

# Peppercorn Press

Carrathool Public School

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Term 1 – Week 4

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2012

## Coming Events

### Term 1 Week 4

Thursday	16 February	Scripture
Friday	17 February	Tennis with Andrew Cronin

### Term 1 Week 5

Thursday	23 February	Scripture
Friday	24 February	Tennis with Andrew Cronin

### Term 1 Week 6

Wednesday	29 February	District swimming carnival@Hay
Wednesday	29 February	Mobile Library
Thursday	1 March	Scripture
Friday	2 March	Tennis

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

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The school year is certainly up and running. Everyone is working very well and already we can see some good outcomes in class.

Our Kindy students have started the year off well. Georgia has the record for most falls in the playground, Dean is learning to sit on the mat and Patrick can open his lunch box without help now!



*Georgia, Dean and Patrick*

**'At school I like doing work and painting.'**

By Georgia

**'At school I like reading books and writing.'**

By Dean

**'At school I like to use the whiteboard.'**

By Patrick

Welcome to Seth Lees, our newest member of Carrathool Public School. Seth joins our Year 4 students from Goolgowi.



*Seth Lees*

**'I like my new school it's really good and I've made lots of new friends. Class work is too easy and I want harder work from now on!'**

By Seth

## Small Schools Swimming Carnival

On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February, Sarah and Amber represented Carrathool Public School at the annual Small Schools Swimming Carnival at Hay. Our carnival is held in conjunction with Hay Public School which meant our swimmers were

able to swim with lots more competitors. It was a great day and **all** the children were fantastic.

Amber had a go at every event she could and Sarah also got the competitive bug and kept asking to go in more events. Both girls did a great job.



*Great work girls and great smiles too!*

**Sarah placed 2nd in junior 200 m medley overall as well as:**

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Freestyle	50 m	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Breaststroke	50 m	Small Schools
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Backstroke	50 m	



*Sarah(I'm not scared of heights)*

**Amber placed 2nd in 11 yr Backstroke overall as well as:**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Freestyle	50 m	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Backstroke	50 m	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Butterfly	50 m	Small Schools
1 <sup>st</sup>	Medley	200 m	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Breaststroke	50 m	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Freestyle	100 m	



*Amber*

Amber was awarded Champion 11 yr old girl swimmer of the carnival.

On top of those great results Carrathool was named Small Schools Champion of the carnival. (Points are awarded for place results and divided by the competitors).

Carrathool    44 points ÷ 2 = 22

Hay S.O.T.A.    132 points ÷ 10 = 13.2

Booligal        62 points ÷ 5 = 12.4

***Well done girls!***



Happy Birthday  
to  
Amber Bevan



**11**

on 16<sup>th</sup> February

***Have a great day Amber!***



*Working well in the classroom –  
Nicholas and Sam*



*I am too! Says Ashlee!*



*Don't forget about me! Says Jamie*

## Social Skills Program

Coming to school is not just about class work it's also learning to interact with different people in a socially acceptable manner. We do this by reinforcing what is taught at home; manners, speaking politely, taking turns etc.

This term we are focussing on specific social skills development. Our first lesson dealt with being positive and making the most of good and bad situations. Being positive also means trying something new or hard instead of saying 'I can't do it.'

## Carrathool Comes Alive

**WOW!** This tiny town was the place to be over the last few weeks. The opening of the new Family Hotel and the Carrathool Races brought a lot of people together for a great time. The P & C have worked hard and have made a great start towards their fundraising goals for the school. On behalf of the school I'd like to offer our thanks to the Family Hotel and the Carrathool Jockey Club for your support of our school.

## Thank You

A very big thank you goes to Kerri and Larry Mijok for all of the hard work they have done for our school. Kerri is now working in Hay but may be back for an occasional day. Your expertise in the art field will be sadly missed Kerri.

Larry used to keep the grounds in splendid condition.

We hope you are both enjoying your new jobs and hope you can come and visit when you can.





## School Captain's Report

Welcome back everyone for a new year at Carrathool Public School. We hope this year will be fun and exciting like last year. Everyone has been playing together in the playground. Last Friday Sarah and I went to the swimming carnival. We had a great day. We won the Hay Small School's Swimming Championship!

Amber Bevan,  
School Captain.

