Creating the Future is the theme of this year’s Education Week celebrations. The theme involves the notion that we have control or should have some control over our future.

As both students and adults we are faced daily with choices. As we move from being a child to an adult we need to take greater control as we grow older. When we leave school most of us are 18 years old and the future is then entirely ours and ours alone. We have a legal responsibility for our actions.

As a student what choices should be responsible?
- Working towards taking all the opportunities that schooling can provide
- Honouring our families and their culture
- Healthy choices that will make our bodies strong
- Developing attitudes and values such as those contained in our PBL program
- Valuing ourselves.

I know that many of our students are really putting themselves forward and adopting a responsible attitude to their learning and life in general. I know they are really trying and they are really making great achievements.

What future should we look forward to?
As adults, educators and a community we need to ensure that we play our part in shaping the world as it should be. As children are our future we must not fail them through lack of effort or neglect. We must protect them, encourage them and support them to achieve their very best. We must play our part in making it a better world.

One burning issue currently before the Australian community is the funding of public schools. Public education has a distinguished past and a bright future if it is funded correctly. This year a major study provided a new funding program that is going to be used to fund public schools. We need to let our politicians know that public education provides a great future for our students. We must support those parties who are brave enough and show the courage to change.

This week learn about Gonski, give a Gonski to our politicians and alert them to the fact that you care and that you want a great future for your children and your children’s children.

Come along to our special education assembly on Friday and enjoy the performances and be with your children.

Congratulations to the students and Women’s Choir who presented in Broken Hill on Monday and those who made it possible. Well done again.

Brian Debus
Term 3—Week 3

**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.*

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**Important notice for Parents**

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

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**School Bus Monitors**

The school bus that operates in town is a service provided entirely out of school funds and as such many people assume that supervision of the students on the bus is undertaken by staff from the school, this is not the case. A driver is allocated and their primary role is obviously to transport students safely home, not the active supervision of behaviour. If students misbehave while riding on the bus, they can face consequences such as being banned from the bus for a period of time. To help keep an eye on things we would like to explore the idea of a community volunteer riding on the bus. If you think you might be able to spare 30 mins once or twice a week please contact the school. All volunteers would be required to sign a working with children declaration before being added to the roster.
Term 3—Week 3

PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME: All articles for the school news are to be presented to the front office by Tuesdays before 10:00. Any articles after this time will be added the following week. If emailing, please send in word format. Thank you. Kris.

Volunteers Wanted

Menindee Central School K-6 are looking for any parent helpers who are interested in assisting in the K-6 Computer Studies lessons. These lessons are held from 2:10 until 3:10 Monday to Thursday in the connected classroom. You do not require a high level of computer skills, just a desire to help the children in our community to become better equipped in a fast moving technology based world. All interested parents should contact Mr Smith through the school for more details.

Thank you

Maths on Mondays

Informal session held after school on Mondays (of course) for parents who would like to explore how maths is taught in school and perhaps refresh their own maths skills.

House T-Shirts are also 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.

The School has been updating student’s medical allergy records, if there is any changes in your child’s conditions please contact the school so that we can update our records.

Thank you

For JULY
Daryl Irvine 29th
William Mafi 30th
Riley Doyle 31st

For August
James Folaumoetu’l 31st
Felicity Etrich 3rd
Oliver Irvine 4th
Adrian Briar 5th

Hope you have a great day

NOTE NEW DAY AND TIME FOR ALL GLEE

TIMETABLE
TERM 3
Mondays
3:15-5:00pm
Dear Parent/Caregiver,

Year 7 and 8 students are invited to attend a camp offered by Active Education, a South Australian company that develops and runs outdoor education programs. This camp will be held over 6 days during Week 4 of this term. Students and staff will leave Menindee Central School at 9am on Sunday 5th August and arrive at the camp at approximately 6pm. The return trip will leave the camp at approximately 7:30am on Friday 10th August to hopefully return students to their homes or to the school around 5pm.

