



NEWSLETTER

Mendooran Central School

Learn to Live

Term 1 Week 5

Monday 25th February 2019



**BENI ARE ONCE
AGAIN VICTORIOUS!**



PRINCIPAL'S NOTES

School Photos

Our annual School Photos will be held this Wednesday, 27th February. Students are required to wear full school uniform and bring sports uniforms if they are in a sporting photo.

Primary District Swimming Carnival in Dubbo

The Twilight District Swimming Carnival will be held this Thursday, 28th February from 4pm. We wish all qualifiers the best of luck!

Primary Basketball Trials

Will Duce, Ben Adams, Nicholas Duce and Nicholas Sweeney were wonderful representatives for our school at the Primary Basketball Trials in Dubbo last week.

Junior Judging Binnaway

Over thirty students from Year 5 to Year 11 represented MCS. Their behaviour and attitude was excellent, with them being wonderful ambassadors for our school. Experiences included poultry, beef and wool judging. They also learnt about auctioneering, shearing and agronomy.

Primary and Secondary Western Swimming Dubbo

The Western Swimming Trials will be held in Week 7, with Primary on Thursday 14th March and Secondary on Friday 15th March at Dubbo.

Peachy Shield/Richardson Cup Rugby League in Dunedoo

Some of our Primary students will be competing in the Peachy Shield and Richardson Cup in Dunedoo on Wednesday 20th March. Best of luck!

Public Speaking Competition and Grandparents Day

Our Public Speaking finals and Grandparents Day will be held on Wednesday 27th March. The Public Speaking begins at 11.10, followed by open classrooms and a complimentary sausage sizzle. We invite all parents, carers, family members to join us on the day.

Students Phoning Home

It is important that if students need to call home, they do so through the front office.

Mrs Julie Waters



Mendooran Central School

Principal

Mrs Julie Waters

Assistant Principal

Vicki Parnaby

HT Secondary Studies

Troy Newberry

Instructional Leader

Kathryn Simpson

HT Curriculum

Gianni Standing

Captains Secondary

Peta M^cLeod

Tayla Eyles

Vice Caps Secondary

Bret Boneham

Amy Adams

Captains Primary

Nicholas Sweeney

Harrison Tobin

Vice Caps Primary

Grace Sando

William Duce



PRIMARY ASSEMBLY

WEEK 4

STUDENT OF THE WEEK



K: Hannah Norwood



1/2: Charlie Rindfleish



3/4: Lori Manning



5/6: Nicholas Sweeney

MERIT AWARDS



K: Phoebe Kopke



1/2: Josephine Donley



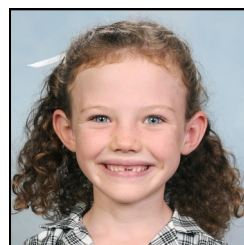
3/4: Erik Rogers



5/6: Nazarena Greenaway



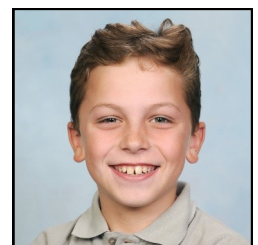
K: JaNayah Kearns



1/2: Alexis Norwood



3/4: Jeremy Dixon



5/6: Harrison Tobin

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K: Bridget Lindeman



1/2: Solomon Witchard-Spencer



3/4: Skyla Mulligan



5/6: Hannah Sando



Happy Birthday



Peta McLeod, Emma Adams, Joseph Frohmuller,
Melody Sutherland, Cameron Bowler, Brianna Swan,
Bella Swan, Jeremy Dixon and Marley Harvey.



Kindergarten

Kindergarten have been making some amazing progress. We are learning new sounds and new words. We love story time and think Maths games, using numbers, are fun. This week we are looking at the sounds 'c' (round c) and 'k' (kicking k) and the rebel-letter 'e'. In Maths we are looking at objects that are shorter/longer and learning to write and read our numbers. In Science we have been discussing 'Living Things'. We have also been talking about 'Our Families'. Remember, school photos are this Wednesday and students must wear their full school uniform. Have a great week!

