

Peppercorn Press

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Term 2 – Week 2

Tuesday 1st May, 2012

Coming Events

Term 2 Week 2

Wednesday 2 May	NAIDOC Performance @ Goolgowi
Wednesday 2 May	Mobile Library @ Goolgowi 12.30 pm
Thursday 3 May	Scripture

Term 2 Week 3

Monday 7 May	LONG WEEKEND
Tuesday 8 May	James & the Giant Peach/Hunky Dory @ Griffith
Wednesday 9 May	Tennis
Thursday 10 May	Scripture
Thursday 10 May	Mother's Day Stall
Friday 11 May	Seniors Integration Day @ Hay

Term 2 Week 4

Tuesday 15 May	Tennis
Tuesday 15 – Thurs 17 May	NAPLAN
Thursday 17 May	Scripture

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

*Reminders: **Stewart House Envelopes** due Friday 4th May.*

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to what promises to be another busy term. We hope you all had a great break.

Brrr... it feels like winter already! With the chilly weather upon us please ensure your child's jumpers/jackets are labelled to prevent a mix up.

End of Term Assembly

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our End of Term 1 Assembly. The children enjoy performing for an audience and love to see a friendly face.

Congratulations to the following award recipients:

10 Merit Awards –

Patrick, Dean, Georgia, Ashlee, Sam, Nicholas, Sarah, Shane, Natasha, Amber and Jamie.

Positive Behaviour Award – Shane

Improved Literacy – Seth

Spelling and Reading – Nicholas

Leadership – Amber and Jamie

Art – Natasha

Swimming Achievement Award – Sarah

Nicholas, Sarah & Amber have now qualified for a bronze award, which will be presented at the end of Term 2.



'Money, Money, Money', was a popular item performed by the students and the boys loved their part!



*and the crowd went wild!
(Nice photo Mrs Merrylees x 2)*

Cross Country Carnival @ Goolgowi

Friday was our annual cross country carnival at Goolgowi. A number of small schools attended the day which was organised by Goolgowi Public School. It was a great day for running. Thank you to parents (and uncle) for bringing their children and for helping with the tabloid activities. Everybody tried their best. Congratulations to Georgia who came first in the 6 yr old girls race and Amber who came second in the 11 yr old girls. Amber will now compete at the district carnival in Deniliquin.



Amber and Georgia with their well earned ribbons



First place to Georgia Coutts in her very first cross country race - well done Georgia!



Mother's Day Stall – 10th May, 2012

On Thursday 10th May we will be having a Mother's Day Stall. We have a wide selection of **beautiful gifts** for the students to choose. All items are priced \$1 and \$2. We are asking you to send in \$1 - \$2 (Maximum of \$5) per child. This money may be sent in before the stall and held at the school until the day of the stall.

Mothers will be pleasantly surprised! (and remember kids, these presents do not get you out of spoiling mum on Mother's Day!)

Science Day at Carrathool

This year we hosted a science day for students from Carrathool, Booligal and Tharbogang Public Schools. Mr Peter Eastwell, a visiting scientist once again marvelled everyone with his 'magical' experiments. Thanks to Booligal and Tharbogang Public Schools for supplying a delicious recess of fruit and bbq lunch.





The juniors were kept busy doing fun activities in the classroom.



Carrathool, Tharbogang and Booligal junior students all working very hard.



Lunch was really good and well-cooked too!

The hit of the day was the group experiments for the seniors who got to make slime and cement.

Crazy Hair Day

Some mums and dads must have wondered what happened to their children when they picked them up after our 'Crazy Hair Day'. The spray cans sure got a work out. Thanks to your donations we were able to raise \$20 for the Leukaemia Foundation.



NAPLAN Tuesday 15th – Thursday 17th May

In May 2012 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by all students in Years 3 and 5, 7 and 9 in all government and non-government schools. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy learning of students in all Australian schools.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement. Each student's level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student's right to privacy is maintained.

The tests will be conducted across Australia for all students from 15-18 May, 2012.

Tuesday	15 May	Language Conventions
Wednesday	16 May	Reading
Thursday	17 May	Numeracy
Friday	18 May	Catch up day for students who were absent

Premier's Sporting Challenge

As we did in 2011, we will once again be participating in the Premier's Sporting Challenge this term.

The challenge involves all children in a 10 week sport and physical activity challenge.

Children will receive individual log books to record their daily activity.

Last year we achieved gold level – let's try for diamond this year!

It's not hard! Any daily physical activity of moderate to vigorous intensity can be used to accrue time.

Star Student



Things we like about Patrick:

- Patrick sits well - Georgia
- Patrick is special to our school – Sam
- Patrick has neat work – Natasha
- Patrick has cool eyes – Ashlee
- Patrick has good manners – Shane
- Patrick isn't rude – Sarah
- Patrick is a great runner – Jamie
- Patrick tries hard in maths – Mrs Bevan

School Captain's Report

Last term we had Crazy Hair Day and Clean up Australia Day at School on Friday 30th March. Mrs Mijok sprayed our hair with colourful hair spray. We liked our hair. We raised \$20. After that we cleaned up our school and walked towards the park to clean up Carrathool. We found some rubbish.