Students will travel on the school bus accompanied and supervised by Peter Roberts, one other secondary staff member (to be decided) and one parent/carer (to be decided) during the camp. The excursion will cost $100 which can be paid to the front office by the Wednesday 1st August 2012.

The Woodhouse Activity Centre is around 30 minutes drive from the Adelaide CBD. The camp is an opportunity for all-round development where students have the chance to:

- experience physical and mental challenges (not too painful, hopefully…)
- develop their problem solving skills
- explore independent and social skills through individual and group activities
- make new friends and have fun (even with the teachers!)

The camp experience equips children with life skills. Students may learn how to live and mix with others and how to make their own decisions and choices. They may also learn how to take responsibility for themselves through simple tasks like tidying their rooms or clearing tables. Some of the activities on offer include; a series of challenging yet fun activities in groups, an Aboriginal Studies program with a local Elder, a bush adventure including bush walking and an overnight camp-out.

A typical day

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“A COMMUNITY SCHOOL WHERE STUDENTS DEVELOP IN A CAREING, STIMULATING ENVIRONMENT”

**REMINDER**

We are still needing one staff and one parent/community member to attend. If interested please contact Peter Roberts.

Students, please return your permission notices to Mr Roberts by Thursday.

Thankyou.
Congratulations on your engagement
Claire Robertson and Clint Edwards

Menindee Central School

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**Wilvandee @ Menindee Week 4**  
**Wednesday and Thursday Plan of Events**

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<td>MSC Students can return for Dinner</td>
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<td>Games Night Begins</td>
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<td>Bed/Video in classrooms for visiting students</td>
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**Thursday 9th August 2012**

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<td>Staff vs. students game</td>
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<td>Presentation in the hall</td>
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<td>Visiting students get lunch and depart</td>
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<td>MCS students back to normal classes</td>
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*Wilvandee is next week, above is the program, and approximate times, please feel free to come along and watch.*

10 Primary girls, 10 primary boys (4-6yr) and 10 mixed Secondary students are invited to participate in teams. MCS students wishing to return for the Games night in the hall will require a permission note from Miss Tate to attend.
Term 3—Week 3

What's Happening this Week…

Wednesday - RTA ‘Safe Riders’ program, Primary classes periods 10:10 and Secondary classes from 11:30.

Education Issues @ Menindee – from 1:30 - 6:00 on in the library. Daryl Irvine (Deputy Principal) will be available to discuss the current issues facing Menindee Central School. Daryl will attempt to shed some light on the exciting times ahead for our little school. Connected Communities, LMBR, Local Schools Local Decisions, Languages, Traineeships, Enterprise Park, plenty of time for questions and answers.

Thursday - Good Luck to our Competitors who will be competing in the District athletics carnival at Broken Hill.

Friday – Special Education Week assembly followed by open classrooms till recess.

Love to see you here!

Lost Property

Just a reminder that lost property will be kept at the school for 2 months. After this they will be placed on display outside the hall during Assembly. If not collected

Lost Property
COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

Classified Ads

All submissions for the school news are to be in by Tuesday 10:00am. 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 endeavour 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 80 914 409.

Lucky ball Numbers: 5-6-8-9-10-13 : Drawn 30-7-12: Winners Nil, Jackpot: $1,956.00 Numbers 1-14.

DONT FORGET BINGO ON THURSDAY NIGHTS

August 9th

UP THE MIGHTY YABBIES

Flying Padre - Jorge Rebolledo

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

August: 7th, 14th
September: 11th, 18th
October: 16th, 23rd
November: 13th, 20th
December: as required

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

Church Services

July 29th
August 19th
September 23rd
October 28th
November 25th
December - to be advised but there will be a Christmas Day service on the 25th

Jorge Rebolledo
0459318083
0880884404
jorgefrebolledo@gmail.com

ATTENTION: All Men in Menindee.

If you like to sing and are interested in being a part of a Male choir, please contact William on 0487254542....