## Swimming Report

On Friday Amber and I went to the Swimming Carnival in Hay. The first event was the one hundred metres freestyle. Amber went in all of the events. I was only meant to do two events but instead I did all of the races except the 100 metres and the butterfly. I came second and third in all my races other than the medley which I came fifth in.

In the end Carrathool won the Small Schools Carnival Championship and Amber got a medal! It was a great day!

By Sarah Merrylees



*'Hello, is that Win Television?'  
(I just have to alert the media about  
these great results!)*

## LIBRARY NEWS

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

## HOMEWORK

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

## SCHOOL BANKING

School banking is on Fridays.

## UNIFORMS

If anyone wants new uniforms could they please place their orders no later than Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February. Our lovely new uniform ladies, Anne and Niki, will be available at 9 am on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February (at the school) to assist with any orders, pricing, measurements and sizing.

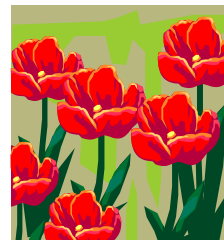
## P & C NEWS

The P & C are having a Spring bulb fundraiser. Brochures have arrived at the school. If you need more brochures please enquire at the school.

Please return your orders to the school by **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March**.

Ask family and friends if they would like one. There are some good packages available!

Next P & C Meeting will be on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March @ 9 am. All welcome!



## 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 **8** 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

### Accident insurance

To insure your child against any medical costs of accidents arising at school you are strongly advised to take out private health insurance or check if your school is covered for school accident insurance available via your school's P&C Association.

Parents are reminded that the department does not provide accident or medical insurance for students enrolled in government schools. The only cover provided by the state government is through the Supplementary Sporting Injuries Benefits Scheme, which covers all students permanently injured or killed while participating in authorised school sporting or athletic activities. The scheme does not cover dental injuries, reimbursement of medical expenses, legal expenses or costs. For more information go to <http://www.sportinginjuries.nsw.gov.au/> or call 02 4321 5392.

## Summer water safety

Being in, on or around the water is an enjoyable part of living in Australia. However, drowning is one of the leading causes of preventable death and permanent brain injury in children under five years of age, with more than 50 children between one and 15 drowning every year.

Drowning is tragic and preventable.

If your children are not water confident or are not able to swim, consider enrolling in certified swimming classes held throughout the year in public pools around the state. Sport and Recreation offers Swim and Survive courses in the summer months.

<http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/swimandsurvive/>

## 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 100g)
Frozen Yoghurt Tub	\$1.00



***Carrathool Public School P & C Meeting  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2012***

Meeting Opened: 2.30pm

Present: Paula Hayes, Cath Merrylees, Lesa Bevan, Monique, Niki Bruns, Anne Dissenga.

Apologies: Anthony Bevan, Cheryl.

Previous minutes – moved Cath, seconded Paula

- AGM March?

Treasurer's Report:

- End of financial year (31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2011)      \$7671.90
  - \$398.61 outstanding chqs
  - \$60.00 Maccas meats 2012 – meat trays
  - Deposits:
  - \$46.00
  - \$534.75 Subs, uniforms, fundraising
- Invoices:
- \$800 outstanding to Carrathool Jockey Club

General Business:

- PSP survey week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> March – to be handed out to families
  - 6<sup>th</sup> March excursion to Griffith to see Aladdin. Students to catch bus to and from Griffith
  - Championship school in swimming carnival @ Hay – CONGRATULATIONS!
  - Principal Conference – suggestion for seniors (Gr. 4, 5 & 6) to High School @ Hay for Science, Art and Music classes. Every second Friday for full day starting in March? Enquire about bus from Carrathool to Hay to transport children or carpooling?
  - Amanda Barton has resigned from Secretary
    - Nomination for position: Niki Bruns
    - Nominated by Cath Merrylees, seconded Paula Hayes
    - Position accepted – all agree
  - Coonara – once sold will have clearing sale which P & C will cater lunch for as a fundraiser
    - Suggestions – sausage sizzle, steak sandwiches, tea and coffee
    - Possibility of having RDO for students on the day of clearing sale?
  - Bulb fundraiser sheets have arrived – to be distributed with next newsletter
  - 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> Feb for next nit treatments
  - 14<sup>th</sup> Feb –commenced nit treatment for students of parents present (incl. Geraldine)
  - Second Tuesday of every month for P & C meetings @ 9am – *all welcome!!*
- Next meeting 13<sup>th</sup> March 2012