



# Mendooran Central School

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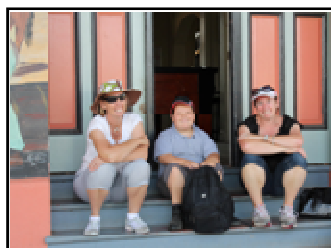
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TERM 1 WEEK 9

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19TH MARCH 2012

## 2/3/4/5 VISIT "OUR LOCAL PLACES"



**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

### P&C AGM

Last Thursday, our P&C AGM was held. All office bearers were reelected which is a tremendously positive for the school as I feel that they have done a sterling job over the past year. The office bearers are, President : Cathy Woods, Secretary – Sara Reynolds, Treasurer – Genise Hollingworth and Canteen Manager – Sharon Abbott. On behalf of the school community, I thank these people for the work they do and the positive support that they give, in managing the school over the past year and for taking on the role for 2012. I encourage all parents to get in and support these people when they put the call out for assistance.

### MCS Horse Sports

A meeting was held last week for our annual horse sports day. The day chosen is Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May. Again we thank our dedicated people who put their hand up to organise and manage this event. We will be calling for helpers on this day as well as for various working bees the week before so please put this on the calendar. If you think that you are able to help the P&C with catering or the many roles to do with marshalling students and horses on the day, please contact Di McCormack at the school on 68861149.

### Uniform

My sincere thanks and congratulations to every student and their families for the effort made with uniforms lately. I have had many positive comments from the community and visitors to the school. The final aspect of uniform that we need to address is black shoes. The uniform policy states that students should be in black shoes and I ask parents to please ensure that your child has a pair. If any families have school shoes that no longer fit your children, and are in reasonable condition, please bring them in for our clothing pool.

### Student behaviour

We have been working with a number of students, both individually and as groups on their social behaviour. I have no problem with fully accepting and carrying this out as part of educating your children, however I do need to make the comment that as with most issues, we can only move mountains for kids if we are working with parents. Students are at school for 35 of 168 hrs a week so we ask that in conjunction with parents positively reinforce the behavioural changes implanted at school.

### End of Year – Awards Presentation Day

Last year our presentation evening was washed out with a huge storm and had to be held during the day. Many people commented that this was a positive change and would prefer to make day time presentation ceremonies a regular occurrence. I have asked the P&C for their opinion and this was agreed on. So this year's ceremony will be held during the day during the last week. The actual day will be indicated at the start of term 4.

### Mrs Davis

As you would be aware, Mrs Davis has been on leave for the whole of term 1. At this stage she is due to return at the start of term 2.

*Michael Spora  
Principal*



### CALENDAR

**TUESDAY  
20.3.12**

Grandparents /  
Senior citizens  
morning tea  
10.30am

**FRIDAY  
23.3.12**

North West Rugby  
League trials -  
Armidale

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Soccer - Armidale

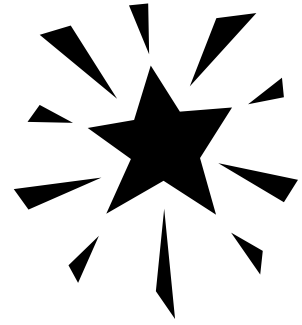
Primary Sth Zone  
Rugby League trials  
- Gunnedah

## MERIT AWARDS

**K/1:** Patrick Bracken  
Trevor Martin  
**2/3/4:** Thomas Yeo  
Steven Eyles  
**4/5/6:** James Eyles  
Emma Bennetts

## Class Award Ribbons

**K/1:** Alexander Yeo  
**2/3/4:** Jordan Mitchell  
**4/5/6:** Kyle Hartley

PRIMARY ASSEMBLY  
AWARDS

**Birthdays:** Airlie Smith, Ella Hartley, Mrs Hobbs, Mrs Finemore

## YEAR 2/3/4/5 NEWS

Last Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March, Year 2,3,4,5 went on our excursion for our Cogs unit 'Our Local Places' and all enjoyed the experience. The business houses of Mendooran were very welcoming to our class visit, taking photos, asking questions and talking outside their premises. One local business man has been working in his trade for over 70 years! Outside the Memorial Club our class had the honour of holding some white wooden crosses that have been made for the upcoming Anzac service this year. All the photos taken will be compiled into an album with association information for view in the Mendooran Central School Library.