C’mon Guys... Give us ladies a run for our money...

Ladies Choir rehearsals
Tuesday nights 6:00pm in the music room

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE SCHOOL NEWS DEADLINE FOR ADVERTISEMENTS IS TUESDAY AT 10:00AM.

Wanted To Buy

Fordson and Ferguson tractors for spare parts.
Contact Ron Page on 0428288777

NEED MAINTENANCE IN MENINDEE? SERVICE NOW AVAILABLE

Business-Rural-Residential

• Trade Qualified Welder (all types)
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Reasonable Hourly Rates
No local travelling fees - Professional service

Phone 04 6748 4741
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Ladies Choir rehearsals
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LITTLE KIDS AND BOOKS
@ MCC

Where:
Menindee Children’s Centre

When:
Term 3 fortnightly
Thursday 9th August
Thursday 23rd August
Thursday 6th September
Thursday 20th September

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.

To our wonderful Choir Master...William,
Hope your birthday was as special as you.
Love and best wishes from all the Menindee Choir Ladies.

RURAL FIRE SERVICE AGM
2nd AUGUST 2012
5pm at the RTC

Please call me or txt on
04 2791 4616 / 80914616
New customers always welcome.
Next Monday, come along to our preschool open day to celebrate National Aboriginal And Islander Children’s Day

- All children aged 0-5 and families are welcome
- Monday 6th August @ 9.30am—11.30am
- Toy library
- Story telling & art
- Johnny Cakes for morning tea!

DO YOU KNOW…….The Broken Hill Toy Library has an outreach Van that visits Menindee every second Wednesday for families to borrow toys to keep for the fortnight and then they’ll return to pick them up and exchange the toys each fortnight. If you are interested in having them visit your house for you children to borrow please ring us at the preschool on 0880914246 and we can pass your details onto Michelle and Tracy or phone the toy library directly on 0880885724. This is a free service and everybody is encouraged to use it… the children love it!

We still have preschool vacancies for three year old children (attendance-Monday & Wednesday) and four year old children (attendance-Monday, Wednesday & Thursday). If you are interested in sending your child to preschool please pop in and have a look around our beautiful centre and have a chat with our staff about enrolling your child.

Thank you to Mrs Moroney for your kind donation of beautiful hand-made pears to the preschool. They have made a lovely addition to our centre and the children and babies have enjoyed using them in lots of different ways. Thanks again & we appreciate the time and effort you put into making these.

Until Next Week
Hayley D'Ettorre
Teacher / Director

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**Adult Art Classes**

Adult art class are being held on Wednesday afternoons 3:20pm to 4:30pm each week after school in the art room

Rick Ball will be there to help with ideas and use of materials. This group will be good for both beginners and those folk with more experience.

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**GIVE AWAY TO GOOD HOME**

**13 WK OLD ROOSTER**

*BITSA BREED*

**PHONE MISS TATE AT SCHOOL**
Come along to our preschool open day to celebrate

National Aboriginal And Islander Children's Day

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CENTRAL DARLING SHIRE COUNCIL

PUBLIC NOTICE

2012 COUNCIL ELECTION – CANDIDATE INFORMATION SESSIONS

The Central Darling Shire Council will be holding candidate information sessions throughout the Shire in the lead up to the 2012 Council election.

The dates and venues for these sessions are as follows:

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The sessions will provide people interested in standing for Council information on key topics such as:

- The role of local government.
- Roles and responsibilities of councillors.
- Life as a councillor.
- The role of the Mayor.
- Conduct of the election.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend these information sessions and Council welcomes anyone with an interest in local government to attend.

Tim Drew
GENERAL MANAGER
Flow Advice for Lower Darling River

Changes to Weir 32 flows

The NSW Office of Water today advised landowners and communities in the Lower Darling River Valley, that release rates would be increased from the Menindee Lakes from next week.