V Parnaby

Year 1/2

Welcome to Week 5, we are just about half way through the term already! We are getting into the swing of our classroom routines and I am very pleased to see students producing some great work. Our focus sound this week is 'e' which we discovered is usually in the middle of words. We are continuing to work on addition facts - focusing on adding 0, 1, 2 and our rainbow facts. In Science our 'Living Things' unit is going well, we have learnt about us as living things and now we are going to focus on an animal as a living thing. Please remember our school photos are this Wednesday, so please send children in clean and neat formal school uniform - no sports uniform. The note needs to be returned to school ASAP, or complete the order online. Our speeches for the Public Speaking Competition are also due this week, so please send them in soon. We are working on them for 2 lessons in class to tidy them up and present them, so the sooner the better. Everyone have a great week!

N Currall

Year 3/4

This week we have been learning about pronouns in Grammar. In Maths we have focused on describing position, number patterns and inverse operations. We also learnt a rhyme to remember time facts, try quizzing 3/4 to see if they can recite it! In Science we learnt about parts of a plant and facts about particular animals. We have finished our warm and cool colour trees that we have been working on in Art. It sounds like most children are well on the way to finishing their speeches. We will start presenting them to the class in Week 6. Keep up the great work 3/4!

D Soares

Year 5/6

In Literacy during Week 5 the students are completing their work on expositions. We will be publishing a polished exposition on a topic that the students choose. In spelling we are focusing on the 'short e' as in egg. This is a complex sound as there are many different graphemes to make the one sound. Some examples are; 'e' as in egg, 'ea' as in bread, 'u' as in bury, 'ie' as in friend, 'ai' as in said, 'eo' as in leopard, 'ei' as in heifer, this is just to name a few. In Maths this week we have started our focus on division in unison with multiplication. We will also be revising with students that require further assistance in the previous unit (Order of Operations). I will be running some lunch Maths tutorials this week to help students that need further assistance. Notes went out on Friday for the Primary Excursion (3-6). If you have any questions about the excursion feel free to call the school to contact me. I hope everyone has a great week.

N Ptolemy



Please ensure the ordering of sibling photos online is done by 12pm Tuesday, 26th February 2019. Online orders will not work after this time.

Students need to be dressed in their full summer uniform. It is extremely important that students are at school by 9am to allow the schedule to run on time for the photographers.

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Mendooran Central School

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE TAKEN ON:
Wednesday 27 February 2019

**ORDER NOW go to www.advancedlife.com.au and enter the code
4TW 45K CKE**

Dear Parents,

School photographs are scheduled to be taken by **advancedlife**. Whilst an envelope and flyer will be distributed shortly, if possible it is our preference that ordering be completed online to reduce administration and potential security issues related to the return of cash and envelopes on photo day.

Orders for packages and sibling photographs can be placed securely online at **www.advancedlife.com.au** using our school's unique **9 digit advancedorder code**. Portrait and group package orders are due by photography day.

Should you wish to purchase a sibling photograph online, the order must be placed no later than the day before photography day. Sibling photographs will only be taken if an order has been placed.

Should you have any queries concerning school photographs or online ordering, please direct them via email to enquiries@advancedlife.com.au

Dubbo District Swimming Carnival

- Good luck to our Primary swimmers on Thursday night competing in the Dubbo District Swimming Carnival. Notes are now overdue, if your child has not yet returned their note, please do so by Tuesday 26th February or your child may forfeit their position.
- When you arrive at the Dubbo Aquatic Centre please find our school in the grandstand and I would like everyone to sit together as a school on the night. Please get your name marked off with Kelly Duce, our school's team manager and she will have the program with our schools student's events for the night.
- Warm ups start at 4.15pm, first marshal call at 4.50pm with first race commencing at 5.00pm sharp.
- I am looking forward to seeing you all swim really fast and I hope everyone enjoys the fun night at the carnival.

