Where has the term gone! Our year 12 students have only a little over a month of class time remaining before they take on the final challenge of their formal schooling, the HSC. At this time these students will be calling on the support of everyone around them to keep focussed and motivated. IT’S NEVER TOO LATE!, should be the mantra ringing in their ears. A big thankyou in must go out to the supporters of both our yr 11 and yr 12 students as they work on their fundraising. We appreciate how often folk in town are asked to dip into their pockets to assist our students in their quest to broaden their experiences. On the 16th year 12 will be holding their TRASH TO TREASURE event, a great time to de-clutter the shed! At the end of the term, having successfully met academic, attendance and behaviour targets, our year 11 students will be visiting Uluru and year 12 will be off to Tonga!

Next Wednesday, 26th August, we have a jam-packed evening planned during which we will be discussing future pathways for students in years 7-10 AND opportunities for Community thinking about re-entering education. On the evening we will be discussing the Educational Pathways available at Menindee Central School, TAFE and University, we will also have some employer groups coming along who will be able to offer advice on the best way to get where you want to go! At one time we called this type of meeting, ‘subject selection’, however we see this title as limiting the discussion and by having ALL secondary and Community attend, the message about what is possible in education even in a small town will start to take hold! Through the rest of the year, similar discussions will take place with all our secondary student’s families as we work on their Personalised Learning Plans.

PATHWAYS EVENING 12th August,
Education – Menindee Central and Beyond

4:30pm – Parents of students 7/8/9 – An opportunity to hear how the class is progressing and the exciting projects ahead including the Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program.

5:00pm – Pathways Information - Community interested in re-entering education and parents of High School students. An Opportunity to talk with School, TAFE, University and Industry Representatives. Light supper served.

6:30pm – The HSC - Year 10 students, Parents and Community interested in the HSC. Topics covered include, rules of the HSC, studying a blend of HSC and TAFE/Uni. Opportunity to look at the range of subjects being delivered through the Wilvandee Access Program, studying at Menindee Central School.

I encourage all families to start the conversation with their secondary students about what they see as a goal for their senior years of school AND beyond. The evening will be an informative one, I look forward to seeing you all there!

Cheers Daryl
We extend a warm welcome to Jason Carr from Shell Harbour. Jason originates from the Wiradjuri mob from Wellington NSW and is here in Menindee for 4 weeks on teaching practice. He is in his 5th year of study with the Australian Catholic University at Strathfield (Sydney). Prior to teaching, Jason worked in Health Education. Jason’s hobbies include rugby league, touch football and he coaches under 13’s junior league. Please say ‘hello’ to Jason when you see him about town!

Jason Carr

Starts again this Friday...if you require a permission note, please see Mr Smith. Bus departs from MCS @ 5pm sharp and returns by 10pm.

NO HOME PICK-UPS

$5.00 Bus fare required
Dear School Community,

Providing an amazing week of wonderful learning opportunities has been the focus of the school this week. Students have been producing some superb art work and musical performances. Some of the artwork produced by students will be incorporated in T-shirts. The Arts has such an impact on students being able to express their creativity. Tahlia, Taya, Naomi, Joseph, Neil Jade and Telicia are to be congratulated for their work. I thank Rick Ball and William Mafi for their persistence in supporting students in producing fine work of such high quality. We are fortunate to have such dedicated staff to inspire our wonderful students.

In addition, to the work at school, students work will be on display for a national audience at the Old Parliament House in Canberra in October. The exhibition will be opened by the Federal Arts Minister, where students work will represent the work of NSW Regional Artists.

Students in year 10 have had the opportunity of refining their writing skills under the expert guidance of Kerry McInnes our visiting Quality Teaching and Learning advisor. Kerry has also been involved in providing support for staff in implementing literacy and numeracy strategies in the classroom. Her support of students and mentoring of staff is much appreciated.

I would like to congratulate all of the students who participated in the Zone Athletics carnival in Broken Hill. A fantastic effort! In particular I would like to congratulate Jasmine Meehan for her achievement of Age Champion. A group of very talented athletes. Well done!

Improved attendance remains a focus throughout our school year. Next week we will again be rewarding students for high levels of attendance. I would like to remind parents and carers to send in notes should your child be away so that we can continue to update our records. This needs to be done within seven days of an absence or it remains on the student’s record. If you receive a note in the mail, please return it as soon as possible to the front office. In addition, if you be looking at taking leave please apply in writing to the Principal Daryl Irvine.

