

Peppercorn Press

Carrathool Public School

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Term 3 – Week 6

Tuesday 21st August, 2012

Coming Events

Term 3 Week 6

BOOK WEEK-BOOK FAIR ALL WEEK

Tuesday	21 August	Dress up day
Thursday	23 August	Scripture and Archery
Friday	24 August	'Trivia Night eve'
Saturday	25 August	TRIVIA NIGHT

Term 3 Week 7

Tuesday	28 August	School photos 9.30 am
Thursday	30 August	Father's Day Stall
Thursday	30 August	Scripture & Archery
Friday	31 August	Seniors @ HWMHS

Term 3 Week 8

Wednesday	5 Sept	Mobile Library
Wednesday	5 Sept	Rural Fire Service visit
Thursday	6 Sept	Scripture & Archery
Friday	7 Sept	Footy Colours Day

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

Reminders:

*School photo money due by Friday 24 August
Straw bales orders to be in by 31 August*

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Woolworths Earn & Learn

This promotion has now finished and we would like to thank everybody who collected stickers on our behalf. Your help has been very much appreciated. The school will soon be able to purchase some valuable learning resources at no cost; yes that's right folks, FOR FREE!!

Altogether we collected approximately 8400 stickers; not bad for a school of our size!

We would also like to thank the staff at Woolworths Griffith for collecting stickers on our behalf.

If you have any stickers could you please return same to school by 31st August please.

School starts at
9.00 am
every school day

It is important that all students attend school on time every school day.

When children miss out on school they miss out on vital information, their learning routine is broken, they can lose confidence and they miss out on building up friendships.

If your child has to be absent from school for any reason, including arriving late or leaving early, please explain the reason by phone, email or written note. A small number of absences may be justified if your child:

- has an unavoidable medical or dental appointment
- has to go to a special religious ceremony
- is required to attend a serious and/or urgent family situation (e.g. a funeral)
- is too sick to go to school, or has an infectious illness.

Failure to explain an absence within this time will be recorded as an unjustified absence on a student's record. The school will inform parents if a student is absent from school without explanation.

**SCHOOL IS A PLACE FOR LEARNING
AND MAKING FRIENDS
EVERY DAY AT SCHOOL COUNTS**

Carrathool Public School P & C are selling rice straw as a fundraiser. Rice straw is one of the best mulches for your garden. Cost is \$6 bale. Get your gardens looking beautiful for Spring! Please return your order form and money to the school by 31st August, 2012.

Father's Day Stall

at school

Thursday 30th August

All gifts \$1/\$2

Maximum suggested \$5

Great gifts available

Show Dad your appreciation

by spoiling him

with our splendiferous gifts!

Last Thursday and Friday I had the opportunity to attend the Riverina Principal's Conference in Griffith. We were fortunate to have a number of very interesting and motivating speakers, including Bruce Sullivan, Seb Terry and Her Excellency, Professor Marie Bashir. Seb Terry's website 100things.com.au is certainly worth a look.

Les a Bevan,
Principal

TRIVIA NIGHTThis Saturday night - 25th August

7 pm @ Carrathool Family Hotel

Great prizes, great venue

Easy and fun questions!

Come and support the school

and have a great time

BYO nibbles, coffee and tea supplied

Drinks sold at the bar

Thank you from Yenda Public School

Last week we received a letter from Yenda Public School thanking us for our recent donation the seniors made to the school for the recent floods, here is an extract:

Dear Les a,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your school for the kind donation received.

As you could imagine it seemed to be a long road for our staff and students last term as they adjusted to their new (temporary) school at the old Kalinda site. What made things even worse was the fact that a large number of families not only had to adjust to a new school site but also the fact that they didn't have a house to go home to in the afternoon, as many had been inundated with water. Many are still in temporary accommodation as their houses are being assessed and built.

The support from the community has been greatly appreciated, especially the support we have received from our network of Public Schools. In times like these, it is very warming to know that our Public School network is there when you need it.

Thank you again for your help.

Kind regards,

Derek Noffke
Principal

Seniors Canteen

The senior's canteen is still going along swimmingly and the children really enjoy it. Our supplies are getting a little low so we are asking for donations again. Home-made slices/biscuits, chips, chocolate, popcorn etc are all welcome.

SCHOOL PHOTOSTuesday 28th August

9.30 am

Full school uniform

(Jumpers will be taken off for photos)

Please pay by Friday 24th August

Circus Challenge

On Thursday 9th August we had a visit from Circus Challenge. The fun, fast paced workshop was fantastic! Students learnt a range of skills including juggling, diabolo, spin sticks, plate spinning and acrobatic balance to finish with. The workshop enhances team work skills, problem solving and increases the student's confidence, not to mention the massive fun they have!



Phil and the talented performers



This is so much fun!



