## Menindee Central School Minintitja Parlku

OCTOBER 2020

TERM 4 WEEK 1



This week

**Book Week - Community** 

# Principal's Parlku

Welcome back to our last term for 2020. Term 4 is proving to be as exciting and busy as the previous terms.

With the warmer weather fast approaching please ensure your child/ children brings their water bottle and hat to school. We have numerous water fountains around the school so that water bottles can be refilled as needed.

Next week we have our MCS Wellbeing Day on Thursday and our Book Week Parade on Friday. Unfortunately, due to current COVID-19 guidelines we are unable to involve our families in these events this year.

The Game Changer Challenge Dubbo semi-final will take place via zoom in week 3. Congratulations to Carlos, Fiula, Jorja, Kiara and Kaylah, our Game Changer 2020 team and thanks to Danielle Hunt for organising their entry. The students responded to the question, 'How might we use technology to bring everyone in our community closer together?', with imaginatively to create their successful entry. Good luck, team!

Good luck also to our year 12 students who start their HSC exams next week.

Until next week,

**Fiona** 

## **BOOK WEEK PARADE**

On Friday 23rd October 2020 (week 2) we will be celebrating Book Week with a dress up day and parade.

Students can come to school dressed up as their favourite Book Character based on the theme of 'Curious Creatures, Wild Minds'.



Due to COVID restrictions we cannot have any visitors into the school for the parade, however it will be recorded and posted to our Facebook page for everyone to enjoy!

If you have any questions about the Book Week celebrations, please contact Mrs Jackson via the school office. Thank you.

## ATTENDANCE 21/09/20 - 25/09/20

### **Overall %**

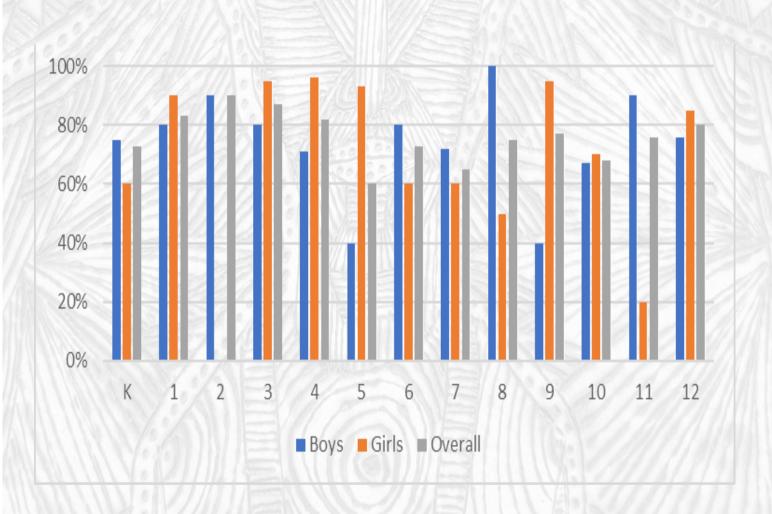
Boys Girls

Overall

74

73

76





Silver Award Winner Week 10 Term 3

Joy"Ella Talamai Bates Leon Biggs

## MCS Art work. Wood Burnt Board by Jorden Mose





Menindee Charities - Lucky ball numbers: 1-2-4-5-7-10 Date: 12/10/20

Jackpot: \$3,133.00 Numbers: 1-14 Winner: Nil

#### CENTRAL DARLING SHIRE COUNCIL

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#### Proposal for Menindee Town Area Playground and Exercise Equipment

Residents of Menindee and district are invited to submit suggestions towards the upgrading of playground equipment and the ideal locations for this equipment. Playground equipment may include:

- facilities for young children, and or
- exercise stations for older children and adults.

Council has been provided the opportunity to install and upgrade playground equipment under both the Drought Affected Communities Program and Round 3 of the Stronger Country Communities Fund and is part of Council's Community Consultation process.

Suggestions on what style of play equipment and its location in Menindee are invited via email to <a href="mailto:council@centraldarling.nsw.gov.au">council@centraldarling.nsw.gov.au</a> or as written comment on records provided at the Menindee Transaction Centre at 51 Yartla St, Menindee.

You may also direct any queries to Menindee RTC staff on 08 80914392 or Council Project Officer, John Stevenson 0429 915 905.

