



# Menindee Central School

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Term 3 —Week 8

8th September 2010

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*Tahlia, Mali, Jade and Courtney preparing for the School's Annual Fun*



## Principal Report

### Principal's Column

Yesterday was a hectic but rewarding day.

During the day and well into the afternoon teachers took part in three sessions around three key areas of Aboriginal knowledge: Awareness, Technology and 8 Ways of learning. We were very fortunate to have Tyson Yunkaporta deliver these programs. These programs are a regional initiative under the Low Socio economic Partnership that is being delivered through the region. Tyson is being employed regional and this was the first program that he has delivered in the Broken School Education District.

The night was topped off with our second movie night. I wish to thank everybody at extremely short notice mobilised to provide a great community event. Apart from the enjoyment for us it also provided a rich backdrop for our visitors from the Sydney to see what a great little town and community we have.

Special thanks go to our police once more for their support through cappacino's and popcorn for the kids. This cooperation and working together is unique and it is one of the reasons why our town is becoming a better place to live. Thanks.

Yesterday our three visitors: Andrew Stevenson, Matthew Ellis and Wendy Hewitt worked and mingled with our teachers through the day and took part in the staff development. It was an eye opener for them and provided great discussions for our teachers. A highlight for them and our school was the connected staff

meeting that we shared with them on the eight ways of learning.

At the end of the meeting Andrew made a presentation to me of \$2000 raised by his students to help furnish the two compartments in Bruce the sleeping carriage. They will have naming rights for the compartments. On behalf of the school I thank the sincerely for their efforts and the generous donation.

We welcome back Bob Morgan who is here for one of his PaCE visits. With him he has brought Dr Jim Woodford from the Catholic university as a special guests. On Thursday they will be working with the teachers and parents to design a better form of personal learning program.

Friday will bring two special guests that will become more familiar when Daryl Irvine takes up his place as Deputy Principal of the school. They will visit us to familiarise themselves with our school and we make plans for their transfer. As well we have a potential TAS teacher who will be visiting us over the week thus giving us a choice in this important area.

The school will be welcoming to morning and afternoon teas a biking group over the week-end. This was pioneered last year and they are back for more.

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** Wren Dunbar, Dylan Nimmo, and Jade Cicak

**Level 5:** Tori Johnson, Joseph Newman, Jesse Studders and Marley Darrigo.

**Congratulations to all these students**

## Assembly Certificates

The following students received certificates at last Friday's Assembly : Baxter Bates, Hazel roe, Braydan Barnes, Jesse Studders, Naomi Vili, Colin Clark, Blake Garlick-Hooker, Tiffany Pagano, Anthony Kelly.

Kirsty Pinal, Deena Lombardo, Emma Philp, Mitchell D'Ettorre, Robbie Brerton and Amy Walter.

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	Suspensions
7	2	0	2	2

## Term 3 2010

Week	Learning	Respect	Safety	Suspensions
7	7	2	2	2

# New School Leaving Age

Student Engagement and Program Evaluation Bureau

eBulletin 5

3 September 2010

**Questions about the completion of Year 10 have been raised by schools. These questions and their responses are shared below.**

I have a student in Year 10 who is at risk of becoming severely disengaged from learning. The parent has found him/her a job and wants him/her to leave school and take this job. Can I sign this student out?

No. The legislation requires a student under 17 years of age to complete Year 10 or an approved Year 10 equivalent course at TAFE.

What is the final day for Year 10?

For 2010 see:

[https://detwww.det.nsw.edu.au/inprincipal/western\\_sydney/2010-07-16/dn1000202.htm](https://detwww.det.nsw.edu.au/inprincipal/western_sydney/2010-07-16/dn1000202.htm)

What options exist for severely disengaged students in Year 10 who previously would have left school at 15?

Some schools find that either VET in Stage 5 or early start of Stage 6 VET and school based apprenticeships or traineeships assist some students with engagement. Assistance with severely disengaged students can be sought from your local Youth Connections provider or Links-to-Learning ([www.det.nsw.edu.au/eas/youth/](http://www.det.nsw.edu.au/eas/youth/)). In some instances, for students who are severely disengaged or are at risk of becoming so, participation in an Alternative Education Program with partial or full time exemption from attendance, as part of a behaviour or re-engagement program, may provide an answer.

Can a student meet the requirement to complete Year 10 by completing a fulltime apprenticeship or traineeship?

