Principal’s Report

NAPLAN results have been released and were posted on Wednesday. From a preliminary check we have much to be proud of in the results. At the same time we still have much to do. Daryl has written a short presentation reviewing the results as a school and they are included in this edition of our newsletter. The achievements of our students are the focus of our teacher’s efforts and we like to highlight the good news when it comes.

I neglected last week to thank Kelly Jesser for providing the opportunity for our students to attend the State Combined High Schools Athletics at the home of the 2000 Olympic Games in Homebush. Our students did extremely well and we are proud of their achievements. Thanks are also expressed to Lindfield for providing accommodation for our athletes during their stay in Sydney. One little, but wonderful extra, was the school provided students with a ticket to see the first semi-final in the Olympic Stadium between Manly and Canterbury.

Week 1 next term we will have the return of Lindfield East who will be with us from Monday through to Thursday morning. It is great to have such a productive relationship with Lindfield which is bringing benefits to students from both schools. This partnership has spawned four other opening opportunities between four far west schools and four city schools.

Also in the first week of term, the Director of the NSW Spectacular will be coming to work with two graduates from the Talent Development program written by them in a visit last July. Our students will be worked into the item and allow them to have a unique place in this year’s production Our Time. This is exciting news and a great opportunity to feature our students while providing them with an experience that they will never forget.

I would like to congratulate the three councillors elected on 8th September and wish them well for their new term of office. It is unpaid work and entails many hours of selfless sacrifice to work for our community. Thanks also to Moyra who has represented our community for a long period of time.

Lastly it is time to rest and refresh. We will be on holidays for two weeks. I wish everybody a restful break and safe holiday. School will resume on Monday 8th October.

Brian Debus
Congratulations to Joseph, Beau and Tevita on their exceptional display of courage and pride in our school at the recent 2012 State Athletics Championships at Sydney Olympic park. We saw some very impressive results including Tevita coming in 12th position for 12 year boys shot put, Beau beating her personal best in the 12 year Girls 800m, also coming 12th position and Joseph coming in at 16th position for 13 year Boys javelin.

Well done kids we are all very proud of you!

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

Pancake Breakfast
Yr 11 Fundraiser

WEEK 10 THURSDAY
20TH SEPTEMBER 2012
8AM TILL 9AM
BBQ AREA OF THE SCHOOL
$3 FOR PANCAKES AND MAPLE SYRUP

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.
Year 12 DER Laptops

All Year 12 students please bring your red DER Laptop and the unlocking paperwork to the front office this week. On Friday the 14th there will be a support workshop at the school to complete the unlocking process. If you have any questions, please contact Jane Dunbar at the school.

BUS ARRANGEMENTS

Recently the numbers on the bus have meant that we have had to make a second run. From to-day we will run two buses each afternoon. The primary bus with students from the K/6 will depart approximately 5 minutes after the bell. The secondary bus will depart after the first run is completed. Students within the school grounds Disrespectful behaviour will result in students not being carried for a week. Respectful behaviour looks like: following instructions, seat belts on, windows kept closed and no eating. If a student’s loses their right to be on the bus the school will inform parents after they have been dropped off.

THANK YOU TONY & HENRY

Thank you Tony for all hard work in putting in our grape trellis and Henry Fisk for spraying our oval to rid the weeds and supply the trellis for the grapes.

LITTLE KIDS AND BOOKS @ MCC

Where:
Menindee Children’s Centre

When:
Term 3 fortnightly
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.

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

Advertise 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: 3-9-10-14-16-17: Drawn 10-9-2012: Winners Nil, Jackpot: $736.00 Numbers 1-20.

PLEASE NOTE THE SCHOOL NEWS DEADLINE FOR ADVERTISEMENTS IS MONDAY 3:00 PM.