NSW Water Commissioner, David Harriss said that the lakes are nearly full from flooding earlier this year; therefore releases above seasonal minimums are necessary to manage expected additional inflows to the lakes in August.

“Releases above minimum rates will be mainly from Lake Wetherell to prepare for increased inflows in August, and to provide some foreshore drying after long periods of inundation,” he said.

Mr Harriss said that the approaching flows, emanating from the Gwydir and Namoi catchments, are minor – very much smaller than recent flood events.

“At this stage, forecast inflow volumes are significantly less than those experienced earlier in the year. However, with the Lakes well above full supply and approaching maximum surcharge capacity, precautionary releases are required to protect the banks.”

“The current plan is for State Water Corporation to begin increasing flows on Tuesday 31 July 2012 to target 4,000 megalitres per day in the Lower Darling at Weir 32 by the end of the week.

Up to 1,000 megalitres per day will also be released from Lake Cawndilla to produce flows in the Great Darling Anabranch.”

Mr Harriss said that the maximum releases for this event will be well within the channel capacity of the Lower Darling River, which is about 9,000 megalitres per day or 4.70 metres gauge height.

“The NSW Office of Water is monitoring river flows in northern NSW tributaries and further advice regarding expected flows will be issued by Tuesday 7 August 2012.”

Landholders and river users, including pumpers, should note the changing flow rates along the Lower Darling River and make necessary adjustments to their activities.

Media contact: Bunty Driver – 0407 403 234

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### Expected River Levels and Flow Rates

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Media Release

Monday, 30 July 2012

Barwon Darling Flood management report released

NSW Water Commissioner, David Harriss, today released a report summarising the management of the 2011-12 floods through the Barwon-Darling and Menindee Lakes systems.

Mr Harriss said that after nearly 10 years of drought throughout much of the Murray-Darling Basin, this was the third year in a row that the Office of Water and State Water Corporation had managed flood flows through the river systems in the west of the state.

“This is typical of the extreme variability of the Australian climate, and particularly in the Murray-Darling Basin,” Mr Harriss said.

Mr Harriss said that the floods in 2011-12 were the result of three separate rain events that included the wettest November in 133 years of records at Moree and the largest 8 day rainfall total at Wilcannia in 133 years of records.

“This led to record flooding in the Balonne River at St George and equalled the highest river level at Bourke since 1976.”

“In total, about 5,700,000 megalitres flowed past Wilcannia between mid-December 2011 and late May 2012 - over 11 times the volume of Sydney Harbour.”

Mr Harriss said that the Menindee Lakes, near Broken Hill in far-west NSW at the end of the Barwon Darling System, are surcharged above full supply levels.

“Flows from the Menindee Lakes into the Lower Darling River downstream of Menindee are now being increased to reduce the storage levels in the lakes to accommodate inflows expected after the mid July rainfall in upstream catchments reducing surcharge levels.”

Flows will increase to 4,000 megalitres per day to the Lower Darling River which will pass more water into the River Murray downstream and will also be released from Lake Cawndilla into the Great Darling Anabranch.”


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CENTRAL DARLING SHIRE COUNCIL
PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSET MANAGEMENT PLANS

The Central Darling Shire Council is advertising the following asset management plans for the purposes of public consultation:

- Plant & Equipment
- Water
- Sewerage

Council welcomes public submissions in relation to each of these plans, which will be on display at all Council Offices until 5pm, Wednesday 22 August 2012.

Submissions can be made to council@centraldarling.nsw.gov.au or in writing addressed to the General Manager, Central Darling Shire Council, PO Box 165, Wilcannia, NSW, 2836.

