

Peppercorn Press

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Term 4 – Week 6

Tuesday 12 November , 2013

Coming Events

Term 4 - Week

Wednesday	13 November	Kindy Orientation
Thursday	14 November	Scripture/swimming
Friday	15 November	LONG WEEKEND
Saturday	16 November	Trivia Night

Term 4 - Week 7

Monday	18 November	School leaders speeches and election
Thursday	21 November	Scripture/swimming

Term 4 - Week 8

Wednesday	27 November	Kindy Orientation
Thursday	28 November	Scripture/swimming

From the Principal

We had a lovely day for our 130 year anniversary celebration. Thank you to those people who attended the day and helped us celebrate. Please see a recount of the day later on in the newsletter. The P & C will be holding their 'Trivia Night' this Saturday 16 November @ 6pm for a 6.30 start. Grant Wynne from Griffith will be the host for the evening. Bring your own nibbles and drinks. Bring the family for a fun night! There are lots of prizes to be won. A continuous raffle will be held on the night and a silent auction. Remember it is not an IQ test, just a bit of trivia! Hope to see you there.

Year 2 are now practising to be seniors. Sam and Nicholas have settled in very well.

The seniors have been busy writing their speeches for 2014 school leaders. Due to one family being absent this week, speeches and elections have been postponed until 18 November. Good luck!

No Hat No Play

Please remind your children to bring their school hat (broad brim) to school as there will be a 'no hat no play' rule this term. Caps are not acceptable in this weather as they only offer limited protection.

Could all families please search at home for the school's spare hats as there are quite a few missing.

Your co-operation is appreciated in this matter.

Trivia Night

This Saturday 16 November
at Carrathool Memorial Hall
6.00 pm for a 6.30 start
Hosted by Grant Wynne!

Bring your own nibbles
and drinks

Continuous raffle, silent auction
and much more!

Come along for a great night of
fun!

Tickets \$10 at the door
Or \$8 early bird price (at school)

Swimming Lessons

Swimming lessons are well on the way. Please remember to pick your children up before 11.30 am to ensure we start lessons on time at 12.40 pm.

Parents have been reimbursed for the first five weeks of travel this week. These payments will be credited to your bank accounts on Thursday.



Kindy Enrolments 2014

We are currently accepting enrolments for Kindergarten students in 2014. Students, who are five years of age on or before 31st July, 2014 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 2014 Kindy students are:

- Wednesday 13 November from 9 – 11.00 am
- Wednesday 27 November from 9 – 1.30 pm
- Wednesday 11 December from 9 – 3.00 pm

The Athlete's Foot – School Rewards Program

If you purchase shoes from The Athlete's Foot in Griffith, they will donate \$5 to our school. All you have to do is mention Carrathool Public School. It can be a pair purchased for anyone, not just school children.



Descriptive Writing

The seniors have been writing narratives with lots of adjectives. Here are some examples:

Crack! Out of the purple, speckled egg came a strange creature. It had blood red eyes and blood dripping from its long, sharp fangs. It had red wool on its body and four wide legs and strong wings. It was a vampeep – a vampire sheep. The vampeep looked around then it flew away.
By Sam

In a flash of violet light the purple, speckled egg cracked open. Out came a small, slimy bird. Its body was the same shape and colour of the egg it came out of. The tiny animal looked like a duck crossed with a chicken with overly large wings and nasty talons; it had a pearl coloured beak that shone in the light. The chick looked and then scrambled onto the soft grass.
By Sarah

Out of the purple speckled egg, came a tiny pink sheep. It had four thin long legs. It was slimy all over. Its strange body was covered in blue, silky feathers instead of wool. On its ugly face it had wool as white as snow. It was trying to fly away but it stumbled and fell over. It was a very weird looking animal.
By Seth

Out of the egg came a goat like animal. It had horns as sharp as a razor. Its hooves were as shiny as a disco ball and as hard as steel. Its fur was as spikey as nails. Its legs were as black as charcoal. And its tail was slimy and green. It was very long. It has wings that were as white as snow. As I approached it this weird creature it roared and flew off.
By Shane

Carrathool Public School 130 Year Anniversary

On Saturday 2 November we celebrated 130 years of education in Carrathool. We had about 80 people attend. It was a lovely day and the weather was very kind to us.



Group shot

The day started with displays of memorabilia and classroom displays. Merchandise including stubby holders (very popular!), key rings and magazines were all for sale for \$5. Still some available if anybody wants some, just contact the school on 02 6993 5143. The magazine included photos and recollections from past principals, teachers and students. Commemorative pavers were also sold, these will be permanently placed in an anniversary garden. We are still taking orders for the pavers if anyone is interested. Pavers cost \$25 or \$30 for hand drawn ones.



At the school we had many families handprints painted on a water tank in brightly coloured paint with their names written underneath. They look great!



Handprints on the Tank

Visitors were treated to a brief student performance, followed by a special presentation to current students of commemorative medallions. These medallions were presented by our Director, Vicki Kempton.



Vicki Kempton our Director presenting a commemorative medallion to Patrick

Following this, ex principals, (Jayne Gill and Fran Brown), ex teachers, (Carmel Star and Marg McFarland), former and current staff and students were all asked to take part in planting trees.



Former principals Jayne Gill and Fran Brown planting their tree



Thank you Jeff Blair for digging the holes!



Our oldest student attending Annette Rodgers and our youngest student Bethany cutting the Anniversary Cake

We then headed over to the hotel for afternoon tea. The anniversary cake was cut by our oldest student attending and our youngest student currently at the school.



Part of the memorabilia display

We had some very positive feedback on the day, one visitor commented; 'Excellent display of memorabilia and lovely day to catch up with old friends'.



Former teacher, Marg McFarland (3rd from left), with five of her ex students, Patrick Gannon, Caroline Tuohey, Marie Colbert, Kellie Wallace and James Webb

All in all, a great day to catch up and reminisce with old friends and make new friends.



Former teacher Carmel Star

(Carmel has a recollection of her time at the school in the anniversary magazine).

School Banking

School banking is held on Thursdays. **Keep saving to win more Dollarmites' treasure!** Simply make two or more school banking deposits from now until 30 November to go in the draw to win:

- 60 x Apple iPod touch 16GB
- 100 x Adventure DVD Pack including Despicable Me, Despicable Me 2 & HOP

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

Carrathool Combined Sports Club (incorporating Hall Committee) would like to advise that their meetings are held on the last Sunday of the month at 10 am.

Next Meeting will be held on Sunday 24th November, at 10.00 am.

ALL WELCOME

Hay Carer Support Group

An opportunity for mutual support, sharing in a confidential setting and to hear informative speakers

Alzheimer's Australia NSW

Dementia Helpline 1800 100 500

When: 1st Wednesday monthly

Venue: Community Health Centre, Hay

Time: 10.30 am

Contact: Merylise 69602835

Newsletter Briefs

What is a homonym?

Let's face it, English can be a crazy language. Take homonyms, for example. These are words that are identical in pronunciation and spelling but have different meanings. This homonym list will provide some clarity.

Find out more:

http://www.schooltoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-a-to-z/-/english_glossary/8Qum/1084/homonym

MERCHANDISE FOR SALE

Stubby Holders \$5



Commemorative Pavers



\$25 for names or \$30 for hand drawn pavers

Key Rings \$5



Magazines \$5