On Wednesday 4th April we had our science day. Booligal and Tharbogang Schools came to our school too. We got to make slime and cement. Mr Eastwell also showed us how air works. We had a bbq lunch. It was fun.

This term on Tuesday 24th April we had our ANZAC Day ceremony. Jamie and I ran the service. Sarah read the Ode of Remembrance. Natasha was in charge of the music, 'The Last Post and Reveille'. We laid wreaths of poppies at the flagpole. We also made ANZAC biscuits, they were nice.

By Amber Bevan

ANZAC SERVICE

On Tuesday 24th April children made wreaths of poppies to lay in remembrance at our School ANZAC Service. The service was led by our captains and senior students.

We spent the day learning about the ANZACs and why it is an important part of our culture.

As part of the day's activity we read about John Simpson and his donkey (Duffy) and made some delicious Anzac biscuits. (We hope some may have made it home to share).



Here are the recounts of this story:

Jack Simpson was a soldier in World War 1. He was born in Tyne Dock and that's where he grew up. Then he went to World War 1 and his job was to help people who got shot or had other illnesses. He helped so many people he had run out of stretchers so he found a donkey and he named him Duffy. Duffy helped Jack to help people. Jack let Duffy have a break and another donkey took over. Then on May 19th, 1913 a Turkish soldier shot him in the back and the bullet went straight through his heart and he died.

By Natasha

Duffy and Jack take people to the hospital.
By Georgia

Jack was a soldier and he had a donkey called Duffy. He was born in England and he rescued soldiers and took them to the hospital.

By Jamie

Jack Simpson was a soldier. He got shot by a Turkish soldier. Jack helped hurt soldiers. He found a donkey. Jack named the donkey Duffy.

By Sam

Jack Simpson and his donkey Duffy.
By Patrick

Duffy took the soldiers to the hospital.
By Dean

Jack Simpson was a soldier in WW1. He was a stretcher bearer. Jack was born in Tyne Dock in England. At the age of seventeen Jack went to Australia. He was a 23 year old when he went to the war and he died at 23. During the war he found a donkey named Duffy. Simpson and Duffy went around getting injured soldiers. Jack had some other donkeys named Murphy, Abdul and Queen Elizabeth but Duffy was his favourite. Jack was Number 202 and he was also known as Private John Simpson. Jack Simpson's real name was John and his nick names were Jack, Jacky, Simmo, Murphy and Scotty. We will always remember Jack Simpson and Duffy.

Lest we forget.
By Amber

Simpson was a soldier.
He was brave.
He was born in England.
Duffy was brave too.
By Ashlee

Jack was a soldier. Jack is dead. He died in the war. He helped injured soldiers. He took them to the hospital on Duffy's back.
By Nicholas

John Simpson was a soldier in WW1. John was born at Tyne Dock in England. He was a stretcher bearer for all of the injured soldiers. At the age of 23 years he went to war and he got killed by a Turkish soldier and died at the same age. During John's time at war he met a donkey and named it Duffy. John used Duffy to carry injured soldiers.

By Sarah

Jack Simpson was a soldier. He was shot by a Turkish soldier. Jack was born in England. He carried people who got shot in the body on the donkey.

By Seth

ANZAC BISCUITS

Makes 12

Ingredients

1 cup rolled oats
1 cup plain flour
1 cup desiccated coconut
 $\frac{3}{4}$ cup castor sugar
125 g butter
1 tablespoon golden syrup
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon baking power
1 tablespoon boiling water



Method

- Heat oven to 160 degrees C. Lightly grease oven trays.
- Put oats, flour, coconut, sugar in big mixing bowl.
- Melt butter and golden syrup in pan, stirring. Take off heat.
- Mix baking soda and boiling water in a cup.
- Add to melted butter in the pan.
- Quickly add to big bowl. Mix it all well.
- Roll tablespoonful lots into balls. Put on trays 5 cm apart.
- Press lightly with fork. Bake 20 minutes – one tray at a time.
- Enjoy!



Jamie being very helpful with the measuring!

P & C NEWS

P & C Meeting tomorrow morning at 9am. After the meeting we will have a brief recess and then travel to Goolgowi for the performance of Adam Mitchell. Hope to see you all there!

Lions Club Telephone Directory

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 **3** left.

SCHOOL BANKING

School banking is on Fridays.

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.

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

Happy Wanderers Mother's Day Variety Night

Saturday 12 May
Starts @ 7 pm
Hay Services Club
Cost: \$10 per head
BYO Supper
Raffles, Lucky Door Prizes,

Fun for Everyone

All money donated to Diabetes Australia
(Riverina Region)

*Carrathool Family Hotel's
The Family Bistro
is now open*

*Open for Lunch:
Thursday - Sunday
12 pm til 3 pm*

*Open for Dinner:
Wednesday - Sunday
6 pm til 9 pm*