



# NEWSLETTER

## Mendooran Central School

*Learn to Live*

Term 4 Week 9

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2018

# “ROCK IT”



## Music Performance



Deano, Brianna, Mackenzie, Hollie & CJ rocking out after an action packed performance!

# PRINCIPAL'S NOTES

## 150<sup>th</sup> Celebrations

We have set a date for our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration of Mendooran Central School. Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November, Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November, concluding on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2019.

The planning committee has met this week and we have confirmed that James Morrison and his family will be in attendance. James is a very successful musician. His father who was our first School Captain and his brother John visited us recently and are looking forward to returning for the event. More details to follow.

## Intensive Swimming

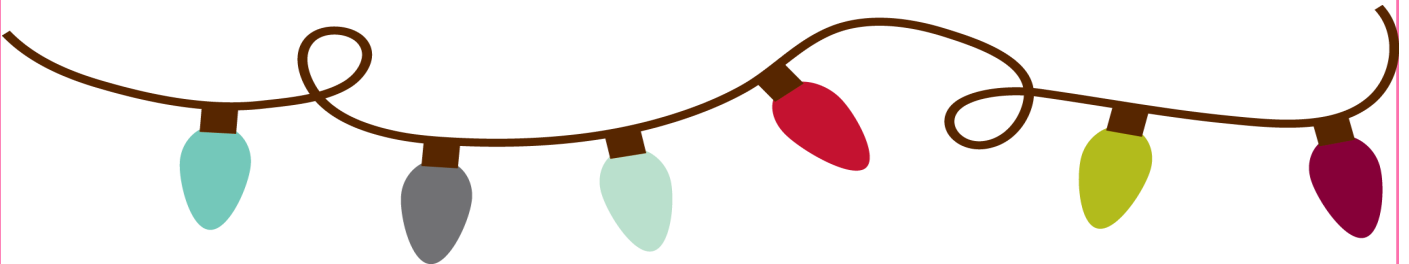
Our annual Intensive Swimming Program continues this week. This is a wonderful opportunity for our primary students to develop lifesaving skills and refine swimming techniques. The program concludes this Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December.

## Secondary Sports Day

Our Secondary students have been invited to participate in the Binnaway Sports Day. This is a fun day where the students have the opportunity to compete with students from Binnaway, Coolah and Dunedoo.

## Presentation Day

We cordially invite parents, carers, families and community members to join us for the annual Presentation Day on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 10am. You are also encouraged to bring a picnic lunch to share with your family afterwards.