Staff have truly gone beyond their roles spending four afternoons, for about two hours each session, developing their understanding of how best to support students in catering for individual needs and building resilience. Staff undertook training in MindMatters and KidMatters which is an Australia wide framework for continuing to embed the teaching of resilience and well-being within our school. Another session was on alternative technology for students with special learning needs. Thank you to all those staff who attended.

As described in a previous newsletter, each week the senior executive decide on a staff member to receive a 1% award. That is, an award for a staff member who goes beyond their duties in supporting the school. This week Desiree, our relieving Student Administration Officer (SAO), has received the award for her outstanding contribution to the school. Congratulations Desiree!

Thank you for your positive approach to education and ongoing support of our school.

Veronica Mafi
Deputy Principal
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Important notice
NSW TRANSPORT PVC
(PRIVATE VEHICLE CONVEYENCING)
Transport for NSW has been reviewing PVC subsidy claims for accuracy because it has introduced a new computer system and this has caused a delay to payments. This has deferred for a short time, the attendance days collection process for all schools. Transport for NSW are apologetic for the inconvenience.
Signed PVC Subsidy Team.

Thank you very much for your support

YEAR 12 EXAMS

YEAR 11 EXAMS
PATHWAYS PLANNING Information night

On Wednesday 12 August 2015, Wilvandee Access Program will be holding Year 10, 2015 into Year 11, 2016 Pathways planning and subject selection information evening. This session will give students approaching Year 11 next year valuable information about future career pathways and goals on how to achieve this.

There will be a few guest speakers and staff addressing the students and parents on the evening including:

- Defence Force
- Apprenticeships Australia
- Chamber of Commerce
- TAFE

A subject prospectus will be handed out during the evening to assist students selecting subjects for Year 11 2016. There will be a light supper provided.

WHEN: Wednesday 12 August 2015 starting at 5.00pm
WHERE: Connected Classroom
WHO: Students entering Year 11 2016 and their families

YEAR 12 EXAMS

Year 12 Yearly exams will commence on Monday 17 August and conclude on Friday 21 August 2015 (Week 6, Term 3).

YEAR 11 EXAMS

Year 11 Yearly exams will commence on Monday 24 August and conclude on Friday 28 August 2015 (Week 7, Term 3).
RED DAY  FRIDAY 14 AUGUST

Lots of Treats

Honey Joys, Chocolate Crackles, Chocolate Brownies
$.50c
Cakes & Muffins .30c—$1.50

Mini chilli/cheese hot dog puffs $1.20
Cup of soup and toastie $2.00
Hot dogs with cheese and sauce $3.00
Macaroni cheese noodles $4.00

200 ml juices $1.00
Variety of soft drinks $2.00

*Please pre-order hot food as a limited amount will be available at recess and lunch*.

REMINDER - ALL OUTSTANDING MONEY TO BE PAID BY 14 AUGUST.
Questacon, a hands-on student focused Science organisation which travels around NSW demonstrating varied experiments to students of all ages, is coming to Menindee Central School.

On Friday August 14 Questacon will deliver three show cases. From 10 – 11, students in Kindergarten to year 2 will participate.

From 11.30 – 12.30 students in 3 – 6 will take part, and from 1.30 – 2.30pm, the remainder students in years 7 to 12 will enjoy the activities.

The travelling Science Circus includes two Scientist presenters who will entertain students with their Science magic. Parents and caregivers are welcome to join in the fun at no cost.

In addition to the Friday spectacular, Questacon will also be holding a public exhibition in Broken Hill on Saturday 15 August from 10am to 3pm. At this event adults must pay $6, and students / concession card holders pay $5.

MENINDEE CENTRAL SCHOOL
QUESTACON TRAVELLING CIRCUS
FRIDAY AUGUST 14

“Real humanity is shown when we care for others” - Professor Fred Hollows

The Fred Hollows Foundation is keeping Fred’s vision alive through The Fred Hollows Humanity Award which recognises Year 6 students who follow in his footsteps by showing care and compassion for others.

After three successful years in the ACT the Award is expanding into NSW with the support of NSW Premier Mike Baird.

Teachers, principals, parents and members of the community are encouraged to nominate a compassionate Year 6 student through the online nomination form by August 21. It’s a great opportunity for students to be recognised outside the sporting and academic realm.

All nominees and their parents will be invited to a presentation ceremony in Sydney to announce the NSW winner.

