Week Seven has nearly gone and you can feel the pace quicken just slightly as we race towards the end of the year. By the time this newsletter hits the presses, our performers will have gone through a number of rehearsals on the way to performing in the NSW schools spectacular. To give you some sense of the size of this production here are some of the stats;

The Schools Spectacular:

- has taken place annually at the Sydney Entertainment Centre since 1984
- involves approximately 3600 students from over 400 schools
- is an established and well recognised item on the Sydney live entertainment calendar
- showcases a cast of 2000 dancers performing styles ranging from classical to hip hop
- features a combined choir of 1300 and an 80-piece full symphony orchestra as well as jazz, stage and rock bands
- delivers outstanding, cutting-edge youth dance and musical performances
- features state-of-the-art sound, lighting and staging is televised nationally in a prime time slot on ABC1 (we will let everyone know when the Spectacular will be televised)

Our performers will be linking with Norfolk Island in an east meets west scene that puts our school centre of the production for that scene.

Last weeks visit by the Governor was marred by some very blustery weather and there was some concern that the fantastic mural, created by Shelly and Cheryl may have been damaged, however it survived and plans are underway to find it a new home where it can hold pride of place and be protected. The Governor could not have been more delighted with her visit and made it very clear she was serious when she asked to be invited back.

In recent conversations with Michele Hall, Executive Director Connected Communities, a game plan is starting to come together for the next stage in developing our Connected Community Strategy. I will be attending a briefing in Sydney on the 3rd and 4th of December where final policy details will be discussed with all Executive Principals. One detail that I was able to clear up concerned the Pre-School. In the recent update on the CC strategy it mentioned that Menindee was to receive funding for a Pre-School, while we may indeed receive some funding it will be to support the service already in existence here. Hayley and I have had preliminary discussions around what we can do to enhance the service already here and I will be able to take this to the table when I head to Sydney. I cannot stress enough there will be no movement on changing any of the services currently provided to families in Menindee without full and complete consultation. Please do not hesitate to contact me at the school or via email if you have any questions regarding Connected Communities and the school.

Daryl Irvine
Menindee Central School News

Term 4—Week 7

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House T-Shirts available for $20.00 from the Front Office.

Student Banking each Thursday. Please have your money and deposit books to the front office before the start of the school day.

Important notice for parents

Supervision for students is from 8:30 am. Please do not send your child/children to school before this time.

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

To subscribe to the distribution list email: menindee –c.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Website: www.menindee-c.schools.nsw.edu.au

Available for 50c at:
Albermarle Hotel, Australia Post, Coombes Service Station, Darling River Supermarket, Maiden’s Hotel, Red Sands Takeaway

If you like Rugby League you’ll love...

Want to try something new...

MIXED OZTAG

6 pm Wednesday Evenings @ the Town Oval Starting 31st Oct

Great Prizes.

Get a team of 8 or more together or just put your name down and we’ll put you in a team!

$20 nomination per team.

Start the term with a nice new school shirt.

We have yellow and white polo shirts, with the school emblem available from the front office.

Sizes 4 to 16 $20.00
Sizes small to 4XL $25.00

SCHOOL BUS Reminder to parents

Students need to be at their designated collection points in the mornings at the correct time....

The bus will not wait for students who are not at their stops on time.

Dylan Nimmo
25th November

Pansy Newman
26th November
Presentation Night Contributions

The school will be conducting its annual Presentation Night on Thursday 13\textsuperscript{th} December 2012, at the school hall commencing at 6:00pm. The awards presented on the night recognise student achievement and effort in a variety of academic and sporting areas as well as service to the school and local community.

We depend on financial support from individuals, organisations and business houses that the school has contact with throughout the year so that we can purchase prizes for award recipients. Any contribution, no matter how small, will be gratefully appreciated and acknowledged.

If you are able to support our Presentation Night, please send your contribution to the front office by Wednesday 5\textsuperscript{th} December 2012.

If you have any questions please contact Georgia Shephard at the school.

The school would like to thank you for considering this matter.

“Parents with Babies”
Music Classes

This Friday
(and every second Friday thereafter)

Where: Music Room

Time: 10.30– 11.15

Calling for performers for Menindee Car-ols by Candlelight 14/12/12
Contact William Mafi
At the school.

Mc Grath Foundation Fundraiser

Saturday 24\textsuperscript{th} November 2012.
School Oval 10 am start.
Cricket and Softball Fun Day.
All players $10 donation to the Mc Grath foundation.
Food and drinks on sale.
Raffles.
All welcome.
PBL

TAKING CARE OF EACH OTHER....

