

Mungindi Central School

SEMESTER 2 TERM 3 2014

WEEK 9 - 9 September 2014

Food Technology Practical Assessment

The Stage 5 and 6 Food Technology students did their practical assessment for this term last week on Wednesday. The Stage 5 students devised and produced dishes for people with special needs, such as diabetics, athletes, pregnant mothers and active teenagers. Stage 6 students produced dishes from different cultures which they studied over the term. Edith prepared and cooked churios from Mexico and Deanna produced a dish from Vietnam - Buh Tan which is a pork dish with noodles and fish-sauce based, sauce. All the students plated their dishes beautifully. Congratulations on your great effort Jasmine, Crystal, Sky, Deanna and Edith.






Ms L'Amour Gina-Whewell
Head Teacher Secondary Studies



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UP & COMING EVENTS

-  **NBSA EXAM WEEK**
8 - 10 September 2014
-  **P & C MEETING - 5:30 PM**
10 September 2014
-  **EDUCATION SUPPORT**
12 September 2014
-  **EURAL SHIELD BOOM!**
12 September 2014
-  **WARRUMBUNGLE SCIENCE TRIP**
15 - 17 September 2014

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"You were born an original, don't die a copy."
Anonymous

Kindergarten / Year 1 Writing

Kindergarten / Year 1 has been working on writing independently and meeting our five star writing criteria. Last week Kindergarten / Year 1 had a special visit from Audrey the kitten and observed her and discussed information about her appearance, behaviour, habitat and diet. Students wrote about these aspects of Audrey throughout the week while working on achieving five star writing. Below are some of our five star writers.

- I used capital letters for the beginning of sentences, people's names and places.
- I used adjectives in my writing (describing words).
- I wrote about two ideas in each sentence.
- I reread my writing to check it made sense.
- I wrote at least 4- 5 sentences.

Mrs Stacey Makila

Kindergarten / Year 1 Class Teacher



Audrey looks like a pile of fur. Audrey is a kitten. Audrey is two months old. Audrey lives with her owner. Audrey isn't allowed to go outside because predators can get her. Audrey eats little biscuits. Audrey eats kitten food. Audrey can't eat adult food. Audrey has long naps. Audrey plays with her little mouse and little pieces of paper. Audrey plays with her little springy mouse.

Darcy Kindergarten

Audrey is a little kitten and she has a black coat. Her neck is white and her paws. Audrey can't go outside because snakes and dogs will get her. She sleeps inside and she sleeps on the lounge. Audrey eats biscuits and meat. Audrey can't eat grown up cat food because she will get very sick. Audrey drinks milk and water. Audrey plays with her blue ball. She sleeps all night and is awake all day.

Lachlan Year 1

Audrey is a bunch of fur. Audrey is a kitten. Audrey is two months old. She looks like a furry cat. She has bits of white on her chest and she has white on her paws. Audrey lives at Miss Makila's house. She sleeps on the lounge. Audrey can't go outside because her predators can eat her. Eagles and snakes can eat her. Audrey can eat food. She eats soft kitten food and meat and biscuits. She drinks water. Audrey plays with her mouse. She plays with her ball and her crinkled up paper. Audrey climbs on her big lounge. She has lots of naps. Audrey climbs up arms and she runs fast.

Shakira Kindergarten

Audrey is a little kitten and she is two months old. She has a white belly and toes and she has big eyes. She has a long tail. She has whiskers and she has white on her chest. Audrey lives inside a house with Miss Makila at Miss Makila's house. Audrey is not allowed to go outside because her predators can eat her. If she stays inside she will be safe. Her predators are dogs and birds. Audrey eats kitten food and she can drink milk. Audrey can't eat adult cat food because her belly isn't strong enough. Audrey likes to take long naps and she likes to climb on the big fluffy couch. She likes to climb up Miss' hand.

Tyra Year 1

Year 2 / 3 Working on Fractions

On Friday, I made some cupcakes. With the icing I made halves and quarters. We also put sparkly sprinkles on top.

