

# Mungindi Central School

SEMESTER 2 TERM 3 2014

WEEK 10 - 16 September 2014

## Year 4/5/6 in the Library



Year 4/5/6 have been looking at the importance of the environment and the main message of, 'The Lorax'. Year 4/5/6 created Lorax images and painted pots to plant our, 'Busy Lizzy', seeds.

Miss Abby White  
Library Teacher

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### UP & COMING EVENTS

-  **WARRUMBUNGLE SCIENCE TRIP**  
15 - 17 September 2014
-  **BEAUTY THERAPY CERT II**  
17 - 19 September 2014
-  **SPECIAL ASSEMBLY - 1:00 PM**  
18 September 2014
-  **GO 4 FUN**  
18 September 2014
-  **FINAL DAY TERM 3**  
19 September 2014

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*"It's not who you are that holds you back, it's who you think you're not."*  
Denis Waitley



# Eural Shield Tennis Competition Boomi

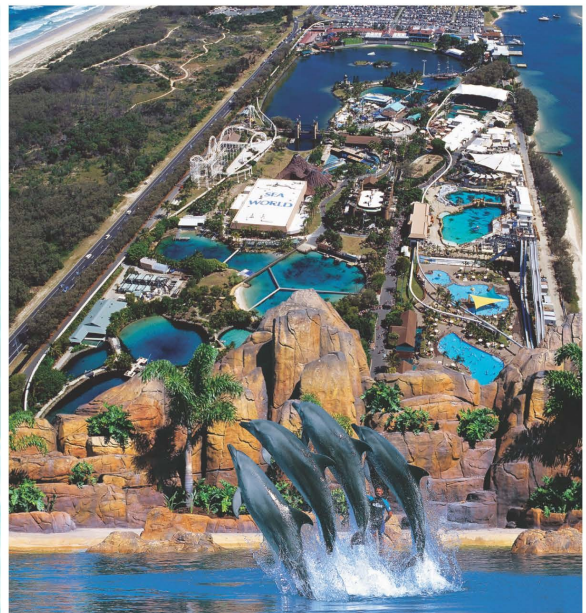
On Friday 12 September, nine Mungindi Central School Primary students competed in the Eural Shield Tennis Competition at Boomi. It was a fantastic day for all students. A big thank you to Natalie Prince who drove the bus and umpired games throughout the day. All students displayed great sportsmanship and they all came away with wins. Mungindi Central School only missed out on the Shield, which was won by Thallon State School by two games.

Miss Abby White  
**Primary Sports Coordinator**





# P & C Raffle



**Raffle Fundraiser**  
GOLD COAST HOLIDAY



**Prize  
is for 2  
Adults,  
2 Children\*  
& includes:**

- Virgin Australia Airfare voucher for **N/A**
- Stay **4** nights at the World Famous 4½★ Sea World Resort & Water Park in a Resort Room
- With Entry to:
 

	• Sea World	<b>Unlimited</b>	day(s)
	• Warner Bros. Movie World	<b>Unlimited</b>	day(s)
	• Wet'n'Wild Water World	<b>Unlimited</b>	day(s)
	• Caltex Star Cash Card	<b>\$200.00</b>	
	• With a Food and Beverage Credit for Sea World Resort & Water Park	<b>\$200.00</b>	

**Tickets are  
only \$2.00 ea**

**Ticket sales close:**

**17 December 2014**

**Prize drawn:**

**17 December 2014  
MCS Presentation Night**

**Return tickets/monies by:**

**5 December 2014**

**Return tickets/monies to:**

**MCS Office**

**Group:**

**Mungindi Central School Parents & Community Association**

Terms and Conditions: A certificate for the accommodation and theme parks will be issued to the winner. The certificate must be presented on arrival. A separate Virgin Australia certificate or Caltex Star Cash Card will be issued to the winner, if applicable. The holiday/theme park certificates, the Virgin Australia certificate and the Caltex Star Cash Card are valid for use for up to 12 months from their issue date. The accommodation component includes room accommodation only. Unless stated, the prize does not include airfares, meals, transport, activities or transfers. Accommodation is subject to availability. The holiday can be used over the Australian School Holidays for a small surcharge of \$40 per night for Shoulder Season or \$100 per night for High Season. It cannot be used during special events. It cannot be transferred or redeemed for cash and must be taken intact. \* Child age for Theme Park tickets is 3-13 years (14+ years require adult tickets). We or BLC International Pty Ltd do not accept any liability of whatever nature, whether in contract, tort or otherwise, for the acts, omissions or default, whether negligent or otherwise, of third party providers over whom we have no direct control. Under circumstances where liability cannot be excluded, such liability is limited to the value of the purchased travel arrangements. We do not accept any liability in contract, tort or otherwise for any injury, damage, loss (including consequential loss), delay, additional expense or inconvenience caused directly or indirectly by force majeure or any other event which is beyond our control which is not preventable by reasonable diligence on our part.



