REMEMBRANCE DAY 2015.

On Wednesday 11th November Mendooran Central School again hosted a combined Remembrance Day ceremony with the Mendooran RSL Sub-Branch and the Mendooran/Merrygoen Memorial Club. The ceremony was held under the COLA at the school. Many community members attended and our sincere thanks go to them and the Returned Servicemen, who gave up their time to help us commemorate such an important anniversary. Our thanks go to Lt. Col. Max Neal OAM and the cadets who comprised the catafalque party and the flag detail. We are also indebted to Father Robert Bowman for his prayers and special thanks to Rev. Ross Godfrey for his informative and entertaining talk about the Gallipoli hero, John Simpson and his donkey.

The ceremony was followed by morning tea. Our sincere thanks to Mr Kevin Smyth and his student helpers, Sharon Abbott and Staff members. Everyone had a chance to mingle, chat and enjoy the informal gathering and great food. It is occasions such as this that remind us of the debt of gratitude we owe all those who have defended our country over the years – including those who are currently serving to protect our freedoms and rights in our wonderful nation.

G Davis

Principal
Julie Waters
Assistant Principal
Lynda Peter
HTSS
Troy Newberry
Captain Secondary
Kaitlyn Thomson
Kurt Williams
Vice Caps Secondary
Kerrie Ward
Becci Sciberras
Captains Primary
V Pettiford
Carter Swan
Vice Caps Primary
Ekala Geesu
Oscar Monk
Remembrance Day
The school hosted an exceptional Remembrance Day service last Thursday. I was extremely proud of our students and in particular our Captains in the way they led the assembly. It was a dignified and respectful event. We welcomed special guests including returned service men and many community members. The event was capably organised by Mrs Davis and Mr Herb Busine. Mr Newberry and Mitchell Averillo professionally organised the sound and music. Mr Smyth and his fabulous Hospitality students contributed to a morning tea of a very high standard, thanks also to Sharon Abbott and Staff members who helped to make this a special occasion. Thank you also to Mr Neal and his professional catafalque party.

Debutante Ball
I was extremely proud of our students who were involved in the Swimming Club’s Debutante Ball on Saturday night. They were wonderful ambassadors for our school and their families. Congratulations to the debutantes, their partners and the flower girls and page boys.

Congratulations Lachie McKechnie
Lachie McKechnie was part of the fly past at the Dubbo Remembrance Day service last Thursday. Lachie plans to obtain his pilot’s license next year, with a few trial runs this year. This is through “Wings out West” under the guidance of Dan Compton.

Aussie Bush Camp
Our Secondary students and their teachers are extremely excited about the excursion to Tea Gardens in Week 8. Please finalise any outstanding payment. Students have received a list of things they need to take. The excursion departs at 6am next Monday morning.

Trespass Incident
On Friday night a car entered the school grounds and cut up the back fields doing circle work. If anyone has any information about this trespassing and destructive behaviour, please contact the school or the local police.

J Waters
LACHLAN MCKECHNIE

Age: 15
Favourite subject: English
Favourite Sport: Rugby League
Hobbies: Shooting, flying, motorbikes, footy
Favourite sportsperson: Billy Slater
Inspirational person: My Dad
Ambitions: Complete my HSC and attend The Australian Defence Force Academy.
Where do you see yourself in 10 years?
Completing a Business degree at ADFA and attending Officer Training at Duntroon.
Highlight of 2015: Flying a plane for the first time and skydiving (not at the same time)
MY INAUGURAL FLIGHT

On Wednesday 11\(^{th}\) of November, both Dad and I made the trip to “Wings Out West”, a flight school 10 kilometres on the other side of Dubbo. There, I met my instructor and also my future mentor, Dan Compton. Dan learnt to fly at 16. He undertook many different jobs to earn enough money to finally become a Commercial Pilot 4 years later. The job market was lean so he went back to school and completed his HSC to be able to join the RAAF as a pilot. This plan worked, and Dan flew with the RAAF for 12 years (he continues to serve with the RAAF in the Active Reserve). Dan then fulfilled another dream and flew with the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