Shaye-Leigh

Year 3 Student



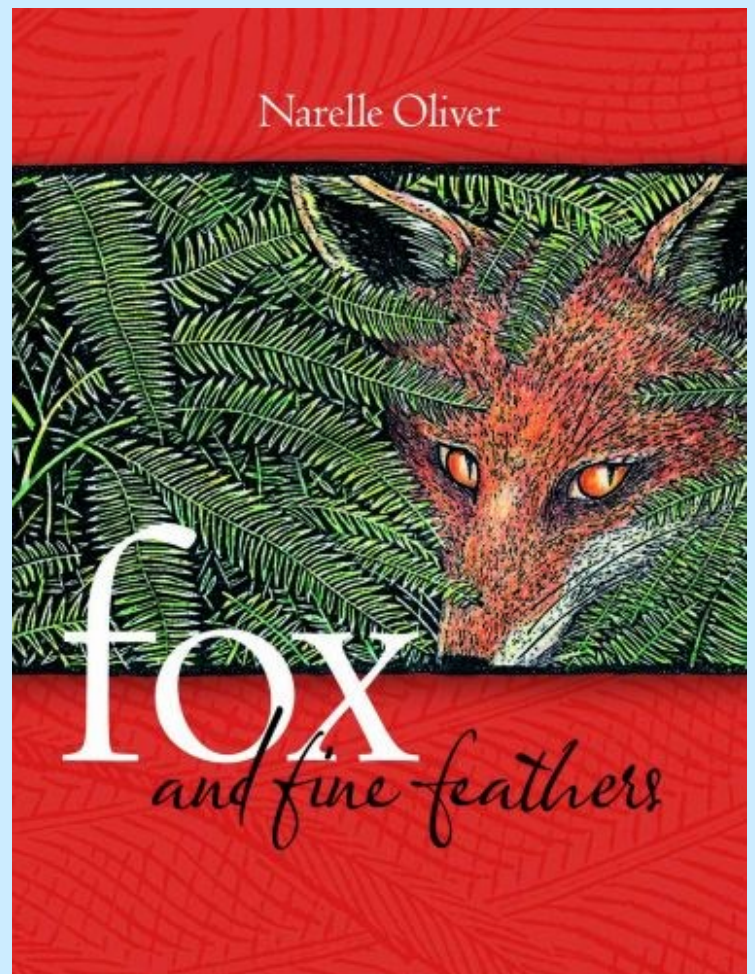
Book Review

'Fox And Fine Feathers' by Narelle Oliver

This is a fantastic book for middle and upper Primary Students. The book has some fantastic imagery that also helps tell the story. It carries a message that is simple to understand and timeless.....everybody is different and everybody has different strengths.

Fox and Fine Feathers is a contemporary Australian fable from the forest floor of the ecologically rich and diverse Border Ranges region of Australia which straddles the border of Queensland and New South Wales and includes Mt Tamborine.

The book features four groundbirds – Lyrebird, Coucal, Pitta, and Nightjar. Although as different as it is possible to be, they always look out for danger and warn each other to hide. All this changes when Lyrebird discovers his beautiful tail and forgets the others and the dangers lurking in the forest. The other birds follow suit, showing off and obsessed with their feathers except Nightjar whose feathers are patchy and dull. In the end, it is only Nightjar who can save them from the fox - thanks to his feathers which look like nothing more than a pile of old leaves.



Review suggested by Miss Abby White - Library Teacher

Careers News

Early Entry Schemes for Year 12 Students

What is the E12 scheme about?

Our Early Offer Year 12 (E12) scheme makes your path to university easier, even before the HSC exams start. If you apply successfully, we will hold a place at the University of Sydney for you. As long as you meet some conditions, such as the E12 ATAR cut-offs (which are lower than standard ATARs) and the HSC subject bands for your preferred course, you'll have a definite place when results come out.

The scheme has some other great benefits too. You will also receive a \$5000 scholarship, an Apple iPad and lots of support to help you get started at university. There are 35 courses you can apply for through E12, giving you lots of options. They include business, engineering, health sciences, nursing, arts, law, agriculture, education, design computing, and architecture.

Other University's also offer this scheme for some courses so please come and see me if you are interested.

University News

University of Newcastle on Campus Accommodation

Applications open Wed 1st October. UON Student Living is the University of Newcastle's on-campus residential precinct at their Callaghan and Ourimbah campuses. A home for UON students from across Australia and around the world, UON Student Living provides a student experience like no other.

<http://www.newcastle.edu.au/future-students/uon-student-living/uon-student-living>

The University of Newcastle Scholarships 2015

Approximately \$4 million worth of funding goes towards new and continuing students at the University of Newcastle each year. The current round of applications for 2015 opened on the 1st of September.

<http://www.newcastle.edu.au/scholarships>

Sydney Film School University Pathway

Sydney Film School has relationships with several Universities and can offer pathways to higher degrees for students who complete the Diploma and Advanced Diploma of Screen and Media with SFS.

