This week has seen a number of important political decisions made which will have some impact on our school in the coming months and years. I encourage everyone to be as informed as possible so that we can have as many of our community join the discussions we will continue to have as we develop our little school. One such decision has been a reorganising of the executive structure of the Parents and Citizens Association. I have included details on what this means below. Thank you to all the year 3, 5, 7 and 9 students who have worked so hard this week on their NAPLAN tests. The information we gather from these tests forms an important part of our planning for delivering the right mix of education here and indeed throughout the state.

**Reforms to P&C Federation**

The NSW Parliament has introduced legislation to reform the NSW Federation of Parent and Citizens Associations, which has suspended operation pending Supreme Court action. While these reforms will not affect the day-to-day operation of individual school P&Cs, they will introduce a new executive structure which will ensure the Federation operates as a modern and representative body on behalf of school P&C Associations.

Each school’s P&C Association will be asked to vote for councillors and delegates who will represent their electorate at the Federation’s Annual General Meeting and councillors who will serve on the Federation’s Board of Management. More information will be available on the Department’s website at [http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/gotoschool/a-z/involvement.php](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/gotoschool/a-z/involvement.php).

**School Uniform**

Wearing your School uniform is a sign of respect and politeness. We all honor our School when we wear our school uniform.

**Remember, “No Singlets”**

Singlets are not to be worn to school.

**NAPLAN 2014**

The National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy is underway at MCS for students in years 3, 5, 7 and 9. Many students should be commended for being at class on time, prepared to give their best in these assessments.

Thank you to staff for your extra assistance with organising NAPLAN, whether it involved taking ‘extra’ classes, helping with breakfast, supervising the exams, or simply assisting colleagues or students during this time.

Reports of student achievement results from NAPLAN will be sent out to parents later this year.

*Georgia Shephard*
Please name your child's clothing. This is the time of year when children take their jumpers off as the day gets warmer and just leave them wherever they may be playing. To ensure its return, naming their clothing will make things easier for staff. Thank you. Front Office Staff.

ADULT ART AFTERNOONS
Each Wednesday afternoon from 3:15—about to 4:30pm there is time for any adults with an interest in art to meet together for some encouragement and fun exploring ideas and different art materials.
Being interesting and being human is all you need.
Contact the school or Rick Ball on 0428 828 587 for further information.

Menindee Central School Team Spirit Polo Shirt Order Form
Student Name/s: ____________________________________________________________
Size/s: ________________________________
How many: ________________________________
Price: $33.00 per shirt

Please cut around line and return to the front office with your details & payment. Thank you.

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**JUNIOR CULTURAL DANCE TROUPE**

Rehearsals are every Monday 3:30 - 4:30pm.  Please bring some food and a drink.

**Lunchtime**

Lunch time Karaoke will start in the Music Room next Monday. Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays. See William to register….**All students welcome.**

**TERM 2 RED DAYS**

*FRIDAY 16TH MAY*
*THURSDAY 12TH JUNE*
Food Allergy Week

Monday 12th – 18th of May 2014.

A key focus of the week is to help increase schools understanding of food allergies, their importance and to ensure that best practice allergy management plans are in place.

The theme for this year is

Be Aware. Show You Care.

Be Aware - Australia has one of the highest incidences of food allergy in the world, which is growing at alarming rates. In fact, 1 in 10 babies born in Australia today will develop a food allergy.

Too sick for school?

As the cold weather hits, so do the winter bugs. It’s often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover, especially when that means an adult cancelling work. For safety’s sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice.