Basketball Trials

- Last Wednesday 4 Mendooran Central School students travelled to Dubbo to participate in the PSSA Dubbo District Basketball Trials. Well done to William Duce, Nick Sweeney, Ben Adams and Nick Duce who represented our school with great pride, school spirit and I was told "held their own on the court". Unfortunately this year our students have missed out in being selected in the Dubbo District team however; these 4 boys should be proud of the skills demonstrated on the day as they were competing against students who play Basketball outside of school and have the technical knowledge of the game that our students can work on in the next 12 months.

K Norwood

INFANTS SWIMMING RESULTS

Mrs Currall and I would like to thank Mrs Norwood for her organisation of the school carnival, Mrs Skinner for judging the Infants races and Mrs Ned for all of her assistance on the day and during the games in the little pool (you've still got it Mrs Ned).

Results for the age races are as follows:

	Girls			Boys	
	5/6yrs			5/6yrs	
Freestyle	Place	Breastroke	Freestyle	Place	Breastroke
Kelsey Mulligan	1st	Kelsey Mulligan	Charlie Rindfleish	1st	Charlie Rindfleish
Hannah Norwood	2nd	Josephine Donley	Jye Williams	2nd	Jye Willimas
Josephine Donley	3rd	Hannah Norwood		3rd	
	7yrs			7yrs	
Alexis Dixon	1st	Hailee Cook	Lachlan Sweeney	1st	Samuel Tobin
Hailee Cook	2nd	Alexis Dixon	Samuel Tobin	2nd	Lachlan Sweeney
Amarni Thompson	3rd	Amarni Thompson	Marcus Fraser	3rd	Marcus Fraser
	8yrs			8yrs	
Olivia Hill	1st	Alexis Norwood	Angus Lindeman	1st	Angus Lindeman
Alexis Norwood	2nd	Olivia Hill	Tom Hill	2nd	Tom Hill
Elise Kopke	3rd	Elise Kopke	Deegan Little	3rd	Deegan Little

Girls	Championship Race	Boys
Alexis Norwood	1st	Angus Lindeman
Olivia Hill	2nd	Lachlan Sweeney
Alexis Dixon	3rd	Samuel Tobin



Mendooran Central School

Public Speaking Competition

Mendooran Annual Public Speaking Competition

Our whole school Public Speaking Competition is running for the fourth year this term. A range of topics have been set for each stage and these are listed on the following page.

The purpose of our school wide competition is to develop confidence in the children with their skills in presenting before a peer audience.

Every child from Kinder to Year 10 is expected to present a speech. Students will be given some class time to prepare their speeches but the majority of their speech will need to be written at home. Public speaking strategies will be discussed in classes.

Students will have until the beginning of Week 5 Term 1 to prepare a speech, selecting from one of the topics listed.

The length of speeches will be:

- 1 minute** for Kindergarten to Year 2 (15 seconds either side is acceptable)
- 2 minutes** for Years 3-6 (15 seconds either side is acceptable)
- 3 minutes** for Years 7-8 (15 seconds either side is acceptable)
- 4 minutes** for Years 9-10 (15 seconds either side is acceptable)

Throughout Weeks 5, 6 & 7 of Term 1, speeches will be presented in class groups and semi-finalists chosen from each class. Semi-finals will then be held for teachers to select 2 finalists per stage.

At a special assembly on **Wednesday 27th March, (Week 9) in the COLA at 11:10am**, all finalists will present their speeches before the school and a panel of judges. Parents are invited to attend.

Information has been included to assist you and your children to prepare their speeches. ***No props, gimmicks or costumes are to be used.*** Palm cards and notes are allowed.

Teachers are looking forward to listening to some wonderful speeches.
Good luck to everyone.
Thank you for your time and involvement,

Melissa Galiatsatos
Secondary English Teacher/Public Speaking Coordinator

Public Speaking Topics

Kindergarten

- My Biggest Birthday Wish
- Why My Family Is Special To Me
- A Person Who Is Special To Me
- When I Grow Up
- My Favourite Dessert

Year 1-2

- How Kangaroos Care For Their Joeys
- Why I Love My Mum And Dad
- The Day I Met A Wild Thing
- If I Had A Super Power
- If I Was A Character In A Book, I Would Be...