<http://www.sydneyfilmschool.com/>

TAFE & Apprenticeships

1300 Apprentice: Apprenticeship and Traineeship Intake Interviews

Each September, 1300 Apprentice hold Intake Interviews for school students during the school holiday period. Between 170-180 places are available. To express your interest, email resumes with name, contact details, email address and specific apprenticeship or traineeship you are interested in, to the following address:

Contact: resumes@1300apprentice.com.au or <http://1300apprentice.com.au/register/>

Apprenticeships and Traineeships Information Session

Fri 10th October, Session 2, 11.00am – 12.00pm, Session 1, 9.30am – 10.30am, Cliftons Sydney, Level 13, 60 Margaret Street, Sydney. The information session will demonstrate how to access and utilise a range of apprenticeship and vocational resources, as well as provide the latest news on vocational education and training. <http://www.aatinfo.com.au/What-s-New---FAQ/Events>

Australian Apprenticeships: My Gain Videos

The next series of Australian Apprenticeship My Gain videos have been published on YouTube. These videos ask apprentices and trainees to respond briefly to set questions about their job and job hunting experiences. They are directed at young people contemplating career pathways and where to look for job opportunities.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/AAPathways>

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Careers News

Other News

The Interview Doctor

The Interview Doctor assists in guiding individuals through their career journey. They provide constructive advice relating to composing an impressive CV and cover letter, assist to coach people through the interview process as well as conduct presentations providing general career advice and motivation.

<http://theinterviewdoctor.com.au/>

Myfuture Live Q and A Series: Painter and Decorator

Tue 16th September, 2.00pm AEST. The guest speaker will chat live on screen about the highs and lows of their occupation, their career paths and their industry in general.

<http://www.myfuture.edu.au/explore-careers/talk-with-real-people-about-your-career/chat-with-real-people-about-their-career>

Western Sydney Local Health District Work Experience Program

Applications close Fri 28th November. Work experience is offered to students in Years 10 – 12 in the specialties of Nursing and Midwifery, Dental/Oral Health and Physiotherapy at the Auburn, Blacktown and Westmead hospitals. The length of each work experience placement varies between two and five days, depending upon which facility and/or department is chosen. All applications and correspondence between the WSLHD and students are to be made through Career Advisors only.

Career Advisors may contact WSLHD-Careers@health.nsw.gov.au for further information and application forms.

Expressions of Interest Flight Centre Schools Program

Flight Centre is available to hold industry information sessions, designed to complement the existing school curriculum, which are provided at no cost to the school or student. They offer students insights into the exciting world of travel and tourism, as well as a pathway towards study, travel and career opportunities. As part of the program, Flight Centre is able to offer discussions to individual classes or the entire student body. Contact: Alan Allison <http://applynow.net.au/jobs/ni/F167026>

Australian Glassing & Glazing Association Work Experience Opportunities

Students looking for work experience or a work placement and who learn by 'doing' are encouraged to try the Glass and Glazing Industry Workplace Program. Glass companies are particularly relevant to those considering, or already undertaking, a Building and Construction or Engineering VET in Schools course.

<http://careersinglass.com.au/index.php/work-placement?id=17>

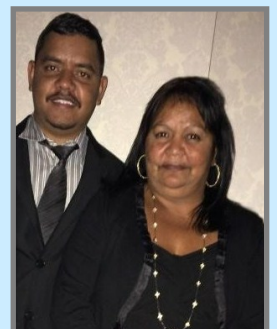
Mrs Belinda Brosnan

Careers Advisor

Past Student Excels

Congratulations to Jeffrey Weatherall a past student of Mungindi Central School who has received an Encouragement Award during the 2014 Gili Awards in conjunction with TAFE NSW.

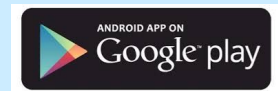
Jeffrey is actively pursuing a career in community services and, in 2014, enrolled in a Certificate IV in Youth Work where he continues to apply his values and behaviours as a student. In addition to his studies, Jeffrey volunteers at a local high school as a mentor for young Aboriginal students, taking pride in being a role model, and having a deep desire to work with Aboriginal youth in the Illawarra area.



APP of the Week

Drive About: Number Neighbourhood

Price: \$2.99



Coming Soon

Overview

Hand your child the keys to the car. It's time to take a trip around Number Neighbourhood where kids get to be in the driver's seat as they explore the neighbourhood and find fun mini games to help them build number skills. As they drive about in the car, guide a rocket ship into space, and steer a boat, kids will discover games that help them learn about number recognition, ordering, counting, and even basic addition. In between each game, they'll have fun getting to know and interacting with some of the other creatures and sites around the neighbourhood.

