COOLAH HORSE SPORTS

Jake Swan, Kiera Turnbull and Xanthia Turnbull attended Coolah Horse Sports on Friday 17th October. All came home with lots of ribbons. At the end of day presentation both Jake and Xanthia were awarded Sportmanship Awards for their respective age divisions. Well done to all the riders - you looked great on your horses!
**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

**Higher School Certificate**
As our last HSC exams are sat this week by our Year 12 students I congratulate them on the commitment they have shown right through the exam period. Even though schooling has finished and students are only required to be here for the exams, many students have been in on other days continuing to revise and work with their teachers on final exam preparations. I would also like to acknowledge and thank our teachers for the commitment that they have show to their work and our students. Teaching a HSC class takes special skills and commitment and I am proud to say that our teachers have again excelled in their role. I wish all of our students the results that reflect the effort put in over the past two years.

**Familiar faces**
One snippet of my recent holiday through the centre of Australia that I would like to share with you involved one of our past students, Brad Ward. Brad works on a cattle station called Mittiebah in the Northern Territory. Although I knew that Brad was working in the NT on a cattle station, I had no idea that he was on Mittiebah before I visited there with my family, so I was very excited by the coincidence as I enjoyed catching up with Brad and hearing about his job. In saying this, even though I was not surprised, I was even more thrilled to hear how well he was going in his job. It was expressed to me by the managers and his fellow workers on the station how well respected Brad is. Yes, Brad had exceptional horse skills, though as the manager said to me, they can teach people how to ride, however it was his innate work skills and he and many of his co-workers said that Brad has impressed everyone with his incredible work ethic and a personality that everyone enjoys the company of. So congratulations to Brad and his family for such pleasing news.

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Michael Spora
Principal
**KINDERGARTEN/YEAR 1 NEWS**

We were thrilled to have the Preschool students join us in the Kindergarten room again this week. We read the story of The Three Little Pigs and recalled our favourite part of the story.

In Maths we have been identifying and matching coin amounts. We are hoping this will help us to order and sort coins in our class shop.

The students are continuing to practice their tricky words as this helps us to read fluently as we need to recall these words instantly when reading.

Swimming for Sport commences in 3 weeks. Students need to have some swimmers, a towel, a hat and some sunscreen.

All students need to bring a hat every day. A spare hat (labelled) can be kept at school in their tote tray or on the hat stand if preferred.

The Kindergarten students will be starting a homework sheet today to help them reinforce the knowledge and skills practiced in the classroom.

L Peter

**SCHOOL PHOTOS**

School photos are fast approaching!!! For those of you who have already sent your orders in, thank you. For those who haven’t, the easiest way is to order online… It’s as easy as 1,2,3,4.

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**MERIT AWARDS**

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**PRIMARY ASSEMBLY AWARDS**

Win Bins: Victoria Monk, Connor Hincksman, Chelsea Joyce, Breea Campbell

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**School Photos Are Now Available For Secure Online Purchase**

**4 Easy Steps to Online School Photo Ordering**

**Step 1:** Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter your school code [4TW 45K CKE]

**Step 2:** Enter your student’s details.

**Step 3:** Choose the package that best suits your needs (all orders will be returned to the school for collection).

**Step 4:** Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page).

**Please note:** LATE FEES will apply once orders are closed | Family/Sibling photo orders online close 48 hours before the first school photo day however they can be purchased using an envelope up until photo day
SECONDARY NEWS GENERAL

Last Wednesday, Amelia Washbrook and Charly Wood completed their last Higher School Certificate examination with General Maths. On Wednesday, Beau Hellyer and Shaylah Taufa complete their last examination with Design and Technology. The students have applied themselves diligently to their studies and we wish them all the best of luck! Billie-Jo Holmes sits Chemistry today and Earth and Environmental Science on Thursday. I would like to take the opportunity to thank Jenny Luckie and Kim Skinner for their supervision of the students throughout their examinations. Their efforts in supporting the students and providing a calm and positive atmosphere certainly helped to make the experience more pleasant for our students.

Tomorrow Year 9 and myself will be taking part in the University of NSW “Aspire” program called “Year 9 We’re doing fine” at the Dubbo Cultural centre.

J Waters

NOTES FROM THE LAB

It’s been a busy year so far in the Science lab, and this term is no exception. With Stage 4 learning all about cells and Stage 5 tackling the mysteries of chemical reactions our science lessons are full of microscopes, test tubes and all sorts of amazing stuff.

Huge congratulations have to be given to Shaylah Taufa and Amelia Washbrook on finishing Year 12 and completing their HSC exams. These girls have worked tirelessly these past 2 years and should be rightly proud of their achievements. Well done ladies and all the very best for your endeavours in the future. I am sure you will take the same approach you have demonstrated in the science lab into the next phase of your lives.

This week’s amazing science facts are awesome. If you drilled a tunnel straight through the Earth and jumped in, it would take you exactly 42 minutes and 12 seconds to get to the other side. The artificial sweetener known as Sucralose (found in most artificial sugars) was discovered by accident when a researcher was told to test the chemical and he thought he was told to taste the chemical. And finally (and I love this one) the atmosphere on Saturn’s moon Titan is so thick and the gravity is so low that humans could actually fly through it by having wide wings attached to their arms.