Year 3-4

- Should School Canteens Only Provide Healthy Foods?
- Dogs Are Better Than Cats
- Computer/Indoor Games Versus the Outside
- Who Is Your Hero And Why?
- What Is The Best Thing About Summer?

Year 5-6

- Smoking Is A Filthy Habit!
- Why Shouldn't Sugary Drinks Be Sold In Schools?
- A Narrow Escape From Trouble...
- Why Giraffes Have Long Necks
- If I Was A Journalist, I Would Investigate...

Year 7-8

- The Diary Of Anne Frank And Its Meaning Today
- Textbooks Should Be Replaced By Technology In Class
- Parents Embarrass Their Kids Too Much
- Suggestions For A Secondary School Excursion
- Student's Interests Change In High School

Year 9-10

- Bystanders Must Be Held Responsible For Not Intervening When There Is Trouble At School
- Corporal Punishment Is Abuse
- Leaving High School With No Clear Career Path Isn't A Bad Thing
- Failing Is A Blessing In Disguise
- Students Don't Spend Enough Time Reading Books

PUBLIC SPEAKING – GENERAL ADVICE

The following general advice about public speaking includes information condensed from “Taking the Initiative – A Guide to Debating and Public Speaking, Revised Edition, 1999, NSW DET.”

PREPARATION

SUBJECT – This is chosen from the topic list given. Children should choose one that they are comfortable with and know the most about.

PURPOSE – This is what the children want the audience to think. It could be:

- To tell the audience about something
- To make them think the same way as the speaker
- To get them to feel the same way as the speaker
- To make them understand something
- To tell them feelings about something

Remember this is not news time. **Children don't bring something to show.** They have to use only words to tell the audience about their subject. **Think** – will the individual be most comfortable with palm cards and/or a small list of ideas or pictures to help remember what they want to say?

SPEAKERS WILL BE JUDGED UNDER THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

STRUCTURE AND CONTENT (Method and Matter)

Introduction – This should gain attention and help connect with the audience. The introduction might include the title of your speech (but not in a way such as 'Today my topic is...'); a question that will be answered in the middle of the speech; a startling opinion, fact or statement or a real life example.

Development (body) – In the body the speaker gets their message across. Include a few well-explained ideas or arguments that support the topic and purpose of your speech. The points should be linked together. Don't recite them like a list. A humorous story can be used but not overdone.

Conclusion – Never end with just “Thank you” or “That's all”. Find a way to conclude the speech that sums up what has been presented in the speech.

PERFORMANCE (Manner) - The following aspects of manner are considered:

- Gesture and Stance – These should be natural and relaxed without being sloppy. Gestures should be appropriate to the meaning and tone of what is being said and not unnatural or repetitive. For example, hands could be upturned in a questioning manner. Speakers should try to avoid distracting mannerisms.
- Visual Expression – Facial expressions should support the content of the speech.
- Eye Contact with the audience is vital so reading from notes should be kept to a minimum.
- Vocal Variation – Appropriate variations in pitch, pace, pause and volume add interest to a speech and create emphasis.

2019 Public Speaking Competition

Round one of our annual Public Speaking Competition has kicked off this week throughout K-10. It is important that our students ensure they have practised their speeches and are ready to present when their name is called. I would like to take a moment to outline why we encourage our students to participate in events such as this.

Firstly, the ability to be able to speak in front of people is a life skill. Whether they choose a profession that requires them to speak to groups of people or not, does not deflect from this. The ability to speak to people can be applied in the work place, at their best friend's wedding, at their own graduation and so on.

Secondly, the topics chosen require students to argue a side. This enhances their ability to write persuasive texts. The skill to complete a formal piece of writing has the potential to make their schooling life successful.

