



# Mendooran Central School

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13TH DECEMBER 2011

## *Presentation Night Awards*

<b>Special SRC Award:</b>	Shaylah Taufah
<b>Kindergarten Book Awards:</b>	Emily Leask, Victoria Monk, Harrison Bracken, Austin Heazlett, Trevor Martin, Jake Swan, Brayden Thompson, Jack Vincx, Alexander Yeo
<b>Primary/Infants Book Awards:</b>	Ella Hartley, Sam Bennetts, Christopher Bracken, Malcolm Hellyer, Kaitlyn Reynolds, Angus Tudgey, Sophia Skinner, Kevin Martin, Zacharia Sando, Emma Bennetts, Emily Yeo, Levi Goldspink
<b>Primary/Infants Awards:</b>	Tori Rutter, Jackson Hardes, Oscar Monk, Klayton Campbell, Casey Adams, Anna Ward, Arabella Smith, Steven Ashford, Tahlia Williams, Mollee-Jane Johnson, Toby Adams, Kyle Hartley, Dylan Thompson, Kerrie Ward, Dylan Gray
<b>STLA Certificates:</b>	Kayleigh Rutter, Oscar Monk, Lisa Hobbs, Kevin Martin
<b>Library Certificates:</b>	Noah Harris, Victoria Monk, Arabella Smith, Annabel Finemore, Dylan Meyers, Rebecca Sciberras
<b>Primary DUX:</b>	Emily Yeo
<b>Primary Sports Awards:</b>	Emily Yeo, Levi Goldspink, Rebecca Sciberras, Hugh Finemore
<b>Primary Sports Blue:</b>	Kerrie Ward
<b>Secondary Awards Year 7:</b>	Kurt Williams, Jackson Adams, Shanoa Hartley, Jessica Frohmuller, Ebony-Jean Johnson
<b>Year 7 Book Awards:</b>	Shanoa Hartley, Jackson Adams
<b>Secondary Awards Year 8:</b>	Abigail Skinner, Jake Sladden, Steven Rutter
<b>Year 8 Book Awards:</b>	Abigail Skinner, Danielle Sciberras
<b>Secondary Awards Year 9:</b>	Amelia Washbrook, Mitchell Ribbons, Shaylah Taufah, John Monk, Bradley Ward
<b>Year 9 Book Awards:</b>	Ryan Brennan-Hammond, Shaylah Taufah
<b>Secondary Awards Year 10:</b>	Grace Leask, Jayden Anderson, Lincoln Goldspink, Jacob Knight, Shakirra Watt, Hayden Rutter, Brenden Roberts
<b>Year 10 Book Awards:</b>	Lincoln Goldspink, Jayden Anderson
<b>Secondary Awards Year 11:</b>	Blake Washbrook, Rhys Williams, William Wood
<b>Year 11 Book Awards:</b>	Blake Washbrook, Tammi Hellegers
<b>Secondary Awards Year 12:</b>	Andrew Mulligan, Wayne Latham, Monique Tattersall
<b>Year 12 Book Awards:</b>	Andrew Mulligan, Monique Tattersall
<b>VET Award:</b>	Wayde Latham
<b>Secondary DUX:</b>	Monique Tattersall
<b>Secondary Sports Awards:</b>	Wayde Latham, Steven Rutter, John Monk, Grace Leask, Jamie Sharpe
<b>Secondary Sports Blue:</b>	Andrew Mulligan
<b>Charles &amp; Daphne Jones Memorial Shield &amp; Book:</b>	Emily Yeo
<b>Mendooran Cricket Club Shield &amp; Book:</b>	Andrew Mulligan
<b>Errol Southwell Memorial Shield &amp; Book:</b>	Hugh Finemore
<b>Monk Award:</b>	Britney Rutter
<b>CWA Award:</b>	Rebecca Sciberras
<b>CWA/Land Cookery Awards:</b>	Jackson Adams
<b>Gilgandra Bank Community Award:</b>	Bradley Ward
<b>Creative Art Award:</b>	Tammi Hellegers
<b>Caltex Best All Rounder:</b>	Andrew Mulligan
<b>Reuban F Scarf Award:</b>	Wayde Latham
<b>ADF Long Tan Award:</b>	Lincoln Goldspink, Blake Washbrook, Andrew Mulligan



## *Principal's Notes*

### Principal's Report

Thank you to all of our parents, family and community members for attending our Presentation Ceremony today. As I said in my address, we have been blessed with the support that we receive from our community and I sincerely thank you.