Greg Hill General Manager

FIRE DANGER PERIOD 1 October—31 March

Permits are required.

Permit Officers: G Rolton K Lombardo

### From Monday 19 October 2020, CDP services will resume for CDP job seekers.

This includes the reintroduction of job seeker mutual obligation requirements.

Job seekers will need to attend appointments and resume activities to meet their mutual obligation requirements.

#### Contact us on

#### REDI.E Team-08 80914644

#### to talk about your:

- Job plan
- Individual circumstances
- Mutual obligation requirements, and
- · Job opportunities.



Maiden's Hotel

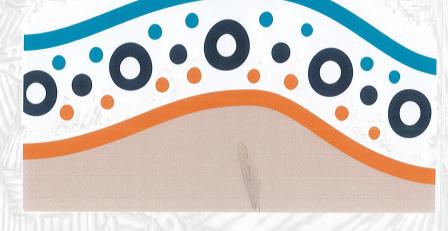
**AFL Tipping Party** 

Saturday 24th October

6 pm

Partners \$10





#### WEAR A HAT.

MCS Buckets hats are available for sale from the Front Office for \$10.00.

#### **BRING A DRINK BOTTLE**

Refill your water bottle from any of our water stations around the school.

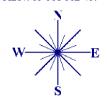
It is important to protect your head from the hot sun and also to drink plenty of water now that the warmer weather is here.

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#### MEDIA RELEASE

#### 30 September 2020

#### Land Sale for Unpaid rates

The Central Darling Shire will hold a series of public auctions later this month, to sell land for unpaid rates on 96 properties throughout the shire.

Central Darling Shire Council Administrator Bon Stewart said the sale of the property by public auctions follows previous attempts to recover the unpaid rates.

"We have simply exhausted all avenues to achieve payment, or in many cases to locate owners to try and resolve these matters," Mr Stewart said. "In some cases, owners have been deceased for many years, leaving Council with no other avenue."

Council does offer assistance to ratepayers who are under financial hardship through its Economic Hardship Policy.

"We can work with people to set up payment plans to get their rate arrears back on track or to keep them up to date, through agreed weekly, fortnightly or monthly payments," Mr Stewart said.

"This can usually ease the household budgeting pressures that larger quarterly bills can bring."

"Customers who are on Centrelink benefits can also set up payments to come straight out of the Centrelink payments."

Mr Stewart said that most people who have struggled to pay their rates in the past have simply been too worried to talk to Council about their options

"While the legislation limits what we can do to help, most people find that there is way out – often all it takes to get things turned around is just having a conversation with us."

Mr Stewart said there are also many community-based organisations that offer independent, professional financial advice free of charge to people who are having financial difficulties.

"It's really just about having a chat about the situation and getting an idea of the options available."

The public auctions will be conducted in Wilcannia on Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> of October and Tuesday the 27<sup>th</sup> of October. Auctions will be conducted in Ivanhoe on Thursday the 29<sup>th</sup> of October and in Menindee on Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> of October.

Council General Manager Greg Hill said the auctions will present a great opportunity for local people wanting to get into the property market.

"We decided that the auctions will be conducted in two rounds, where in the first round, registered bidders may only purchase one property," Mr Hill said.

"Any properties that don't sell in the first round will be offered in a second round, where there will be no limit to the number of properties individual bidders may buy."

"We see this as a way that Council can help local people break into the property market without limiting the overall prospect of achieving successful sales."

Council has been working with Westpac Bank, and Clifford Wren of Ray White Real Estate Broken Hill has been appointed to conduct the marketing and the auctions.

Details of the properties to be auctioned, including auction dates, times, venues and conditions, are available online at <a href="https://raywhiteruralbrokenhill.com.au/">https://raywhiteruralbrokenhill.com.au/</a> and on Council's website.

All bidders must register prior to the auction. Anyone interested in registering to bid can contact Clifford Wren on 0439 782 112.