Features include:

- 9 mini games
- An interactive town
- Travel by land, water, and air
- Focus on counting, ordering, and number recognition



Quality

Kids will find themselves bobbing along to the folk-ish background music with the sound of a puttering car and other fun sound effects appearing as they drive along. They'll also get to experience a lot of colourful scenery as they drive, ranging from urban areas to cute residential areas, and even getting a chance to explore the depths of the ocean and the vastness of space. As they drive around, they can stop and interact with the scenery or stop at the flashing arrows and tap to enter one of the 9 different mini games found throughout the neighbourhood.

Education

Drive About: Number Neighborhood helps kids build basic math skills by introducing them to numbers. Most of the activities focus on number identification and recognition, having kids draw numbers, tap on numbers as they appear, and putting numbers in order. However, some of the activities also build basic addition skills. For example, one activity has kids balance animals on a teeter totter. Each animal has a number and while kids can match an 8 with an 8 to balance a scale, they can also use different combinations of numbers, such as using an animal with a 5 and an animal with a 3 to balance with the 8. While it doesn't look like traditional addition, it offers a great way to start introducing kids to a key skill.

Entertainment

Most kids won't even realize they're doing math as they play the games. They can stick with one game for a long time or hop back in one of their vehicles to find a new game. In fact, while kids can access many of the activities by car, they also get the activity to hop in a rocket ship and fly into outer space to find a game or climb into a submarine and head down to the ocean floor for a fun game with sea pickles. This variety helps keep kids interested in the app and makes them feel like there's always something new to discover.

Value

It'll be years before your child is begging you to shell out thousands of dollars for a new car, but you can spend a few dollars and get a car, a rocket ship, a boat, a hot air balloon, and more vehicles for your child to use to drive about Number Neighbourhood to experience the 9 different mini games and fun interactive animations contained inside.

Child Friendliness

Inside the app, kids will find an easy-to-navigate neighbourhood, allowing them to quickly move their car, spaceship, hot air balloon, boat, and submarine from one game to another. All of the games are labelled with flashing arrows to help kids find them. Once they tap on a game, clear verbal instructions help them understand exactly what to do. Outside of the games, kids will have a hard time finding access to the parent screen, identified by a small icon in the bottom left hand corner of the main screen. Parents, however, can get there by pressing and holding the icon for 3 seconds. Once inside, they'll find descriptions of the 9 mini games, a privacy policy to reassure them children are safe while using the app, and links to other Artgig apps and to leave feedback for *Drive About: Number Neighborhood*.

Good for Kids good for life

Lunchbox snack foods

Children need to eat a range of different foods to provide nutrients to meet their growth and energy needs. Young children also have smaller stomachs than adults so they need to eat every few hours to keep up their energy levels.

Snacks based on fruits and vegetables, reduced fat dairy products and whole grains are the best choices.

Everyday	Sometimes
Fruit loaf/raisin toast Plain popcorn Plain or fruit yoghurt Cheese and crackers Fresh fruit or canned fruit in natural fruit juice Dried fruit and cheese cubes Wholemeal biscuits or crackers Vegetable sticks and dip or salsa Corn or rice cakes with or without spreads Bite sized vegetables e.g. cherry tomatoes, cucumber etc.	Muesli bars or dried fruit bars Fruit straps/sticks Potato crisps and corn chips Lollies and confectionary Dairy desserts Chocolate Cordial Soft drinks

Reference:

Adapted from South Eastern Sydney Illawarra Health school newsletters distributed to schools as part of the Live Life Well @ School program.

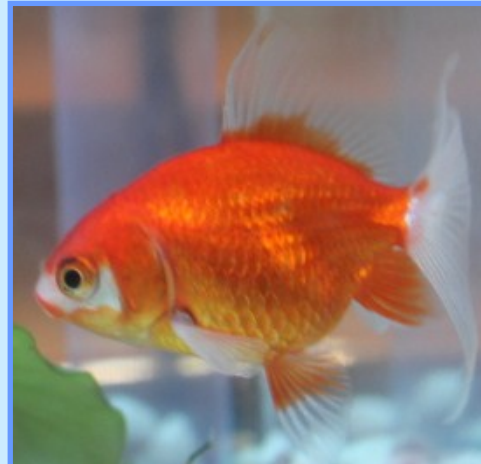


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Our Newest Office Members



Our fish now have names. Claudia from Preschool has the pleasure of naming the black fish Lewie and Davina from Year 2 has won the right to name the gold fish Tiger. Well done girls. Don't forget to come visit us!