Yes. The Minister has approved completion of a fulltime apprenticeship or traineeship to be a special circumstance for the completion of education. Principals have been delegated the authority to issue to a student who has completed Year 9, a Certificate of Exemption from Enrolment for the sole purpose of completing Year 10 in this way. See eBulletin 4

[https://detwww.det.nsw.edu.au/media/downloads/directoratesaz/sepebureau/studentengage/schoolleavingage/ebulletins/nsla\\_ebull4.pdf](https://detwww.det.nsw.edu.au/media/downloads/directoratesaz/sepebureau/studentengage/schoolleavingage/ebulletins/nsla_ebull4.pdf). Page 2 of this eBulletin contains a checklist to guide you through this process.

What action should I take with students of compulsory school age who refuse to attend school? Can I remove them from the roll?

Normal follow-up procedures for absences should be applied in the first instance, leading eventually to referral to the HSLO. A decision will be made by the school education director whether to refer such students and

their parents to a Director-General's Conference.

Ultimately an application could be made to the Children's Court for a *Compulsory Schooling Order*. Only if the student has completed Year 10 and the parent has advised the school that the student has found full time employment or that the student is enrolling in approved training (e.g. at TAFE) can the student be removed from the roll. A student who reaches the age of 17 before completing Year 10 may leave school.

A severely disengaged student at my school has been offered a place in an alternative education program run by a provider such as Youth Connections. What do I need to do about her/his enrolment?

The student remains enrolled at your school but is granted exemption from attendance (up to 50 days may be granted by the principal). See [https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/policies/student\\_admin/attendance/sch\\_poloroc/exempt\\_qui.pdf](https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/policies/student_admin/attendance/sch_poloroc/exempt_qui.pdf). One key aim of alternative programs is the re-engagement of the student and her/his return to school.

Does a student have to gain a School Certificate to complete Year 10?

No. Just one 'N' determination in a mandatory subject would make a student ineligible for a School Certificate. Such a student would gain a Statement of Achievement which satisfies the 'relevant certificate' requirement. It is a decision of the principal as to whether a student without a School Certificate may provisionally enrol in the Preliminary HSC.

A student signed out after Year 10 but the job later fell through. Do I have to take the student back given that she/he has missed much of the course?

Yes. A decision needs to be made as to whether the student can complete the required course work in the rest of the year. You should explain to the student that a lot of 'catch up' work will be required and that progression to Year 12 is not automatic. It may be that there is another school offering courses better suited to the student and this option might be put to the student.

How do I get a Year 10 student into the TAFE Year 10 equivalent course?

Both the Principal and the TAFE Institute Director have to decide that the student meets the criteria to complete the year 10 equivalent at TAFE and that it is the best option for the student. Entry is not automatic and provision of the Year 10 equivalent course varies with Institutes. See

[https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/policies/student\\_admin/enrolment/pathways/approve.pdf](https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/policies/student_admin/enrolment/pathways/approve.pdf)



Education  
& Training



**M.C.S Fun Run**

Last Friday we held our annual Fun Run in efforts to raise money for new sporting equipment. Fortunately the weather held out and we were able to run an adventurous and exciting track through Crick Park.



The *12 years and under* ran one lap (2kms) and the *12 years and over* completed two laps (4kms).

**Congratulations to the following students who won their age division**

Age Group	Girls	Boys
U/8	Emma Fisk	Tristan Hindmarsh
8yrs	Nikita Mundy	Steven Newman
9yrs	Hazel Roe	David Vili
10yr	Tori Johnson	Gregory Dutton
11yr	Tahilia Philp and Mali Kelly	Leo Johnson
12yr	Jade Cicak	James Oates
13yr	Tiffany Pagano	Elton Johnston
14yr	Tayla Newman	Travis Philp
15yr	Toni Clark	Mitchell D'Ettorre
16yr	Renay Williams	Rodney Nolan

A special congratulations to **Leo Johnson** who won the under 12's division and to **Rodney Nolan** who won the over 12's division. Well done Boys!

**Final house point score**

<b>Burke – 142</b>	<b>Mitchell -137</b>	<b>Willis - 176</b>
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Thank you to all who contributed to make this a successful event. Also thank you to those students who raised money. Please return your money to the office ASAP so prizes can be awarded.