# Kindergarten / Year 1 Library

Kindergarten / Year 1 have been working very hard this term creating some fantastic art work. We have been looking at the importance of family. The students enthusiastically created images of their families using oil pastels and oil.

Miss Abby White  
Library Teacher



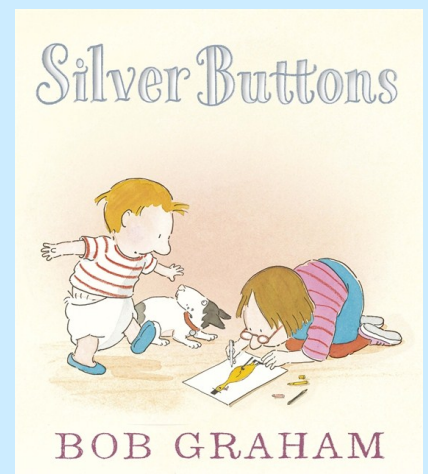
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## Book Review

**Silver Buttons** by Bob Graham

**Silver Buttons** is a Children's Book Council of Australia, Short Listed Picture Book, that is all about children developing an awareness of the world around them. The book is based around the many different things that can happen in a minute. The book has beautiful imagery and is aimed at younger students who are learning about the big wide world.

Miss Abby White  
Library Teacher



# Careers News

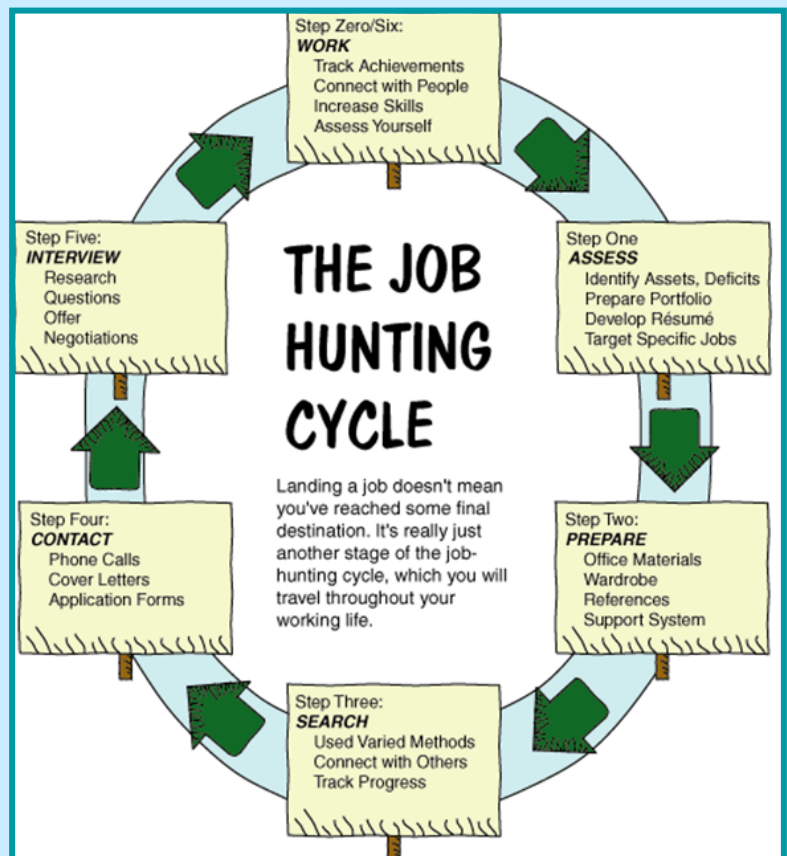
## Finding A Job

Approximately 80% of jobs are not advertised. Consider all of the following methods of finding a job to give yourself a better chance of securing employment.

