

Peppercorn Press

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Term 4 – Week 9

Tuesday 5th November, 2011

Coming Events

Term 4 Week 9

Thursday	8 th November	Swimming 1pm @ Griffith
Friday	9 th November	Kindy Orientation 9 - 3

Term 4 Week 10

Tuesday	13 th November	Presentation Night Reports home
Wednesday	14 th December	Long Weekend
Friday	16 th December	End of Year party! Mobile Library Collection
2012		
Monday	30 th January	Students return
Tuesday	31 st January	P&C AGM meeting 9am

Please note: School Newsletter will be produced fortnightly in odd school weeks.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Last Day for 2011

Boy has the year flown by!

The last day for 2011 is Friday 16th December – Party Day in Griffith. Please return permission note and money **ASAP**.

We would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Have a safe a happy holiday and enjoy this very special time with your children.

PRESENTATION NIGHT

Our Presentation Night this year is on Tuesday 13th December commencing at 7pm. Students are asked to be at school by 6:45pm, dressed in full school uniform. Everyone is welcome to attend. We hope to see you there to help celebrate the hard work and success the children have achieved throughout the year.

Families are asked to bring a plate of food to share for supper at the conclusion of the evening.

LONG WEEKEND

Our last “Long Weekend” will be Wednesday 14th December, 2011.

LAST DAY OF SCRIPTURE

Next Thursday is our last day of scripture for 2011. We would like to thank Miss Pip Whiting for her dedication and commitment to providing these lessons all year for our children. Pip has a very caring nature and is very well liked by all. We hope to see her return next year!

PARTY DAY

We will be enjoying our last day of the year at Griffith for a party day. The bus will leave school @ 9am and return by 3pm.

Children need to bring recess and a drink and wear their full school uniform. Our first stop is the movies followed by lunch at Il Corso's. Miss Jones and Mrs Headon will be accompanying the children.



KINDERGARTEN 2012 ORIENTATION

Our Kindy orientation is coming to an end for another great year. Our last Kindy Orientation day will be on Friday 9th December, 9-3pm.

SENIOR CANTEEN

The last day for Friday Canteen is this week. Thank you to all the families who donated food and drink for this initiative. The students have raised approximately \$60.

SPECIAL LUNCHES

Wednesday 7th of December will be the last "Special Lunch" for 2011. Make sure you place your order before 9am on Wednesday to avoid disappointment. Thank you Paula Hayes, without her these special lunches would not be available to our students. Paula gives up her own time to provide this service. She is outstanding. The staff and students really appreciate what she does for our school.

INTENSIVE SWIMMING PROGRAM

Our last lesson will be held this week. Thanks to all the parents for support with transport. The final payment to help with transport costs will be made next week.

LIBRARY NEWS

Library borrowing has finished for the year. Please return all library books, mobile library books and home readers to school.

MOBILE LIBRARY

Will be visiting our school

On

Friday 16th December

Community members are invited
from 3 – 3:15pm

JAZZ ON THE RED DUST PLAINS

Thanks to Carrathool Shire Council we were fortunate to have a concert featuring Liam Budge Quartet. The children really enjoyed the show and it was a great initiative from the council.

**Students Return**

**Monday 30th January,
2012**

HOMEWORK

Homework has finished for the year. Well done to those children who regularly completed their homework this year. We hope to see this increase in 2012 as it does help consolidate skills learnt at school.

**Term 4 Week 8
Mini-merit awards**

Natasha, James x2, Sam x2, Ashlee, Nicholas and Amber.

Homework awards

Shane, Jamie, Sam and Sarah.

Daily News Topic

Week 9 - Christmas in our family.

Week 10 - What I want for Christmas.

LIONS CLUB BOOKS FOR SALE

The Lions Club of Hillston has put out a community telephone directory for the Carrathool Shire and selling each for \$10. These books are **available** at the school if anybody wants to purchase one.

Carrathool numbers are in the book! As well as Goolgowi, Hillston, Merriwagga and Rankins Springs numbers. The back of the book has a list of Community Groups, Justices of the Peace Register, and a Local Business Directory.

All in all, a very handy book to have!

All money raised will be donated to the school. Please contact the school if you would like to purchase one.



P&C AGM

Tuesday 31st January

2012, 9am

All welcome

SCHOOL BANKING

School banking finishes on Friday 9th December. Thank you to everyone who supports this program. Not only does it teach children about saving money but the school receives a small allowance for our efforts.

Trip to Griffith

On Thursday the Carrathool Juniors went to Griffith to have a fun excursion. We went bowling first, and then we went to Hunky Dory's.

Bowling was easy. I used my hands but not the ramp. The ramp is for the little kids. Ashlee and I both got a strike. A strike is when you get all of the pins down in the first go.

Ashlee and I won. My score was 99. Ashlee's score was 99 too.

Next we went Hunky Dory's and had a little play. Then we ate lunch. I ate pizza and some chips with chicken flavouring. James, Nicholas, Sam, Ashlee and Ben had frankfurts and chips. We all had juice boxes.

My favourite bit was going down the big yellow, red and blue slide with my friends, Saz, Jemma and Ashlee.

It was an excellent day, I felt great.

By Chontelle Barton

SUMMER FIRE SAFETY

Summer has officially started and with it comes the increased risk of bush and house fires. If you live in a bushfire prone area, ensure you have taken the necessary steps to protect your property and family from fire. Download a fact sheet:

www.fire.nsw.gov.au/gallery/files/pdf/factsheets/02_bushfire_prep.pdf

It is now law that caravans and campervans be fitted with working smoke alarms. Check LPG gas bottles for leaks as this is how many barbecue fires start.

Many more tips on how to enjoy a fire-free summer are on the Fire and Rescue NSW website: www.fire.nsw.gov.au

Remember in the event of a house or bushfire always dial 000. If your mobile phone is out of range, dial 112.

COMMUNITY NEWS

If you need community notices advertised in our newsletter please ring the school or fax your notice to the following numbers:

Phone 69 935 143

Fax 69 935 002

CARRATHOOL SPORTS CLUB

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Carrathool Sports Club children's Christmas party will be held at the Carrathool Memorial Hall on Sunday 11th December, 1pm, for a late lunch, early dinner. The cost will be \$5 per adult and children free. Parents are asked to please supply a gift from Santa to the value of \$10. Santa will be arriving at approximately 5:30pm.

Adults BYO drinks.

ALL ARE WELCOME.

The Carrathool Sports Club raffle will be drawn at the Christmas party so please support them and come in and purchase some tickets. Tickets are only \$1 each.





Christmas Service

*St Georges Anglican Church
Carrathool*

24th December 2011

at 5pm

This will be a Carol Service

conducted by Bishop Doug Stevens

All Welcome