#### End

Media Contact: Greg Hill, General Manager 08 8083 8900

## SUNSET STRIP PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC. (9895710) PO BOX 7712 SUNSET STRIP NSW 2879

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#### **MEDIA RELEASE**

## SUNSET STRIP BOULEVARD – WALK OF FAME – FILMS & STARS OF OUTBACK AUSTRALIA

## TACKLING TOUGH TIMES TOGETHER FUNDING AN INVESTMENT OF \$318,897.

Mr. Barry Fowler Secretary of the Sunset Strip Progress Association today announced that grant funding of \$142,097 has been approved by the Foundation for Rural, Regional Renewal and the C-wealth Government for the Sunset Strip Boulevard – Walk of Fame – Films and Stars of Outback Australia. The further contribution of \$35,080 by SSPAI and \$140,200 in-kind contribution will bring the total investment to \$318,897.

We still have an empty Lake Menindee, but at last the Strip has some good news Mr. Fowler said.

Sunset Strip Boulevard Walk of Fame is a partnership with Federal Government, Foundation FRRR, individuals, community groups and businesses who have contributed their creativity and positivity in a voluntary capacity.

A circular interpretative trail will be constructed of road base stretching two kilometres either side of Sunset Strip Boulevard that is the entrance thoroughfare into the Village of Sunset Strip. The trail will tell the story of movies produced in Outback Australia and their movie stars will have a bronze star plaque. Drought impacted businesses will manufacture the interpretative signage, lazer steel cut outs, design work, solar lighting, earthworks for the trail construction, batch the concrete and supply quarry materials. Also, a mural paying homage to actor Chips Rafferty who was born in Broken Hill, the first Australian actor in Hollywood and an actor in Awake in Fright film shot in the Sunset Strip sand dunes.

It will be an instagramable landmark visited by 45,000 tourists and charity car rallies delivering SSPAI an additional \$18,000 of income for the maintenance of Village community services. Mr. Fowler said.

Currently, the University of Technology Sydney – Studio Hakea and tourism students are contributing to the planning and have held several tutorial workshops with Strippers.

We are still in the planning phase, so if you feel you have some ideas, can contribute resources, or want to be involved, I encourage you to send an email to – secretary.sspai@hotmail.com

The Village of Sunset Strip has been severely impacted by the current drought and the lack of water security has seen a sharp decline in the permanent population with the loss of 28 families.

The closure of Tandou farm, Grape Exchange farms and Teacher Housing Authority rentals has resulted in one-third of the housing stock for sale.

The Sunset Strip proactive can-do volunteer team have been determined to fight for the Village survival.

The Village Community, Economic and Liveability Strategy 2018-2023 contains other community projects. Grants have been approved for a new toilet block (\$110k) and a children's adventure playground (85k). Other strategy projects seeking funding include fitness stations, wildflower display, star gazing hut, bus shelter and caravan turning circles.

The locals will have social and physical outcomes with a safe walking trail that will stimulate the senses and in a later stage there will be fitness stations.

Currently, the Community Centre infrastructure renewal continues with \$285k being invested.

Together with the Sunset Strip Boulevard project they will promote the purchase of homes, rental of holiday cottages and make Sunset Strip a desirable place where people want to live, work or play Mr. Fowler concluded.

MEDIA CONTACT: Barry Fowler 0437 874 071. 24<sup>th</sup> August 2020 PHOTOS: Site plan for Sunset Strip Boulevard – Walk of Fame.

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See back page for Walk of Fame Map

#### SUNSET STRIP VILLAGE, NSW 2879 WALK OF FAME - FILMS & STARS OF OUTBACK AUSTRALIA ALONG SUNSET STRP BOULEVARD Sunset Strip Village - Community, Economic & Liveability Strategy MENINDEE LAKE - DARLING RIVER Outdoor Stage Children's Adventure Playground KINGFISHER AVE Community Centre Precinct Indigenous Culture Car Park Art Park & Mega Fauna Site LAKEVIEWAVE Carayan & Bus Parking Landcare Sites Bus Tourist Info Hut Public Wildflower Shelter Display Toilet Mural STRIP BOULEVARD Tank Arboretum Star Gazing Landcare Shelter Nursery SUNSET Golf Course MEMBORKAD Wildlife Hide Landcare Sites Mural Flagpole Tank Rabbit Proof Fencing SSB Ahead Skm MENINDEE RD Broken Hill, NSW 90km W WIL CANWA RD Adelaide, SA 600km Wilderma, NSW 140km Sydney, NSW 1,000km KEY: Walk of Fame Embedded Bronze Star Interpretative Installation Fitness Station