Year 5-6 Fundraising
Mother’s Day Raffle

First Prize was won by
Nikita Mundy

Second Prize: Colin Foskett

CONGRATULATIONS

Mrs Shephard and the students of 5-6 would like to thank all those who purchased tickets, and a special thanks to those generous parents who donated prizes.
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AROUND MENINDEE CENTRAL SCHOOL

Term 2—Week 3
## Canteen Menu Winter Term 2 2014

### Snacks
- Watermelon Wedge: $1.00
- Carrot Sticks: 50c
- Honey Soy Chips: $1.50
- Sea Salt Chips: $1.50
- Smith’s BBQ Chips: $1.50
- J.J’s Salt & Vinegar Snacks: $1.50
- J.J’s Pizza Snacks: $1.50
- Yoghurt cup: $1.00
- Vaalaa Yogurt: $2.50
- Pilelets: 20c
- Jelly Cups: $1.00

### Wraps
- Salad Lettuce/Tomato/Cheese/Carrot/Cucumber/Red Onion/Beetroot/Mayo: $4.00
- Ham Salad: $5.00
- Chicken Salad: $5.00
- Sweet Chilli chicken Mini $3.50/Large $5.00
- Lettuce/Tomato/Cheese/sweet Chilli/Beef/Sauce
- BBQ Chicken Mini $3.50/Large $5.00
- Lettuce/Cheese/BBQ Sauce/Chicken Tenders

### Sandwiches (can be toasted)
- Ham/Cheese: $3.00
- Ham/Cheese/Tomato: $3.50
- Ham Salad: $5.00
- Chicken/Cheese/Mayo: $3.50
- Chicken Salad: $5.00
- Salad: $4.00
- Vegemite/Honey/Jam: $2.00

### Extra fillings for sandwiches
- Tomato/Lettuce/Pineapple/Onion/Beetroot/Cucumber: Add 50 cents per filling

### Hot Food
- Nuggets (6): $3.50
- Egg & Bacon Muffin: $3.50
- Meat Pie: $3.70
- Sausage Roll: $3.00
- Spaghetti Bolognaise: $3.50
- Ham/Cheese Pizza: $2.50
- Hamburger: $4.50
- Chicken Burger: $4.50
- Lasagne: $4.00
- Steamed Dim Sums: $1.00
- Hot Dog w/Tomato Sauce: $3.50
- Raisin Toast (2 slices): $2.50
- Jaffa Spaghetti or Baked Beans: $3.00
- Soup: $4.00
- Mini Yiros: $4.00
- Lamb or Chicken with Lettuce, Tomato, Cheese & BBQ Sauce

### Frozen Treats
- Zooper Doppers: 50c
- Calippo Mini: $1.00
- Paddle pop Ice Twist: $1.00
- Paddle pops (Choc/Rainbow/Banana): $1.40
- Low Fat Vanilla Cups: $1.80
- Paddle Pop Shaky Shake: $2.00

### Drinks
- Water (600mL): $1.50
- Fippers: $1.00
- Juice (300mL): $2.50
- Orange/Apple/Apple Blackcurrant Milkshake (Medium Only) PRE ORDERS ONLY: $3.00
- Chocolate – Strawberry – Caramel: $3.00
- Nippys Flavoured Milk 250ml: $2.00
- Chocolate/Strawberry/Honeycomb/Ice Coffee: $2.00
- Nippys Flavoured Milk 375ml: $3.00
- Chocolate/Strawberry/Banana/Ice Coffee: $3.00
- Rock It Fruit Drink: $2.50

### Salads
- Garden Salad Small: $3.50
- French Balsamic Dressing Available: Large: $5.00
- Caesar Salad Small: $3.50
- Large $5.00
- Chicken Ham: Add $1.50

### Extras
- Spoons/Forks (when not part of lunch order): 10c
- Tomato/BBQ Sauce Portions: 20c

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ALL ITEMS IN THE HOT FOOD SECTION, BBQ CHICKEN WRAPS AND SWEET CHILLI WRAPS NEED TO BE PRE ORDERED FOR RECESS AND LUNCH. ONLY A VERY SMALL AMOUNT FOR HOT FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE THAT HAS NOT BEEN PRE ORDERED

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**Term 2 Red Days**

**FRIDAY 16TH MAY**

**THURSDAY 12TH JUNE**
MCS will be participating in walk safely to school day. As in previous years there will be a walking bus. More details next week. For further information please contact Georgia Shephard
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: 5-10-11-12-15-17 :Winner: NIL;  Jackpot: $1,020.00 Numbers: 1-17 Drawn 12/5/14

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

**Did YOU Know?**

The school bus is available for Hire.

