

Peppercorn Press

Carrathool Public School

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Term 4 – Week 9

Wednesday 3rd December, 2014

Coming Events

Term 4

Week 9

Thursday	4 Dec	School banking and canteen
Friday	5 Dec	Swimming and Karate lessons @ Griffith Aquatic Centre

Week 10

Monday	8 Dec	LONG WEEKEND
Thursday	11 Dec	School banking and canteen
Friday	12 Dec	Swimming and Karate lessons @ Griffith Aquatic Centre

Week 11

Tuesday	16 Dec	Presentation Night @ 7 pm
Wednesday	17 Dec	End of year party for students and last day of school 2014 School starts for students at 11 am on this day
Thursday	18 Dec	Staff Development Day
Friday	18 Dec	Staff Development Day



Miss Pip accepting a gift from the students to say thank you ☺

Principal's Report

The school year is very quickly drawing to an end. We have had a very busy, productive and enjoyable year. I would like to thank Mrs Falls (nee Whiting) for her wonderful Scripture lessons over the last four years. We all wish you and Grahame the very best in life. It was lovely to listen to the children share their favourite memories of Miss Pip's lessons, and to hear Miss Pip's favourites. We would also like to thank Pip for finding a replacement Scripture teacher, Beth, to teach next year. We look forward to them Beth!

*Presentation Night
Tuesday 16th December
Starting @ 7pm
Students to be at school by
6.30 Grandparents, family
and friends all welcome!
Supper will be served after
presentations*

*Please bring a plate to
share for supper*

ALL WELCOME!

We had our first kindy orientation on Friday 21 November. Unfortunately it will be our only one due to distance. We are all looking forward to Charlotte and Chloe joining our class next year. Charlotte joined us for orientation and was an absolute delight to have in the classroom. The other children were very excited to have Charlotte in the classroom.

We have two more swimming and karate lessons left this year. I would like to thank parents, once again, for transporting their children to and from these lessons. I encourage all students to make the most of this opportunity and to attend each lesson. The second payment for travel will be made on Monday 15 December.

Thank you to Shara Blair for joining us for work experience two weeks ago. We hope you enjoyed it Shara.

All year six students have attended their high school orientation days. Everyone has enjoyed themselves at them and we hope the transition from primary to secondary school has been made a little easier for them.

School reports will go home next Thursday 11th December. If you would like an interview to discuss your child's/children's progress, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our Presentation Night. Please bring a plate of food to share for supper.

Mrs Leanne Hedt,
Relieving Principal

Kindy Orientation

On Friday 21st November, we had Kindy Orientation. Charlotte joined the class for the morning and dazzled us with her writing, reading and drawing. We look very forward to Charlotte and her big sister, Chloe, joining us next year!



Charlotte writing a letter to Santa

END OF YEAR PARTY

Fun Day at School

Starting at 11 am

Wednesday 17th December

Cost \$10 per child

Water Slide and a

Special Surprise!

Lunch provided by the school

Siblings invited from 1 pm onwards

Bring your cossies, towel, hat and
drink bottle!

Kindy Enrolments 2015

We are currently accepting enrolments for Kindergarten students in 2015. Students, who are five years of age on or before 31st July, 2015 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.

Good News Week

Yesterday we had the 'Good News Week' concert. The students thoroughly enjoyed it and so did many visitors from the cotton gin. This year the concert featured a special rapper, Jamahl (who is working at the cotton gin and apparently has got quite a following!)

We would like to thank the Reverend Jesse Huckel and all of his friends for travelling from Griffith, to once, again put on a tremendous concert for our students.



We all had a giggle or two!



Jamahl, the star (who apparently turned down a couple of guest appearances with high profile stars, just to be here with us!)



Audience participation was great!

Farewell Miss Pip (Now Mrs Falls!)



Miss Pip held her last Scripture lesson a couple of weeks ago. We have all enjoyed Miss Pip's lessons and company over the last four years. Miss Pip joined us for a special farewell lunch. Students shared their favourite Scripture memories with Pip. We wish you all the best Mrs Falls (newly married on 29 November) in your new life. We will miss you very much!

Garlic for sale

Purple and white garlic for sale:
\$6 for half a kilo
Contact the school on 6993 5143
if you would like some
\$1 from each sale goes towards the
school (thank you Mrs Headon)

School Captain's Report

We've had an outstanding term! Our chooks are healthy and every one at the school loves them and is glad the school decided to get them. The lawn looks great and it's a nice place to sit, talk and play.

We've had lots of fresh produce from our vege garden and have got lots more growing. We have watermelon, rockmelon, beans, pumpkin, zucchini, onions and beetroot growing. Our herb garden is going crazy! The mint has taken over everything. We also have parsley, sage, rosemary and thyme (*and no, we're not going to Scarborough Fair!* – added by editor)

Yesterday we had the 'Good News Week' concert. They were very entertaining and everyone had lots of fun!

In school work, we're busily finishing up our work for the year and very busy practising for our end of year assembly.

Sarah Merrylees,
School Captain

Newsletter Tips

Summer holiday fun

Book your children into one of our fun-filled camp next school holidays. Your children will be kept busy and active while learning new skills and making new friends. You'll have peace of mind knowing your children are safe and well looked after. For details, visit Sport and Recreation website www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/kidscamps/

For the love of science

Science is a method of engaging with, and trying to understand, the world. Professor Tim Flannery says if a child is interested in pursuing science, encourage them to develop persistence and humility – the idea that they won't always be right.

Listen to the podcast:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-projects/science/science-tips/for-the-love-of-science>

Pleasures of free play

Allowing free time for children to play on their own, making up games and activities, can help kids to be comfortable in their own company, teach them how to cope with boredom and, importantly, foster their imagination.

Under scheduling your child:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/benefits-of-underscheduling-your-child>

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

Australia Day Citizen of the Year Awards

Carrathool Shire Australia Day Nominations close this Friday. Nominations submitted by 12 noon Monday 8 December will be considered. If you know any worthy recipients, events or groups worthy of nomination please submit immediately.

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 29 December , at 10.00 am.
All welcome.



**Carrathool Sport's Club
Christmas Party
Sunday 7th December, 2014**



**12 start for 1 pm lunch
Santa due at 3 pm!**

**\$10 per adult
Children free
BYOG**

**(Parents to provide a present for their child
of no more than \$10 please)**

The School Rewards Programme from The Athletes Foot Griffith donates \$5 from every pair of shoes purchased back to our school.

With a shoe expertly fitted by one of The Athletes Foot Fit Technicians and Fitzi (latest computer fit analysis), your child will have the right support and cushioning for all the school activities and sports they take part in every day.

The Athletes Foot stock a wide range of Ascent and Clarks school shoes and sports shoes to ensure there are options for everyone. Even better, \$5, from every shoe purchase is donated back to our school. This applies to your whole family across their entire range of school, sport, work and casual shoes.

For more information about the programme please phone The Athletes Foot Griffith on 6964 2231



Christmas Service

St Georges Anglican Church
Carrathool

24th December 2014

at 5.00 pm

Bishop Rob will be officiating at the service

(The new Bishop of the Riverina)

All Welcome

