

Menindee Central School

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TERM 3

WEEK 2



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Week 2 is proving to be yet another busy week at Menindee Central. It's great to see our attendance slowly improving. Let's see if we can improve even more next week!

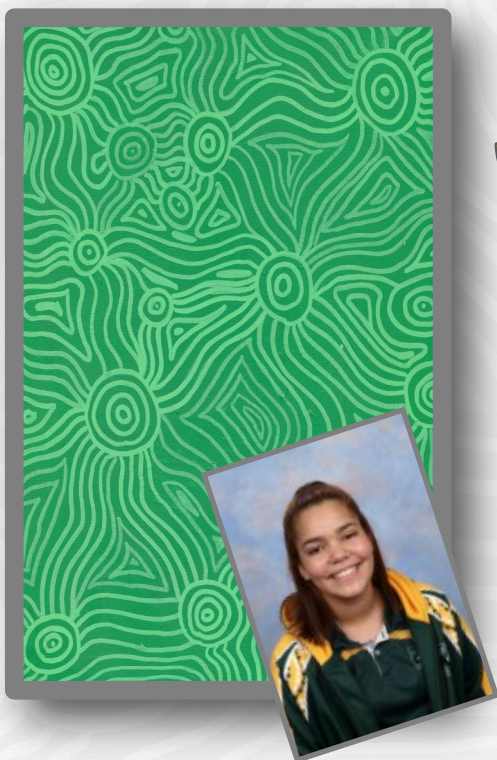
Thanks to Adam Bailey for organising our TAFE students who started back on their welding course. This course has proved to be very popular among the older students.

Next week our art students in stage 4 and 5 will be doing a Mosaic workshop. The workshop will take place on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Thanks to Rick Ball for organising this event.

Education week is on next week and because you, the parents and carers, can't come into the school, we will take the classrooms to you via a Livestream on Facebook. The Livestream will be on Wednesday, 5 August, starting at 12.30pm. So grab a coffee or some lunch and tune into our Facebook page to see the exciting and engaging classroom activities. Don't forget to comment so that we know you are watching.

Until next week,

Fiona



Student Art Work

Each week a piece of MCS students' art work will feature as the watermark on each page of our newsletter.

This week is work by year 9 student, Grace.

