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Term 3 —Week 1

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Vel Ryan

Timmy Harris leading his troops into battle in the Athletics Carnival last term.



Principal's Report

We have a new Science teacher, Elizabeth Saafi to replace Roy Baulch. Roy is off on his adventures around Australia by boat and we wish him well. We will miss Roy as will the town especially for his contribution to the SES over a long period of time.

Our new Science teacher comes with her husband and family of three and will be living out at Sunset Strip. We wish them well. Our new Maths teacher will commence on 2nd August. Her name is Prue Walker. The school has waited a long while to have a fully trained Maths teacher. There is much work to do but I am sure that she will be up to the challenge.

Vel Ryan left us at the end of last term because of illness. Whilst at the time of leaving her illness was undiagnosed she had been very ill for the past five weeks. We are grateful to Vel, and we will miss her greatly. Speaking with her last Sunday she does indicate there has been some improvement in her health.

Michael Johnstone who has worked in our front office for the past couple of years leaves us on Friday. Michael has transformed the front office reception with his friendliness and personality. We wish him well thank him for his work.

This week Dave and Danielle Fellows are in the United States and we are missing them as well.

In the last week of term we had our Athletics carnival. It was so refreshing to see the students acting responsibly and trying their hearts out. Well done to Wills who were the victors but only by a narrow margin.

The week after next our students will be participating in the launch of Education week in Broken Hill. Our Year 7 band and our senior ensemble will be featured. This will be the first time our students have been chosen for this honour.

Yesterday I was handed the keys of our two new classrooms. These two classrooms will replace the old demountables. We will take the opportunity during Education week to have an open house for you to come and have a look.

On Sunday we are having a working bee up in the Minintitja Centre (the railway) to complete some work. Parents and community are asked to come and help on the day. From little things great things grow. It will start at 1 pm and there will be a sausage sizzle later in that afternoon.

Brian Debus
Principal



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Country Women's Association

CCWA meeting this Sunday 25th July 11am in the hall behind the Uniting Church.

All are welcome to attend.

This meeting is early due to the over 40's Deb Ball

Computer Classes

Computer classes for beginners start next Monday the 26th July starting at 4.00 and finishes at 5.30pm.

If you are interested in these classes please call the school and leave your number.

Vicki Hazeleger
Coordinator



Over 40's Deb Practice

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

Fiona Kelly
Coordinator



Burke and Wills 150th Commemoration

The Royal Society of Victoria's huge travelling extravaganza will be here October 14th-19th. It is 150 years since the Burke and Wills Expedition and the Royal Society is leading a large number of tourists along the entire length of the journey.

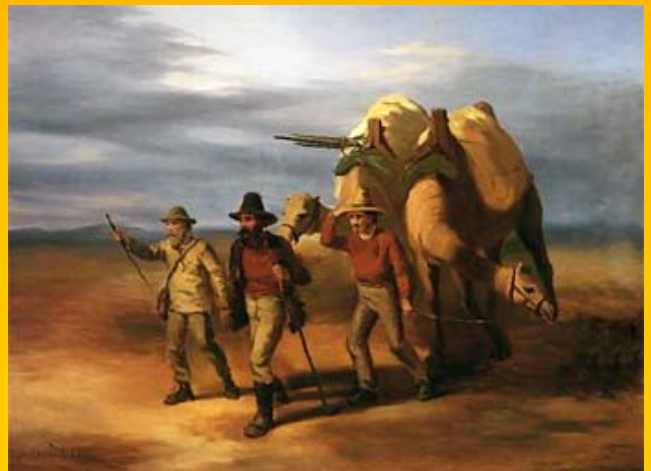
There are many events we can plan for the tourists. They will attract many tourists to our town,

We need your ideas!

There will be a meeting next Thursday 29th July at 7pm in the Year 8 "Connected Classroom" at the school.

All are welcome.

Robert Lindsay
Coordinator



Active After School

Active After School starts back at the school next Tuesday 27/7/2010 and Wednesday 28/7/2010



Random Student Interview

What is your favourite song at the moment?

Billionaire - Travis McCoy feat Bruno Mars

Who is your favourite teacher?

Mr Bailey

Banana or watermelon?

Banana

The one person you couldn't live without?

My mum

Cats or Dogs?

Cats

What's your favourite sport?

Basketball

If you won the lotto what's the first thing you would do?

Buy my own house

If you could be anywhere in the world right now, where would you be?

New York City

What do you want to do when you leave school?

I want to move to Canberra because there are greater opportunities for young Aboriginal people.



