



# Mendooran Central School

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13TH FEBRUARY 2012

## CONGRATULATIONS GOONOO!



### Principal

Michael Spora

### HTSS

Julie Waters

### Assistant Principal

Sara Reynolds

### Captain Secondary

Blake Washbrook

### Vice Caps Secondary

John Monk

Amelia Washbrook

### Captains Primary

Kyle Hartley

Emma Bennetts

### Vice Caps Primary

Charlie Smith

Peta McCleod

## PRINCIPAL'S NOTES

### SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Congratulations to everyone for a great swimming carnival on Friday, it was a fantastic school community day. I would firstly like to thank all of the parents for coming along to support your children, your presence is always welcome and your support greatly appreciated. To those who volunteered to help out in many ways, we also thank you immensely. We also thank our local pool staff for their ongoing cooperation, both in supporting in the organisation of the carnival and for always having the pool being maintained in a very high standard, whenever the school needs to use it. To our staff and students, for the enthusiastic and cooperative way in which you participated for the whole day, my thanks and congratulations go to you all for a great school occasion.

### PRIORITY SCHOOLS SURVEY

Priority School funding is one of our major sources of additional funding. Priority Schools Programs provide additional funding, staffing and consultancy services to identified schools. The schools identified for Priority Schools Programs are known as Priority Schools. Priority Schools are those which serve communities with the highest concentrations of low socio-economic status families. Priority Schools receive additional resources for literacy, numeracy and participation programs for students.

A new list of Priority Schools is identified every four years by a survey of families. The next survey of families will occur in March 2012 for the upcoming funding period. The survey forms are completed by parents/caregivers. The survey forms are returned in a sealed envelope so no-one at the school can read the response of any family. The survey form is short as it only takes up one side of a single piece of paper. Only essential questions are asked and it is easy to complete. It is immensely important that we get every family to participate in this important survey so that we can secure PSP funding for the next four years.

### SHOPPING DOCKETS

Thank you to all of the families and community members who dropped in Shopping Centre shopping tokens and dockets to our school. The Library has received over \$140 worth of books and our sports department also received a large amount of sporting equipment.

#### NEXT P&C MEETING

Thursday  
16th February 2012  
3:30 pm

#### NEXT SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday  
16th February 2012  
7.00pm



### CALENDAR

#### MON 13.2.12

Pass the Poetry  
Please - 2.00pm

#### WED 15.2.12

Year 9 Laptop Info  
Afternoon &  
Handover  
1.30pm

#### THU 16.2.12

P&C meeting  
3.30pm

School Council  
meeting  
7.00pm

*Michael Spora  
Principal*



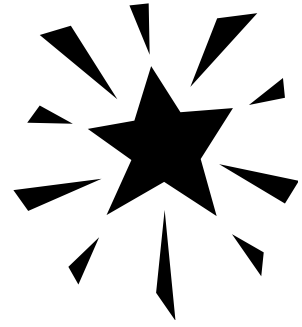


**Merit Awards**

**K/1:** Airlie Smith  
Janet Hellyer  
**2/3/4/5:** Joseph Frohmuller  
Oscar Monk  
**4/5/6:** Lachlan Howarth  
Amethyst Tumbri

**Class Award Ribbons**

**K/1:** Emily Leask  
**2/3/4/5:** Christopher Bracken  
**4/5/6:** James Eyles



## PRIMARY ASSEMBLY AWARDS

**Birthdays:** Klayton Campbell, Emma Bennetts, Tori Rutter, Toby Adams, Stephen Eyles

### KINDERGARTEN/YEAR 1 NEWS

Congratulations to all students who participated in the Infant Swimming Carnival. Everyone participated, we all had a wonderful day. Thank you to parents for your support on the day.

This week we are working on new sounds and they will be glued into Kindergarten sound books. We will be looking at recount writing and construction our own recounts about the swimming carnival. Students will be reading the text "There was an old woman who swallowed a fly" and learning about characters and sequencing the text. We will be revising our colours in art and hope to make a beautiful rainbow.

S Reynolds

### YEAR 2/3/4/5 NEWS

This week in Spelling we are looking at the sounds 'wr' and 'ck' with particular attention to vowel sounds in the words. After this weeks spelling assessment I will move children into a higher group if necessary. In our COGS unit we are looking at local natural environments and built environments. If your child would like to collect feathers, leaves, etc. for our wall display - we will begin this week!

Please enable your child to bring a recipe or a procedure of how to do something for our news this week!

