

Menindee Central School

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AUGUST 2018 TERM 3 WEEK 6



Team MCS

Ronnie Gibbs 7's –
Bourke 2018
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PRINCIPALS NEWS

It seems so long ago since I wrote a column for our newsletter as I have been away for training and on leave. I need to thank Andrew Nordstrom and the other executive for taking the lead in my absence. That's the beauty of MCS if someone is away everyone else steps up.

Last week we had Daniel, Colin Foskett, Ebony Browning and Kerri-Lee travelled to Bourke with our secondary students to compete in Netball and Rugby League for the Ronnie Gibbs Challenge. The netball girls played well as a team but unfortunately were disadvantaged by the fact there is no competition here to improve their skills and ability. This didn't deter them from giving their best effort every game.

The boys on the other hand proved to be quite a force as they stormed their way through to the grand-final. They showed true Menindee spirit and grit but playing back to back games (with only a 2 minute break) proved too much and unfortunately they lost their final game. A huge thanks to the staff who organised and attended the trip and to the students who once again made Menindee proud!

This week Jane Carroll has visited again working with classes and small groups of students. Jane is an accomplished author who has been visiting Menindee for a number of years working on writing with the students. We hope to publish some writings next week.

Also this week we play host to some Year 11 students from Bendigo Marist College. The students are studying Aboriginal Studies and wanted to make links with our school. They will attend some of our senior classes and visit local attractions. Thanks to Brian Debus and Daniel for co-ordinating this event.

This Friday the Primary classes will be having their Father's Day activities. All Dads, Uncles and Grandfathers are welcome to join us for some fun activities and a hotdog lunch. The activities will start at 12.30pm in the primary rooms and lunch will be at 1.30pm. I hope to see you all here!

Until next week,

Fiona



Open Classroom
Friday from 12:30pm
Dads of Primary Students

Dad's, Grandad's, come along and have fun with your children for our Father's Day which will be followed by a Hot Dog lunch at 1:30pm. All welcome.



Paakantyi word of the week. Mirrimpillyi Kampitya yulku
Happy Fathers Day

Ronnie Gibbs 7's – Bourke 2018

Under 14s

Cohen and Kadum joined up with the Goodga boys to form a formidable team in the Under 14's. The team won their first three games convincingly before advancing to the finals. In the finals the boys won their first game and advanced to the grand final against Nyngan. In a tight game that went down to the wire, the Goodga team managed to score after the final whistle to win the game and take out this year's title. Congratulations boys!

Opens

The boys started off the competition strongly with a convincing win over a combined Lighting Ridge/Brewarrina team 24 – 4. The team being led up front by Kade, Kyle and Senile with the speed and class of Braydan, Kasey, Steven, Richie and Jake taking advantage of their work. The boys lost their next game to the well-drilled and eventual winners Nyngan 20 – 8, and in the third game the boys managed a tight win over Bourke 20 – 16 to qualify for the finals. The semi-final was tight and hard fought encounter with the Menindee team scoring a try in golden point to win in a thriller. In the Grand Final the boys put up a solid effort to compete well with the Nyngan, but unfortunately the result didn't go our way. Special mention goes to 2 Brewarrina boys Diondre and Michael for the outstanding contributions to the team and Tristan for running the water and helping organising the team. Congratulations boys on a great competition. Thanks to Miss Browning, Daniel and Kerri-Lee for their support and efforts over the 3 days.

Colin Foscett

Netball in Bourke

Seven students represented Menindee Central School at the Ronny Gibbs Gala Day in Bourke. They were: Sharneya Biggs, Roshell Edwards, Sarah Oates, Brooke Briar, Telicia Briar, Grace Reymers & Shontaye Havili.

We played three games against Cobar, Nyngan & Baradine. In each of the games the girls made sure they did not leave their opponents side. In all matches the girls played with strength, and good sportsmanship.

Unfortunately we did not come up with a win. However each of the students learnt a lot about how to play for next years competition.

We enjoyed the trip there and back. We also enjoyed watching the Open boys Semi-Final match, with a golden point to take it out.

I want to congratulate and thank each of the girls that played in the Netball team for all of your hard work and commitment.

WELL DONE GIRLS!

Mrs Browning.