“A person who never made a mistake never tried anything new.” Albert Einstein

T Newberry
HALLOWEEN
DRESS-UP DAY!!!

(Any character or scary person)
Friday 31st October
Gold Coin Donation

Face Painting is 50c

Best Dressed Primary
Best Dressed Senior
Gets a free canteen voucher

Welcome Jedd Turnbull and Mark Hellyer to the P&C
Dear Parent or Carer

The Essential Secondary Science Assessment (ESSA) test for Year 8 students will be held between Monday 10 November and Friday 14 November 2014. The test takes approximately 80 minutes. The test is an interactive, multimedia test completed entirely on a computer. It is called ESSAonline.

ESSAonline contains multiple choice, short response and extended response tasks that are grouped around real-world issues, including scientific investigations. This is a diagnostic test, with tasks framed on Stage 4 outcomes and essential content in the NSW Science Years 7–10 Syllabus. Students will be tested on their:

• knowledge and understanding of science
• understanding and skills in the process of scientific investigation
• ability to evaluate evidence, make judgements and think critically
• ability to access information and communicate scientific ideas.

Students also complete a survey about their opinions, attitudes and values.

Since students complete ESSAonline on a computer, each student needs to bring headphones or earbuds that plug into a school computer. Earbuds for an ipod or portable player are suitable.

If your child has a disability that needs special consideration or has been educated in English for less than one year, please contact your child’s school to discuss special provisions or possible exemption from the test.

Results of the test will be available during Term 1 2015. Information about each student is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that the right to privacy of all students is maintained. A personal report for each student will be sent to parents/carers to describe the science knowledge and skills demonstrated by the student in the test. There will also be information about how your child’s results compare with overall performance of all students in the test. You will be invited to complete a parent survey about the test and science learning.

The principal of your child’s school is able to provide you with more details about the ESSA program if you require additional information.

Yours sincerely

Eric Jamieson
Director,
High Performance
Department of Education and Communities
COMMUNITY NEWS

MENDOORAN TOUCH FOOTBALL

Scores from Round 2 - 23.10.14

Royal Hotel Rebels - 1 V Regae Sharks - 11
The Sloths - 9 V Mulligans Maulers - 1
Deshon’s Devils - 1 V Touch This - 6
Bye: The Crushers

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SWIMMING CLUB NEWS

Point score is starting this Friday at 4pm 31st October, at the Mendooran Pool. Membership fees for this season are $72.00 for swimming members. Membership fees are paid with nsw.swimming.org.au

Any problems with memberships contact Sandra Tudgey on 68863516. All New members are welcome. There will be a $2 sausage sizzle this week after swimming.

M Ward

RSL WOMEN’S AUXILIARY

The Mendooran RSL Women’s Auxiliary will be holding a social afternoon for the Melbourne Cup at the Memorial Club on 4th November at 2pm, come along and enjoy sweeps, a raffle and afternoon tea and watch the race with friends. A gold coin donation would be greatly appreciated.

J McDonald
Secretary
GRANDPARENT’S DAY
Thanks to all those who came to the Grandparents day. We had a great variety of cakes and amazing food and scones from CWA. Coffee was supplied by the VRA and over 30 people took advantage of the free health checks from Centacare, making it a very successful day. Around 80 people came through and it was fantastic to see so many people together. A special thank you to all the wonderful helpers.

C Kopke
Halloween Disco

**Where:** Mendooran RSL
**Cost:** $2 per student
**Who:** All students of Mendooran Central School
**Drinks available on the night - $2**

**Come dressed in your best Halloween costume!!**

*Hope to see you there!*
**HOT FOOD**
- Junior Meat Pie $2.00
- Party Pies $0.60
- Small Sausage Roll $0.60
- Large Sausage Roll $2.40
- Pizza Single $2.40
- Chicken Nuggets $0.70
- Homemade Quiche $3.20
- Noodles (Beef/Chicken) $1.50
- Macaroni & Cheese $2.50

**BURGERS**
- Hamburger $4.20
- Chicken Burger $4.20
- Cheese Muffin $3.20

(Meat, cheese & sauce only)

**WRAPS**
- Chicken Wrap sm $2.40
  lrg $4.30
- Chicken Caesar sm $2.50
  lrg $4.40

**SALADS**
- Chicken $5.50
- Ham $5.50
- Quiche & Salad $5.60

**DESSERT**
- Jelly $0.50
- Jelly & Fruit $0.50
- Custard $0.50
- Jelly & Custard $0.50
- Trifle $1.00

**SANDWICHES**
- Devon $1.20
- Cheese $1.20
- Vegemite $1.20
- Chicken or Ham Salad $3.50
- Toasted EXTRA $0.20

**SNACKS**
- Fruit Chews $0.20
- Chips $1.20
- JJ’s $1.00
- Popcorn $0.60
- Homemade Biscuits $0.50

**ICE BLOCKS**
- Zooper Dooper $0.60
- Animal Pops $0.20
- Shaky Shake $2.00
- Jelly Stick $0.15

**DRINKS**
- Water $1.00
- Quench Drink $1.70
- Fruit Juice $1.00
- Choc/Strawberry Milk $1.50
- Large Slushy $1.60
- Small Slushy $1.00

**OTHER**
- Sauce EXTRA $0.20
- Brown Bags $0.20