Thirdly, the tasks our students are set are based on the syllabus requirements. The syllabus outcomes for the Public Speaking Competition are stated below:

Early Stage 1: 1A - communicates with peers and known adults in informal and guided activities demonstrating emerging skills of group interaction

Stage 1: 1A - communicates with a range of people in informal and guided activities demonstrating interaction skills and considers how own communication is adjusted in different situations

Stage 2: 1A - communicates in a range of informal and formal contexts by adopting a range of roles in group, classroom, school and community contexts

Stage 3: 1A - communicates effectively for a variety of audiences and purposes using increasingly challenging topics, ideas, issues and language forms and features

Stage 4: 3B - uses and describes language forms, features and structures of texts appropriate to a range of purposes, audiences and contexts

Stage 5: 3B - selects and uses language forms, features and structures of texts appropriate to a range of purposes, audiences and contexts, describing and explaining their effects on meaning

Good luck to all our students! I look forward to the finals.

2019 Poetry & Short Story Writing Competition



ATTENTION!! ATTENTION!! The 2019 Poetry & Short Story Competition is NOW OPEN!!

Enter your best **16 line poem** OR **500 word or less story** to be in the running to WIN the great cash and prizes on offer!

Entry is NOW OPEN in the 2019 Schools Writing Competition! Students all over Australia are invited to enter their poems OR short stories, and battle it out for the great cash prizes on offer.

There is no theme!! Entrants are encouraged to let their imaginations run wild and get their creative juices flowing to write on ANY TOPIC and in ANY STYLE. Students from ALL GRADES are welcome to enter - Kindergarten/Preparatory to Grade 12.

Entry is FREE and all entries must be in by the closing date of Sunday 31st March 2019.

Go to the follow website for more entry details:

<https://www.write4fun.net/competitions/64>

If you have any further questions please contact Ms Galiatsatos – 6886 1149

M Galiatsatos



Infants Champions
Angus Lindeman &
Alexis Norwood



Junior Primary Champions
Nicholas Duce, Eloise Tobin
& Chloe Sciberras



11 Year Champions
Bailey Thompson &
Nazarena Greenaway



Senior Primary Champions
William Duce and Shaelah Haron



**Junior Secondary
Champion**
Ella Hartley



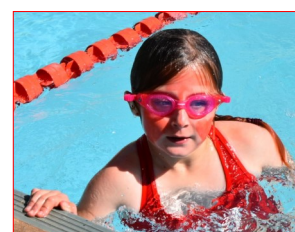
Senior Secondary Champions
Carter Swan & Amy Adams



Open Champions
Bret Boneham & Lily Gibson

2019 Swimming Champions







Community News

Mendooran/Merrygoen Amateur Swimming Club news:

Well done to all our swimmers at our Championships last Friday. It was great to see so many swimmers trying their best and not needing helpers. We would like to say thank you to Kerrie Ward for running swimming training each week, there has been a huge improvement in our swimmers and their strokes, it has been great to have you Kerrie.

Just remember anyone that has perpetual trophies from last year need to return them this week so they will be ready for Presentation. A \$2 sausage sizzle and \$2 drinks is held at the pool every Friday. Thank you to Matty Yeo for being our lifeguard and for having the pool looking so good this year and helping us run Pointscore each week.

These are a few important dates for the rest of the swimming season.

1st March 2019 – Pointscore

8th March – Pointscore

15th March – Presentation at the pool

L Monk

Mendooran Pony Club news:

What a great weekend the pony clubbers had. On Saturday Victoria and Airlie went to Binnaway show and had a fantastic day, while Beetle went barrel racing at Geurie. And Sunday Anna, Laura, Victoria, Airlie and Beetle all competed at Dubbo Pony Club Gymkhana they all received plenty of ribbons and raffle tickets and rode Beautifully. Victoria was on her new horse Toshie and Laura was riding her new horse Jagger, they both went exceptionally well at their first gymkhana. Anna and Moccasin were reserve champion in the 15 and under 17 age group. Well done Anna.

This Tuesday night is our A.G.M at 7:30pm in the secretary office at the show ground. Please come along. Please if anyone is wanting to complete their membership let me know.

The zone meeting was on Saturday in Gilgandra – we have a new secretary but all other positions remain the same.

J Smith

URGENT MESSAGE FOR DJRLN PARENTS



We urgently need coaches for both Netball and Football. We also require a Club President and BBQ coordinator.