After skimming the surface and sticking my head in the cockpit, trying to figure out the dials and controls, he finally offered me to go for a joy flight. The cockpit was tiny, but somehow I crawled my way in, strapped myself in, put my communication headset on and I was finally ready. We took off almost instantly. Within 50 metres we were airborne. We were cruising at an altitude of about 2000 feet and he asked me the question that I had been hoping to hear all day…“would you like to have a fly Lachie”? Without hesitation I said “yes” and took command of the Piper Cub. He was instantly surprised as to how well I was handling the aircraft, especially without any theory lessons. I had the craziest adrenaline rush, especially since it was a windy day. The thermals felt like I was in one of those hydraulic cars you see on “pimp my ride”. We did a flyby over the cenotaph in memory of the fallen soldiers and also the ones currently serving. The moment was right, as Dan is ex-military and I am an aspiring pilot and officer in the Australian Defence Force. As soon as we landed I couldn’t wipe the smile off my face.

My training will take place in the first week of February and continue for the next 6 months. A minimum of 20 hours is required to attain a pilot license.

Lachlan Mckechnie
KINDERGARTEN/YEAR 1 CLASS NEWS

The Kindergarten and Year 1 students had lots of wonderful experiences to write about from their ZoosnooZ excursion. Unfortunately several items of clothing and other belongings were either lost or misplaced on the excursion so if students and parents could please have a look out for any items which don’t look familiar and return them to school that would be greatly appreciated. A pair of pinky purple shorts is one item that has gone missing so could parents and carers please have a look to see if this has accidentally gone home in the wrong bag.

The Pre Schoolers visited again last Friday and will return again this Friday 20th November between 9:00am and 1:30pm.

In Maths we will be focusing on Length and sequencing numerals in the correct order using number lines. In Grammar, Punctuation and Vocabulary we will be looking at common nouns and word webs that map out new words.

Toby Turnbull from Kindergarten and Xanthia Turnbull from Year 1 have been chosen as the finalists to present their speeches at a special assembly to be held this Thursday 11:10am. Good luck to all the students!

2016 CAPTAIN SPEECHES

Nominated students, who are currently in Year 5, will present their 2016 Captain speeches this Friday 20th November 2015 at our Primary Assembly to be held in the 4/5/6 classroom at 2:30pm. All parents, carers, family members and staff are invited to attend.

DENTAL VAN

The Western NSW Local Health District's Mobile Oral Health Centre will be at Mendooran Central School from 13th November until 18th December 2015.

For all requests for appointments please contact the Dental Contact Centre number 1300 552 626
SECONDARY EXCURSION NEWS

It’s getting close and this time next week we will be away. Just a couple of important things to address before we go.

PAYMENT
We need to get all payments into the office before we depart on Monday, so if you still have outstanding money can you please get it into the office ASAP.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE TIMES
In order to get to the camp on time we have to depart the school at 6am on Monday morning, so please ensure that all students attending are at the school before then.

WHAT TO BRING
The students all have a list of what to bring on the camp. If anyone is experiencing difficulty with any of these items please let us know ASAP; we have included the list in this newsletter.

MEDICATIONS
All medications must be submitted to staff with instructions before the bus departs. The only exception to this is asthma inhalers which the students can carry themselves.

VALUABLES
Any valuable items the students take on the trip are at their own risk and as such are not the school’s responsibility. Everything is provided at the camp so spending money should be minimal.

T Newberry
Gear Checklist – Children (Based on a 3 day camp)

PLEASE CLEARLY NAME ALL ITEMS

MEDICATION NEEDS TO BE GIVEN TO THE ORGANISING TEACHER

The checklist below is a guide only. It is a good idea for students to pack their own bags so that they can re-pack for the trip home.

