

# MUNGINDI CENTRAL SCHOOL

Semester 2 - Term 4 - 2013

Week 5 - 6 November 2013

## Newsletter

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### UP & COMING EVENTS

**18 NOVEMBER  
TO  
22 NOVEMBER**  
STORMCO

**16 DECEMBER**  
- PRESENTATION NIGHT

# Pirates at Preschool



All our pirates sign in for a long sea voyage.



Searching for treasure can get crowded and dangerous on the island.



Our pirate princess finds gold on the island.



Ahoy there, we are pirates bold and brave ready for adventure on our pirate ship.



Climbing the rigging can be a scary job on a pirate ship.

Our pirate princess finds gold on the island.



**Miss Jennifer & Miss Natalie  
Preschool**



# MELBOURNE CUP AT THE HOSPITAL



**Mrs B Brosnan**  
Careers Teacher



## Mungindi Central School P & C

A lot has been going on with the P & C this year, and just recently we have had our Annual General Meeting. The new executive is as follows:

President: Kellie Beckenham

Vice President: Katrina Jeffreys

Secretary: Lyn Dykes

Treasurer: Judy Brymer

With the Brilliant Canteen Ladies: Kelly McMillan and Kathryn Smith

### **Billy G's Cookie Dough Fundraiser**

The order has been placed and pick up details will follow. Thank you for your support in this impromptu fundraiser.

### **Up & Coming**

For Presentation night, we will be organising 100 Club, \$10 for a number, with a \$500 prize, this will be run the week leading up to the presentation night. We will also look at a possible raffle as well.

### **Next Year's Main Fundraiser**

If you haven't heard it already, next year, on the evening of 10 May 2013, Marty and the Moochers will be providing the entertainment, after a divine dinner provided by Relish (of Narrabri) at Mungindi Central School Masquerade Ball. Plans are already in place, so keep an eye out early next year for details of this event.



# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to Week Five.

Mrs Brosnan and our students: Shernille Ellis, Breanna Prince, Devon Van der Watt, Michael Williams and Morgan Mathew supported our senior citizens celebrate the Melbourne Cup at Mungindi Hospital this week. The behaviour and enthusiasm of our students brought admiration from the patients and staff of the hospital. My thanks to Mrs Brosnan and the students for supporting our community and demonstrating the positive contribution we can all make.

Students will be issued with student identity cards this week. These are important for students to be responsible for as they will be used during external examinations, excursions and extra-curricula events. The cost of a replacement card is \$5.00 and will be charged if the student identity card is lost.

This week students in Year 7 to 10 are completing their Yearly Examinations from Monday 4 November to Friday 8 November. These formal examinations are an opportunity for students to demonstrate the knowledge and skills they have developed in each of their courses. I encourage parents/caregivers to ensure that their children are well prepared and rested for the examinations and attend school on time to enable them to complete these important assessments to the best of their ability.

The School Executive team are conducting an analysis of the NAPLAN Data this week; a literacy and numeracy focus will be developed based upon the areas identified where students performed below national benchmarks.

A reminder that our Homework Centres operate for Primary students on Monday from 2.40-3.15 and Secondary on Thursday from 3.15-4.30. I encourage all students to take advantage of this opportunity to access the support of their teachers in completing their homework and assessment requirements.

Wishing You A Wonderful Week Five.

Mr P Champion  
**Relieving Principal**

# Vaccinations

## Year 7 - 15 November 2013

### *Motivation, Commitment, Success*



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## Impetigo (School Sores)

Time from exposure to illness  
1 to 3 days.

### Symptoms

Small red spots change into blisters that fill up with pus and become crusted; usually on the face, hands or scalp.



Do I need to keep my child home?

Yes, until antibiotic treatment starts. Sores should be covered with watertight dressings.

How can I prevent spread?

Careful hand washing.

## Gastroenteritis

Time from exposure to illness

Depends on the cause: several hours to several days.

### Symptoms

A combination of frequent loose or watery stools, vomiting, fever, stomach cramps, headaches.



Do I need to keep my child home?

Yes, at least for 24 hours after diarrhoea stops.

How can I prevent spread?

Careful hand washing with soap and water after using the toilet or handling nappies and before touching food.

## Head Lice

Time from infestation to eggs hatching

Usually 7 to 10 days.

### Symptoms

Itchy scalp, white specks stuck near the base of the hairs; lice may be found on the scalp.

Do I need to keep my child home?

No, as long as head lice management is ongoing.

How can I prevent spread?

Family, friends and classroom contacts should be examined and treated if infested. Clothing and bedding should be washed in hot water.

### Living in your hair

Head lice - parasitic insects that can cause itching, irritability and sores caused by scratching - have a three-stage life cycle.



- ① **Nit**  
Tiny eggs are laid at base of hair shaft and are often confused with dandruff.
- ② **Nymph**  
Nits hatch into baby insects and become reddish-brown after feeding on human blood.
- ③ **Adult**  
Adults rely on blood to live. Females can lay up to 100 eggs.



**Getting them**

- Head lice are transmitted through contact of the head or hair of the infested individual.
- Can be passed through clothing or personal items, such as hair brushes.

**Treatment**

- Wash clothing and bedding of infested person.
- Over-the-counter and prescription medications.
- Manually remove bugs and nits with nit comb.

Sources: U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Headlice.org

McClatchy-Tribune

# Remember to wash your hands



• Don't spread germs.



• Cover your cough.



• Wash your hands often.

# CALENDAR

MONTH: **October & November**

*Please let us know if you have dates to put in our Newsletter.*

IDEA  
FILE

Monday

4

Secondary  
Exams

Tuesday

5

Secondary  
Exams

Wednesday

6

Secondary  
Exams

Thursday

7

\* Secondary  
Exams  
\* Year 7  
Transition  
\* PaCE YR 1-2 2PM

Friday

8

\* Secondary Exams  
\* Year 7  
Transition  
\* Friday Night Freestyle

11

12

ESSA

13

P & C  
Meeting

14

\* Year 7  
Transition  
\* PaCE YR 3-6 2PM

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18

STORMCO  
STEWART HOUSE  
EXCURSION

19

STORMCO  
STEWART HOUSE  
EXCURSION

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STORMCO  
STEWART HOUSE  
EXCURSION

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PaCE YR K-1 2PM  
STORMCO  
STEWART HOUSE  
EXCURSION

22

STORMCO  
STEWART HOUSE  
EXCURSION

25

YR 10 WORK  
EXPERIENCE  
HOSPITALITY W-PL  
STEWART HOUSE  
EXCURSION

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YR 10 WORK  
EXPERIENCE  
HOSPITALITY W-PL  
STEWART HOUSE  
EXCURSION

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YR 10 WORK  
EXPERIENCE  
HOSPITALITY W-PL  
STEWART HOUSE  
EXCURSION

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YR 10 WORK  
EXPERIENCE  
HOSPITALITY W-PL  
STEWART HOUSE  
EXCURSION

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YR 10 WORK  
EXPERIENCE  
HOSPITALITY W-PL  
STEWART HOUSE  
EXCURSION

December 2

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PaCE YR 3-6 2PM

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*Monday 16 December 2013 - Presentation Night*

DAILY  
THEMES