I also wish to thank on behalf of the school, the School Council for the time you provided to discuss issues of importance within the school throughout the year. There have been some difficult situations this year and your sound advice and support has indeed helped and made a positive difference to the school.

To our P&C committee, you have again built on last year with another fantastic 12 months of initiative and service to our school. Your work in arranging the front pavers and funding a significant portion of these was wonderful. Your facilitation of the market day as well as the coordination of the helpers who keep the canteen open each week makes you the unsung heroes of this school. I thank each and every one of you and hope that you receive additional supporters next year.

One particular person who I wish to personally thank and acknowledge on behalf of the school is Mrs Sylvia Goldspink, who will be leaving with her family for Tasmania at the end of this year. Sylvia has been a fantastic member of staff, always willing to go beyond her role to support students and teachers in all areas of the school. We thank Sylvia for the contribution that she has made to our school and wish the whole Goldspink family all the best in the future.

To all of our teachers and non teaching staff, I thank and applaud you for your efforts all year - it is due to your caring nature, the love that you have for your job, and your willingness to learn new skills and step out of old comfort zones that have made all of the wonderful things that happen at our school possible.

Most importantly, I need to say to all of those students who received awards today, whether for academic, sporting, or other special awards, particular congratulations to you all. However I wish to congratulate our whole student body on how cooperative and positive you have been in the classroom this year. Providing effective teaching and learning is the most important thing that we do here at school and it is your willingness to work as part of a team that makes this possible. So thank you and well done to all of our students for the efforts you have made all year. Please be proud of yourselves, because I certainly am.

I wish everyone a happy and safe and enjoyable holiday and look forward to another productive year in 2012.

Merry Christmas.

*Michael Spora*



### **NEXT P&C MEETING**

Thursday  
16th February 2012  
7:00 pm



### **CALENDAR**

#### **THU 15.12.11**

Class Christmas Parties

#### **FRI 16.12.11**

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Merry Christmas

### **SCHOOL RESUMES** **In 2012**

**Monday 30/1/12** for  
Years 1-12

**Tuesday 31/1/12** for  
Kindergarten

#### **Principal**

Michael Spora

#### **HTSS**

Julie Waters

#### **Assistant Principal**

Lynda Peter

#### **Captain Secondary**

Andrew Mulligan

#### **Vice Caps Secondary**

Grace Leask

Lincoln Goldspink

#### **Captains Primary**

Kerrie Ward

Levi Goldspink

#### **Vice Caps Primary**

Rebecca Sciberras

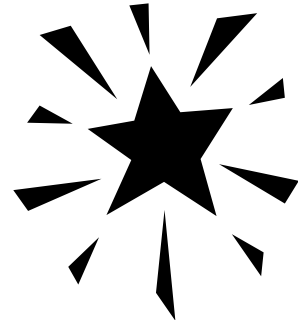
Hugh Finemore

**Merit Awards**

**K/1:** Trevor Martin  
Victoria Monk  
**2/3/4:** Kayleigh Rutter  
Jacob Howarth  
**4/5/6:** Zac Sando  
Lachlan Howarth

**Class Award Ribbons**

**K/1:** Brayden Thompson  
**2/3/4:** Christopher Bracken  
**4/5/6:** Dokota Thompson



## PRIMARY ASSEMBLY AWARDS

**Birthdays:**

Oscar Monk

### KINDERGARTEN/K1 NEWS

As the year rolls to a close I would like to thank students and families for their support and dedication to learning. Although this year has been busy it has also been an enjoyable one. I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and I look forward to another wonderful year in 2012.