*Mrs Julie Waters*



## Mendooran Central School Leaders

**Principal**  
Mrs Julie Waters

**Assistant Principal**  
Vicki Parnaby

**HTSS**  
Troy Newberry

**Captains Secondary**  
Peta M<sup>c</sup>Leod  
Lachlan Howarth

**Vice Caps Secondary**  
Kyle Hartley  
Bret Boneham

**Captains Primary**  
Shellby Adams  
Airlie Smith

**Vice Caps Primary**  
Felicity Cook  
Riley Brady

# PRIMARY ASSEMBLY

## WEEK 8

### STUDENT OF THE WEEK



K: Hailee Cook



1/2: Skyla Mulligan



3/4: Sharna Gray



5/6: Harrison Tobin

### MERIT AWARDS



K: Josephine Donley



1/2: Olivia Hill



3/4: Paige Campbell



5/6: Felicity Cook



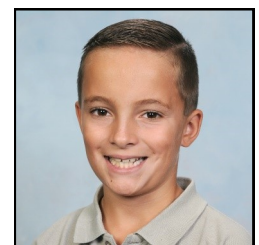
K: Christopher Chalker



1/2: Daniel Nott

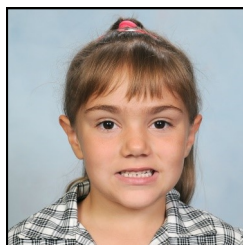


3/4: Rory McGlenn

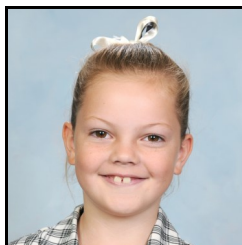


5/6: Nicholas Sweeney

### UNIFORM DRAW



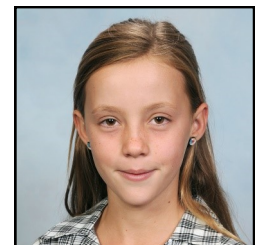
K: Alexis Dixon



1/2: Eloise Tobin



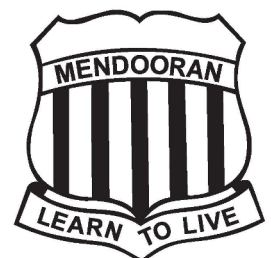
3/4: Nazarena Greenaway



5/6: Brianna Swan



*Oscar Monk, Ebonie Jolly,  
Eden Shepherd & Skyla Mulligan*







## Kindergarten

A naughty Elf has found his way into the Kindergarten Classroom and has been terrorising the students and Miss Burns!! Each day is a new surprise as they never know what he is going to get up to!



## YEAR 3/4

As we roll into Week 9 (our last full week) I'd like to say how impressed I am with the overall growth Year 3/4 have shown in their school work and behaviour this year. Thank you for sharing all your wonderful achievements with me throughout 2018! This week we continue with our Intensive Swimming Program. We will be winding up our Homework routines and have made our own Christmas Spelling List to complete in class. We are revising our Maths skills and have been researching Christmas around the world. Remember our Presentation Day is on next Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> December at 10am. Have a great week!

V Parnaby





## "Rock It" Music Performance



# St Joseph's School

## helping drought affected farmers

Recently I was contacted by an old friend. One of the teachers that I taught with at Colham Manor Primary School in Hillingdon, London, contacted me via Facebook. Her name is Elisha Elliot, and it's been almost 10 years since we spoke last. She is now a teacher at St Joseph's Catholic School located in Hawthorn, Victoria.

She contacted me because, through social media, I had shared some photos that showed the impact that the drought was having on my family, and the community. We recently rehomed over 250 lambs – giving them to caring families that would raise them – as their mothers were too weak to feed them and they would surely have died. I, myself, had 35 poddies being bottle-fed at one stage.

She had shared these photos with her colleagues, and one of the Foundation (Kindergarten) teachers, Deanne Vessey, thought that she would contact us, along with her Kindy class, and ask how they could help our drought affected community.

The Kindy kids started brainstorming ideas of how they could help – they suggested adopting lambs and raising them in the school gardens, buying food packages and driving them all the way to Mendooran (one little boy even volunteered his Dad to do the driving), and buying dog biscuits to help farm pets and working dogs.

They decided that they would raise some money and donate it to our school, so that we could buy dog biscuits and distribute them to families affected.

The children started doing odd jobs, picking up papers, and even donating their pocket money so that they could contribute and help the farmers, and their pets.

3/4 and I spoke to the Kindy class via Facetime today (Friday 7/12) and they had lots of questions about our rainfall, how many lambs had to be rehomed, and what the temperature in Mendooran was at the moment. They also informed us that they have raised over \$300, which was to be donated to our school for us to purchase dog biscuits and distribute to the community.

We are so exceedingly grateful to the staff, students and community of St Joseph's for all their thoughts, prayers, and wonderfully kind deeds and donations. It is because of kind people like these that farmers are able to keep up hope.

Here's hoping for a rainy 2019.