Tim Drew
GENERAL MANAGER

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Naturopath, Registered Nurse, Massage Therapist
Wellness Coach & Consultant

Do you suffer from…

- Inertility
- Pre/Post Menstrual Syndrome
- Menopause Symptoms
- Poly Cystic Ovaries
- Other Hormonal Issues
- Rheumatoid/Osteo Arthritis
- Irritable Bowel Syndrome
- Lack of Concentration
- Recurring Colds/Flu Symptoms
- Sore/Stiff Muscles
- Depression
- Sleep Disturbances
- Shift Work Syndrome
- Weight Problems
- Any other health problems

Then I can help you. Take the first step towards better health…

Advanced Diplomas in
- Naturopathy
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47 Menindee Street
Menindee
NSW 2879

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- Pre Hospital Emergency Care
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- Reflexology
- Iridology

Sherryl Baskin ND

Phone: (08) 8091 4232
0488 425 944
Indigenous Trainee Chefs wanted by Sydney’s Top Restaurants

Would you like to train with one of Australia’s Top Chefs in a leading Sydney restaurant that supports Indigenous culture?

You don’t need to be great in the kitchen yet, however, you do need a fantastic attitude, be willing to work hospitality hours and undertake a unique qualification offered by the National Indigenous Culinary Institute.

The Indigenous Trainee Chef program is a three year course that pays Indigenous people while you train and gain excellent experience in top Sydney restaurants. You could be working with top chefs like:

Neil Perry
Guillaume Brahimi
Michael McMahon

How to apply:
Eighteen Trainee Chefs will be selected through a one week competitive selection process in August 2012. You will have the
TOP CHEFS JOIN WITH GOVERNMENT AND CORPORATES TO MENTOR INDIGENOUS CHEFS

NATIONAL INDIGENOUS CULINARY INSTITUTE

- START THIS YEAR WITH 18 SYDNEY RESTAURANTS
- SUPPORT FROM INDIGENOUS LAND CORPORATION
- SUPPORT FROM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS
- SUPPORT FROM CORPORATE AUSTRALIA

Chefs from Sydney’s top restaurants have combined forces to create the new National Indigenous Culinary Institute. The mentor group includes Neil Perry of Rockpool, Guillaume Brahimi of Guillaume at Bennelong, Michael McMahon of Catalina and more than a dozen other top chefs; augmented by Barry McDonald of Fratelli Fresh and food writers and critics Terry Durack and Jill Dupleix.

The Indigenous Chef Traineeship is for potentially gifted candidates who will be selected in a competitive process in August 2012. Rockpool owner and chef, Neil Perry says that the hospitality industry welcomes the opportunity to provide Indigenous trainees with the skills and training required to work in the country’s finest dining establishments. “Anyone with natural ability should be able to receive the right training and experience,” he says. “Our longer term aim is for Indigenous chefs to be a major force in the Australian restaurant industry.”

The program is marked by its strong leadership component, with mentoring a key element to help trainees achieve their potential. There will be a focus on the history of Australian gastronomy, on the selection of quality produce, and the ethics of suppliers and growers in food production.

The participants selected for this Indigenous Trainee Chef program couldn’t find better leaders, with up to twelve of Australia’s top chefs becoming Culinary Guardians in the program, placing Trainee Chefs in their award-winning Sydney restaurants for on-the-job mentoring and training.

The course has been designed by Australia’s top chefs and other prominent industry figures in partnership with the respected William Angliss Institute, incorporating intensive Skills for Success training prior to final placement and offering Indigenous mentors to support participants throughout their training journey. In future years, the National Indigenous Culinary Institute will source and place students in other cities.

The National Indigenous Culinary Institute Indigenous Trainee Chef program offers participants an excellent opportunity to gain unique training and experience using modern
EXPRESSSION OF INTEREST

KINCHEGA NATIONAL PARK

MENINDEE ABORIGINAL ELDERS COUNCIL:
SEEKING NEW MEMBERS

The Menindee Aboriginal Elders Council is seeking expressions of interest from members of the Menindee Aboriginal community to fill three vacant member positions.

Council members take part in the co-management of Kinchega National Park in conjunction with the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service and attend minimum of four meetings annually.

To nominate and register your interest contact Jade Halls at the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service on 08 8091 4214 or 04 2877 6817.

Applications close 5th August 2012.

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