Front Office Buzz

FRONT OFFICE Mon-Fri 8:00 am to 3:15pm

Phone: 80914 409 Fax: 80914 377

Email: menindee-c.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Uniform Shop: Mon-Wed 8:30 –12:00



School Starts @ 9:00am

August-September-October

DATES TO REMEMBER

Every Thursday	School Banking (info from FO)
<u>AUGUST</u>	
Monday 27th - Friday 31st	Marist Brothers visit
Friday 31st	Fathers Day Fun. Primary classes from 12:30pm
<u>SEPTEMBER</u>	
Monday 3rd - Thursday 6th	Year 11 Yearly exams
Monday 3rd - Friday 7th	LEPS visit NO BUS from– Wed pm -Thurs – Fri am & pm
Tuesday 4th - Wednesday 5th	Mutawintji Plant ID workshop excursion
Wednesday 5th	Whole School Assembly
Monday 10th - Friday 14th	Mount Hotham Ski Trip
Tuesday 18th	Year 11 2019 Subject information evening
Thursday 20th	MENINDEE ON SHOW
Monday 24th - Friday 28th	Uluru Excursion
Friday 28th	Last day of Term 3
<u>OCTOBER</u>	
Monday 15th	Term 4 commences

**ARE YOUR
EXCUSES MORE
IMPORTANT
THAN YOUR
DREAMS?**

HOW TO

NOT BE LATE



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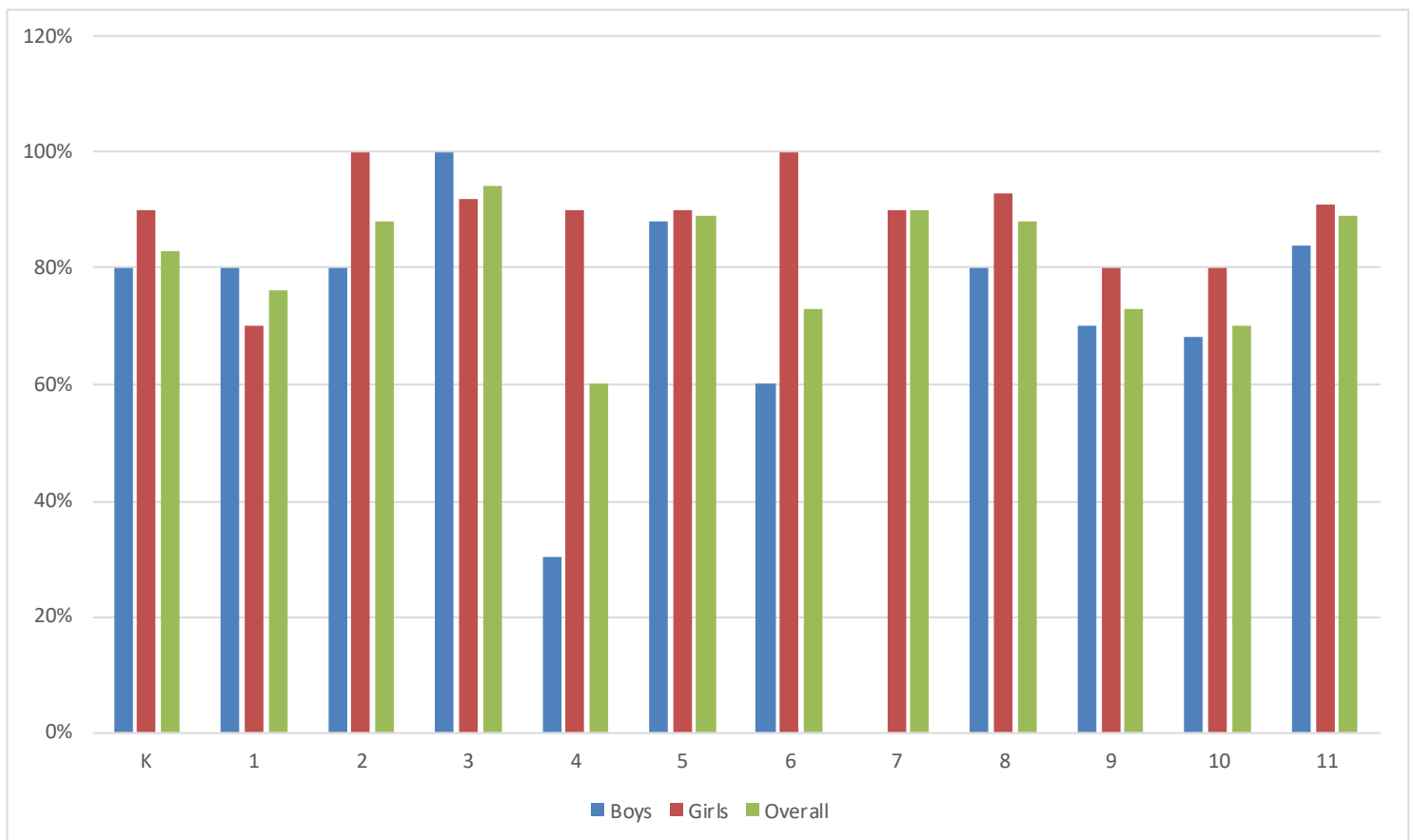
Each week, the classes with 100% attendance rates will receive a certificate.