- **Networking:** Talk to family and friends. Make sure they all know you are keen to find a job and ask them to let you know if they hear of any vacancies. More jobs are found like this than any other way.
- **Unsolicited Applications:** Don't wait for firms to advertise vacancies, contact them to let them know you are available. You can look up companies in the Yellow Pages or on the Internet and either telephone, email or write to them asking for work. Include your resume with a cover letter.
- **The Internet:** Many jobs are advertised online, usually through specific websites such as seek, jobsearch, etc.
- **Group Training Companies:** There are many organisations that employ people for a number of companies, either in a particular trade or traineeship or for a particular location. This saves you having to contact many individual companies. They are particularly useful for apprenticeships and traineeships.
- **Door Knocking:** Let employers know you want a job by calling on them. Take your resume and personal folder with you.
- **Newspapers:** Look regularly in newspapers, especially in your local paper, the Sydney Morning Herald, the Australian (in particular on Saturdays) and the Telegraph. Buy the papers early in the day and respond immediately using the method requested in the advertisement.
- **Recruitment Companies:** These recruitment agencies work for companies who need staff. They try to find as perfect a match as possible between employees and employers. They will check your resume and give you an initial interview and then forward your resume for positions for which you are suited. They charge the employers for the service not you.
- **Volunteer Work:** Consider training and working through the NSW Volunteer Centre to acquire skills and experience.

If you have found a position that you would like to apply for, please come and see Mrs Brosnan. Happy Job Hunting and good luck.

Mrs Belinda Brosnan  
Careers Advisor





# APP of the Week

## Word Wonderland Primary

Price: \$1.99



### Overview

Word Wonderland will guide preschool through young elementary students through basic phonics skills using word sorting. Students can practice long and short vowels, blends, digraphs, r-controlled vowels, words ending with -le, diphthongs, word families and more with this engaging game.

### Features include:

- Three levels of difficulty
- Over 15 skills available
- Drill-down focus on specific sounds and letter groups
- Practice mode and application mode
- Wide variety of bonuses and surprises
- Play methods tutorial videos
- Voice over play directions
- Engaging animations and sound effects
- Option to control voice over, sound effects and music
- Enabled for multiple players



### Quality

Word Wonderland Primary is an outstanding collection of word sorting exercises that will help young readers practice beginning phonics skills. Word sorts are a proven strategy for phonics instruction and practice, and help students learn to apply phonics skills with fluency. The games are engaging and skills included are vital to early reading success, including learning to distinguish long and short vowels, work with blends and digraphs, and more.

### Education

Word Wonderland Primary is an excellent way to help emergent readers practice important phonics skills. They will have fun helping the engaging frog character jump from lily pad to lily pad on his way to the end of each maze, and will be challenged by the ever-increasing array of bonuses and hidden challenges. The game starts off simply enough, but grows more challenging with greater playing time.

One of the nicest features of this app is that it is possible to zero in on practice with very specific letter groups or sounds. This makes it a perfect tool to help struggling readers!

Young students may need some adult guidance to set the game up to focus on skills they need to practice, or children could easily be given the opportunity for free play with all of the skills. The app offers numerous opportunities to sound out and read words that every student will need to become familiar with, such as short vowel constructions and words with silent e.

### Entertainment

Word Wonderland has hit the mark in terms of entertainment value. The animations, music and sound effects are pleasing but not overwhelming. The game begins very simply, and will be fun for the very young to explore, then gradually adds complexity to keep it engaging for older emergent readers.

### Value

Word Wonderland Primary is an outstanding value at \$1.99 in the App Store. Children will get a lot of practice as they help the little frog hop around the lily pads in the practice mode and as they explore the three worlds provided. The game should keep the kids entertained for hours, and all the while they will be practicing and gaining fluency with common words and sounds.

The makers of this app also have a free version with limited content if you'd like to try it out before purchasing.

### Child Friendliness

This app is very child-friendly. There are no in-app purchases available, no advertising and no links to the internet for a young child to click on inadvertently. In addition, the Options section includes some outstanding tutorials to help players learn basic game features and movements. Each offers a guided opportunity to practice the skills that will be needed to play the game.

# Good for Kids good for life

## Fresh Tastes @ School

Our school is committed to implementing Fresh Tastes@school in our canteen. Fresh Tastes@school is a state-wide policy that determines the types of foods and drinks available for sale in school canteens.

All foods and drinks are grouped into one of three categories:

**Green foods** – Fill the menu. These foods are full of nutrients and should dominate the canteen menu. For example vegetables, fruit, reduced fat milk, lean meat, bread and cereals.

**Amber foods** – Select Carefully. These foods are mainly processed foods and have some sugar, fat and salt added to them. They should not dominate the menu. For example: Full cream milk, fruit drinks, pizzas, chicken nuggets and pies.

**Red foods** – Occasional foods. These foods can only be sold twice per term and should not appear regular items on the canteen menu. For example confectionary and deep-fried foods.

Our school is being supported by the Good for Kids team to help make some healthy sustainable changes to our canteen menu.

### Reference:

Good for Kids PICINIC resources



PHONE 1300 657 197

## Mungindi Central School

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

You are invited to attend Mungindi Central School's Special Assembly. Each term the school acknowledges the achievement of our students in academic, sporting, cultural and community areas.