Please forward your interest in these positions to Jane Berry at

DunedooJRLN@outlook.com

CAMEL RACES

**100th Mendooran Show
30th & 31st March 2019**



**Races commence at
5pm in the arena**

**Mendooran PA&H Assoc
invites you to**

“Paint Your Partner”

Kindly sponsored by

Blue Sky Cheese

**30th & 31st March 2019 100th Show
To be judged and displayed at the
Art Evening prior to the show**





The Mendooran P.A.&H Association

presents

An Art Preview Evening

Wednesday 27th March 2019

Mendooran Mechanics Institute Hall

7.00pm - 9.30pm

Savouries & Complimentary Drinks Available

Entry \$15

Children free with supervision

The raffle will be drawn with tickets being on sale throughout the evening

RSVP: Beth McGirr 68 442227

Section M - Fine Arts

Stewards - Beth McGirr (68442227, mobile no 0428 140 147) and a team of helpers
Judged 27th March 2019 and exhibited at the Art Preview Evening 27th March 2019 at 7pm
in the Mendooran Mechanics Institute Hall

Artworks will be available for viewing in the Mendooran Mechanics Institute Hall on
Saturday 30th March 2019.

Entry fee \$4.00

First Prize \$30 Second Prize \$20.

Trophy for the most successful exhibitor in Classes 1-9. Champion ribbon and \$200 prize money

1. Open
2. Landscape/Seascape
3. Animal Study (any medium) or print
4. Watercolour
5. Drawing (any medium)
6. Still Life (any medium)
7. Novice (any medium)
8. Non Traditional (any medium)
9. Portrait (any medium)

10. STUDENT ART Entry fee \$2.

First Prize \$10

Second Prize \$5

A) 8 - 13yrs Painting any medium

B) 14 - 18 years Painting any medium



Section M - Fine Arts

All entries must be suitably framed and ready for hanging.

Each entry must be marked with name, price or NFS, title and category on the back.

Entries are to be delivered to the Mendooran Hall by 5.30pm on Monday 25th March 2019

or contact Beth McGirr - 02 68 442227

Entries must not be removed until 4.30pm on Saturday 30th March 2019 and must be signed off with the Steward.

Commission of 10% for any sales to go to the Mendooran P.A. & H. Association.

All care but NO responsibility taken.

Size not to exceed 1.2sq m or equivalent.

Artwork not to be previously entered into the Mendooran Show.

Second prize awarded where there are five or more entries in that section.

The Committee has the right to change sections specified if insufficient entries are received in designated sections.

Artworks may be photographed for media unless permission is not granted

Prizes will be awarded at the Preview Night apart from the Peoples Choice Award

Name.....

Signature.....

Date.....

Phone Number.....

We look forward to receiving your entries for the Art Exhibition at the Mendooran Show

Fine Arts Entry Form

My entries will be collected by

<u>Section</u>	<u>Class & Title</u>	<u>Price or NFS</u>	<u>Entry Fee</u>

All Exhibits to be prejudged.

Please deliver exhibits to the
Mendooran Hall between

2pm and 5.30pm on

Monday 25th March 2019

accompanied by all entry forms
and fees.

PEOPLES' CHOICE - TROPHY

(\$50 Voucher)

LUCKY DOOR PRIZE!

\$50 Voucher at

Chalkies in Coonabarabran

Term 1 2019



Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5	25.2	26.2	27.2 School Photo Day	28.2 District Primary Swimming Carnival - Dubbo Homework Centre	1 MAR <i>Secondary Swimming for Sport</i>
6	4.3	5.3 <i>Year 11 & 12 Ryder Program - Dubbo</i> <i>Merino Wether Challenge - Dubbo</i>	6.3	7.3 Homework Centre	8.3
7	11.3	12.3	13.3	14.3 Primary Western Swimming - Dubbo Homework Centre	15.3 Secondary Western Swimming - Dubbo
8	18.3	19.3	20.3 Peachy Shield/ Richardson Cup Rugby League in Dunedoo	21.3 Primary Rugby League Trials Homework Centre	22.3
9	25.3	26.3	27.3 Public Speaking Finals and Grandparents Day	28.3 Homework Centre	29.3