looking forward to it for so long and it was everything that I expected. Tomorrow night our Black Pride Night will be held. Our special guest will be Nerida Blair from the Australia Catholic University. Already we have doubled the numbers of participants from last year at this function.

At Black Pride night we will launch our book "Menindee Aboriginal Unsung Heroes" This features twelve of our citizens whom families have chosen to honour. The book was written in record time. It provides a glimpse of their rich lives. It is a book that will be treasured in the years to come.

Students from our middle school from Years 5 to 8 have been reading the book for the



THE KELLY FAMILY



OAKLEY



SHANNON

Connected classrooms that we are holding through the week. Our students are hosting sessions to meet one or two of our heroes each day. We are going live to Lindfield East which is a school on the North Shore of Sydney that does not have a single Aboriginal student attending. As well, we will go live to Mt Keira High. This is the school that Ralph Wilkinson comes from. Students from these schools will be able to ask questions during the half hour session.

Bob Morgan will be here this week. On Thursday we will be doing a workshop with him surrounding PLP's and Professor Nerida Blair.

Lastly don't forget the P&C Trivia night at the Albemarle. This will be a great night to help raise money for the musical instruments and equipment for our new music room. Please try and make up a team and support our new executive who are working so hard for our students.



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Principal

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### Reaching YOU "Out West" - Massage

"Relax and Rejuvenate"  
9:30am – 4:30pm  
Broken Hill Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> July  
Cobar Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> July

"Essence Qi Gong"  
6:00pm – 9:00pm  
Broken Hill Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> July  
Cobar Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> July

"Qi Gong Expanded"  
9:30am – 4:30pm  
Broken Hill Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> July  
Cobar Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> July

Contact us for details of programmes and to secure a place:

Pip Woodhouse 02 67618880 or email  
[pipjw@bigpond.net.au](mailto:pipjw@bigpond.net.au)  
Kerry Gurd 02 67669033

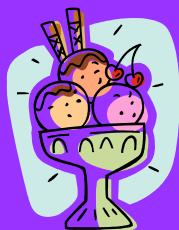
For more information there are brochures available at the school.

## Sundae Friday

VibeAlive performers will be selling Ice Cream Sundaes this Friday to support our trip to Bendigo.

Bring \$2.00 to purchase a chocolate, caramel or strawberry sundae.

YUMMY!!!



## Over 40's Deb Practice

Participants in The Over 40's Deb will practice this Sunday in the School Hall at 2.00pm.

Fiona Kelly  
Coordinator



## To all those who find Menindee 'Boring'

Last chance to enter Saturday's Trivia and Karaoke night. Make up a team of 5 or just turn up and we'll find you a team! \$5 per player. Great prizes!!!!

Don't miss out on a fun night.

Children must be supervised at all times.

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## What's on for the kids at Menindee Central School?



### Term 2 - Week 11 2010

#### Tuesday 29th June

9.30am - Immunisations

#### Wednesday 30th June

Whole School Athletics Carnival (All Day)

#### Thursday 1st July

Primary Rugby League Gala Day in Broken Hill  
(Bus Needed)

No Bus today

Jungle Jam Band "Outback Patrol" at 2pm - 2.40pm  
in the hall

#### Friday 2nd July

Broken Hill Careers and Courses Expo  
Bus Needed

## As the saying goes... 'The children are our future'

The Australian Government is looking to a brighter future. There is a shared vision that "all children will have the best start in life and we want your involvement to help plan and evaluate the changes to the preschool program and National rating system."

### We want you....to attend an information session about your child's education

A National Framework for early childhood and preschools has been created to ensure your child has the best start to life and we want your involvement to help plan and evaluate the changes to the preschool program and National rating system.

PaCE (Parental and Community Engagement) Programme supports indigenous families and communities to get involved in their child's education and learning experiences and aims to develop effective partnerships with schools.

PaCE is bringing workshops to discuss the changes and the agendas relating to children in rural and remote areas. **Get involved in your child's future...** All families are invited to attend this information session about the changes to your Preschool's regulations and education focus. Workshops will be conducted by Succeed Consultancy a specialised Children's Services Consultancy organisation.

The workshop will be held  
At: Menindee Children's Centre  
On: Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2010  
Time: 3.00pm

We Hope to see you there.

Educational Prize Packs!