When: Thursday 18 September, 2014 at 1:00 pm

Where: Mungindi Central School Hall

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to call the school on (02) 6753 2207.

# CANTEEN MENU 2014 WEEK 10

## STANDARD MENU

Pie	\$ 4.00
Sausage Roll	\$ 3.50
Pizza	\$ 3.50
Sandwich	\$ 3.50
Ham & Salad	
Sweet Potato Fries	\$ 2.00

## FIXED PRICE PACK

**\$ 8.00**

Ham & Salad Sandwiches



OR

## DRINKS

LOL	\$ 2.00
Juice Popper	\$ 2.00
Milk	\$ 2.00



**KIDS  
CAMPS**

## THE BEST HOLIDAYS HAPPEN AT CAMP

Choose from over 30 exhilarating camps at 10 locations across NSW these school holidays.

Our Sport and Recreation Centres offer over 40 activities for kids aged 5 to 16 years. Try your hand at fishing, mountain biking, kayaking, abseiling, crafts, cooking or flying fox. You're sure to find a camp the kids will love.

**Kids' Camps  
from \$45 per day**

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NSW  
Office of Sport  
Sport & Recreation





# Principal's Message

We have finally reached the last week of term. Can I say that it has been a very rewarding journey in terms of an introduction to a new school and community for me. I hope it's been the same for parents, staff and students alike.

This week sees our students go on the Warrumbungle's Field Trip and a Beauty Block in Moree as well. This week also sees the final week of formal study for our two Year 12 students who can take enormous pride in their efforts both in the classroom and as truly outstanding community members. There will be a level of sadness in terms of moving on from what has been a huge part of their daily lives. But I am very confident that they are more than ready for the next phase of their lives. They are without doubt fantastic examples of what can be achieved from pursuing an educational outcome at Mungindi Central School. I'm sure both have many memories of the original cohort they started their educational odyssey with. In many ways they can also be considered a product of this school as they started their formative years in this school. This includes any students who joined this group as they made their journey towards a HSC completion which is very close at this point in time.

So I ask the whole school educational community to take the time to congratulate both Michael and Morgan on all their efforts throughout their time at the school. They will still need our support as they make their final preparations for HSC examinations and other aspects of work that need to be completed before they can happily graduate in November.

As we thank the Year 12 students it is timely to remember that this is a very critical transition point for our Year 11 students. They will soon be the new Year 12 cohort once the new term starts. This is quite a responsibility for them to take on. They have completed their examinations and are in the waiting for reports phase while they contemplate their HSC studies for the next year.

Can I very sincerely thank parents and carers for their support of the school. I hope you can enjoy the next two weeks of very special quality time with your children. This is a time for all of us to rebuild our reserves and prepare for the rigours of the Term Four which will all too soon be upon us all.

All the best.

Mr Erich Riesinger

**Principal**

## Possible New Student Shirt - Feedback Required

Cost: \$30.00

Colour: Navy/Sky

Sizes: Childs 4 to Adults 5XL

Features: polyester sports interlock, grid mesh underarm panels for breathability, 155 GSM, excellent UPF rating, quick drying, no ironing required.

Please phone the school or come and see us with your thoughts.



## P & C AGM Meeting

Wednesday 22 October  
2014

5:15 pm at the School  
Hall

\$2.00 Voting Fee

BBQ Provided

# CALENDAR

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

TERM 3-SEPT 15

HOMEWORK CENTRE

WARRUMBUNGE  
SCIENCE FIELD TRIP

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WARRUMBUNGE  
SCIENCE FIELD TRIP

17

BEAUTY THERAPY CERT  
II

WARRUMBUNGE  
SCIENCE FIELD TRIP

18

BEAUTY THERAPY CERT  
II

GO 4 FUN

SPECIAL ASSEMBLY -  
1:00 PM

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BEAUTY THERAPY CERT  
II

FINAL DAY TERM 3

TERM 4 - Oct 6

LABOUR DAY PUBLIC  
HOLIDAY

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS  
BEGINS

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STUDENTS RETURN TO  
SCHOOL

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P & C MEETING / AGM  
5:15 pm

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MON - WED 15-17 SEPTEMBER 2014 - WARRUMBUNGE SCIENCE FIELD TRIP

WED - FRI 17-19 SEPTEMBER 2014 - BEAUTY THERAPY CERT II

THURSDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2014 - SPECIAL ASSEMBLY - 1:00 PM

THURSDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2014 - GO 4 FUN

FRIDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2014 - FINAL DAY TERM 3



*Motivation, Commitment, Success*

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