To nominate a student and learn more about the award go to www.hollows.org.au/humanityaward
Over the next week, our school, along with thousands of others across the country will begin collecting data for the third Australian Early Development Census (AEDC).

The AEDC measures five key areas of development in children during their first year of full-time school to build a national picture of health and wellbeing. Since 2009, the census results have helped communities, schools and governments plan services and target support for children and families.

If you have any questions or do not want your child to be included in the census data, please contact Ashlee Jameson before August 10th, 2015. Phone number: (08) 8091 4409

Thank you,
Ashlee Jameson.

Mad Science Mondays

K/1 is learning about solids, liquids and gasses every Monday this term from 12:10- 12:40. This week we have been experimenting with different types of slime and talking about whether it is a liquid or a solid. K/1 students and teachers would like to invite Parents and Carers to come and join in the fun with K/1 for Mad Science Mondays. Below are some pictures of the fun K/1 had on Monday.
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CHOIR PRACTICE:
TUESDAY EVENING @ 6:45pm
in the
Music Room

COMING UP TERM 3

Students please remember to come to your individual lessons next week.
Collect your timetable from William.

Contact William Mafi
On Thursday and Friday last week a team of Primary students travelled into Broken Hill to represent the school at the Broken Hill Athletics Carnival.

The representatives who attended were: Liam Kezik, Mitchell Kezik, Jessie-May Slater, Holly Mundy, Albert Briar, Oliver Irvine, Jasmine Meehan, Tristan Hindmarsh, Felicity Etrich, Fiula Havili, Shontaye Havili, Katelayne Barnes, Cheyenne Mitchell, Genevieve Mafi and Jack Dolphin.

All the students showed they were willing to face the task and participate. I am proud to say that the students of Menindee showed talent, persistence and great sportsmanship. They were all excellent representatives.

A number of students performed admirably in their heats and Jasmine, Liam and Tyesun qualified for the finals of their event. Ribbons and medallions are on their way for students who placed in their events.

**Final Results**

The results from the finals have been sent through and Jasmine Meehan has again placed in a number of events including:

- 1\textsuperscript{st} Junior Girls 800m
- 2\textsuperscript{nd} 10yrs Girls 100m
- 2\textsuperscript{nd} Junior Girls 200m
- 1\textsuperscript{st} Junior Girls Long jump
- 1\textsuperscript{st} Junior Girls High Jump
- Junior Girls Age Champion

Congratulations to all students who came along and the parents and family who were there to support our team.
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: 1-7-8-12-16-18: Drawn 3/8/15: Winners Nil Jackpot: $769.00 Numbers: 1-20

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

THANK YOU
Blanche and family would like to thank all the kind people who attended Bruce’s funeral and expressed personal sympathy and those who sent cards.

Also a personal thank you to the nursing staff at Menindee.

MENINDEE TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE. AGM AUGUST 25th @ 6:00pm

FOR SALE: 2 X Shipping containers. Both 12m
1. Just container, excellent condition. No leaks. $5,000. ONO
2. 85% Insulated & lined. Dble glass doors and 2 windows, Lockable. Excellent cond. No leaks $6,800.00 ONO

Also 10mtr Bus. Has been used as storage/teenage retreat. Fair/good condition. Make an offer. Buyer to arrange removal.

MENINDEE PENSIONERS ASSOCIATION
AGM 3PM MONDAY 17TH AUGUST 2015
At the Pensioners Hall, followed by General Meeting. $5.00 membership due. New members welcome. Come along and have input to keep the Assoc. running

MENINDEE CHARITIES AGM
2PM MONDAY 17TH AUGUST 2015
At the Pensioners Hall, followed by General Meeting. $2.00 membership now due. New members most welcome. Come and support your local Heath Service by volunteering at the Opp Shop. See Jimmy on Tuesdays.

MENINDEE FIRE BRIGADE AGM
5 PM 6TH AUGUST 2015
At the CWA Hall
CLEANER REQUIRED

We are looking for reliable cleaning staff to work at local Government sites in Menindee, Tibooburra and Wilcannia - various Full time, Part time and Casual positions available.

Experience preferred but not essential.
Training and uniform provided.

Please send your résumé to:
Joss Facility Management
PO Box 210 Broken Hill NSW 2880 or email
jane.mcewan@jossgroup.com.au
Phone: 0409 571 222
TRASH TO TREASURE

Sunday, August 16th
10am – 1pm
MCS Tennis Courts

Stalls available for hire - $10

Contact MCS for stall hire