Our 'Sip and Crunch' is happening every morning, which allows the children to have a drink of water and some healthy fruit or vegetable at this time for a few minutes. Please allow your child a separate container or piece of fruit (2 pieces of apple) or vegetable (stalk of celery) to eat for about 2 mins; as it is a long time from breakfast to Recess for small tummies! I provided fruit and vegetables last week, if anyone has a surplus of fruit or vegetables for us to try please send them in, it would be appreciated. I don't mind cutting up melon, oranges etc before school. Thank you to the



children who have already handed their homework in. Homework needs to be handed in every week. This sets up good study habits when your child is older. Remember if homework is brought in every week at the end of the Term the children get to choose a super duper prize! Have a great week!

S Lavender

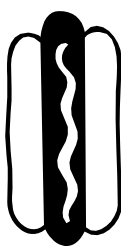
### PRIMARY NEWS

Thank you to parents who supported our Parent Information Session on Wednesday afternoon. Primary Teachers presented information about classroom routines, homework, rewards and learning topics. If you would like to talk with your child's teacher please contact the office to arrange a time.

S Reynolds

## CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon 13.2.12: S Bracken  
 Tue 14.2.12: S Tudgey  
 Wed 15.2.12: K Bennetts/M Skinner  
 Thu 16.2.12: S Tumbri  
 Fri 17.2.12: K Yeo/A Martin



Mon 20.2.12: S Abbott  
 Tue 21.2.12: M Ward/J Smith  
 Wed 22.2.12: S Abbott  
 Thu 23.2.12: S Tumbri  
 Fri 24.2.12: L Monk/K Skinner

**CANTEEN SPECIAL** Macaroni Cheese - \$2.00 Limited time only

### P&C MEETING THURSDAY 16/2/2012 - 3.30PM

The P&C committee of 2011 would like to invite family members and members of the community to attend our first meeting for 2012, on Thursday 16th February at 3.30pm. Come and see what we have planned for this year and let us know if you have any ideas and suggestions. Hope to see you there!

G Hollingworth

### SECONDARY NEWS GENERAL

Congratulations to all of the students who participated at our annual Swimming Carnival. The atmosphere was extremely positive, with house spirit alive and well! Special mention, for helping in the marshalling area were Bronwyn Drew, Tammi Hellegers, John Monk and Brad Ward. Shaylah Taufa, Shania Taufa, Matthew Crothers and Kaitlyn Thomson were also very much appreciated in their help with younger students in the pool, supporting them in completing races. Patrick Fallon kept the staff fed and watered. Thank you also to the many parent helpers, we could not run these events without your continued support.

J Waters





Australian Government  
Australian Sports Commission

## Active After-school Communities

Helping kids and communities get active



## Active After-school Communities Program MENDOORAN CENTRAL SCHOOL

### What is the Active After-school Communities (AASC) Program?

The Active After-school Communities (AASC) program is a national Australian Government's initiative providing primary school-aged children with access to free sport and other structured physical activity after school.



The program is designed to engage traditionally inactive children in sport and other structured physical activities and through a positive experience, develop a love of sport that motivates them to join a local sporting club.

### What is the AASC program doing at my school?

The Mendooran Central School AASC program in 2012 will run on a Thursday afternoon from 3.15pm till 4.30pm with the first session to be held on Thursday 16th February 2012 and continuing for 7 weeks.

Children participating in the AASC program enjoy a healthy nutritious afternoon tea followed by 60 minutes of physical activity where they will have fun with friends, learn new sports and get active. In 2012 Mendooran Central School AASC program hopes to offer a variety of new, martial arts, lawn bowls, cycling and dance.

### How can my child become involved in the AASC program?



The AASC program is open to all primary school-aged children of Mendooran Central School and is FREE. Mendooran Central School is now taking enrolments for the 2012 AASC program. To have your child participate in the AASC program in 2012 complete the parent consent form and return to the front office by Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2012.

**For further information in regard to the AASC program contact**

**Denise Althofer or Lyndall Yeo on 02 68861149.**



## Mendooran Central School Uniform Supplies @ 30.1.2012

<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.*

## SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Grace's Uniforms in Coonabarabran will be selling Mendooran Central School dresses for \$45.00. They will be stocking dresses from sizes 4 - 14. Mail order will be available. For more information please call Grace on 6842 1670.

Mandy Eyles is making girls shorts and skirts. For further information please call 6886 1173 or 0467 666 701.

## HOMEWORK CENTRE - CHANGE OF DAY

Don't forget the school is running a homework centre on Tuesday afternoons. This is held in the computer room from the end of school until 4:30pm. Mr Neal will supervise the students and provide any assistance required.





# SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS - 2012

<b>Voluntary Primary Contributions:</b>	<b>\$25.00 per child</b>
<b>Voluntary Secondary Contributions:</b>	<b>\$50.00 per child</b>
<b>Voluntary FAMILY MAXIMUM:</b>	<b>\$80.00 (not including electives)</b>

*Both Voluntary contributions and Elective fees may be paid by instalment.*

## COMPULSORY ELECTIVES COST

<b>Year 7/8 Electives:</b>	Technology Mandatory	\$20.00 (enables students to take work home)
<b>Year 9/10 Electives:</b>	Industrial Technology	\$40.00 first project (\$30 per project thereafter)
	Food Technology	\$15.00 <b>per term</b> (\$60.00 per year)
	Design & Tech (Textiles)	\$20.00
	Art	\$25.00
	Agriculture	\$10.00
<b>Year 11/12 Electives:</b>	Hospitality	\$15 per term (\$60.00 per year)
	D&T Mixed Media	\$20
	Art	\$25
	Agriculture	\$10
	Metals & Engineering	\$40 first project (2 <sup>nd</sup> project dependent on cost)

Please tear off the following section and fill in details accordingly to the number of students you have attending Mendooran Central School to calculate the amount owing

**FAMILY NAME:**.....

## VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTION

No Primary Students	<input type="text"/>	No. Secondary Students	<input type="text"/>	TOTAL \$ _____ SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS (Maximum \$80.00)
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**TOTAL ELECTIVE FEES** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS PAYABLE** \$ \_\_\_\_\_



**Health**  
Western NSW  
Local Health District

### NSW SCHOOL-BASED VACCINATION PROGRAM

Each year NSW Health offers the vaccines recommended by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) for adolescents as part of the school-based vaccination program.

In 2012 the following vaccines will be offered:

- Hepatitis B vaccine for all Year 7 students who have not received 3 doses of hepatitis B vaccine when they were a baby
- Varicella (chicken pox) vaccine for all Year 7 students who have not previously received varicella vaccine or had chickenpox disease.
- Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine will be offered to Year 7 girls only as a 3-dose course over a six-month period.
- Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis (Whooping Cough) vaccine will be offered to all Year 7 and Year 10 students.

*Parent Information Kits* will be sent home to parents/guardians. To consent to the vaccination of their child, parents/guardians are advised to read all the information provided, complete the consent form and return it to their child's school. Please ensure that your child eats breakfast on the day of the school vaccination clinic.

Parents/guardians who wish to withdraw their consent for any reason may do so by writing to the school Principal. The Procedure for Withdrawal of Consent is available on the NSW Health website at [www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation).

To improve vaccination completion, students will be opportunistically offered any missed doses throughout the year.

Please note that for HPV vaccine only, parents/guardians must record their Medicare Number (all 10 digits and the 11<sup>th</sup> number beside the child's name) on the consent form, as this is required to record the student's information on the National HPV Vaccination Register and link to the National or State Cervical Screening Program.

**A Record of Vaccination will be provided to each student vaccinated at the clinic. Parents/guardians should ensure that this record is kept for future reference and should not assume that their child has been vaccinated if they do not receive this Record of Vaccination.**

Population Health covering  
Western NSW Local Health District  
PO Box 739 Myall Street  
Dubbo NSW 2830  
Telephone: 02 6841 5569  
Facsimile: 02 6841 5570



## COMMUNITY NEWS

### OLD TIME DANCE LESSONS

Dance lessons will recommence at the Mechanics Institute Hall on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm. Starting 15th February 2012.



Everyone welcome, especially beginners. Come along and have some fun and don't forget those dancing shoes!!

Enquiries please contact Barry & Judy Henderson  
68861221



### STUDENT EXCHANGE – MEMORIES AND SKILLS FOR A LIFETIME!

Give your child the opportunity to gain international experiences and language skills to kick-start a future career. Along with distinct language benefits, exchange students mature, gain confidence and develop a much more worldly approach upon their return to Australia.

World Education Program Australia (WEP), a not-for-profit student exchange organisation registered with the education departments, is now accepting applications for students to live overseas in 2012/13 as exchange students for a summer, semester or year.

WEP is offering **\$3000 scholarships** towards year-long programs to Italy and French-speaking Belgium commencing in January 2013.

#### Find out more!

Visit [www.wep.org.au](http://www.wep.org.au)

Attend one of WEP's information evenings and open days

Call 1300 884 733

#### Upcoming Information Sessions

Brisbane and Sydney: 22 February, 14 March, 16 May

Lismore: 5 May

Cairns: 19 May

## MENDOORAN PA&H ASSOC

### DESIGN A LOGO COMPETITION!!

The Show society is running a competition to design a Logo for the Mendooran Show. This came about when we invited "Year of the Farmer" to be a guest at our 2012 show. They requested a logo ... and we didn't have one!

The logo should encapsulate everything that Mendooran Show means to you. Make it bright and bold, a simple idea with spark, which will be put on all advertising and correspondence from now on.

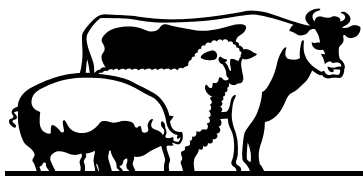
Below are some examples of other logos. You probably are aware of them and know what they are. The company doesn't have to print its whole name all the time. They simply use the logo and you know instantly who it is.