URGENT NOTICE

Tandou Pastoral

Notice is hereby given to all persons trespassing or intending to trespass on Tandou Limited pastoral properties including Tandou Station, Willovia Station and Leonora Downs. All illegal hunting of any kind including with pig dogs, shooting and illegal trespassing will be dealt with in the strongest possible terms. Police and Stock squad have been contacted and are now actively involved in the process of identifying individuals and vehicles involved in all illegal activity including cutting fences, driving over fences and leaving gates open. In addition to seeking a successful conviction for all individuals involved in illegal trespassing and hunting, Tandou will seek damages for any financial losses arising. Remote motion sensing cameras are now being installed in selected strategic locations to assist with identifying offenders. Unless you have formal authorisation from the Tandou Pastoral Manager, please do not enter any of the above mentioned properties. Persons with information relating to these offences are asked to contact the Pastoral Manager on 08 8091 1513.

CWP Announcement

(Community Working Party)

Community members interested in completing a Certificate II in Community Services please contact Edward at the School.

ANGLICAN CHURCH SERVICES

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

All welcome

For further enquiries please phone
Alisa Jackson on 0428793890

Jorge Rebolledo
0459318083
0880884404
jorgefrebolledo@gmail.com

Flying Padre

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

October: 16th, 23rd
November: 13th, 20th
December: as required

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

Church Services

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

Ladies Choir rehearsals this Thursday 6:00pm in the music room at school. Come along and have fun for an hour.

Volunteers also wanted to assist with the upcoming production
AQUAPONIC OPPORTUNITY

Interested people in the community wishing to gain skills and hands on experience please call Menindee Central School ph 08 80 914 409

Save the Date & Celebrate ...

World Rivers Day

Friday 28 September 2012
10am till 3pm
Wentworth Rowing Club Lawns
"Healthy rivers, healthy communities"

Support World Rivers Day and the biodiversity in our iconic Murray and Darling Rivers by participating in the FREE Family Fun Day.

Bring a picnic rug and have lunch on the riverbank,
Catch a carp and win a prize (courtesy of Willow Bend Caravan Park),
River themed local artwork on board the PS Ruby, research displays and demonstrations, and lots more!

Look for the program at www.lmd.cma.nsw.gov.au
Call Kim T, Susan or Rhonda on 03 5021 9460.
POSITION VACANT
CASUAL SWIMMING POOL ATTENDANT
MENINDEE

Central Darling Shire Council is seeking to appoint a Casual Swimming Pool Attendant for the current swimming season.

Further information, including position description is available by telephoning the Environmental Services Department on
(08) 8083 8900, or by email to council@centraldarling.nsw.gov.au

Written applications should be addressed to the Acting General Manager, marked ‘Confidential’ and received by 4.00pm on Thursday 20th September 2012.

P.O. Box 165
Wilcannia NSW 2836

Leeanne Ryan
ACTING GENERAL MANAGER

Menindee Playground Improvements

Council has received a proposal from Murdi Paaki Regional Enterprise Corporation to undertake improvements to the Menindee Playground located in Burke & Wills Park, Menindee. The proposal includes the following:

- installation of a 10m x 10m shade shelter over the existing playground,
- installation of a 6m x 6m shade shelter on the existing concrete slab adjacent to the tennis courts, and
- installation of a BBQ and seating installed under the new 6m x 6m shade.

The local Menindee community are invited to make comments on the proposed improvements by lodging a written submission to the Acting General Manager, PO Box 165, Wilcannia NSW 2836, or via fax on (08) 80915994, or email to council@centraldarling.nsw.gov.au

Submissions will be received until 5pm, 1st October 2012.

For further information please contact Council’s Environmental Services Department on (08) 80838900.

Mrs Leanne Ryan
ACTING GENERAL MANAGER
The Regional NAIDOC Ball 2012 organising committee is seeking nominations for the Community Awards in the first ever Regional NAIDOC Ball. The community awards will recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, male and female who have made outstanding contributions within their Community in the following categories:

- Community Involvement and Leadership
- Excellence in Youth Leadership and Education
- Community Elder

Nominations close on Wednesday 3 October 2012.

No late nominations will be accepted.