Name: Stephanie Newman

Age: 17

D.O.B: 29th January 1993

Class: Year 12

Star Sign: Aquarius

PT Room Statistics

Term 2 2009

Week	Learning	Respect	Safety	Suspensions
11	5	1	0	1

Term 2 2010

Week	Learning	Respect	Safety	Suspensions
11	0	4	1	1

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.

church corner

Uniting Church

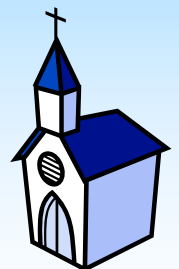
A Church Service will be held at the Uniting church on this Sunday 25th July at 4pm.

Bible quote for today - When the righteous triumph, there is a great elation: but when the wicked rise to power, men go into hiding" - Proverbs 28:12

Anglican Church

Anglican Church Fete will be on Saturday the 21st of August at the Anglican Church grounds from 9.30am > 1.30pm.

All stall holders are welcome. Stalls are \$10 each. Please call the Menindee Rural Transaction Centre on: (08) 80 914 392 to book your stall.



Christmas SHOPPING in JULY

The bus that was set to go to Mildura this Saturday for the Christmas shopping in July has been cancelled due to lack of interest.

The P & C apologise for any inconvenience.

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

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 19/7/2010. Numbers 3-4-5-7-8-12 Jackpot: \$1,156.00. No winner. Pick 1-16.

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

Pre School News

Welcome back to a new term, I hope everybody had a restful and enjoyable break. This term we welcome a few new families and children to our preschool, we look forward to building close relationships with everybody with hope they settle in easily and enjoy the wonderful, exciting learning experiences we offer at the centre.

Mark the date on your calendar..... On Wednesday, 4th August is National Aboriginal and Islander Children's Day; we will be celebrating this occasion with an open fun day at the preschool. We look forward to seeing everybody come along!

Last week we drew our State of Origin raffle; the winner was Gene Tass, this was drawn at the Albemarle Hotel on the night of the 3rd game, by Gary Shoemark. Thank you to everybody who purchased tickets and the Maidens and Albemarle hotels for having and selling the tickets for the preschool. Your continued support is appreciated. Also now that most people are baking their yummy cookies, we still have a few tubs left for sale, if you would like to purchase more, before we run out please ring the centre on 80914246.

We have a management committee meeting Monday 26th July at 4.30pm at the preschool. Everybody welcome and encouraged to come along

Hayley D'Ettorre

Director / Teacher
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Chong's Useless Facts

The King of hearts is the only king without a moustache.

Canada is an Indian word meaning Big Village.

A group of whales is called a pod.

Children grow more in the springtime.

During a life time, one person generates more than 450kg of red blood cells.

Armoured knights raised their visors to themselves when they rode past their king. This custom has become the modern military salute.

Rubber bands last longer when refrigerated.

A shark is the only fish that can blink with both eyes.

Two-thirds of the world's eggplant is grown in New Jersey.

All of the clocks in the movie "Pulp Fiction" are stuck on 4:20.

"Dreamt" is the only English word that ends in the letters "mt".

In the Philippines the 'Yo-yo' was first used as a weapon.

The world record for spitting a watermelon seed is 64 feet and 4 inches (20.5 metres).

A snail can sleep for 3 years.

The pupil of a goats eyes are square.



Outback Rugby League



This weekend the rugby league will be at the Menindee Oval in a double header where all teams in the Outback Rugby League will play.

10.00am - Kids game (a friendly game amongst the kids)

11.30am - Women's 4 way round robin

1.30pm - Seniors: Menindee vs. Wilcannia

2.30pm - Seniors: Saints vs. Geebung

There will be a kiosk available during the games selling sausages, cold drinks and hot drinks to warm up in the cold weather.

So please come along and enjoy the local rugby league and support the Menindee Yabbies.

Michael Johnstone

Fiona Kelly's Secretary



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 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 : robyn@bushchurchaid.com.au

Closing date for applications – 17th September, 2010

Thank you

I would just like to say thank you to the staff and students of Menindee Central School.

I have only been here for 3 years and it has been pleasure to work with supportive colleagues and watch the children grow into young adults.

It has also been great to work on this newsletter, and I thank everybody in town and beyond for all of their positive feedback.

I now leave to go to the “big smoke” in Broken Hill and I wish MCS all the best in the future.

Michael ‘Chong’ Johnstone
Editor

This Weeks Birthdays

19th July
Tescea Garlick

21st July
Jak Sloane

22nd July
Brendan Shephard

23rd July
Mitchell D’Ettorre



Menindee Aboriginal Community Working Party

**Next MACWP meeting will be held at
the Menindee CDEP Office in Menin-
dee Street at 4.30pm on Tuesday the
27th July 2010.**

Cheryl Johnstone



July 2010