ATTENDANCE

20-07 / 24-07

Overall %

Boys

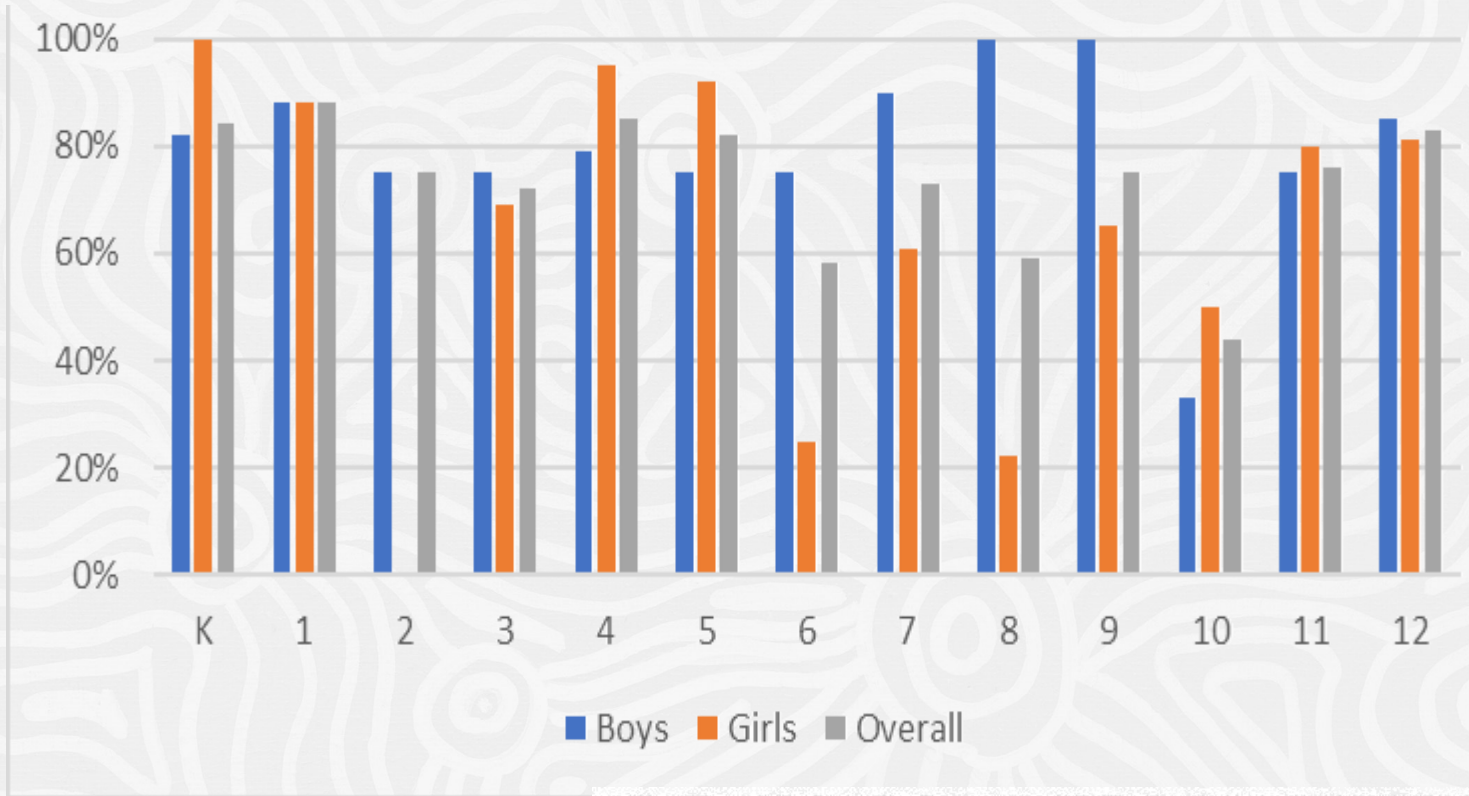
Girls

Overall

79

69

73



“Every Day Counts”

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem that much but...

If your child misses	that equals...	which is...	and over 13 years of school that's...
1 day a fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 Years
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

Primary Class Awards Week 1

- K/1 Jaci Fusi & Anthony Bennett
- 2/3 Kaleb Philp & Bryce Smith
- 3-6 Zeira Russell
- 4/5/6 Kylah Havili & Israel Halls



The effect of absence on progress

A whole year has 365 days; a school year has 190 days. That leaves 175 days to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping and other appointments.

No Absence	10 days absence	12 days absence	19 days absence	29 days absence	38 days absence
190 days of education	180 days of education	178 days of education	171 days of education	161 days of education	152 days of education
100%	95%	94%	90%	85%	80.00%
Very Good	Worrying		Serious Concern		

How about 10 minutes a day? Surely that won't affect my child



Primary News

In K/1 this week are continuing on with our Jolly Phonics lessons and we have been reading Mr Archimedes bath. We even did our own experiment to see if we could make our baths overflow too. In Maths we are focusing on reading, writing and representing numbers, skip counting and grouping items. We are learning about places that are big and small as well safe places. In PDH we are discussing our feelings and how we show feelings in a variety of situations.



This week in 2/3 we are focusing on the sound o_e. We have been on an o_e hunt in our dictionaries and will continue to practise this sound throughout the week.

In Science with Miss Johnson, we are looking at Space. This is also our focus for Writing this week and we are starting short stories based on 12 new planets astronauts have discovered.

We are focusing on feelings and how to change our feelings to positive ones in Health with the help of PossaBill.

In Geography we are learning about Australia's location in the world.

2/3 have made a great start to learning in Term 3!

Week 2 is busy in 4/5/6! This week our 'class jobs' are well underway...Each student has a job and are 'paid' (pretend money) on Fridays. They are completing their duties with smiles on their faces and increasing confidence. Next week, students will pay 'rent' for their chairs and begin to budget. Be sure to ask your child more about this!

We are also really enjoying our morning Reading Groups followed by our engaging Jollyphonics sessions.

In Science we are exploring Marvellous Micro-Organisms, so be prepared for some gross experiments to come home.

Homework also begins this week. Homework will be sent home on a Monday and returned the following Monday.

Stay tuned for week 3!

STAGE 4 NOTICES

What we are learning:

English: Debating

Students are learning:

- to agree to disagree — Argument
- Inanimate reading

Maths: Fractions

- Students are learning what fractions are and how to convert and simplify.
- Fractions can be difficult but it IS ESSENTIAL students are at school to have a GOOD GO at how to attempt tasks.

Science: Photosynthesis in Plants

- Students are learning about how plants produce their own food.