- Mess kit (tea towel, plate, cup, bowl, knife, fork and spoon – dishwasher safe) Non disposable
- Water bottle
- Raincoat (regardless of forecast)
- Hat or cap
- Sleeping bag (extra blanket in winter)
- Pillow
- Sunscreen
- 1 pair pyjamas (tracksuit in winter)
- Day pack (small backpack for water, sunscreen, etc)
- Torch (make sure it works before you leave home)
- Toiletries (including toothbrush)
- Insect repellent
- 2 pairs of runners (1 old pair for water activities)
- Thongs – only for going to and from showers
- 3 T-shirts needed, no singlet tank tops / midriff tops (for safety on activities)
- 3 sets of underwear
- 3 pairs of shorts - NO MINI SHORTS (for safety on activities)
- 3 pairs of track pants (if cold weather forecast)
- 2 sloppy joes / windcheaters (if cold weather forecast)
- 3 pair socks
- Bath towel
- Beach towel and swimmers
- Optional - camera, money for souvenirs
- Tissues / hankies
- Plastic bags for wet clothes / towels.
PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION FINALS

On Thursday 19th of November, the finalist in our public speaking competition will be presenting their final speeches at the assembly. The assembly will begin at 11:10am and all parents are welcome to attend. There will be one winner from the infants division (Years K-2), one winner from the Primary division (Years 3-6), and one winner from the Secondary division (Years 7-10). Each winner will be presented with a trophy and their names will appear on the Public Speaking plaques in the front office.

Our Secondary students will be competing in their semi-finals today, the winner from each round will go through to the finals and it is a fierce competition between the following students:
Year 7: Anna Ward vs. Jordan Mitchell
Year 8: Dylan Meyers vs. Kevin Martin
Year 9: Lachlan McKecknie vs. Lachlan Howarth
Year 10: Dylan Gray vs. Kerrie Ward

The Primary students who successfully made it through to the finals are as follows:
Kindergarten: Toby Turnbull
Year 1: Xanthia Turnbull.
Year 2: Grace Sando
Year 3: Airlie Smith
Year 4: Trevor Martin
Year 5: Kaitlin Quick
Year 6: Jesse Dennis

All of our finalists should be extremely proud of the effort they have put into their speeches. Good luck on Thursday!

M Galiatsatos
COMMUNITY NEWS

MENDOORAN/MERRYGOEN AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB

We had our 4th Point Score for the season at the Mendooran Pool. It was great to see so many new members. Point Score is held each Friday at 4pm, at the Mendooran Pool. Everyone wanting to swim this year will need to email the swimmers name, date of birth and email address to Katrina Yeo (email: burrgoen@iinet.net.au). Any problems with memberships or new members wishing to join contact Katrina Yeo 6886 3578 or text information to 0429 863 578. Membership fees for this season are swimming members $74.00. Fees cover insurance and registration with NSW. All new members are welcome.

Swimming sausage sizzle each week after swimming.
Swimming training for Primary students will start at 3.30pm tomorrow and 4.00pm. Secondary students at

M Ward
6886 1052

AQUA CLASSES AT THE MENDOORAN POOL

Lyndal O’Leary will be holding Aqua classes at the Mendooran Swimming Pool, starting Tuesday 3rd November. The classes will run on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings at 6:45 am for 45 minutes. The class is open to all who are over 16 years of age. The classes are free, the only cost you will incur is entry into the pool.
For further details feel free to contact Lyndal on (02) 6886 1000 or email her on glenveigh@activ8.net.au

L O’Leary

MENDOORAN PONY CLUB NEWS

There is a Zone meeting this Saturday in Dubbo– Please let me know if you would like to attend by Tuesday.
Our next rally day will be the Christmas party weekend, on the Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. I hope everyone has received their invitation to the party.
School Uniform
The results are in!!

Thank you to the families and staff who submitted the School Uniform Survey. The survey returned the following result:

- 17 - No change to the uniform.
- 9 - Discontinuing the check and the grey, making it all black & white.
- 8 - Introducing a colour polo - EMERALD.
- 1 - Introducing a colour polo - MAROON.

Surveys also indicated that we update the style of the current polos and the material quality, particularly in the white polos.

Based on these results, there will be no change to the uniform colours. We are updating the polo shirt style and material quality with our current suppliers. These new shirts should be available by next March, as they are custom made off shore and have a 12 week turn around.

We also received positive feedback on stocking black microfibre sport shorts and sport trackpants with the letters MCS on the leg. These will also be available next year, as well as an updated spray jacket.

We hope to have a wider selection of the uniform available at school next year.