Whole Class:

Years:

Girls: 89% Year : 2; 6:

Boys: 75% Year : 3:



Letting us know if your child is absent from school - helps to keep their attendance percentage - up-to-date.. which is important.

Contact the front office either by phone, email or the \$koolbag App.



Vanuatu 2018

In 2006 I spent two weeks in Bethel village in Vanuatu with Joel and Elizabeth Amos and their family. They had six bungalows available for tourists and a restaurant built from local materials, thatched with natangura leaves. There was no electricity supply or running water but when tourists stayed, Joel could afford to run the generator for a few hours at night to provide lighting and to pump bore water into a tank.

In March 2015, category 5 Cyclone Pam destroyed their homes and the restaurant. Over the past four years Joel and his family have built a stronger restaurant using handmade concrete blocks though they still sleep under roofs covered by tarps. Their generator was broken and there was no money to fix it or fuel it so they had no way of accessing water in their well and no lighting. People walked to the next village to wash and to fill buckets to carry water back home. You don't realise how much water you need for cooking and washing until you have to carry it every day. It's relentless and exhausting.

In January we purchased and installed a solar bore pump for Bethel village. In full sunlight it pumps 2000 litres an hour. It's working extremely well and costs nothing in fuel.



In July we finished installing solar lighting from one end of the village to the other including 22 lights in the new restaurant which is ready to begin trading. We also purchased and installed a solar freezer system. The nearest butcher is on the opposite side of the island in Port Vila which is not far geographically but difficult to access when you don't have a vehicle.



The freezer now holds frozen meat and there are many happy kids sucking ice blocks and licking ice-

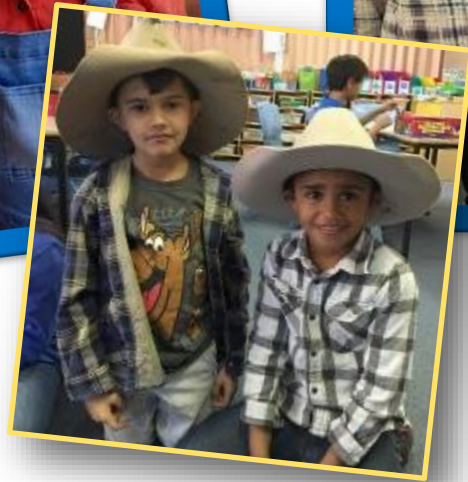
cream; previously unavailable luxuries. In January I scared the wits out of three year old Annaleen when I gave her a frozen bottle of water from the esky. She'd never handled ice before then.

Vanuatu is a beautiful country, the ni-Vanuatu (people of Vanuatu) are friendly and vibrant. Return flights on Air Vanuatu from Sydney to Port Vila are cheaper than flights between Broken Hill and Sydney. If you visit Vanuatu I'd recommend that you stay with local people to get the most out of your experience. You'll also get more value for money and you will be putting money directly into ni-Van communities. Winter is the best time to visit as it is still warm but with much less humidity.

Lukim yu bak agen (see you later).

Jo Kafer





On Friday we held 'Fiver for a Farmer'. Everyone was encouraged to dress up in their best country gear and give a donation to help Australia's farmers struggling with the drought.

I am very pleased to say we raised \$682.85 on the day and the donations are still coming in! A big thankyou to all the donations that came in from students, staff, community and to all those who got involved on the day. We had a great day and 2/3/4 look forward to holding more fundraisers in the future.

Thankyou also to Top End Meats for donating the sausages for our sausage sizzle.

Miss Wright



Marist College visit



Our students from Marist College Bendigo are students in Year 11 who have elected to participate in this Immersion Experience. We have one immersion to East Timor (which took place earlier in the year) and this trip. Whilst this is the first trip we've taken into this part of Australia, we are hoping to establish an on-going relationship with the community in Menindee, and some of the reciprocal benefits that this can bring both communities.

