

# Peppercorn Press

Carrathool Public School

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Term 4 – Week 4

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October, 2012

## Coming Events

### Term 4 Week 4

- Tuesday 30 Oct - P & C Meeting 9.00 am
- Thursday 1 Nov – Scripture
- Thursday 1 Nov - Swimming
- Saturday 3 Nov - AGM Jockey Club @ School 7.30 pm

### Term 4 Week 5

- Monday 5-7 Nov – Canberra Excursion for years 4,5 & 6
- Tuesday 6 Nov – Altina Wildlife/Hunky Dory Excursion for years K & 1

### Term 4 Week 6

- Monday 12 Nov - Long Weekend
- Thursday 15 Nov Scripture/Swimming

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

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Our senior and junior excursions are quickly approaching. It will be Christmas before we know it! All notes have been sent home. If you haven't returned your notes as yet please do so by tomorrow.

The cost of the excursion has been reduced thanks to Carrathool P & C Association, Barnado Australia and PACER.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit their National Capital as part of their civics and citizenship education. To assist in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding under Parliament and Civics Education Rebate(PACER)program toward the travel expenses incurred.

We would like to thank the Australian Government for their support of this program.

I will be attending the excursion to Canberra along with Mrs Lucia Vernon, principal of Goolgowi Public School. According to the itinerary we are going to be very busy over the three days. We are going to lots of exciting and fun places.

The junior excursion this year is to Altina Wildlife Park and then off to Hunky Dory for lunch and a one hour play. Mrs Headon and Mrs Woods will be attending on the day. Travel will be by bus (compliments Hay War Memorial High School) driven by Mr Kurt Dissegna.

To all students attending excursions next week:

## HAVE FUN!

## CARRATHOOL PUBLIC SCHOOL P & C CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

1<sup>st</sup> prize John Deere toy tractor  
2<sup>nd</sup> prize Garden Package  
3<sup>rd</sup> prize Tony Hawk skateboard  
All tickets \$1 or 6 for \$5

Tickets available at the school or at the Carrathool Family Hotel

*Thank you to the following for donating the prizes and supporting our school.*

- ❖ A & G Machinery
- ❖ Bunnings
- ❖ Caitlin Laraghy (Lesa Bevan's daughter)

## CARRATHOOL JOCKEY CLUB

AGM to be held @Carrathool Public School - starting at 7.30 pm. All welcome.

### School Fundraiser

This term the SRC are selling Cancer Council - Everyday Sunscreen as a fundraiser (SPF 30+ 2 hours water resistant). Price is \$5 for a 110 ml tube. With the weather warming up now is the time to stock up.

### Kindergarten Enrolments 2013

We are currently accepting enrolments for Kindergarten students in 2013. Students, who are five years of age on or before 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2013 are eligible to enrol in Kindergarten. Enrolment packages are available from the school during school hours. Please pass this information onto friends and neighbours who may have a child eligible to attend Kindergarten next year.

Orientation dates for 2013 Kindy students are:

- Tuesday 20 November from 9 – 11.00 am
- Tuesday 4 December from 9 – 1.30 pm
- Friday 14 December from 9 – 3.00 pm

### RURAL BUSHFIRE BRIGADE

Fire Danger Period started on 1<sup>st</sup> October.

**During this period fire permits are required for any back yard burning.** These permits are registered at the Midwest Fire Control Centre in Hay. There is no charge for the permit. Fire permits may be obtained from Barry Rogers (6993 5098) or Bob Hurst (6993 5020).

### THANK YOU

Thank you to Keith Warner for relocating a brown snake for us. The snake now knows that living under our classroom is unacceptable! The snake was not feeling well when he left.

Carrathool Christmas Party

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2012

starts at 1 pm

for a late lunch

at Carrathool Memorial Hall

adults \$5 children free

Santa arrives at 5.30 pm

Parents to supply presents up to \$10 only

Contact Mark Godley 0427 407 778

### SWIMMING LESSONS

Thank you to parents for transporting their children to lessons every week. As previously mentioned the school will subsidise travel and first payment will be made next week. These will be paid into your bank accounts.





### COWBOY AND COWGIRL DAY

Friday was a great day at C.P.S. We had a class full of cowboys and cowgirls. Money raised has been donated to Ronald McDonald House via a local collection organised by Riverina Nurseries in Griffith.



