

Peppercorn Press

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Term 1 – Week 8

Tuesday 18th March, 2014

Coming Events

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Thursday	20 March	Scripture and Banking
Thursday	20 March	DrumMuster Training
Friday	21 March	Tennis with Mr Callaghan
Friday	21 March	Special lunches from Carrathool Pub
Friday	21 March	Morning tea for Senior's Week @ School

Term 1 - Week 9

Thursday	27 March	Scripture and Banking
Friday	28 March	Tennis with Mr Callaghan

Term 1 - Week 10

Monday	31 March	Young Leader's Conference
Tuesday	1 April	Jean Woods Hearing Assessments
Wednesday	2 April	Mobile Library
Thursday	3 April	X-Country Goolgowi-
Friday	4 April	Tennis with Mr Callaghan
Friday	4 April	Special lunches made at school

From the Principal

We hope Nicholas has a good time at Stewart House over the next 2 weeks. He was very excited to be selected. I'm sure we will hear lots about it when he returns.

This term is flying, week 8 already. This week, on Friday, we are celebrating 'Senior's Week at School', by inviting senior citizens to a special morning tea at 11 am.

Students may order lunch from the Carrathool Family Hotel on Friday. An order form will go home tomorrow.

Young Leaders Day

On Sunday 30th and Monday 31st March, Sarah and Shane, our school leaders will travel to Sydney to attend the Young Leader's Day. The students will

join with leaders from the Griffith and surrounding schools. It is a great opportunity for both students and we wish them well.

P & C News

Next P & C meeting has been postponed until Monday 7th April, in order for Mrs Bevan to attend. Sorry for any inconvenience.



Carrathool Participants in 'Casella' City to the Lake

On Sunday 2nd of March, Ben, Sarah and Rob Merrylees took part in the 2nd City to the Lake Ride. Sarah and Rob rode 1970's Vintage Raleigh folding bikes while 6 year old Ben rode a bike of similar vintage that was used by his father years ago.

They completed the ride Griffith City to Lake Wyangan, then not satisfied with a mere 10 km, they rode back to the city.

Thanks to some generous sponsors they were able to raise a significant amount towards the Griffith Community Hospital.

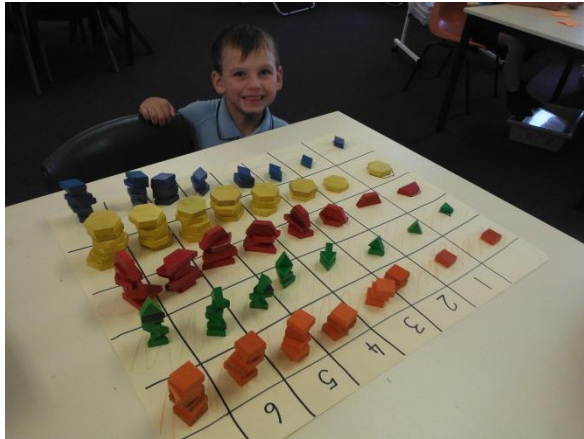
Well done Ben, Sarah and Rob!

Cross Country Carnival

On Thursday 3rd of April, our students will be participating in the Cross Country Carnival at Goolgowi. Please return your notes as soon as possible.

Classwork

In Kindergarten, Anthony has been learning about shapes. He has done a great job here!



Library News

We have some delightful new books for the students to read including:

- Along the Road to Gundagai
- Tom the Outback Mailman
- Once Tashi Met a Dragon
- The Boy on the Page and many more!

Susan Berran who visited our school a couple of weeks ago kindly donated a whole set of her books to the school.

Happy reading everybody!



Susan Berran with the seniors

Spring Bulb Fundraiser

The Student Representative Council is once again having a 'Spring Bulb Fundraiser'. The bulbs are beautifully packaged and labelled.

Please return your orders by **31st March**.

Woolworths Earn and Learn

We have received our resources from last year's Earn and Learn promotion. We now have some excellent phonics resources. Thank you to everyone who collected stickers on our behalf. Your effort is very much appreciated!

Stewart House Day

Attached to the newsletter is an envelope from Stewart House. Stewart House Day is on Friday 9th May, 2014. Please donate \$2.00 for a chance to win a \$4,000 FAMILY HOLIDAY.

Your donation supports the 1,800 children who attend Stewart House each year from public schools across NSW and the ACT.

Please return the envelope by **4th April, 2014**.

School Uniforms

Lots of pre-loved uniforms at the school for sale for only a gold coin donation. Please come and have a look if you need some. On the last day of term (same day as end of term assembly) all items will be displayed for your perusal.

Funny things said at school:

Do you know what a rink is?
Yes, that's when you rink up when you get old!

Where do you live?
At home!

School Banking

School Banking will be held on Thursdays this year, same as last year.

Tennis

Last time in tennis the students played match play called 'Challenge the Champ' where they play each other at singles matches. They have also had a lesson on volleys and played a volley game called 'Fruit Salad'. Apparently the little kids really enjoy it when they connect with the ball.

School Captain's Report

This has been a nice relaxed week. We have been pretty busy all term!

Nicholas went to Stewart House yesterday and we hope he has a great time.

Last Thursday Year 6 went to High War Memorial High School to sit for the Selective High School tests. We had to answer questions on Maths, grammar, general ability and writing. We did very well.

Our chooks seem very happy and have settled in well to their new home. We can't wait for the first eggs!

Sarah Merrylees
School Captain.

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

Paint the Town REaD

Hay Shire invite you to the Paint the Town REaD launch. The presentation talks about the early literacy scheme to encourage the whole community to read, talk, sing and rhyme with children.

Monday 31st March, 2014

At Hay Library – RSL Room at 5.30 pm

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 30th March, 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

Hay Carer Support Group

Newsletter Briefs

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)

If your child is currently in Year 3, 5, 7 or 9, they'll sit NAPLAN tests this May. And despite what you may have heard, there's no reason to panic or start an intensive study schedule for your child.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/all-about-naplan>

Sushi train

Brown rice sushi rolls are a nutritious change to pack for school lunches. Unlike white rice sushi, they can be made the night before, and the filling can be adapted to suit your child's preferences. Pack in a chiller bag with an icepack and include some little soy sauce fish.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/en/wellbeing/food/recipes/meat-and-fish-dishes/brown-rice-sushi-rolls>

School A to Z app

Do you struggle to understand your child's homework? Does your child need to practise their spelling and times tables? Are you looking for inspiration for projects and assignments? This free homework helper app provides maths and English glossaries, assignment starters and more.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/mobile-applications/school-a-to-z>

Wild Australia app

Your child can use this terrific app as an interactive educational tool at Taronga Zoo in Sydney or at Taronga Western Plains Zoo, Dubbo. Wild Australia can also be used at home to discover more about the zoos' amazing animals and interesting keepers.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/zh/homework-and-study/educational-games/taronga-zoo-wild-australia>

Booligal Sheep Races

Saturday 12th April, 2014

Lots of fun and laughs for the whole family!

Gates open at 11 am

BBQ on the day

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For more info:

info@booligalsheep races.com.au or

phone 0427 274 652 or 0439 938 119