

# Peppercorn Press

## Carrathool Public School

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Term 1` – Week 5

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2018

### CALENDAR:

#### 2018 Term Dates

Term 1 – Mon 29 Jan to Fri 13 April. (Easter break Fri 30 March – Mon 2 April)

Term 2 – Mon 30 April to Fri 6 July.

Term 3 – Mon 23 July to Fri 28 Sept.

Term 4 – Mon 15 Oct to Wed 19 Dec.

**Our Library day is now MONDAY.**

### Principal's Report

**School Plan 2018-2020** We are in the process of finalising the Carrathool PS school plan for the next three years. As a school community we have chosen the Strategic Directions of Quality Learning, Quality Teaching and Wellbeing. We aim to prepare students for the future, where they will be able to connect to the wider community and utilise the skills of resilience, independence, problem-solving and self-discipline. If you have any comments or queries about our Strategic Directions please contact school.

**Super Friday** Our second Super Friday was perhaps more successful than our first as the children interacted more readily with their Booligal peers. It is fantastic to see this interaction and collaboration with their learning. Our children understand that in order to improve at an activity they need to practise repeatedly. This applies not only to Calisthenics and ukulele that are conducted on Super Fridays but to reading and writing, spelling and maths. Giving up when something is unknown or difficult is not

option. Our next **Super Friday** will be **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March**. I am unavailable to drive on this day.

**Swimming Carnivals** Congratulations to Lincoln, Cassidy and Ben who attended the Hay PS/Hay Small Schools Swimming Carnival. All qualified to swim in the District Carnival, also in Hay, on 1 March. More details about carnivals will appear later in this newsletter.

**P&C** Our small but active P&C held its AGM recently. Office bearers for this year are President- Vicki Rawle, Secretary- Alison Keen, Treasurer- Cath Merrylees, Fundraising- Frances Dewson and Geraldine Blair. Our first fundraising activity will be selling drink tickets at the Carrathool Races this weekend.

Finally, a big **Get Well Soon** wish to Mrs Mary Gilbert. We hope you will be home soon.



### Upcoming Events

- **7 March** - Phil Kettle Writing Workshop at Booligal. Phil Kettle is the author of the Too Cool and Marcy series, loved by children everywhere. Our students benefited greatly from this workshop last year.

Have a great week,

Mary-Ann Headon

Principal



## Captain's Report

Over the last two weeks some of our students have participated in two swimming carnivals: the Hay PS/Hay Small School carnival and the Deniliquin District carnival held yesterday. (See Sport's Report for details.) We have also participated in two Super Fridays. Last Tuesday, as part of our Fairy Tale theme, we made Gingerbread Men with Mrs Bev Headon and Mrs Terblanche from Hay. They were very tasty.

By Cassidy.

## Literacy News



We are doing Fairy Tales. We have been learning about Kings and Queens, cottages and castles and my favourite fairy tale is Rapunzel.

By Eliza

**Have you ever wondered what would be said if two fairy tale characters met unexpectedly? Here is what might happen....**

**Big Bad Wolf (Dean)**

**Snow White (Eliza)**

**BBW- Hey little girl, what are you doing in these woods?**

**SW- Just picking a beautiful bunch of flowers.**

**BBW- Oh great. Where does your mum live?**

**SW- My mum is a wicked witch!**

**BBW- Is she a good mum?**

**SW- She is terrible! Would you like to eat her up?**

**BBW- Well of course, little girl. Where does she live?**

**SW- In a big castle.**

**BBW- Whereabouts is the big castle?**

**SW- Over that big hill, OK?**

**BBW- Got it!**



## Sport's Report By Dean

On the 16<sup>th</sup> of February Cassidy, Ben and Lincoln participated in the Hay Swimming Carnival. They all swam really well. Results are:

Ben - First 50 m freestyle, 50m Breaststroke and Small Schools 11 Years Boys Champion. Cassidy – Second 50m freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke, third 100m freestyle. Lincoln – first 50m freestyle.

All three students competed at the Deniliquin District carnival yesterday. We will report on their efforts in the next newsletter.



## Ukulele By Ben

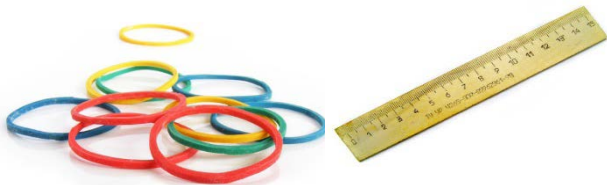
On Super Fridays we do Ukulele with Chris and the Booligal students. We are learning songs such as *Count on Me* and *I'm Yours* by Bruno Mars. These are really catchy songs and I enjoy working out how to play the special sounds you can hear in these songs. We are also learning *I am Australian*. Even though we have just started learning these songs, we actually sound pretty good!



## Super Friday by Lincoln

On Friday we went to Hay to do Super Friday. We did STEM, swimming and even dance too.

In STEM we flung rubber bands from rulers to see if the distance we stretched the rubber band had any effect on the distance it flew. We decided how far we would stretch the band each time and measured each distance. We found that the further we pulled the rubber band back the greater the distance it travelled. I worked with Dimity and Dusty from Booligal.



## Community News

If you need community notices advertised in our newsletter please contact the school either by phone, fax or email.

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**Sports Club** The Sports Club would like to advise that they will meet on the last Sunday of every month at 10am at the Community Hall.



## Drum Muster

The Carrathool Shire Tip is the collection site for any 'clean' chemical drums. The drums need to be cleaned and sighted by an inspector. Once this is done, and paperwork completed, the drums can be dropped off at the collection site.

Training is available to anyone who would like to become an inspector and is free of charge.

The Carrathool P & C receive a small amount (\$0.25) per drum once they have been collected by a contractor. The site has already collected 11,249 drums to date.

Collection is usually made for 500 drums approximately 2-3 times a year. If anyone has 1,000 drums or more, collection can be made directly from the property.

For more information please visit the website [www.drummuster.com.au](http://www.drummuster.com.au)



## HAY PUBLIC SCHOOL FETE HEROES & SUPERHEROES

Rides - Games - Stalls - Raffles - Chocolate wheel - Balloons



Prizes for best dressed - Donuts - Fairy Floss - Face painting

Friday 23rd March @ 4:30pm