**FUN  
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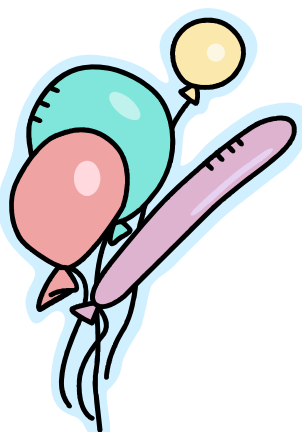


## What's on Around Town

<i>Friday 10th September</i>	7.30pm Poets in the Pub—Maiden's
<i>Saturday 11th September</i>	<b>BURKE &amp; WILLS 150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS TO BE HELD IN MENINDEE</b>
<i>Sunday 12th September</i>	<b><u>SUNSET STRIP GOLF DAY</u> CANCELLED</b>
<i>Sunday 12th September</i>	A church service will be held on 12th September at 4p.m. In the Uniting Church. The church is open from 1 to 2 p.m. Monday to Saturday for inspection and meditation.
<i>Tuesday 21st September</i>	Welcome to the HSC Meeting 6pm—7.30pm

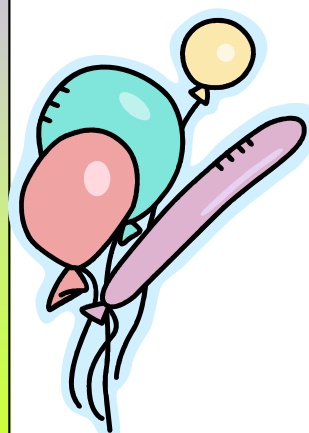


## This Weeks Birthdays



Tiffany Pagano  
8th September  
Tarsha Williams  
10th September  
Tim Harris  
13th September  
Georgia Shephard  
13th September

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.

**Lucky ball:** Drawn 6/9/2010. 2-8-9-11-13-14: Jackpot: \$1,704.00. No winner. Pick 1-14.

**CWA Fathers Day Raffle:** Raffle won by Malloch.

**MENINDEE CELEBRATES  
THE  
150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE  
'BURKE & WILLS' EXPEDITION**

**FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> SEPT 7.30PM - MAIDEN'S HOTEL**

**'POETS IN THE PUB'**

**FEATURING RAY LIVERSIDGE**

**INVITED GUEST JACK THOMPSON**

**SATURDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> SEPT 10AM - 3PM**

**COMMUNITY FUN DAY**

**MENINDEE CIVIC HALL & BURKE & WILLS OVAL**

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| ◆ FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE | ◆ STALLS/CAR-BOOT SALE |
| ◆ MEMORABILIA DISPLAY | ◆ OLDEN DAYS SPORTS    |
| ◆ SCHOOL ESSAY COMP   | ACTIVITIES             |
| ◆ COLOUR-IN COMP      |                        |

**SATURDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> SEPT 5.30PM**

**SCREENING OF THE MOVIE**

**'BURKE & WILLS'**

**STARRING JACK THOMPSON**

**Sausage Sizzle & drinks on sale - Proceeds to the 'Men-in-dee' Shed Project**

**Bring your chair or blanket & enjoy a night under the stars**

- ☛ Do you have any old photos that we could place on display for all to see? If so, please call Margot at the Transaction Centre to make arrangements for copies to be made.
- ☛ To reserve a stall or car boot site please call into the Menindee Transaction Centre
- ☛ Anyone interested in helping, or participating, on the day would be more than welcome

**Phone 08 80914392 or 0429914392**

Drug & alcohol  
free  
family event

**Vibe Alive  
Fundraising**  
We have a lucky square running for \$5.00 with the potential to win \$200.00. The money raised will be used to help with the cost of taking the students to Bendigo. Squares can be purchased from the school front office.

**CENTRAL DARLING SHIRE COUNCIL**



**PLANT FOR SALE**

**Central Darling Shire Council has the following vehicles for sale:**

**1x 2009 Model Holden Colorado Duel Cab 4x4 Manual Turbo Diesel 85,000 km Plant No:5097 Good Condition Rego BA-71-HG**

**1x 2008 Model Holden Rodeo Duel Cab 4x4 Manual Turbo Diesel Steel Drop Side Tray 108,000 km Plant No:5084 Good Condition Minor Panel Damage To R/H Front Door Rego AT-40-HL**

**1x 1997 Model Mitsubishi FM600 Tipper Fitted With 1000l Emulsion Spray Unit 15000kg GVM 455,000 km Plant No:1037 Fair Condition Rego URU-687**

The vehicles are available for inspection by appointment at the Central Darling Shire Council Works Depots, Myers St Wilcannia.

For further enquiries and inspection times please contact Quentin Cattermole, Cadet Engineer on 08 8083 8800 between 7:30am and 4:00pm, Monday - Friday

All Tenders close at 3.00pm Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2010. And no tender will necessarily be accepted.

