

Peppercorn Press

Carrathool Public School

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Term 1 – Week 2

Wednesday 1st February, 2012

Coming Events

Term 1 Week 2

Saturday	4 February	Carrathool Races
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Term 1 Week 3

Wednesday	8 February	Mobile Library
Thursday	9 February	Scripture begins
Friday	10 February	Tennis begins Swimming Carnival @ Hay

Term 1 Week 4

Monday	13 February	Long Weekend
Tuesday	14 February	P & C Meeting @ 2pm
Thursday	16 February	Scripture
Friday	17 February	Tennis

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

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

WELCOME

Welcome back to school for what promises to be an exciting year for everyone at Carrathool Public School. A special welcome to our new families, we look forward to having you as part of our larger 'family'.

Our current enrolment is 15 students, including our new Kindergarten students Dean, Georgia and Patrick.

This year Mrs Headon will be working 2 days per week on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Mrs Woods will be working Monday to Friday in a combined role of School Administrative Manager and School Learning Support Officer.

REMINDERS

School times 9am – 3pm. It would be appreciated if all children could be at school 15 minutes prior to 9am.

Hats – All children need a hat at school to play at recess and lunch.

Water – Children have their own water bottles to use at school. These have been provided by Carrathool Public School.

Library – Will be on a Tuesday for 2012.

Sport – Fridays – Term 1 tennis with Mr Cronin.

Scripture – Thursdays – with Miss Pip.

Homework – Begins week 3.

but wait, there's more!

Mobile Library – Visits our school once a month. Look in coming events for dates.

Special Lunch Orders – Wednesdays.

Senior Canteen - Fridays.

School Banking - Fridays.

SENIOR CANTEEN

Senior Canteen was a huge success in 2011 so we are continuing it this year.

Students may buy 2 items from our canteen at 50 cents per item. Canteen will be run on Fridays after lunch.

We are in need of some donations. Suggested donations are chips, fruit juice, flavoured milk, ice blocks, cakes, popcorn, etc.

Students raised an amount of \$80.40 (in only a few months) last year.

SPECIAL LUNCH ORDERS

Special lunch orders will once again be available on Wednesdays! Orders are to be in on Tuesdays for catering purposes. See menu on last page of newsletter.

Our first special lunch will be next Wednesday 8th February, so please have your order in by Tuesday 7th February.

Just write your child's order on a brown lunch bag (with appropriate money inside) and hand in to Mrs Woods on Tuesdays.

YUM! A big thank you goes to Mrs Hayes for organising these lunches.



LONG WEEKEND

Our first Long Weekend for 2012 will be on Monday, 13th February.

LIBRARY NEWS

Library will begin this week. Library days this year will be held on Tuesdays. Please remember your library bags.

HOMEWORK

Homework is back again for another year. (Hooray they say). It will begin in week 3. All homework will be handed out on Mondays and should be returned by Friday.

SCHOOL BANKING

School banking will return on Friday 3rd February. 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.

If you would like your child to start school banking please see Mrs Woods at the office.

NEWS ROSTER

Monday:

Dean, James, Shane.

Tuesday:

Patrick, Sam, Natasha.

Wednesday:

Georgia, Chontelle, Tom.

Thursday:

Ashlee, Sarah, Amber.

Friday:

Nicholas, Seth, Jamie.

News Topics

Wk 2 – Free choice

Wk 3 – Me

Wk 4 – My Family

CONGRATULATIONS TO AMBER BEVAN

Our very own Amber Bevan, of Carrathool Public School has been awarded the 'Carrathool Shire Council, Young Citizen of the Year' for 2011'. Well done Amber!

Amber was involved in getting some local children together on Sundays for dancing. In the short time Amber has lived in Carrathool, she has definitely shown a strong sense of community spirit.

We are all very proud of you Amber, congratulations once again.



P & C NEWS

P & C will be running a meat raffle at the Carrathool Family Hotel this Friday night!

There will be two meat raffles to be won. A very good prize indeed!

Hope to see a few of you there to help support our wonderful P & C.

P & C are also looking into holding a Spring Bulb Fundraiser. Stay tuned.



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 but hurry as there are only 9 left.

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

NEWSLETTER BRIEFS

Getting off to a good start

Wondering how to help your kids do well at

home and at school this year? The department's parent resource School A to Z has a webcast full of expert tips for you to help your children have a more successful year. The 'Getting off to a great start webcast' has a number of chapters on how to motivate children for learning, advice on peer relationships and how to handle bullying, communicating with children and the importance of strong home-school relationships.

The expert panel features advice from a child psychologist, an experienced family doctor and the department's deputy director-general (schools) Greg Prior.

Watch the webcast at:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/getting-off-to-a-good-start>

National Year of Reading 2012

Welcome to a new school year. This is the national year of reading and to celebrate, there is a host of literary-related events and competitions happening right around Australia. For an events calendar and more information go to: www.love2read.org.au. Why not make a late New Year resolution to read more yourself? And if you have younger children and don't already read regularly to them, set aside some quality time to help instil a love of books and reading.

We've got school covered

Practical help for parents is available online at the School A to Z site. Created by the Department of Education and Communities, this is a thriving online community with comprehensive homework and school life support for parents that is easy to use, relevant and engaging. There are free apps to download, informative podcasts, videos and articles by experts in the field. Check it out and save it to your favourites:

www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au



Special Lunch Orders

HOT FOOD

Pie	\$2.00
Sausage Roll	\$1.50
Hot Dog	\$1.50
Steamed Dim Sims	\$0.50 ^(each)

SANDWICHES

Vegemite	\$0.70
Peanut Butter	\$0.70
Strawberry Jam	\$0.70
Cheese	\$0.90

DRINKS

Juice Box	\$1.00
Flavored Milk	\$1.30

SNACKS

Zooper Dooper	\$0.50
Fresh Popped Popcorn	\$0.20 ^(per scoop)
Frozen Yoghurt Tub	\$1.00