Entries are free for school students and \$1.00 for adults. Please deliver your entries to the school. The winner will receive a family pass to this year's show which is going to be bigger and better than ever! Entries close on Wednesday 7th March. Good Luck!

Pip Archer  
Secretary

### **MENDOORAN PA&H ASSOC INC**

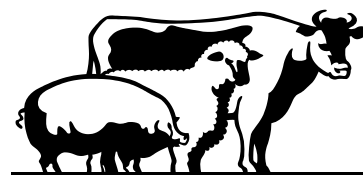


#### **General Meeting**

14 February, 2012

RSL Club

7:30pm



### **MENDOORAN/MERRYGOEN AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB**

Thank you to all the parents and kids for your efforts last week for Point Score. We finally had some beautiful weather and the kids did a great job of swimming, putting out the lanes, cheering on their fellow swimmers, and helping the little ones. Great job all! We look forward to doing it again this Friday. Can all members please be there by 3.45pm to enable the Marshall to group everyone for their races for a 4pm start. Thanks to all the Mums and Dads for helping with timekeeping and scoring. It was greatly appreciated and helped things go so smoothly. As usual, we will be looking for volunteers again on Friday. A reminder to parents that we will be looking for new committee members for next season. We are proposing to have our AGM on our last Point Score to facilitate this transition. It is important that parents attend this meeting to participate, nominate and welcome in the new committee. I will advise a date for this when I have confirmation from Council as to their proposed closing of the pool for the season. Once again, thank you for all your efforts last Friday and fingers crossed the weather stays beautiful for the remainder of the Point Score season. Feel free to call me if you have any questions – 6886 1131. Thanks.

J Rushton

## AFTER-SCHOOL SWIMMING LESSONS

A reminder that after-school swimming lessons with Gail Yeo will be on tomorrow. This will be good practice for the kids if they are going to zone. There will be two squads – one for the intermediates at 3.30pm and one for the advanced squad at 4pm.

J Rushton



## *AUSTRALIAN ARMY CADETS* *205 ARMY CADET UNIT*



**COURAGE, INITIATIVE, TEAMWORK**

**THIS UNIT PARADES  
EVERY MONDAY AFTERNOON AT  
MENDOORAM CENTRAL SCHOOL  
3.30 PM TO 7.00 PM  
ENROL NOW**

CONTACT:

MENDOORAN CENTRAL SCHOOL - 6886 1149

LT COL M. NEAL

UA W POTTER

CAPT L. POTTER

## MENDOORAN PONY CLUB

There will be a rally day this Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February 9am for a 9.30am start. Memberships may be done on the day BUT children are not permitted to ride until their membership has been signed and paid. The fees have been set at \$50 a riding member and \$30 a non riding member – this money goes straight to the NSW Pony Club Association – our club makes no money at all on membership costs. We do have a discounted family membership of \$220 – this is incredibly cheap compared to other clubs. All are welcome to join so if you are interested please give me a call 68442228 to find out the gear requirements and come along to our rally day. Bring your own lunch and some fruit to share at morning tea time. At our meeting last Tuesday we discussed our Pony Camp, Instructor's School, Regional School, fixing the pavilion walls, running a 2 day Jumping Championships, fixing trailers, painting the rest of the show jump rails/gates and purchasing the jump wings. The Pony Camp will run from 10<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> April and the cost has increased to \$130 a rider to cover costs. On the weekend of 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> March we will be hosting both a Regional Show Jumping Equitation School and an Instructors School, we will need all members to help cater for this. We have been successful in getting the date for our 2 day Show Jumping Championships – 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> May. It will be fantastic to show off our new jumps. Last Saturday Kim, Miriam, David and Jenny attended the Zone 4 AGM and meeting. Miriam and David have very kindly taken on positions in the Zone, Miriam is now the Zone Treasurer and David is the Junior Vice President – we thank them for doing these jobs.

J Smith



## TOUCH FOOTBALL - KEEPING IN TOUCH

After many rain delays Round 4 was completed last Thursday. Congratulations to the winning teams. The results for Round 4 are as follows:

**The Rookies** defeated **Mendooran Café** 5 – 4  
**Barbarians** defeated **Royal Hotel** 4 – 3  
**Wild Boars** defeated **The Coconuts** 6 – 4



This week will be Round 5 and the games are as follows:

**The Rookies** vs **Barbarians**  
**Mendooran Café** vs **The Coconuts**  
**Royal Hotel** 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.

M Burke

Teams	Points
Wild Boars	10
The Rookies	10
Mendooran Café	8
Royal Hotel	8
Barbarians	8
The Coconuts	4