A huge thank you to Mrs Bennetts, Mrs Monk, Mr Hellyer and Mrs Collins who accompanied us on our walk. Also a big thank you to Mrs Ned who provided bowls activities and a much needed cold iceblock on the day- as well as hubby Dennis who provided great information about the Bowling Club and volunteer support. We learnt a lot about Today and Past History of our local businesses and Clubs in Mendooran!

Sip'n Crunch-As it is now week 9, all children know to bring a piece of fruit or vegetable to eat or share at 10.00 a.m. every morning. Thankyou to the parents who have supported their children and have provided food to share with others. A slice of orange will be the only crunch available until the end of term by myself. Please remind your child to bring something (not processed food) in at this time, to support this very important break to feed hungry tummies!

Have a great week!

S Lavender

## HOMEWORK CENTRE

Don't forget the school is running a homework centre on Wednesday afternoons. This is held in the computer room from the end of school until 5:00pm. Mr Neal will supervise the students and provide any assistance required.



## LIBRARY STOCKTAKE

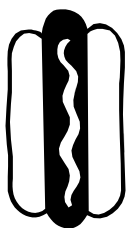
The Library will be closed for Stocktake on 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> March. This means that there will be no borrowing for the last two weeks of term, but concessions can be made if necessary. Please come and see me if needed. ALL books needs to be returned to the Library NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> MARCH.

L Yeo  
Teacher/Librarian



## CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon 19.2.12: S Bracken  
 Tue 20.2.12: M Ward & J Smith  
 Wed 21.2.12: Kylie B & Michelle S  
 Thu 22.2.12: S Tumbri  
 Fri 23.2.12: S Sladden



Mon 26.2.12: S Bracken  
 Tue 27.2.12: S Abbott  
 Wed 28.2.12: K Yeo & A Martin  
 Thu 29.2.12: S Tumbri  
 Fri 30.2.12: B Collins

## BOOK FAIR

What a huge success!! We raised \$876, with \$176 being our profit! We have spent those funds already and have purchased some fantastic new books which will be accessioned into the Library before the end of term. Check out our new titles:

- “There was an Old Lady who swallowed a Thong” by P. Crumble and Louis Shea
- “If You’re Happy and you Know it!: Aussie Edition” by P. Crumble and Chris Kennett
- “Rascal’s Shadow” by Paul Jennings
- “Excellent Excuses (and other good stuff)” by L. Pinchon
- “Elephant Alert” and “Gorilla Grab” by Jackie French
- “Strike a Pose, Daizy Star” by Cathy Cassidy
- “Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Cabin Fever” by Jeff Kinney
- “The Adventures of Ook and Gluk: Kung-Fu Cavemen from the Future” by George Beard and Harold Hutchins
- “Freak Street: Meet the Vampiresons” by Knife and Packer
- “Genie and Phoenix” By Steve Cole and Linda Chapman
- “The Magic Folk Collection” by Enid Blyton
- “That Dirty Dog and other Naughty Stories for Good Boys and Girls” by Christopher Milne
- “The Strange Case of the Origami Yoda” by Tom Angleberger
- “Gold of the Gods” by Bear Grylls
- “The Brilliant World of Tome Gates: Read it and go Ha! Ha! Ha!” by L. Pichon



Fantastic!! Thanks to all students and staff who were able to lend a hand, and a special mention to Mrs Sally Heazlett, who was able to come and assist whenever possible.  
 Thanks again to all. A huge success for our school!

L Yeo  
 Teacher/Librarian

## ICAS 2012

# INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS

ICAS is an independent assessment for your child by sitting for competitions in Computing, Science, Maths, Writing, Spelling and English. Run by the University of New South Wales these competitions are an excellent way of getting your child used to exam conditions and paperwork as well as giving you a professional assessment of your child's ability in each subject area. The Competitions are held on different dates and a table follows showing when the exams will be run at Mendooran Central School. There is an administration cost involved payable to Mendooran Central School which will be forwarded onto the UNSW.

If you would like your child to participate, please fill in the following entry form with your child's name and year and send to the school office with the correct money enclosed.

Please note Spelling and Writing tests are individually marked by experienced teacher markers  
This year ICAS medal winners in Years 11 and 12 are eligible for bonus points towards their ATAR when they apply to undertake an undergraduate degree at UNSW.