Reasonable rates.

Some groups fee exempt.

Contact the school for details...

**Interested in learning the Paakantyi language**

A TAFE course, Certificate I in Aboriginal Languages will be running 2 nights per week.

We need to get numbers and those interested to work out viability of this course.

Any further information required please contact Kayleene at the school and leave your name and number.

**Reminders for Medications**

Residents requiring medications to be brought out from Broken Hill by the community bus need to contact the Menindee Transaction Centre to arrange pick up.

Ph: 0880914392

**Eagles Rugby Club**

Would like to thank everyone who supported their raffle. Winners were 1st: Nutrimetics Pack — Sharon Pagano

2nd: Dinner for 2 at the Albermarle Hotel — Bill Campbell

**Uniting Church News**

The Reverend David Shrimpton has been appointed as the new Flying Padre and will be conducting the next service at the Uniting Church 2:00pm May 18th.

Also on the agenda is the annual Church Fete Saturday 31st May 9:00am-1:00pm

Bible Reading: ‘Teach us to number out days aright that we may gain a heart of wisdom’ -Psalm 90 : 20
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Menindee Playgroup

Children learn through play experience’s

Parents are encouraged to join in their child’s play

Open to all families with children aged 0-5yrs.

Children gain a strong sense of identity, connectedness and well-being while becoming confident learners and effective communicators.

Menindee Community Markets

RTC grounds Yartla St
(quiet shady surroundings)
10am-2pm
Contact 0428 914 163

2014 DATES:
29th June
27th July
7th September
5th October

STALLS
$10/SITE
BYO TABLE & CHAIR

ALL WELCOME-FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENT
FRUIT & VEG; PLANTS; ART & CRAFT;
ANTIQUES & COLLECTABLES
FOOD & DRINKS

Menindee Women’s Choir
Tuesday evenings 6:00pm
in the Music Room.
Come along and have some fun.
All welcome

MENINDEE
UNITING CHURCH FETE
SATURDAY 31st MAY 2014
9:00am-1:00pm

Contact Howard
To book your stall
Phone 80914 332
A few of the stalls at the Mothers Day Markets last Sunday.

Thank you to all of the Families that supported our Mothers Day stall last week at MCS. I hope you all had a wonderful day and enjoyed your gifts.

We would like to invite you to our next meeting to contribute any thoughts and ideas. Everyone is welcome.

Dawn Hemple President

Watch this space for more information on

Tuesday May 27th
10:30am @ the Menindee Pensioners Hall
Further enquires phone
Margot on 80914 392

Do you have a child in year 4, 5 or 6?

Have you missed out on thousands of dollars?

In 2001 the Government introduced the ‘First Child Tax Offset’ and surprisingly many Australians did not know about it and have NOT claimed any benefits.

If you have ANY child that was born between 1 July 2001 and 30 June 2004 you may be eligible to receive up to $12,500 of entitlements.

The government has a 30 June 2014 deadline on this entitlement so please email: childoffset@twelve.com.au today to receive more information.

Twelve Chartered Accountants
www.twelve.com.au
Principal: Diet Nixen CA

Your Family Tax Specialist
Mothers Day @ The Train

Fantastic turn out at Beyond Café on Mothers Day. Many thanks to all the came & supported.

Well done to Fusi, Jono, Nate, Amelia, Neil Mitchell, William Mitchell, Kyle Mitchell, & Kade Fennell who did a fantastic job in the kitchen Sunday.

Thank you to the Menindee Cultural Dances & William for providing the day's Entertainment

Next Opening dates:

Sunday 25th May
Sunday 8th June
Sunday 22nd June
11am-2pm

Expression’s Of Interest

Beyond Café are looking for motivated, energised High School Students to join the Beyond Café team.
If you are interested please see Julie Smith Monday or Tuesday
In the Front Office

Come along and try our yummy homemade sweets