Whilst here in Menindee, our students are keen to learn what makes Menindee special; and how the differences in experiences exist, even though we are separated by a few hundred kilometres. We want our students to experience every day life in this part of the Australia, what makes it special, and what challenges people face; and how they might be the same, and different, from the way our students experience daily life in Bendigo! We're really looking forward to the adventures and experiences that the community of Menindee can reveal.

Nathan.

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 and i went to This tunnel
 and inside i ^{saw} was a egg ~~egg~~ and i
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 school - Tyreece



Year 3/4 work

Jane Carroll 27/8/18
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 it flew over the house. ^W
 Kevin and Tyreece ^{tripped} Ghr
 over (incuvr) each other.
 Omarian

Menindee on Show

Thursday 20th September 2018

Gold coin entry

Doors open at 6pm

**BBQ available for purchase
after the show**

**All fundraising is for the
Year 11 Uluru Trip**

Any community members wanting to perform on the night need to contact Rebecca Crouch at the school by Friday week 7 (7th Sept).

**MARK THIS ON YOUR
CALENDAR**

Monday 3/9 Week A – Day 1		Tuesday 4/9 Week A – Day 2	Wednesday 5/9 Week A – Day 3	Thursday 6/9 Week A – Day 4	Friday 7/9 Week A – Day 5
Time	Exam	Exam	Exam	Exam	
Start 9.00am In Link Room 3 (Library)	English Studies Braydan , Brooke, Telicia, Connor, Kade, Kasey, Kyle, Montana, Sinele, Whitney Standard English Sarah, Jason, Shakirra	Aboriginal Studies Jason, Kyle, Sinele Biology Braydan, Brooke, Telicia, Shakirra	Investigating Science Connor, Kade Music (in Music room) Brooke, Telicia, Sarah, Jason, Shakirra	Mathematics Standard 1 Telicia, Connor, Kade, Whitney Ancient History Braydan, Sarah, Jason, Shakirra	NO EXAMS
P1 9.00-10.00	Danielle	Steph	Peter (Inv Sc) Rebecca (Music)	Steph	NO EXAMS
P2 10.00-11.00	Colin	Rex	Steph (Inv Sc) Rebecca (Music)	Peter	NO EXAMS
Recess 11.00 – 11.30	Danielle	Adam	Colin	Colin	NO EXAMS
Start 12.30pm In Link Room 3 (Library)	PDHPE Braydan, Sarah, Whitney	Industrial Technology Braydan, Jason, Connor, Kade, Kasey, Kyle, Montana, Sinele	SLR Braydan, Brooke, Jason, Connor, Whitney, Kasey, Kyle, Montana, Sinele	NO EXAMS	NO EXAMS
P4 12.30-1.30pm	Peter	Amy	Danielle	NO EXAMS	NO EXAMS
Lunch 1.30 –2.00pm	Rick	Adam	Steph	NO EXAMS	NO EXAMS
P5 2.00 – 3.00pm	Steph	Rebecca	Rex	NO EXAMS	NO EXAMS



COMMUNITY NEWS

Menindee Charities-Lucky ball numbers: 1-5-9-13-15-17

Date: 27/8/18 Jackpot: \$700.00 Numbers: 1-20 Winner: D Kelly

Why not take the opportunity to nominate your business and staff in this year's **Far West NSW Business Awards!**

The categories that are available for businesses are:

- Product and Services
- Customer Service
- Small Business
- Best New Business
- Presentation and Marketing
- Medium to Large Business
- Employee of the Year
- Hospitality

The businesses awards are a great opportunity to gain free exposure for 12 months for your business and also a feature you can use in advertising, just like Globe Home Timber and Hardware has used in their advertising campaign.

To nominate go to:

www.farwestnswbusinessawards.com

If you require any assistance or information with any category nominations you can contact: Leesa Zupanovich on: 08 8087 8383 or email:

leesa.zupanovich@rdafarwestnsw.org.au

Nominations close: Midnight 21st September 2018

The Gala Awards Night will be held on the 17th November 2018 at the Whitehouse Conventions Centre. This year's Guest Speaker is Kerry O'Keeffe.



MENINDEE TAFE

this course is being run through the holidays

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MICROSOFT WORD INTERMEDIATE

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

If you are thinking of a career in Administration, then learning Microsoft Word is a great starting point.

KEY LEARNING AREAS

Units to be offered for completion to obtain a Statement of Attainment

BSBITU303 DESIGN AND PRODUCE TEXT DOCUMENTS

BSBWRT301 WRITE SIMPLE DOCUMENTS

FEES AND PAYMENT

**This course is fully subsidised for Australian Citizen and permanent residents in NSW.*

However please discuss your individual costs at the time of enrolment.