**White polo shirts in ALL sizes are expected to be in stock this week.**

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MENDOORAN CENTRAL SCHOOL
“MONSTER RAFFLE”

After recent events one of the parents from the school has taken the time to organise some prizes to raise funds for the school. Tina is holding a monster raffle. All proceeds will go towards improvements to the school, such as an outdoor learning centre for the students. The effort put in by Tina is astounding and she should be commended on her dedication. Tina has sourced all prizes in her own time and using her own resources. Tickets for the Raffle can be purchased from the front office at the school or from Mendooran Post Office. Tickets will be $2 each or you can purchase 3 for $5.

The prizes are as follows:
1. BBQ
2. Toy Stocking
3. Food Trolley
4. Water Feature
5. Myers Hamper
6. Shoes and Gift Cards
7. Toy Tractor Set
8. Men’s Accessory Box
9. Hair Dryer and Beauty Bag
10. 2 Bags of Dog Food and 1 Hessian bag
11. Beauty box
13. Insect Trap
14. Essentials Hamper
15. Clock and Golf Set
16. 1 Bag of Dog Food
Mendooran Central School

MENDOORAN
MECHANICS
INSTITUTE HALL

Supper,
Raffle,
Lucky Door Prizes
Adults - $5.00
Children under 15 years - free

MENDOORAN
SINGERS

CONCERT

7.30PM
Saturday
28th

The Mendooran Singers acknowledge the generous donation from the
Warrumbungle Shire Council through the Financial Assistance Donation Programme
# Summer Menu

## Hot Food
- Large Plain Meat Pie $4.20
- Cheese & Bacon Pie $4.50
- Curry Pie $4.20
- Small Sausage Roll $0.60
- Large Sausage Roll $2.40
- Party Pies $0.60
- Pizza Singles $2.40
- Homemade Quiche $3.20

## Burgers
- Hamburger $4.20
- Chicken Burger $4.20
- Cheese Muffin $3.20
  (Meat, cheese & sauce only)

## Wraps
- Large $4.00  Small $2.20
- Chicken Salad Wrap
- Ham Salad Wrap
- Egg Salad Wrap
- Chicken Wrap
  (chicken/tomato/cheese/lettuce/Mayo)

## Salads
- Ham Salad $5.00
- Quiche & Salad $5.00
- Egg Salad $5.00
- Chicken Salad $5.00

## Sandwiches
- Devon $1.50
- Cheese $1.50
- Vegemite $1.50
- Chicken/Ham Salad $3.50
- Ham, Cheese & Tomato $2.40
- Toasted EXTRA $0.20

## Snacks
- Chips $1.20
- JJ's $1.00
- Popcorn $0.60
- Homemade Biscuits $0.50

## Ice Blocks
- Zooper Dooper $0.60
- Jelly Sticks $0.15
- Animal Pops $0.20
- Shaky Shake $2.00

## Drinks
- Water $1.00
- Fruit Juice $1.00
- Choc/Strawberry Milk $1.50
- Slushie
  - Large $1.60
  - Small $1.00

## Other
- Sauce EXTRA $0.20
- Brown Bags $0.20
- Toasted $0.20
SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS - 2015

Voluntary Infants/Primary Contributions: $25.00 per child
Voluntary Secondary Contributions: $50.00 per child
Voluntary FAMILY MAXIMUM: $80.00 (not including electives)

Both Voluntary contributions and Elective fees may be paid by instalment.

COMPULSORY ELECTIVES COST

Year 7/8 Electives: Technology Mandatory $20.00 (enables students to take work home)

Year 9/10 Electives:
- Industrial Technology: $40.00 first project ($30 per project thereafter)
- Food Technology: $15.00 per term ($60.00 per year)
- Design & Tech (Textiles): $20.00
- Art: $25.00
- Agriculture: $10.00

Year 11/12 Electives:
- Hospitality: $15 per term ($60.00 per year)
- D&T Mixed Media: $20
- Art: $25
- Agriculture: $10
- Metals & Engineering: $40 first project (2nd project dependent on cost)

Please tear off the following section and fill in details accordingly to the number of students you have attending Mendooran Central School to calculate the amount owing

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