Afternoon Tea supplied!

So come for a day of information and fun!

Succeed Consultancy

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W: [www.succeedconsultancy.com.au](http://www.succeedconsultancy.com.au)

### SPECIAL COMMUNITY MEETING

MCS invites you to attend a special community gathering to discuss the Menindee Parent And Community Engagement (PACE) Program.

This program is essentially designed to help parents and community members become more actively involved with schools and the education and development of their children.

Special guests are Dr Bob Morgan and Professor Nerida Blair will be attending.

This meeting will be held at the Menindee Enterprise Park at 4pm.

Hope to see you all there.

Cheryl Blore

### **Menindee Aboriginal Community Working Party**

**Next MACWP meeting will be held at the Menindee Enterprise Park at 4.30pm on Thursday the 24th June 2010.**

**Cheryl Johnstone  
Secretary**



**Happy Birthday to our number one son and brother Fiula. With love, hugs and kisses on your 3rd Birthday.**

**From Mummy Daddy and Shontaye xxx**



**Fiula Williams turns 3 on Thursday 24th June**

**To Our Beautiful Godson Fiula, Happy 3rd Birthday darling!**

**Love from Rena and Santo xx**

**To Fiula, Happy 3rd Birthday to a special little boy.**

**With Love from Nanna Maureen  
x**



# The Yarn Up Group



Wednesday  
Mornings:  
9.00am>10.30am

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.

Summit and Employment Training

Menindee CDEP

Pay your State Debt fines through Summit Employment

- Work on Community Projects
- Develop new skills
- Increase Employment prospects
- Work with a group of friends
- Ladies are more than welcome

Call and see Trevor Johnstone  
At the CDEP Centre in Menindee  
Street or phone 0418 761 612

## P & C ASSOCIATION



BBQ

TRIVIA NIGHT

KARAOKE



ALL AT THE ALBERMARLE HOTEL

SATURDAY 26TH JUNE

6PM - BBQ AT SMALL COST

7PM - TRIVIA NIGHT -5 TO A TABLE @ \$5 EACH  
TABLES NEED TO BE BOOKED BY TOMORROW

9PM - KARAOKE (DONATION REQUIRED)

FOR BOOKINGS  
CONTACT THE SCHOOL ON:  
80 914 409



OR THE ALBEMARLE ON:  
80914212



PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN OUT ALL NIGHT!!!

CHILDREN MUST BE UNDER ADULT  
SUPERVISION

## Christmas SHOPPING in JULY

Expressions of interest from persons who would like to travel by bus down to Mildura for a shopping spree during the July sales.

No deposit Lay-by now 'till Christmas at many larger stores.

Second bus trip to pick up lay-by's planned for later in the year

Depart Menindee approximately 7am

Return before dark

**\$50 PER SEAT**

Leave your name and contact details at the school.

## 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 21/6/2010. Numbers 1-7-11-12-13-17 Jackpot: \$1001.00. No winner. Pick 1-17.

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

### For Sale

Sony Vaio Notebook  
Model: Z505HS  
I am the 2<sup>nd</sup> owner, Has never failed me.  
Have upgraded this is why I'm selling.  
\$250.00. ono

See Prissy



## Pre School News

We have a very busy week this week with lots of activities happening at preschool to celebrate NAIDOC week. Today we had our Books in Home presentation and an open morning for families. Tomorrow we have K/1/2 visiting from the school to cook Johnny Cakes and complete art and craft activities and enjoy a yummy sausage sizzle. Lastly tomorrow (THURSDAY) at 3.00pm we have a parent information session running at the centre, we hope to see everybody come along.

We are once again running our State of Origin Raffle; the winner receives a NSW State of Origin Guernsey plus a great NSW pack which includes a hat, stubby holder, key ring plus more! Tickets are \$2.00 each and are available from the Maidens or Albemarle Hotels, preschool families or from the preschool. We appreciate your continued support and go the blues!

Until Next Week  
Hayley D'Ettorre  
Director



**STATE OF ORIGIN 2010**

  
 Menindee Children's Centre  
 is raffling  
**A NSW State of Origin  
 Guernsey & Pack**  
 (Hat, Stubby Holder, Key Ring • More)

Come along to the Maiden's Hotel or Albemarle Hotel to purchase tickets.