Name	School Year	Competition	Sitting Date	Cost (incl GST)	Closing Date for Entries
		Computing Skills Yrs 3-10	Tuesday 22 May 2012	\$7.70	Tuesday 24th April 2012
		Science Years 3-12	Wednesday 6 June 2012	\$7.70	Tuesday 8th May 2012
		Spelling Years 3-7	Tuesday 19 June 2011	\$11.00	Tuesday 22 May 2012
		Writing Years 3-12	Mon to Fri 18th to 22nd June 2011	\$16.50	Monday 21 May 2012
		Mathematics Years 3-12	Tuesday 14 August 2012	\$7.70	Tuesday 17 July 2012
		English Years 3-12	Tuesday 31 July 2012	\$7.70	Tuesday 3 July 2012







## *Mendooran Central School* *Uniform Supplies @ 13.3.2012*

<b><u>CLOTHING</u></b>	<b><u>(Includes GST)</u></b>
BLACK SLOPPY JOES    Small (Size 6, 8, 10, 12, 14).....	\$16.00
(with school crest)    Large (Size 16y, 16, 18, 20).....	\$20.00
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).....	\$14.00
(with school crest)    Large (Size 16y, 16, 18).....	\$16.00
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 ( <i>Scientific</i> ).....	\$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.*

## SECONDARY NEWS GENERAL

Last Thursday, our boys and girls touch football teams represented the school in the All Schools competition in Dubbo. All reports were very positive in the fact that the sportsmanship, teamwork and positivity of all students was a feature of the day. Well done!

This week three Year 12 students and two Year 11 students are completing their compulsory Hospitality work placement. William Wood is at the Dubbo RSL, Tammi Hellegers is at Kids Zoo, Rhys Williams is at South Dubbo Tavern, Hayden Rutter is at Cafe 41 in Gilgandra and Patrick Fallon is at MCS Canteen. We trust this will be a rewarding experience for all.

I will be attending a regional Careers Conference in Bathurst later in the week. This follows various meetings lately with Careers based personnel in this area to better support our students in preparing for the workforce in the future.

J Waters



## 9/10 ALL SCHOOLS TOUCH FOOTBALL COMPETITION

Last Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2012 twenty two of our Secondary students travelled to Dubbo to compete in the NSW All Schools Touch Football Competition. MCS entered both a boys and girls team in the 6 a side round robin event and proved very competitive against many of the much larger centres.

Our Girls team consisted of Bella Moffatti, Amelia Washbrook, Shayla Taufa, Charly Wood, Tiarney Crothers, Amanda Sladden, Danielle Sciberras, Shania Taufa, Kaitlyn Thomson, Abby Skinner, Rebecca Scibberas and Kerrie Ward. While the boys were represented on the day by John Monk, Jamie Sharpe, Bradley Ward, Steven Leask, Robert Austin, James Harris, Jackson Adams and Steven Rutter.



In spite of some very challenging competition on the day, all students played extremely well and as always did themselves and the school proud. Our spirited students proved that they have what it takes to run up some points and kept the other schools working very hard with solid defence. The boy's team ran close to defeating those they played, whilst the girls as per tradition got up in their game against Delroy Campus Dubbo.

While larger enrolments allowed most schools the luxury of up to seven reserves, our Boys team played 5 full matches with only 2 extra runners each game, the commitment and determination of our students was truly admirable. All students worked very hard in all aspects of the game and the skill and sportsmanship displayed on tired legs did competitors and MCS proud.

A big thanks goes to all parents who assisted with transport on the day.

Miss D Althofer  
Secondary Sports Coordinator



MENDOORAN CENTRAL SCHOOL INVITES YOU  
TO OUR  
SENIOR CITIZENS/GRANDPARENTS  
MORNING TEA  
ON  
TUESDAY 20TH MARCH 2012  
AT 10:30AM



Morning Tea in the Library will be followed by  
Class Performances

### CANTEEN NEWS

Can all children please make sure they have a paper bag with their name and class written on it and what they want to order. Small milks have gone up to \$1.50 as we are now buying Big M Strawberry and Chocolate milk.

S Abbott

### COMMUNITY NEWS



#### NORTH WEST EQUESTRIAN EXPO

North West Equestrian Expo will be held Friday 1st June to Tuesday 5th June 2012 at Coonabarabran Showground. Entries close Thursday 5th April 2012. The entry forms are now available on the Coonabarabran High School website. Please let me know if you would like to attend.