S.Reynolds

### INTENSIVE SWIMMING

Thursday and Friday last week saw the conclusion of the Intensive Swimming program for 2011. With the assistance and wealth of experience from Barry Henderson students were tested on their levels with many proving successful despite the weather interruptions throughout the weeks prior. Well done! The School Intensive Swimming Scheme is a learn to swim program that aims to develop water confidence and provides students with basic to advanced skills in water safety and survival. As aquatic activities play a significant role in the lifestyle of many of our children it is essential that students are aware of the importance of water safety and are equipped with the necessary skills of safety and survival. On behalf of the teachers and students at Mendooran Central School we would like to say a huge thank you to Katrina Yeo, Skye Bracken, Pip Elton, Alison Martin, Louise Monk, Kylie Bennetts, Candy and Peter Leask and Larissa Williams for their time, efforts, flexibility and knowledge in the running of the various swimming groups. A program of this importance and value could not occur without the support of parents and the community alike. Thankyou!

D Althofer &amp; S Reynolds

### **Intensive Swimming - Have your say!**

The Intensive Swimming Program aims to develop confidence in the water, improve swimming strokes and teach water safety to the students of Mendooran Central School. This could not happen without your support. Help us to evaluate and improve our Intensive Swimming Program for 2012 by letting us know how we could improve this important program. Thank you for your support.

S. Reynolds

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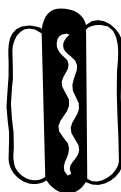
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## CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon 12.12.11: K Knight

Wed 14.12.11: S Tudgey

Fri 16.12.11: B Collins/T Swan



### YEAR 2/3/4 NEWS

Our class party will be held this Thursday, after lunch. Could each child please bring in some party food to share. We'll play some party games, and celebrate the closing of a great year. On that note, thank you all for a fantastic year. I have very much enjoyed being part of Mendooran Central School, and have been made to feel supported and very welcome. We have all worked hard this year, and certainly deserve a holiday. I wish you all a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year and a safe and relaxing Holiday. Thanks again.

Miss L Yeo

### YEAR 4/5/6 NEWS

Only TEN sleeps 'till Santa comes!

The children are all very excited and filled with anticipation. Not only about Christmas, but also about our Presentation Ceremony today. Today we will find out who our new Captains are – both Primary and Secondary – and we will see who will receive all the awards and prizes for academic achievement, application to their studies, sporting achievement, participation in community activities, etc. It will also be the last occasion for us to see some of our students who will be leaving us for one reason or another.

There are always so many children very deserving of ALL the awards and as always this has been a time of very difficult choices. However, by the time you are reading this we will know all the outcomes of our Presentation Ceremony, so now all that is left is to remind everyone not to lose sight of the real meaning of Christmas, and to wish you all a very, very Merry Christmas and a very, very safe, happy and prosperous New Year.

Mrs Davis.

### LIBRARY NEWS

Thank you to all the parents and carers who have supported and encouraged the children with their return of library books, Premier's Reading Challenge, Book Club, Book Week etc, this year. We have been very fortunate to receive from Mrs Hart (the late Pro Hart's wife) a 750 piece jigsaw puzzle, featuring one of his works, and a DVD, Pro Hart - A Tribute. The Monk family were given them while visiting the gallery in Broken Hill earlier this year. Thank you to Oscar and his family. There will be a Book Fair early in 2012.

B Bush

### SECONDARY GENERAL NEWS

Last week was again a busy, yet productive one. We celebrated Year 10 achieving their School Certificate in the BER with a very successful BBQ and disco last Wednesday. It was wonderful to be joined by family and friends. We look forward to meeting with the wider school community at our annual Presentation Night; celebrating students successes.

The Stage 4 Transition day was also a great success, with students being led through sessions on team building, Learning Style Analysis and anti bullying strategies. The Stage 5 Transition Day scheduled for Friday was postponed due to Mr Bearman's ill health. It was held this Tuesday. Many thanks to

Mr Bearman for all his hard work and organisation. The students will really benefit from this process. This Thursday we will hold a party for all of Secondary. Students are encouraged to bring food or drinks. Teachers will co-ordinate this early in the week. Pictured is Shaylah Taufa with Patrick Jones (100metre record holder - 9.93seconds) while on Work Experience at NASCA.