Tim Hazell  
**General Manager**

# 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**

## Points to Ponder

- If you can't believe it's not butter, you're an idiot.
- Cats know more than they let on.
- Beginning a sentence, 'Now, don't get angry...' will always have the reverse effect.
- Nobody has ever read the small print of a mobile-phone insurance contract.
- You can't skip and be unhappy at the same time.
- There are two theories to arguing with women. Neither works.
- Too many cooks spoil the TV schedules.
- Never ever mix sleeping pills and laxatives.
- You can live your life through a computer.
- Sarcasm may be the lowest form of wit... but it's still funny.
- Dog owners! Your monstrosly large hound is not more afraid of me than I am of it.
- Never pretend you can horse-ride.
- People who say, 'I'm beside myself, 'are often mistaken; with the notable exception of time travellers and Siamese twins.



## BODY BLISS

### MASSAGE & WAXING

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

**Phone Kris on 0429 029 906**

**Services available 7 days in Menindee**

## KID'S BEEHIVE SNACKS

### Ingredients

- ½ cup icing sugar
- ½ cup honey
- ½ cup peanut butter
- 1½ cups Rice Bubbles
- ½ cup hundreds and thousands



Line a baking tray with baking paper. Combine icing sugar, honey and peanut butter in a bowl. Add Rice Bubbles and stir well.

Put hundreds and thousands in a bowl. Using your hands, shape 2 teaspoons of mixture into a ball. Repeat until mixture is used.

Roll balls in 100's & 1000's & put on tray. Refrigerate balls for 1 hour. Store in container up to 1 week in refrigerator.



## 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



**MENINDEE LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL**

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:** Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2010

**Time:** 4.30pm

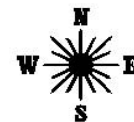
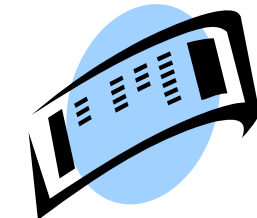
**Place:** Menindee LALC Office

**AGENDA:**

1 Meeting Open	
2 Minute Silence	
3 Apologies	
4 Previous Minutes / Business Arising	
5 Correspondence In / Out	
6 Financial Report	
7 CEO Report	11 Housing Applications
8 General Business	12 New Membership Applications
9 Date for next meeting	
10 Meeting Closed	

Authorised by Noeline Ferguson acting CEO MLALC

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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@centraldarwin.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@centraldarwin.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.

P.O. Box 165  
Wilcannia NSW 2836

Tim Hazell  
GENERAL MANAGER

### Joke of the Week

The father of five children had won a toy raffle. He called his kids together to ask which one should have the prize. "Who is the most obedient?" he asked. "Who never talks back to mother? Who does everything she says?" five small voices answered in unison... "Okay day, you get the toy".



Photo: Wedding of Emma Downey & Billy Richardson, New Angledool, 1925  
Reproduced with permission of Mervyn Bishop, Rita Gibbs, Marjorie R Little & Iris Scanlan

## in *living* memory NSW tour

*Surviving photographs from the records  
of the NSW Aborigines Welfare Board, 1919-1966*  
Contemporary photographs of Elders, families  
& communities by Mervyn Bishop

***In Living Memory NSW tour* on display Broken Hill Regional Art Gallery  
Friday 10 September – Sunday 17 October 2010; Open daily 10.00 am – 5.00 pm**

### Special Events

**Broken Hill Regional Art Gallery**  
**Saturday 11 September**  
12.00 noon Indigenous Elders  
Preview & refreshments  
2.00 pm Official Opening  
& barbecue, all welcome  
Enquiries: Bruce Tindale  
& Anthony Hayward  
08 8080 3440

**Menindee Civic Hall**  
**Monday 13 September**  
*In Living Memory* photo albums  
& portable display  
11 am Indigenous Elders  
preview & lunch  
1.30 – 3.30 pm everyone welcome  
Co-presented with Maari Ma Health  
Enquiries: Justin Files 0419 016 835

**Wilcannia Community Hall**  
**Wednesday 15 September**  
*In Living Memory* photo albums  
& portable display  
12 noon Indigenous Elders  
preview & lunch  
2 – 5 pm everyone welcome  
5 pm Community dinner  
Co-presented with Maari Ma Health  
Enquiries: Justin Files 0419 016 835

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Broken Hill Regional Art Gallery