Dianne McCormack

#### MENDOORAN / MERRYGOEN AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB 2010 – 2011 SEASON

Just a reminder that we have our trophy presentation at 4pm this Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at the pool, followed by our AGM to elect our new Committee. The swimming cap signed by Australia's Olympic swimmers will be drawn at the presentation, so if you haven't purchased your tickets you have until Friday. The cap is signed by Olympic swimmers Matt Abood, James Magnussen, Geoff Heugill and Eamon Sullivan on one side – the reverse side has Emily Seebohm and Alicia Coutts. Tickets can be purchased from the Post Office.

We look forward to seeing you all on Friday.

Jenny Rushton





# *CLAIM THE DATE MENDOORAN AND DUNEDOO COMBINED SCHOOLS HORSE SPORTS*

- *MENDOORAN - Monday, 7th May 2012*
- *DUNEDOO - Tuesday, 8th May 2012*

*Enquiries:*

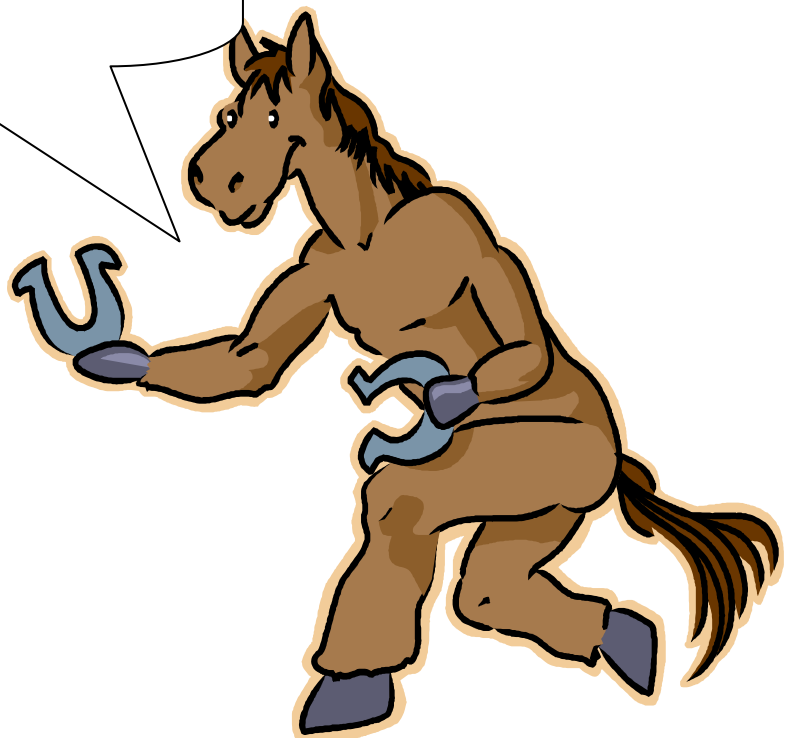
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*Programs will be posted soon*



## SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS - 2012

**Voluntary Primary Contributions:** \$25.00 per child  
**Voluntary Secondary Contributions:** \$50.00 per child  
**Voluntary FAMILY MAXIMUM:** \$80.00 (not including electives)

*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 style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>	No. Secondary Students	<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>	TOTAL \$	_____
				SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS	
				(Maximum \$80.00)	

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**TOTAL ELECTIVE FEES** \$\_\_\_\_\_

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

## *KEEPING IN TOUCH*

Grand final week and presentation was completed last week. The Grand Final results are as follows:

<b><u>A Grade Final</u></b>	<b>Wild Boars</b> defeated <b>The Rookies</b> 4 – 2 Man of the Match <b>John Monk</b>
<b><u>B Grade Final</u></b>	<b>Mendooran Café</b> defeated <b>Royal Hotel</b> 10 – 0 Man of the Match <b>Wayde Latham</b>
<b><u>C Grade Final</u></b>	<b>The Coconuts</b> defeated <b>Barbarians</b> 5 – 1 Man of the Match <b>Dave Taufu</b>

The Best & Fairest awards were as follows:

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Thanks to all those who played, refereed and supported the Royal Hotel. Thanks for a great season.

M Burke





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COUNTRY MUSIC  
TALENT QUEST

Presented by the Mendooran Singers

14<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2012

MENDOORAN HALL

Junior & Senior Sections  
Cash Prizes all sections

Contact: Pat Turner 6886 1337  
For information and entry forms

A Country Music Songwriting Workshop with Justin Standley will be held  
in the Mendooran Mechanics Institute Hall Bandulla Street,  
on Sunday 15th April 2012 from 9.30am - 12.30pm approx.  
\$15 per person. Book NOW!!!