Lyndall Norris



# Clothing Pool Donations



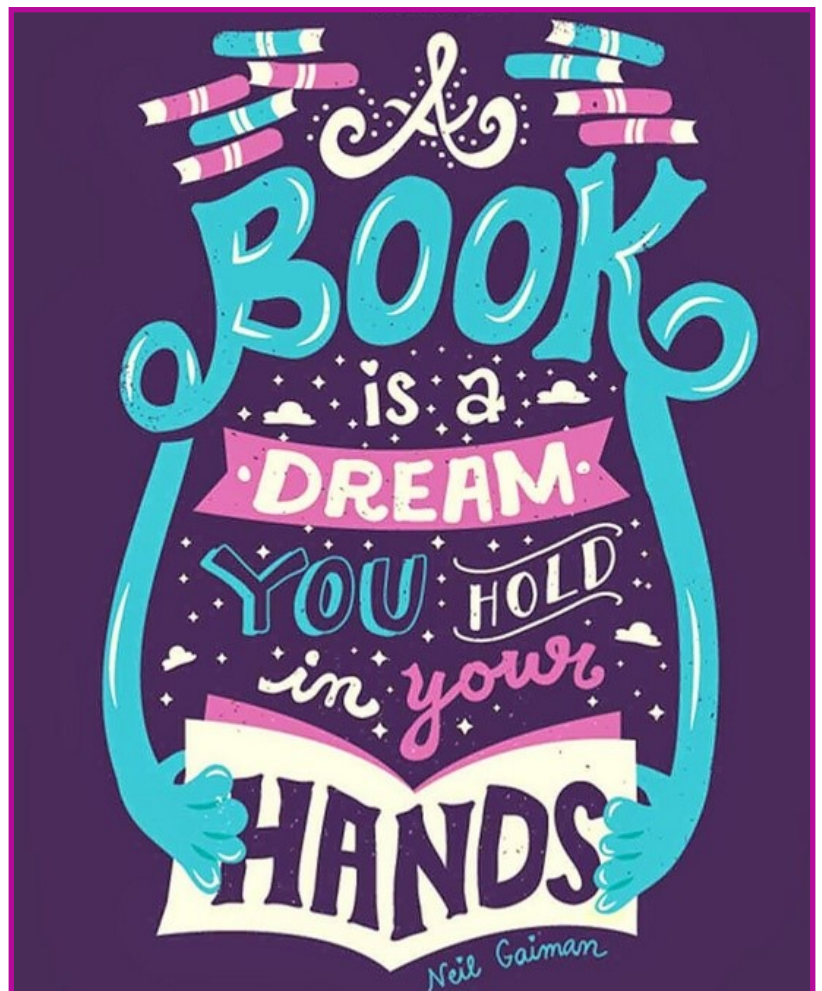
As the year draws to a close, our Clothing Pool is becoming a little depleted.

If you have any pre-loved uniforms that could be donated, to help restock, we would greatly appreciate it.

## Library Books

Library Books are now due to be returned. Students will be unable to borrow books until school resumes next year.

**Overdue slips will be going out this week.**



# Primary Intensive Swimming!

Please ensure your child brings swimmers, rash shirt, goggles if required, hat and sunscreen each day in a separate bag with **all items clearly labelled**.

Year 1/2 and 3/4 will be participating in the 11:10am-12pm session. Kindergarten and Year 5/6 will participate in the 12pm-12:50pm session.

If you have not handed in the required permission note for your child to attend, please call the Front Office.

K Norwood

## Homework Centre

Homework Centre has finished for the year.

This afterschool program will resume in 2019.

Thank you to all of the students that have participated and made amazing progress in their studies.

**Please note that there will be no Homework Centre on Thursday, 13th December.**

T Newberry

## Community News

### Mendooran Pony Club news:

The Mendooran Pony Club Christmas party is on this Sunday the 16th of December 2018 at 6pm. Can everyone please bring a salad and either munchies or a dessert and your own drinks.

The Pony Club is having a trail ride on the day starting from Tom and Michelle Ward's property "Condoomea". We shall start the trail ride with a sausage sizzle at 12noon and start riding at 1pm to the Mendooran Showground. We shall go to the pool to cool off afterwards and be ready for the Christmas Party.

Can everyone attending the trail ride and Christmas party contact Michelle Ward - 0428621345.

Our end of year activities are:

**Pony Club Christmas Party Sunday - Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2018 (Showground)**

**Pony Club Chocolate Wheel - Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018 (Pub 7pm)**

J Smith

### Swimming Lessons:

There shall be swimming lessons in Mendooran from the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 6<sup>th</sup> of January 2019. I have organised a 5 day intensive swimming program for children 4yrs and over. Cost is \$50.00 per child for the 5 days, plus pool entry. Austswim accredited. Please ring Kerrie Ward on 0447846636 for details.