On behalf of the Secondary staff, we wish everyone a very safe and happy holiday.

J Waters



## MENDOORAN CENTRAL SCHOOL'S GREAT TEXTBOOK MUSTER!

It's that time of year again when we ask for your help! Throughout the year students may occasionally borrow text books for revision and study. Our School would greatly appreciate it, if parents and students searched at home for any stray text books and return them ASAP. If you do have them could you please return them to the School Office or to the appropriate classroom teacher. Thank you.

M Heazlett



## COMMUNITY NEWS

### MENDOORAN POOL NEWS

Anyone interested in joining the Learn to Swim program next year from the 9.1.12 to 19.1.12, must be pre-booked before this date. If not, you will not be included in these lessons. Enrolment forms are available from Mendooran Swimming Pool.

L Williams

## MENDOORAN/MERRYGOEN

### AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB 2010 – 2011 SEASON

A reminder that the last Point Score for the term will be on this Friday 16th December. It will then resume on Friday 3rd February, 2012. Can all members please be there by 3.45pm to enable the Marshall to group everyone for their races for a 4pm start. I would also like to take this opportunity on behalf of the Committee to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe holiday season. Feel free to call me if you have any questions – 6886 1131. Thanks.



J Rushton

## TOUCH FOOTBALL - KEEPING IN TOUCH

Round 3 was rained out last Thursday. It will be replayed this Thursday.

This week will be Round 3 and the games are as follows:

**The Rookies vs The Coconuts**

**Mendooran Café vs Royal Hotel**

**Barbarians vs Wild Boars**

The table so far is as follows:

There will be a BBQ put on at the Royal Hotel after each game as per usual. See you there.

Teams	Points
Mendooran Café	6
Wild Boars	4
Royal Hotel	4
The Rookies	4
Barbarians	4
The Coconuts	2

M Burke



## MENDOORAN PONY CLUB NEWS

Please, please, please can everyone help with the Chocolate Wheel to be held at the pub this Thursday night at 7pm.

The Christmas party is this weekend and should be so much fun, as yet I haven't got many replies for numbers, could people please call and let me know if you are coming or not – it just really helps for catering purposes. ☺ I need all perpetual trophies to be returned to school by tomorrow morning so I can hopefully have them ready for the Christmas party.

Well done to Bligh, Sam and Belle who competed at the Zone 3 Showjumping Championships in Orange on the weekend – it was a great weekend and was very full on with a jam packed program. Bligh was reserve champion in the "A" Grade and Sam was Champion in the "D" Grade with Charlie Brown having his first outing. In the Gymkhana point score Sam and Charlie Brown were again Champions and Belle and Pugsley were Reserve Champions. Travelling away to different events makes you realise just how good a club we have – we have such great facilities and equipment and so many members willing to help at events compared to other clubs.

J Smith



### *Mendooran Central School* *Uniform Supplies @ 26.7.2010*

<b><u>CLOTHING</u></b>	<b><u>(Includes GST)</u></b>
BLACK SLOPPY JOES    Small (Size 6, 8, 10, 12, 14).....	\$14.00
(with school crest)    Large (Size 16y, 16, 18, 20).....	\$16.00
T-SHIRTS (with school crest) .....	\$ 9.90
TRACKPANTS (microfibre)    Small (Size 12, 14).....	\$18.00
(for upper primary/secondary)    Large (Size 16, 18, 20).....	\$20.00
TRACK PANTS (fleecy) (infants K-4)    (Size 6, 8 and 10).....	\$11.00
POLO SHIRTS (grey or white)    Small (Size 6, 8, 10, 12, 14).....	\$12.00
(with school crest)    Large (Size 16y, 16, 18).....	\$14.00
SPRAY JACKETS (black and white/school crest).....	\$55.00
<b><u>HATS</u></b>	
Caps (Black with school emblem)	\$ 5.00
Bucket Hats (Black: Size 53, 55, 57, 59 & 61cm).....	\$ 7.50
<b><u>EQUIPMENT</u></b>	
Calculators (Scientific).....	\$21.00
Library Bags (range of colours).....	\$ 3.50
Sunglasses (black).....	\$ 9.90
Student Pen/Pencil Sets (eraser, sharpener, blue/black/red pens & 2 pencils)	\$ 4.00
Pencil Cases (Tartan).....	\$ 1.50
Book Packs .....(with/without) A3 Art Diary	\$20/\$15.00