Don't miss out on tickets only \$2.00 each.  
 Drawn during the 3<sup>rd</sup> State of Origin game.

## PT room statistics Week 9 2010

Week	Learning	Respect	Safety	Suspensions
1	1	1	0	1
2	3	0	2	4
3	0	1	1	1
4	2	1	2	2
5	5	1	2	4
6	2	1	0	2
7	1	2	0	1
8	2	3	0	1
9	1	5	1	4

## PT room statistics Week 9 2009

Week	Learning	Respect	Safety	Suspensions
1	4	2	3	4
2	2	1	1	2
3	1	1	2	4
4	1	1	1	1
5	2	0	2	3
6	3	1	2	5
7	4	0	0	1
8	2	2	0	1
9	3	1	0	1

## Outback Rugby League



Because of the lack of attendance at training last week, the Menindee Yabbies **FORFIETED** against Wilcannia last weekend. Put it down to BOOMERITUS or whatever you want, it still was very disappointing.

This was a sad way to come back after a great game against The Saints two weeks ago, and our coach David “Blister” Blore was very disappointed in our efforts. And said **‘If training doesn’t get any better this week, I will resign as coach. I have better things to do than coach a team that doesn’t even turn up for training.’**

I can’t stress enough how important training is for us. When we are fit and train together we can win against any team in the competition, and our performance against The Saints is just proof that we play better under the guidance of Blister. The Thursday night training session will be changed to Friday at 6.00pm due to the black pride dinner at the school.

Rugby is in Menindee this week where we take on the Geebung. The Women’s game will kick off at 12.30pm and the Seniors game will commence at 1.30pm. Drinks and sausage sizzle will be available on the day to keep your tummy warm. We will need your support on the day so please come down to the town oval and cheer on both the yabby seniors and women.

Fiona Kelly  
Secretary

## Chong's 10 Completely Useless Facts

- A Crocodiles tongue is attached to the roof of its mouth.
- A elephant is the heaviest of all land mammals at around 8,000 pounds.
- A kangaroo can't jump unless its tail is touching the ground.
- A male emperor moth can smell a female emperor moth up to 7 miles away.
- A mole can dig over 250 feet of tunnel in a single night.
- A peanut is neither a pea nor a nut.
- A quarter of Russia is covered by forest.
- A raisin dropped in a glass of fresh champagne will bounce up and down continually from the bottom of the glass to the top.
- A rat can last longer without water than a camel.
- A rhinoceros' horn is made of compacted hair.



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



**APRIL BOTTOM SCHOLARSHIP  
for 2011**

*\$8,000 towards tuition and/or boarding fees*

*Previous applicants invited to apply*

Applications are now being received for the April Bottom Scholarship for 2011. April Bottom was a resident Menindee. Before her death in 2003, she expressed a desire to assist families from the West Darling Parish Region with the education of their children, in situations where the children have to leave the region to acquire the necessary education.

The Scholarship of \$8,000 will be administered by The Bush Church Aid Society of Australia in conjunction with the Late April Bottom's family.

#### Selection criteria

- ☐ Young person resident within the Anglican Parish of the West Darling (includes towns, areas & properties surrounding Menindee, White Cliffs, Wilcannia, Tibooburra, Tilpa, 60kms west of Ivanhoe in NSW; & Cockburn SA)
- ☐ Undertaking secondary or tertiary education outside the Parish in 2011
- ☐ Possess a desire and the potential to achieve, but not necessarily the opportunity

Application Forms can be downloaded at [www.bushchurchaid.com.au](http://www.bushchurchaid.com.au) or contact :

April Bottom Scholarship

The Bush Church Aid Society of Australia

Level 7, 37 York Street, Sydney NSW 2000

Phone : 02 9262 5017 Fax : 02 9262 5020

Email : [robbyn@bushchurchaid.com.au](mailto:robbyn@bushchurchaid.com.au)

Closing date for applications – 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2010



## This Weeks Birthdays



**22nd June  
Blake Studders**



**23rd June  
Shan-Del Studders**



**24th June  
Shelley Shoemark**





**Michael**



**Cheryl B**



**Dena**



**Pansy**



**Daniel**



**Fiona**



**Karly**

# Black & Deadly



# Staff Members



**Edith**



**Shelley**



**Kayleen**



**Barbara**



**Cheryl J**