This term, as a school community we are focusing on being more aware of what it means to take care of each other...

So...

What does it mean?

- It could be simply smiling at someone you normally do not talk to
- It could be asking a school mate if they are okay when they have a fall
- It could be inviting someone in to join in your game
- It could be using kind words
- It could be saying nothing at all, instead of using a put down
- It could be helping out at events
- Being a good sport
- Saying sorry when you are in the wrong...

These are the actions students will be given tickets for over this term by all staff members... Start to take action start to take care of each other!

Remember you as a parent and community member can also give out tickets to students who you see doing the right things at home or around town – especially if you notice our students taking care of each other. Simply ring the office and tell them the student’s name, and your name, or drop in in person.
Parent tips for use in school newsletters and on school websites – 16 November 2012

PRIMARY AND HIGH SCHOOL

When your teen’s new best friend is a bad influence

Best friends are a key part of adolescents’ lives. But what do you do when you suspect your child’s best buddy is a bad influence? Experts discuss different approaches.


PRIMARY SCHOOL

Copying and plagiarism

Copying other people’s work and presenting it as your own is plagiarism. It’s an increasingly common problem in the online world where material can easily be copied and pasted from websites. Students need to acknowledge the ideas of others when they use them in projects, assignments and assessments. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/copycats-beware

Help your kids enjoy reading

How do you make reading a joy and not a chore for your child? One way is to find information and interesting facts about things that intrigue or interest your child in books, magazines or on the internet. Read and talk about what you find out. Here are some other tips: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/ten-ideas-to-help-your-child-with-reading

HIGH SCHOOL

Exploring careers by subject

Help your child to broaden their ideas about work and career paths. Bullseye posters have been designed to help your child assess career and training options based on 33 subjects. Each includes sample career biographies by young people. Find out more: http://www.deewr.gov.au/Schooling/CareersandTransitions/CareerDevelopment/Resources/Pages/CareerBullseyeposters.aspx

Work and study advice

There is a range of school staff who can help your child navigate their way through study and training options. Student support is provided by key people such as careers advisers, transition advisers, year advisers and school counsellors. Find out more: http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/leavingschool/schoolleaveage/options/atyourservice.php
Wednesday 14th November 2012

Recently we have been learning about different jobs people do and the important roles they play in our community’s well-being. We have researched who can help us as well as how they can help us if we don’t feel safe. We’ve read books about Fire Fighters and Police Officers and the important role they play in our community.

Today we went for an excursion to the Menindee Police Station to experience first-hand what happens at the station and meet our local officers.

We are also going for an excursion to the Fire Brigade next week.

Links to Early Years Learning Framework
Outcome 2: Children are connected with and contribute to their world

Children develop a sense of belonging to groups and communities and an understanding of the reciprocal rights and responsibilities necessary for active community participation.
We had a look at the cell.

Everybody agreed they wouldn’t be naughty and end up in here, as there was only a bed and a toilet!

Everybody got their fingerprint taken and tried on the many different police hats.

All of the children received a certificate that appointed them as ‘Deputy Members of the Menindee Police’.

Thank You to Jim and Paul for allowing us to visit your station and remove any fear the children had of the Police. We now know you are there to help us and keep us safe.
**COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD**

**Classified Ads**

All submissions for the school news are to be in by Monday 3pm. A written copy can be left at the school/Post Office addressed to ‘SCHOOL NEWS’. Your advert must have your name, address, phone number and signature—this same limit applies to teachers. Every endeavor will be made to print all submitted articles; however, due to a ‘space limit’ some articles may have to be held over or reduced to suit our requirements. Advertising costs are: $4.40 (basic advert), $11.00 (quarter page), $22.00 (half page) and $44.00 (full page) per week.

Payment is required when placing advert.

PLEASE REMEMBER: IF SELLING A CAR OR MOTORBIKE YOU MUST INCLUDE THE REGISTRATION NUMBER OR ENGINE NUMBER. Adverts without this information will NOT be included, phone 8091 4409.

Lucky ball Numbers 4-6-8-10-13-19 Winners NIL, Jackpot: $954.00 Numbers 1-18.

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**Pooncarie Cricket Trip**

On Sunday December 2nd a Menindee team will travel to Pooncarie to take on the locals in a game of cricket.

Travel will be by school bus departing at 9am.

Expressions of interest to Adam Bailey. Players and supporters welcome.

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**ANGLICAN CHURCH SERVICES**

Are held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 2.00pm.