*Mendooran Central School has purchased black jumpers, tracksuit pants and polo shirts to help parents buy locally for your convenience. Prices have been kept down as much as possible and the School has passed on the savings by buying in bulk. The school crest has been included on jumpers and shirts to make our students look great in their uniforms.*

*Please contact the school office in advance if possible if you would like to purchase uniforms. The correct money is a huge help to the office staff.*



## Macquarie Regional Library Summer Reading Club 2011-2012

Wednesday 23 November 2011

Macquarie Regional Library's annual Summer Reading Club will launch on Thursday 1 December across the region and will continue throughout the summer holidays.

The Summer Reading Club aims to:

- Engage young people and their families in a fun, interactive and relevant reading program during the summer holidays.
- Support literacy development in young people including reading, writing, creative arts and multi-media technology skills.
- Promote public libraries to the wider community.
- Foster a love of books, reading, literature and the library habit.

This year's theme, The Amazing Read, explores the many different places that you can take your book and read. The program will promote reading as an enjoyable experience and encourage children to seek out new places to read, along with celebrating familiar reading spaces.

At Macquarie Regional Library young people can register for free and will receive a reading pack with fun activities, great incentives and a reading log. Alternatively they can download a reading log online at [www.mrl.nsw.gov.au](http://www.mrl.nsw.gov.au) from Thursday 1 December.

Last year the Summer Reading Club was a huge success with almost 700 entries from across the region. This year, with the help of your school, it could be even bigger and better!

Would you please consider including details of the Macquarie Regional Library Summer Reading Club in your school newsletter.

For more information please contact Gary Furnell on 6842 1093.

Yours sincerely,

Gary Furnell  
Manager, Coonabarabran Branch  
Macquarie Regional Library

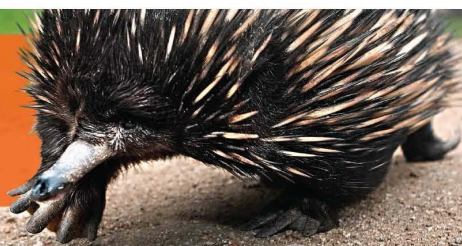


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Taronga Western Plains Zoo

## Education



## 2012 Calendar

Taronga Western Plains Zoo Education Centre is excited to announce dates for next years special programs.

March 2012	6 <sup>th</sup> March – Sea Week Activities 22 <sup>nd</sup> March – World Water Day Activities 23 <sup>rd</sup> March – Ride to School Day
April 2012	23 <sup>rd</sup> April – Earth Day Rainforest Activities
May 2012	9 <sup>th</sup> May – World Migratory Bird Day Activities
June 2012	5 <sup>th</sup> June – World Environment Day Activities
July 2012	24 <sup>th</sup> to 26 <sup>th</sup> July – Australia Biota Study Day 27 <sup>th</sup> July – National Tree Day Activities
August 2012	7 <sup>th</sup> August – Meet a Keeper 15 <sup>th</sup> & 16 <sup>th</sup> August – National Science Week 27 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup> August – Book Week with Literature Live 31 <sup>st</sup> August – Kids Teaching Kids
September 2012	21 <sup>st</sup> September – International Rhino Day
October 2012	16 <sup>th</sup> October – Meet a Keeper
November 2012	14 <sup>th</sup> to 16 <sup>th</sup> November – Maintaining the Balance 19 <sup>th</sup> November – World Toilet Day – Wipe for Wildlife 20 <sup>th</sup> November – Meet a Keeper

For further information on any of the above programs or to make a booking please contact the Taronga Western Plains Zoo Education Centre on 6881 1433 or [kwood@zoo.nsw.gov.au](mailto:kwood@zoo.nsw.gov.au)



# PRESENTATION CEREMONY