### IN CLASS THIS FORTNIGHT

In science we have been studying the Solar System. Please enjoy some of the junior children's explanations. The seniors made an Excel spread sheet with Solar System facts.

The Sun is very hot.  
 The Sun is an orange star.  
 The Sun is an humongous star.  
 The Earth spins around the Sun.  
 The Sun doesn't move.  
 By Nicholas

The planets go around the sun.  
 The Sun is hot and it is on fire.  
 By Patrick

### Flower Poems

In writing the seniors have been practising their descriptive writing and have written about flowers. The class wrote a poem together and then wrote their own. Please enjoy their writing.

Have you ever seen a rose?  
 Delicate buds, soft silky petals,  
 sharp pointy thorns,  
 Beautiful flower  
 Class poem

Have you ever seen a sunflower,  
 Yellow green circular flower,  
 Tall flower.  
 By Shane

Have you ever seen a lotus?  
 Colourful petals,  
 Green lily pads,  
 Bright yellow nectar,  
 Gorgeous flower.  
 By Sarah

Have you every seen a sunflower.  
 Long tall stalks,  
 Wide petals,  
 Yellow head,  
 Looks like the sun.  
 By Seth

Have you ever seen a daisy?  
 Attractive clean petals,  
 Long thin stem,  
 Bright yellow centre,  
 Wonderful flower.  
 By Natasha

Have you ever seen a tulip?  
 Tiny petals,  
 Cuddly leaves,  
 Bursting colour,  
 Pretty flowers.  
 By Amber

Have you ever seen a sunflower,  
 Black seeds,  
 Yellow petals,  
 Green stems,  
 Faces the Sun.  
 By Jamie

### LIBRARY NEWS

Please note school library will now be on Wednesdays to coincide with the Mobile Library visits.

Please remind your children to bring their library bags.

### Seniors Canteen

Thank you to all families who have donated supplies for our weekly canteen.

### Ongoing Fundraiser at Athletes Foot Griffith

Don't forget if you buy a pair of shoes at 'The Athletes Foot' please mention that you are supporting Carrathool Public School and they will donate \$5 to the school. Members of the community can also support us in this way. This is an ongoing fundraiser so there is no finish date.

The Peppercorn Press may be viewed on the school website [www.carrathool-pschools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.carrathool-pschools.nsw.edu.au) lots more photos to look at – past and present

### SCHOOL BANKING

School banking is on Fridays.

### HOMEWORK

All homework will be handed out on Mondays and should be returned by Friday.

### 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

### Melbourne Cup Sweeps

Lyn Anstice is co-ordinating Melbourne Cup Sweeps for the Carrathool Family Hotel this year. Please see Lyn or Adam at the Family Hotel to purchase your tickets. Good Luck!

**NEWSLETTER BRIEFS****Movies and books**

Is your child a reluctant reader? Why not try helping them find the book that goes with a movie or DVD they've enjoyed, or are about to see. Encouraging your child to read can help them to build their imagination.

For tips and ideas:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/my-book-club/how-movies-can-inspire-kids-to-read>

**Rainforest creatures**

Experience Taronga Zoo's stunning Wild Asia rainforest trail guided by volunteer researcher Heidi Greentree. Rainforest Heroes is a new, free iPad app that lets students capture their discoveries, on location at the zoo or from home, and then make a field report.

Find out more about the app:

<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/taronga-zoo-rainforest-heroes/id558373157?ls=1&mt=8>

**HAY AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB** wishes to welcome members old and new for registration at the Hay Pool from 6pm Tuesday 13th November 2012. Pointscore will not be held on that evening.

*Club activities include;*

Pointscore - Tuesday nights at 5.45pm

Squad Sessions - Mondays & Wednesdays  
4.15pm – 5.30pm \$5 per session with coach trained in Competitive Strokes

Members can participate in one or all activities.

Costs: NSW swimming registration \$54 and \$1 each point score session.

For more information, contact Markeeta Gibson at [markeetagibson@bigpond.com](mailto:markeetagibson@bigpond.com)

New people wishing to try out before registering may do so for two pointscore nights.

***Some more of our beautiful students***

*Nicholas*



*Seth, Sarah, Amber, Natasha and Jamie*