Pretty sure this is how you do it!



Why wait to join the blue rinse brigade late in life when you can do it now!





I could do this all day!



We may have to run away and join the circus if we keep on improving!





I think it's a good look!



How much fun can a guy have in one day?



Not only am I a trendsetter but I'm also very skilful at this!

Council Meeting 21 August 2012



Carrathool students attended part of a council meeting today. Thank you to the Carrathool Shire Council for allowing students the opportunity to attend one of your meetings and also for your kind donation of \$50 towards our book fair.

Book Week

It is book week all week this week. This year's theme is 'Champions Read'. Today we had a dress up day. Children came dressed as a champion of their choice.

To coincide with book week we are having a book fair which starts today. Books will be on display and for sale all week. Come in and have a look at the great selection we have available, courtesy Collins Booksellers Griffith. You may want to purchase some books for your children, family or friends. You may also want to donate books to the school. All donated books will have a book plate on the inside cover with your child's name.

Books also make excellent Christmas gifts and with Christmas only 126 days away you could be super organised with your Chrissie shopping this year!



Hope nobody needed saving today because all of the champion superheroes were at the school

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

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

CAN YOU HELP?

We are after donations of soil for a new garden bed we are starting at school. We would like to build the bed up, enrich the soil, plant and then mulch it. If you can help please contact the school.

NEWSLETTER BRIEFS**Maths Monkey's Quest**

The award-winning parent resource School A to Z has released a new maths game app. Maths Monkey's Quest is a fun and interactive game designed to help sharpen your child's maths skills. The game—suitable for students in Years 3-8—features maths questions on topics ranging from addition and subtraction to ratios and percentages. Go to:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/mobile-applications/maths-monkey-s-quest>

Join your local sporting club

A new Australia-wide campaign has been launched to encourage people to join their local sporting club. Play for life ... join a sporting club urges all of us to get physically active and enjoy the benefits of good health. To find a sporting

club in your local area go to:

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

Find a movie

Watching movies together can be a great family activity. Check out these movie recommendations and reviews, and find films suitable for your child's age and maturity level - from latest releases to classics.

Go to:

http://raisingchildren.net.au/movie_reviews/movies_landing_page.html

Perfect punctuation

Want to help your child with their punctuation? Help them remember when to use a semicolon and when to use an apostrophe with a downloadable help sheet from the School A to Z website. The site also has a range of help sheets on English terms and usage. Go to:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/help-sheets>

Sound advice on sleep

Did you know it's recommended that school-aged children get **10-11 hours** sleep each night? For tips on how to make sure your child gets a good night's sleep go to:

http://raisingchildren.net.au/articles/school_age_sleep_nutshell.html

Griffith Regional Theatre

Upcoming shows

Goodbye Jamie Boyd Based on Elizabeth Fensham's novel - Friday 17 August, 10.30am.

A beautiful one-hour creative theatre piece telling of Anna Boyd's story.

Tickets - \$14. (Suitable for 13+ years).

What a Man's Gotta Do? - Saturday 25 August 8pm. A hilarious one-man comedy. Andrew Horabin uses humour, song and storytelling to explore some of the issues of masculinity in 2012.

Tickets from \$28. (Suitable for 16+ years) Cabaret style evening in the upstairs Burley Griffin Room, book a table with friends or just come along.





ANDY GRIFFITHS IS COMING TO GRIFFITH!!!

**Don't miss out on this chance to meet and hear
Australia's favourite children's author at the Griffith
Reader's Festival on Saturday September 15th
(otherwise it would be JUST ANNOYING!)**

**Andy will be live on stage under the big top at
10:00am at Pioneer Park, Griffith.**

**Tickets to this wonderful event are on sale now at
Collins Booksellers Griffith (Griffin Plaza) or the
Griffith City Library. Tickets cost kids from 6 to 16
\$10.00ea. and adults \$20.00ea. These tickets also
give you all the rest of the day at the festival too.**

**For bookings and more information contact Collins
Booksellers on 6964 2322**

CARRATHOOL PUBLIC SCHOOL

TRIVIA NIGHT

at the Carrathool Hotel

25TH AUGUST, 2012

7pm TILL LATE

SILENT AUCTIONS

GREAT PRIZES

TICKETS ON SALE NOW FROM

CARRATHOOL PUBLIC SCHOOL

PH: 6993 5143

EARLY BIRD PRICES \$8.00

OR AT THE DOOR \$10.00

BYO TABLE NIBBLES

DRINKS SOLD AT BAR

TEA & COFFEE PROVIDED BY THE P&C

JUMPING CASTLE AND

LASER TAG FOR KIDS \$5

COME AND HELP SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL
PRIMARY SCHOOL AND HAVE SOME FUN!!!!



Education
& Training