All welcome

For further enquires please phone Alisa Jackson on 0428793890

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**Catholic Church Services**

10:00am

1st Saturday of the month

Remainders on Sunday

All Welcome

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**Bush Fire Danger Season**

Season 1st October to 31st March

Permits must be obtained from permit office before lighting or using a fire in the open during the fire danger period

Gary Rolton

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**Flying Padre**

*The dates I will be at the school and the communities are:*

December: as required

People can contact me anytime if they need support or a chat.

**Church Services**

November 25th

December - to be advised but there will be a Christmas Day service on the 25th

**Jorge Rebolledo**

0459318083

0880884404

jorgefrebolledo@gmail.com

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**SUNSET STRIP**

Table Tennis & Carpet Bowls

Wednesdays 4:00 – 5:00

Contact Jono at the School

**MENINDEE**

Glee

Mondays 3:30 – 5:00

Contact William at the School

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LITTLE KIDS AND BOOKS
@ MCC

Where:
Menindee Children’s Centre

When:
Term 4 fortnightly
Thursday 29th November
Thursday 13th December

Time: 10:30am - 12:00pm

What is little kids and books?
A fortnightly activity for families with little kids 0 - 3 years

What do you do?
Enjoy songs, action rhymes, eat a healthy morning tea and share a book together with your little kids.

For more information contact: Prissy & Dimity
(08) 08 80 914 209 Menindee Health Service

Kids Dentist At
The Menindee Health Service
Every Month
Ring Menindee Health Service on
(08) 80 914 209

For An Appointment.
New Clients Welcome
From 6 Months to 17 Years.
JOHN WILLIAMS MP
Member for Murray-Darling

will be available for appointments in
Menindee on

Friday 23 November 2012

Please contact the Broken Hill Office
on (08) 8087 3315
to make an appointment.

Email: murraydarling@parliament.nsw.gov.au

MENINDEE CHARITIES
2012 CHRISTMAS FAIR

Saturday November 24th
Civic Hall
BBQ starts at 5pm
Hall doors open at 5.30pm
Santa arrives at 6pm

Special doll display. Clothes, Crafts, Jams and Cakes, Plants, Cosmetics, Toys, Jewellery. Find that SPECIAL gift.
Monster Christmas HAMPER Raffle (3 prizes) drawn at 6.30

Still space to have your stall. Phone Pam Brereton 80914150
EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST SOUGHT

INDIGENOUS MALE PROJECT OFFICER

Expand your horizon. Live in Broken Hill and explore the outback while being involved in an innovative Indigenous research project.

With skills in health, social sciences, education or community development and experience working with Aboriginal communities you will be a valued member of a small team involved in ALL aspects (development, implementation and evaluation) of an adult and child study and an associated innovative cultural healing program. The emphasis is on identifying strategies to reduce the long-term effects of stress and violence at the individual, family and community level.

Maari Ma is collaborating with the University of New South Wales Schools of Psychology and Psychiatry for this research, under the guidance of an Indigenous Advisory Committee.

The position is available to December 2013, with the possibility of extension.

There are two job descriptions available for this position, one non-graduate and one graduate. Salary is dependent of the qualifications and experience that are brought to it. Maari Ma offers five weeks annual leave, professional development opportunities and generous salary packaging provisions.

The position is based in Broken Hill, with travel to the communities of Wilcannia and Menindee involved.

In this position, gender and Australian Aboriginality are genuine occupational qualifications and are authorised by sections 14 and 31 of the Anti-discrimination Act 1977.

If you are interested please contact Sue for further details. EOI closes on 23rd November 2012.

Dr. Sue Selden PhD
CSRP Project Manager / Research Leader Broken Hill
Email: Sue.Selden@maarima.com.au
Community Safety Research Project
Phone: 08 80829860 or 0408782766 (Fax: 08 80829889)
443 Argent Street, Broken Hill NSW 2880.
INTRODUCTION TO CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

3 DAY GOVERNANCE WORKSHOP

Broken Hill

Tuesday 20 November – Thursday 22 November 2012

The Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC) invites you to nominate directors and members from your corporation to attend the Broken Hill, Introduction to Corporate Governance workshop.

The 3 day workshop will:
- introduce some basic principles and concepts of good corporate governance
- demonstrate some techniques and tools to help your decision making
- show you how to comply with the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (CATSI Act)

ORIC will accept applications from directors and members of ORIC corporations and key staff who are endorsed by their CEO or supervisor. Application forms can be downloaded from the ORIC website (www.oric.gov.au). If you are not able to download the application form please contact me.