### Nomination Form

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Please nominate individuals for these awards using the selection criteria below (applicants do not have to address all the criteria but it will help the chance of winning if you address all the selection criteria):

- Demonstrated excellence in their nominated category
- The individual’s/groups status as an inspirational role model for ATSI people and the broader community.
- Demonstrated leadership
- Demonstrated involvement in the Aboriginal community at local, regional and/or national levels

Please return the completed form by closing date Wednesday 3 October 2012 to:

By hand to Danika Tonna, Murdi Paaki Housing, 428 Blende Street, Broken Hill;
By post to Danika Tonna, Murdi Paaki Housing, Po Box 270, Broken Hill NSW 2880 or
By email to danika.tonna@mphousing.com.au

LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
REGIONAL NAIDOC BALL 2012

WHEN: Friday, 12 October 2012
WHERE: Gary Radford Pavilion
Broken Hill Race Course
TIME: Doors Open 6.30 pm
      Official Opening 7.00 pm
COST: $45 per head
      Inc. Three Course Meal, Entertainment & Transport from Town & Return
DRESS: Formal

TICKETS: Available from Haylee at Maari Ma
         Regional Office at 443 Argent St,
         Broken Hill by Thursday 11th October
         or ph (08) 8082 9888

Please Note: Photos will be taken at the event for future publicity. Licensed premises, no alcohol to be brought on site. Liquor licenced act of 2007 will be enforced. Minori Photo ID required.
Position Vacant

Transport Officer - Casual

Menindee Health Service

In this position, Australian Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Do you have a current driver’s licence and a safe driving record?
Do you have knowledge of the community and the ability to work effectively with the community?

The Transport Officer works with the Menindee Health Service team to provide clients access to the health service and specialist appointments.

Salary $22.60 gross per hour plus casual loading.

To apply you will need to collect an application package from the Menindee Health Service, Perry Street.

Applications close 5:00pm Thursday 4th October 2012

Maari Ma has a smoke free health care workplace policy. A Working With Children Check is required prior to appointment. Having a criminal record will not necessarily stop you from being employed. We will talk with you about it privately.
NOTICE
MUTAWINTJI Local Aboriginal Land Council
invites
MLALC MEMBERS
to attend a meeting to conduct
MLALC business

Wednesday 3rd of October 2012

On park at Mutawintji National Park: stay & camp

Tuesday 2nd - Arrival, camp set up & dinner.

Wednesday 3rd at 10 am - Mutawintji Local Aboriginal Land Council will conduct its Annual General Meeting for the 2011-2012 financial year, Receive the Audit report and Annual Reports.

Thursday 4th - Depart Park and head home.

Meals will be provided from the Tuesday Evening through to Thursday Breakfast.

Please register your attendance at both meetings with -
Clayton Spencer, MLALC Acting CEO by calling 0428874164
Email:- mutawintjilalc@hotmail.com

Important information for the Local Aboriginal Land Council meeting
Current members of the Mutawintji Local Aboriginal Land Council will be able to attend this meeting. If you are a voting member of the land council, you will be able fully participate in the meeting. To confirm your status as a land council member, call Clayton Spencer, MLALC ACEO on 0428874164.

Mileage
A mileage payment will be available to drivers who produce receipts for fuel costs travelling to Mutawintji National Park in their own vehicles for the meeting. Payment aim to assist people attending the meeting but may not cover all travel costs. Mileage forms are available at the meeting. One payment per vehicle.

No responsibility will be taken for any damage done or repairs needed to vehicles travelling to the meeting.

If you are travelling by bus or train to get to the meeting, keep your ticket and receipt and you may be reimbursed.

Please note that airfares cannot be reimbursed. There will be no organised transport to the meetings.

See us on Facebook for all the latest MLALC news and updates:-
www.facebook.com/MutawintjiLocalAboriginalLandCouncil
BROADWAY ON THE DARLING
COMING SOON TO MENINDEE

MUSICAL THEATRE
WITH
LOCAL PERFORMERS

FEATURING FAVOURITES FROM.

CLOSED & Re Opening 7th October every week.