K Ward



# Mendooran/Merrygoen Amateur Swimming Club

## news:

It was great to see our Jellyfish swimmers progressing up the pool last week. We started with 16 Jellyfish swimmers and now have 6. The Intensive Swimming Program at school and training certainly makes a big difference to water confidence and improvement with our swimmers.

Congratulations to Bailey Thompson for receiving a Bronze Award from Swimming Australia for his excellence in swimming in 2018.

The Yeo family will be finishing Pointscore this year after many, many years. The Yeo's have been members of the MMASC for 15 years and have been a huge part of our Swimming Club. Thank you for all of your hard work, commitment and dedication to the MMASC. We will miss seeing your family at Pointscore.

A \$2 sausage sizzle is held at the pool every Friday which is a great way to finish off a busy week. The money we raise at our BBQ each week goes towards our trophies at the end of the season.

Thanks Mr Mulligan for cooking our BBQ last Friday and thanks Kyle for having the pool looking great. See you Friday.

**14<sup>th</sup> December 2018 – Last Pointscore for 2018**

**Pointscore will start back the first Friday that school returns in 2019**

L Monk





# Open day

**Tuesday 11th December  
10:30am - 12:30pm**

Please feel welcome to visit Mendooran Preschool for our open day!!!

This is an opportunity to tour our service, facilities and programs and get all the information you need to enrol your child for the 2019 year!!!

**Children aged 3—5 years. Quality Early Education and care.  
Open: Monday (school readiness only), Tuesday, Thursday.**

For more information please phone 02 6886 1167.

# End of year concert!

**Friday 14th December, 2018.  
6pm at the Mendooran Preschool.**



See the preschool stars on stage perform their chosen favourites and celebrate the end of year with a BBQ dinner.

All community welcome .

**Cost: \$5/person, \$20/family (BBQ and performance)**

Raffle and photo booth available on the night for small fee.



**Mendooran Preschool wishes all families, friends and community members a Merry Christmas and Happy New year.**

We wish our children proceeding into school a positive and happy Kindergarten experience and this to continue throughout their schooling years!

**Preschool concludes Tuesday 18th December.  
Resumes 2019 Thursday 31st January.**





## BLUE SKY CHEESE CHRISTMAS SALE

*Castlereagh Camembert 200g ~ \$15*

*Peppertree Feta 200g tub ~ \$7*

*\* Special Christmas Combo: 1 Peppertree Feta and  
1 Castlereagh Camembert for \$20*

Our cheese will be available for sale from the Mendooran  
Showground kitchen next:

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> and Friday 14<sup>th</sup> from 8.30-4pm.**

Please note Feta only available Friday although you can pay for  
it on Thursday (we are making it on Thursday. How fresh!)

**Please pay on pick up.** No EFTPOS available, sorry.

We also have for sale squashy cow keyrings with our name on  
them, cute little stocking fillers for only \$5!

Thankyou, Mendooran, for supporting our fledgling business.

*Pip Archer &  
Deb Kiem*



# Mendooran Community

## Christmas Carols

Sunday 16th December at Mendooran Central School

**Free BBQ from 6.30pm (Drought relief funding)**

**Carols from 7.30pm**

**Supper to Follow**



*Sounds  
of the  
Season*

**ALL WELCOME**



Battery Candles and Glow Sticks provided.  
Mendooran Singers performing and Special guest puppet appearance.



# Term 4 2018

9	<p>10.12 <b>K - 6 Intensive Swimming - ALL WEEK</b></p>	<p>11.12 <b>"Love Bites" Program Years 9-11</b></p>	<p>12.12</p>	<p>13.12</p>	<p>14.12 <b>Secondary Sports Day in Binnaway</b></p>
10	<p>17.12</p>	<p>18.12 <b>Presentation Day - 10am</b></p>	<p>19.12 <b>LAST DAY OF TERM</b></p>		

# SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!