ORIC will cover all costs associated with attendance at the workshop including reasonable travel costs where participants reside outside the local geographical area as determined by ORIC.

Please note the accommodation for this workshop is on a twin share basis. However, ORIC provides no sitting fees or payments for attendance. Corporations/employers may wish to reimburse participants for work time loss and ORIC can provide evidence of participant attendance at the workshop if required.

Participants who successfully complete the 3 day workshop are eligible to apply for a fully funded place in the Certificate IV in Business (Governance).

Please contact Allan Sambono on (02) 6146 4751 or toll free (not free from mobiles) on 1800 622 431 if you require further information.

Yours faithfully

Allan Sambono
Training Section

www.oric.gov.au email: info@oric.gov.au
Toll free: 1800 622 431 Fax: (02) 6133 8080
32 Corinna Street, Woden ACT 2606 PO Box 2029, Woden ACT 2606 ABN 36 342 015 855
REMOTE JOBS AND COMMUNITIES
PROGRAM 2013-2018

JOBS AND STRONGER COMMUNITIES FOR PEOPLE IN REMOTE AUSTRALIA

Call for Expressions of Interest for the conduct of the Remote Jobs and Communities Program 2013-2018

The Australian Government is making major changes to remote employment, participation and community-development services, including Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP).

The new Remote Jobs and Communities Program (RJCP) will provide a simpler, more integrated and flexible approach to services in identified Remote Regions from 1 July 2013.

A call for Expressions of Interest (EOI) to conduct RJCP activities was released on 2 October 2012. To access the EOI interested parties must register with AusTender at www.tenders.gov.au. Once registered, the EOI can be downloaded from AusTender.

All organisations interested in conducting the RJCP activities are encouraged to apply, including smaller organisations that may form part of a provider partnership. All applicants will need to demonstrate their ability to work with communities in the regions they apply for, as well as the capacity to deliver services.

From 8 - 19 October 2012, Information Sessions will be conducted in the Remote Regions to discuss the EOI process with potential applicants. In addition, two web conference sessions will be conducted for those interested who cannot attend a face to face session in a Remote Region.

The locations of the information sessions are provided in the list below.

All enquiries about the EOI and to book in to attend an information session or web conference session must be directed to the Employment Services Hotline or mailbox:

DEEWR Employment Services Purchasing Hotline: 1300 733 514
(Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm Canberra time)
Mailbox: espurchasing@deewr.gov.au

For more information on the EOI, visit www.deewr.gov.au/esprocurement
For more information on the Remote Jobs and Communities Program, including maps of the regions, go to www.deewr.gov.au/rjcp
Inquiries on the Remote Jobs and Communities Program can be directed to:
Mailbox: remoteservices@deewr.gov.au
LET'S LAUNCH THE
MENINDEE
CULTURAL GARDEN

Western CMA & Menindee Local Aboriginal Land Council

Wednesday, December 5
10:00AM - 4:00PM

Official Opening by The Hon. Sussan Ley
Federal Member for Farrer

Special Guest Appearance by David Shillington -
Captain of the Canberra Raiders

Onsite at Menindee Local Aboriginal Land Council
Yarla Street, Menindee
BBQ Lunch Provided
Self Defence ~ Kick Boxing
For Females 12 Years +

TUESDAY EVENINGS 6.00PM - 7.30PM
(Female Instructor with Male assistance)

For females only aged 12 years and up
8 Week program commencing on the 31st October 2012
COST: $10 per lesson or $65 for full 8 weeks
All Participants must be PCYC Club Members.
Adults $20, Junior/Concession $10.
Memberships last for 1 year.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL THE PCYC ON 8087 3723

ZUMBA®
FITNESS

COMMENCING ON THE 15TH OCTOBER

Monday's 6.15pm - 7.00pm
Wednesday's 5.30pm - 6.15pm

For ages 12 and up
All levels of experience welcome!
COST: $9 per Session
(if you attend twice in one week second session only $5)

FOR MORE INFORMATION
CALL THE PCYC ON 8087 3723

All Participants must be PCYC Club Members.
Adults $20, Junior/Concession $10.
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Beyond Cafe
Menindee Enterprise Park

OPEN EVERY WEEKEND — ON SUNDAYS
2:00pm - 5:00pm

Cappuccino
Flat White
Hot Chocolate
Latte
Tea
Spiders
Milkshakes
Thickshakes
Cheesecakes
Pancakes
Mini Pavlova