HSIE: HISTORY of the VIKINGS

- Students are learning about everyday Viking Life.
- Will create a Museum Artefact both Real and Virtual to demonstrate their understanding of Viking life.

Due Friday:

Maths: Equivalent Fraction W/S

Science: What do plants need to Grow? Inquiry investigation

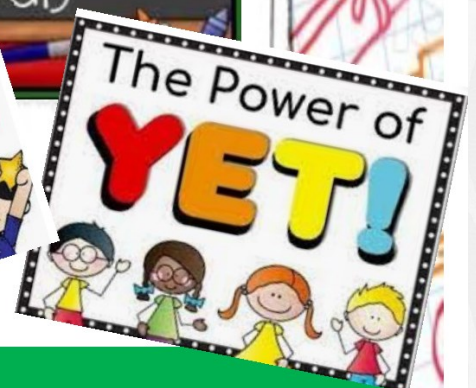
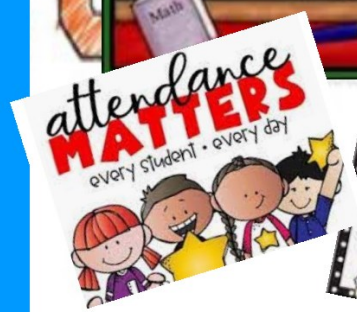
Prac write up

HSIE: Viking Rune name plate & Viking 'This is your life!' card.

Homework Centre Tuesday

3:05—4: 30

Please bring along your Tasks



Struggle is good!

Children need to know its OK not to get some things Yet... but if you keep trying... You will!

TERM 3: We are trying to teach our students **SELF RESPONSIBILITY**. It is **IMPORTANT** that they take ownership of their own equipment and time management. This will help them best prepare for future studies, employment and self care.

Please support your child by reminding them to be prepared & responsible.

STAGE 5 NOTICES

What we are learning:

English: S.M.A.S.H Narrative

Science: Electricity & Circuits

Students are learning:

- What is electricity
- What is a circuit and the different types
- Circuit diagrams and symbols
- Calculations of Voltage, resistance and Current

Entrepreneurship:

Students have been learning:

- What is needed to create a start up business
- Possible opportunities to solve specific problems and create jobs out of it
- What goes into organising a Local Function/ Exhibit Day

Ask your child/young person what they are learning?

Planning for Exhibition at Train.

UPDATED Assessment Booklet should have been sent home this week. It is **IMPORTANT** as it has an outline of tasks and when they are due. **ESSENTIAL** for a successful Stage 5 & ROSA

Year 10's need to **start** thinking about
SUBJECT SELECTION
For **STAGE 6**

Students will also have an opportunity to meet the Minimum Standards test(s) in Term 4



Menindee Charities - Lucky ball numbers: 4-6-7-10-12-13 Date: 27/07/20

Jackpot: \$1,799.00 Numbers: 1-16 Winner: Nil

Save the dates:



**CWA of NSW
Menindee Branch**

Tuesday Housie's:

Tuesday 28 July

Tuesday 11 August

Doors Open 9:30 am

Game Starts 10:00 am

CWA Hall Perry Street

No children allowed

Maximum 20 people

**Strict Social Distancing measures
will apply**

Next Evening Housie:

Saturday 15 August

Doors Open 6:00 pm

Game Starts 6:30 pm

CWA Hall Perry Street

No children allowed

Maximum 20 people

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will apply**

President: Jody Marsden

Secretary: Lorraine Looney

Treasurer: Judith Selby

COVID 19 – In accordance with Australian Government Department of Health:

- **Please stay at home if you are sick**
- **Stop handshaking and other physical greetings**
- **Practise good hygiene to protect against infection and prevent the virus spreading**

Please consider joining the CWA of NSW Menindee Branch

The CWA is the largest women's organisation in Australia and aims to improve conditions for country women and children. We reach that aim in various ways including lobbying for change, helping the local community, creating a network of support and meeting together in towns and cities.

CWA of NSW is a member of CWA of Australia and the international organisation Associated Country Women of the World.

Next CWA of NSW Menindee Branch Meeting Sunday 16 August

Wanted to Buy

River block with reasonable house in the Menindee environs.

Phone Peter or Laurel on 08 80884677

School Newsletter Publication Day is Tuesdays

To ensure your notices are included in our publication, please have them emailed to me no later than close of business on Friday.

Late entries will not be included. *Thank you*

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