

# MUNGINDI CENTRAL SCHOOL

Semester 2 - Term 4 - 2013

Week 10 - 11 December 2013

## Newsletter

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### UP & COMING EVENTS

**16 DECEMBER 2013 MONDAY**  
- PRESENTATION NIGHT

**4 FEBRUARY 2014 TUESDAY**  
- SCHOOL RESUMES FOR  
STAFF

**5 FEBRUARY 2014 WEDNESDAY**  
- SCHOOL RESUMES FOR  
STUDENTS

**8 MAY 2014 THURSDAY**  
- SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"The weak can  
never forgive.  
Forgiveness is the  
attribute of the  
strong."

- Mahatma Gandhi -



With 2013 quickly coming to an end, Stage Six English students have been busy preparing for, and presenting the first of their official HSC English assessment tasks. Michael and Edith (English Studies) can be seen here, delivering their assessment task on VC to their Unit Co-ordinator Mr Sam Crook at Goodooga Central School. Other students in their class are based at Boggabilla and Collarenebri. Marks are not yet in, but Mr Crook was very impressed with their presentation.

Likewise, Morgan (Standard English) will deliver her first HSC English assessment task via VC on Thursday. Morgan's Unit Co-Ordinator is Ms Di Gallagher from Glenn Innes. Her classmate (from Collarenebri) will also be presenting. This presentation will conclude the girls' Area of Study; Belonging. The girls have studied the drama text 'Rainbow's End' for this module.

**Miss Tanya Ogg**  
English Teacher

# PRESCHOOL

## *Christmas Story and Craft at Mungindi Library*

Our Preschool children enjoyed a visit to the Mungindi Library on Wednesday 4.12.13. We listened to Mrs Sue Price read Jackie French's book 'Christmas Wombat' and then we decorated some fun craft shapes for our tree. We also received a packet of lollies and candy cane. We had fun on our last visit to the Library for 2013.

We look forward to seeing all our children and their families at the Mungindi Central School Presentation Night on Monday December 16 at 6.30pm



**Miss Jennifer & Miss Natalie  
Preschool**

# LOVE BiTES



**LOVE BiTES** is currently being rolled out in many high schools across our region. Targeting students in Years 9 and 10 the program consists of two interactive education sessions on Domestic and Family Violence and Sexual Assault followed by creative workshops that consolidate the information from the morning. Interagency teams (from NSW Police, Hunter New England Health, DEC and various NGOs) have been trained to facilitate the program in collaboration with local secondary schools including Narrabri HS, Moree Secondary College, Mungindi and Boggabilla Central Schools and St Philomena's Catholic College in Moree.



# Presentation Night 2013

Mungindi Central School invites parents, caregivers and community members to attend the annual Presentation Night.


When: Monday 16 December, 2013

Time: 6:30 pm

Where: Mungindi Community Hall

Light refreshments available.

If you require any more information, please don't hesitate to call Mungindi Central School

 02 6753 2207

**STUDENTS MUST BE IN FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM**

# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to our last full school week of the year; next week students will attend on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Thursday and Friday will be Staff Development Days- Primary staff are travelling to Moree where Mrs Humphries will deliver professional learning to a combined staff group and secondary staff will remain at Mungindi Central School to complete programming for the new curriculum.

This week Mrs Brosnan has coordinated community service events for our Stage 4 students. Our students have supported community events at the Mungindi Home of the Aged, Mungindi RSL and Mungindi Hospital. The feedback from the community has been excellent, our students have represented our school, themselves and their families with pride and respect and I thank our students for their willingness to support the community and to Mrs Brosnan for her efforts in the coordination of these events.

Our School Presentation Night is next Monday, 16 December at the Community Hall; I look forward to meeting as many parents/caregivers as possible. Student reports will be available for collection at the conclusion of the presentations.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all students, staff and community members for supporting me during this term as I have been relieving principal. I have enjoyed the opportunity to work with you all and believe that we have been able to achieve significant outcomes during this term. Adrian King our Relieving Director has invited me to continue as relieving principal to start the new school year and I have accepted this invitation with much enthusiasm; I look forward to planning over the Christmas Break to ensure that Mungindi Central School provides a quality education for all students in our community.

**Mr Paul Champion**  
**Relieving Principal**

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# POSITION VACANT

## GENERAL ASSISTANT

Part Time	- Mungindi Central School - 00001VKO
Number of Openings	- One
Vacancy Type	- Permanent
School	- Mungindi Central School
Region	- Regional New South Wales - New England
Principal Network	- New England West
Staffing Area	- Moree
Full Time / Part Time	- Part Time
FTE	- 0.500
Hours/Minutes	- 19 hours 0 minutes per week
Advertisement Number	- A900062721
Total Remuneration Package	- The salary range for this position is \$16.50 (up to 20 years of Age) - \$24.21 (from 20 years of age) per hour. The total salary Package will include employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading
Contact Name	- Paul Champion – Phone Number 0267 532 207
Closing Date	- 11 December 2013 – 4:00 pm
Position Information	- Duties may include minor maintenance of buildings, plant and equipment; mowing school lawns and playing fields; receipt and distribution of stores and other duties as directed
Specific Selection Criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Effective communication skills</li><li>2. Ability to perform tasks in one or more of the following areas:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- store duties</li><li>- minor maintenance of buildings and equipment</li><li>- gardening duties</li></ul></li><li>3. Ability to work with minimal supervision</li></ol>

## 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?

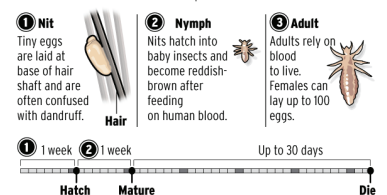
Yes, at least for 24 hours after diarrhoea stops.

How can I prevent spread?

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

### Living in your hair

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



**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

# CALENDAR

MONTH: **December  
&  
February**

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

IDEA  
FILE

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9	10	11	12	13
16 PRESENTATION NIGHT	17	18 STUDENTS FINAL DAY 2013	19 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	20 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
23 HOLIDAYS	24 CHRISTMAS EVE	25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26 BOXING DAY	27 HOLIDAYS
February 3	4 School Resumes For Staff	5 School Resumes For Students	6	7
10	11	12	13	14

*Monday 16 December 2013 - Presentation Night*  
*Thursday 8 May 2014 - School Photographer*

DAILY  
THEMES