COURSE OUTCOMES INCLUDING:

The course is suitable for people who are looking for a career in administration. Upon completion students will receive a statement of attainment listing completed units

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

Administration, Office Assistant
Clerical, General Office Work, Word Processing

CONTACT US TODAY!

COURSE SNAPSHOT

Location: Menindee Campus

Course: Microsoft Word Intermediate

Course delivery: Classroom

Duration: 4 days

Commencement: 02.10.2018

Time:

Tuesday 10am – 4pm

Wednesday 10am – 4pm

Thursday 10am – 4pm

Friday 10am – 4pm

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST OR ENROL CONTACT

NAME: Judi Louvel

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Tech Savvy for Small Business

DO YOU OWN A SMALL BUSINESS and wish to further develop your business knowledge?

Tech Savvy for Small Business is fully subsidised by the NSW government for eligible businesses.

Funding Eligibility Criteria:

- Owner/manager of a small business;
- Small Business is defined as:
20 employees or less, OR an annual turnover of less than \$2,000,000.
- An Australian Citizen, permanent resident or humanitarian visa holder, or a New Zealander.

Non- Accredited Workshops	Presenters	Course Date	Time
Radio Advertising for Small Business	2BH Hill FM	Monday 27/08/2018	6pm-7pm
<i>Advertising that caters for business needs; Types of radio advertising; Large area broadcasts; Times & distance coverage; Filler ads; Low feed segments.</i>			
Tax Related Aspects for Small Business	H & R Block	Tuesday 28/08/2018	6pm-8pm
<i>When to register for GST- What happens when you don't register for GST- Tax claims- Tax for small business presentation.</i>			
Telstra Business Telecommunications Office Solutions	Telstra	Wednesday 29/08/2018	6pm-8pm
<i>Wifi; Mobile devices; Business telecommunications; Online office solutions; Business online packages; Telstra online advertising; Trouble shooting office Solutions (IT); Internet security.</i>			
Social Media to Promote Your Business	Anita Kell	Monday 03/09/2018	6pm-8pm
<i>Session 1: How to create a Facebook page for your business- Session 2: Follow-up on challenges.</i>			
Microsoft Excel for Small Business	Leo Tyndall	Tuesday 04/09/2018	6pm-8pm
<i>Spreadsheets; Reports; Pivot tables; Formulae; Conditional formatting; Presentation on benefits pertaining to small business needs.</i>			
Microsoft Word for Small Business	Chelsea-Brooke Buyn	Wednesday 05/09/2018	6pm-8pm
<i>Formatting; Tables; Designs; Page layouts; Matching colours to logos; Mail merge; Envelopes; Labels; Reviewing documents/adding notes; Tracking changes</i>			
Performance Management	Tracey Dodimead	Tuesday 10/09/2018	6pm-8pm
<i>Fundamental basics of developing a performance management plan for your team to build workplace capacity, Identify training needs, Identify to your team areas of growth in their professional development, 360 degree feedback.</i>			
Banking Solutions for Small Business	To be Advised	To be Advised	TBA
<i>General banking solutions; Online banking</i>			
Council Rules for Small Business	To be Advised	To be Advised	TBA
<i>Council rates; Restrictions; Regulations; Opening hours</i>			

Course Fees: Fully funded.

- **Contact Robinson College (RTO90449) on 08 8087 6022 to secure your place.**

What to Do
This Weekend

Happy
Fathers
Day

MENINDEE 2018 FATHER'S DAY FISHING CHALLENGE

SATURDAY 1st September 2018 – Fishing 8am to 6pm
SUNDAY 2nd September 2018 – Fishing 8am to 12.30pm

Weigh in - MUST be in line 30 minutes before finish time

**Menindee Markets - Footy Passing Comp
Casting Competition & Entertainment
Sunday 12.30pm to 2.30 pm**

DARLING RIVER - MENINDEE WEIR POOL

CRICK PARK to WEIR 32

FOOD = BBQ & DRINKS available each day
No Alcohol allowed

Early Registration at the Menindee RTC or Post Office
From Monday 27 August 2018 - OR - ON THE DAY at Crick Park

Adults \$10 - Children U16 \$5

(Parental Permission required with SUPERVISION on the days of taking)

ALL FISHING LAWS, MARINE LAWS and REQUIREMENTS are MANDATORY
PHONE Menindee RTC 08 8091 4392, Tim 0429 329 566, Paul 0407 441 198
PROCEEDS TO MENINDEE COMMUNITY PROJECTS

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