CANTEEN MENU 2014 WEEK 9

STANDARD MENU

Pie \$ 4.00

Sausage Roll \$ 3.50

Pizza \$ 3.50

Sandwich \$ 3.50

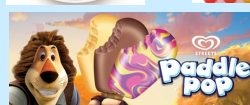
Ham & Salad

Chicken & Salad

FIXED PRICE PACK

\$ 8.00

Ham or Chicken Salad Roll



OR



DRINKS

LOL

\$ 2.00

Juice Popper

\$ 2.00

Milk

\$ 2.00



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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www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/kidscamps 13 13 02



Principal's Message

As we enter the ninth week of term there are still quite a number of sporting and out of school activities to be negotiated. Primary students will be involved in the Boomi Tennis Competition, the Eural Shield on Friday with two mixed teams testing their skills against other schools. For our secondary students there are excursions to Moree for Education Support, the Warrumbungles field trip and a Beauty block as well.

By now parents should have received their children's NAPLAN results from earlier in the year. Take the time to look at these and ask where and how they can be used to guide the short and long term learning of your child. These are intended to be a diagnostic tool to enable us to make some learning directions for all the students who have taken part in NAPLAN. The tests are very much a one day in time result. So for any number of reasons some students may not have performed to their potential but it does give an indication of what a student's fall-back position is with their understanding of literacy and numeracy skills. Our job is to use this as a class and home based process to move their learning and understanding forward so all our students can reach their stage appropriate levels in the future.

This week also sees the school have the opportunity to spend a week working with Mr Ian Mackie and Dr Gary MacLennan, two vastly experienced educators who have shared their skills with many other schools and other education systems in various roles. They are in the school to spend some quality time with students, teaching and support staff, executive and parents. They will use their capacity to provide much needed feedback on school function and operation plus create a report that will enable the school to effectively plan for the future. I am looking at having one of them attend the P & C meeting this week to share their expertise and speak with parents. So if you have the chance please take the time to come along. I would even ask that if you have the time let the school know and visit to have a chat with them. We are extremely fortunate to have access to their wisdom and knowledge for the entire week. Trust me they will leave quite a lasting impression after a chat and sharing views session.

Our Year 11 students are involved in their end of Preliminary Course Examinations this week. These will be on from the Monday to the Wednesday this week. So by now the bulk of the revision will have taken place and the levels of anxiety should be reducing. Can I say that when I spoke with some of them on Monday this was not the case. We wish them well in their results. This process signifies the start of the next phase of the reporting cycle, with final assessment marks being generated by teachers and the creation of comments for their reports which will be due out early next term. As of next term these students will be starting the long journey involved in their HSC studies. So there is almost no time to relax and recover for them except the two week vacation break coming up in two weeks' time. After that its noses back to the grindstone as Term Four is vital in establishing sound patterns of work ethic for their HSC study.

Our Year 12's are in their last two weeks of formal schooling. The time spent during this time is critical in their preparations for the ever rapidly approaching HSC examinations. Every lesson opportunity with their teachers needs to be grasped and maximised. While at the start of next term there are a few days of study before the official start of the HSC examination cycle it will disappear very quickly. Students will start the HSC process on Monday 13 October with English paper 1 in the morning. From there depending on the courses studied and the HSC schedule their finishing time will be individual to each student. Our combined role will be to support them through the whole process from our relative positions. The reward for them will be the much sort after graduation which truly identifies the end of their schooling here at Mungindi Central School.

All the best.

Mr Erich Riesinger
Principal

CALENDAR

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

TERM 3 - SEPT 8
HOMEWORK CENTRE
NBSA EXAM WEEK

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P & C MEETING-5:30 pm

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BEAUTY THERAPY
CERT II
WARRUMBUNGE
SCIENCE FIELD TRIP

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BEAUTY THERAPY
CERT II
GO 4 FUN

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BEAUTY THERAPY
CERT II
FINAL DAY TERM 3

TERM 4 - Oct 6
LABOUR DAY PUBLIC
HOLIDAY

7
STUDENTS RETURN TO
SCHOOL

8
P & C MEETING / AGM
5:30 pm

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MON-WED 8-10 SEPTEMBER 2014 - NBSA EXAM WEEK
WEDNESDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2014 - P & C MEETING - 5:30 PM
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FRIDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2014 - EURAL SHIELD BOOMI
MON - WED 15-17 SEPTEMBER 2014 - WARRUMBUNGE SCIENCE FIELD TRIP



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