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WHAT'S INSIDE



Farewell Julie Byrne

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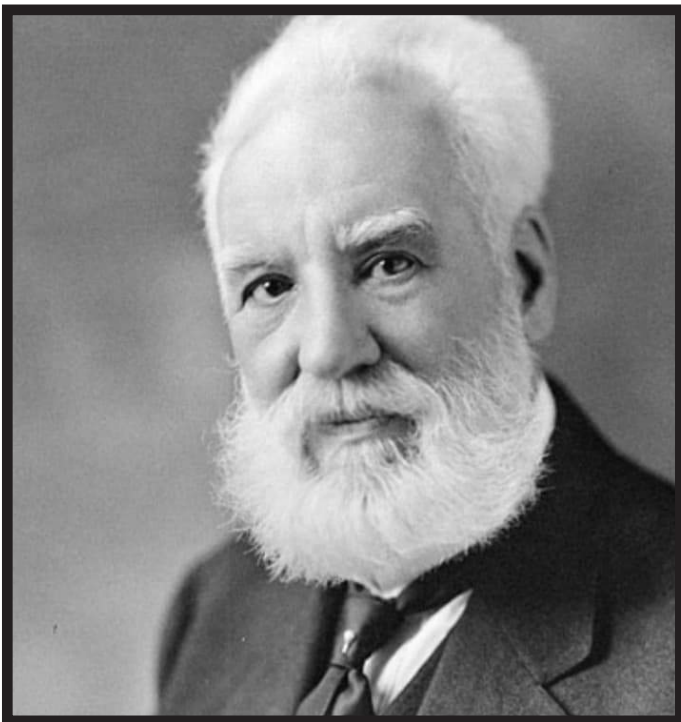
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A Walk Down Memory Lane

WITH JAMES CONSTABLE

ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL



On a cancer ride that took us to Brindley Park Woolshed, a history lesson was given by Ted Shannon and James Bettington. One of the topics spoken about was the visit to Brindley Park by Alexander Graham Bell. Bell had submitted an application for talking machine on February 14, 1876 at the US Patents office, he received the patent on March 7, 1876.

Bell was hoping to find someone to finance the development of his new invention, the telephone. He approached James Brindley Bettington and set up a demonstration. A single wire was strung from the homestead to the original wool shearing shed which was situated on the northern side of Butcher's Swamp, about a mile north of the homestead and about a quarter of a mile west of the Willow Tree (Coulson's Creek) road. Sound was transmitted via the wire and while Bettington was intrigued he was quoted as saying " he didn't think it

would catch on" or something to that effect. He didn't give the funding that Bell was seeking and he left empty handed. We have tried to find a news article about the event but have been unable to find a report. It was however written in the Bettington diaries. On the day of the ride, while having lunch, Ted Shannon and James Bettington read prepared notes taken from the diaries. Hopefully one day, we'll be able to find the article although a couple of years ago, I was told by a couple of people that they had heard mentioned on ABC radio in a segment "On this day in history" the visit by Bell to Brindley Park at Merriwa.

An article in the Scone Advocate , Thursday, April 24, 1952 reads "Mr J B Leard, favourably known old resident who celebrated the anniversary



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Merriwa Central School

Principal's Report

FAREWELL MRS BYRNE

Next week marks the retirement of a longstanding and dedicated member of the Merriwa Central School community Mrs Julie Byrne. Julie has held many positions within the school and worked collaboratively with staff, students and parents over her 30 plus years at Merriwa Central.

provided a guiding hand to many beginning teachers and newly appointed school executive on Department policy and procedures.

As a true Merriwa local Julie has been a trusted point of contact for parents over many years. Julie has always acted over and above in each of her roles to ensure the best interests of students, the school and community are maintained. We wish Julie the very best with the next exciting stage of her life in retirement on the beautiful shores of Warners Bay at Lake Macquarie.

Darren Noonan
Principal



Ex staff members Del Leggett and Debbie Hunt gathered with current staff to reminisce and wish Julie Byrne a fabulous retirement

Julie began working in primary as a teachers aide alongside the legendary Mrs Del Leggett in the 1980's (remember when Merriwa only had two television stations). For the past 12 years Julie has been the School Administrative Manager (SAM) responsible for introducing and managing the new SAP finance system, and managing office and support staff across the primary and secondary campus. Julie has

Coming Events

JUNE	
Monday 21	Secondary Assembly 9.00am
Tuesday 22	HSC Chemistry Aurora
Wednesday 23	Treetops Primary Excursion Ship O' Fools Performance
Thursday 24	Aurora HSC Biology NAIDOC Day
Friday 25	Last Day of Term 2
JULY	
Monday 12	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 13	Students return

Primary

SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING CHALLENGE DAY

Last Thursday, a very enthusiastic team of Year 5 and 6 students travelled to Muswellbrook to represent our school at the 2021 University of Newcastle/ Yancoal Science and Engineering Challenge Discovery Day. The students worked in groups of four throughout the day, on a range of exciting science-based challenges, including Minipult, Get a Grip, Water Wheel and Earthquake. However, the most exciting challenge from the day, was when students were required to construct a bridge capable of supporting up to 10kg, using only cardboard, paper and straws. A huge congratulations to Cadence Tudor, Amelia Wright, Lachlan Munn and Deakin Milgate, who were successful in their bridge challenge and well done to all students, on your behaviour and creativity on the day.





Mrs Talia Morgan

CLASS OF THE WEEK

Last week's Class of the Week Award went to the class that had the most students coming to school each day in full school uniform. Year 5/6 had the greatest percentage of students arriving to school and looking wonderful in their full school uniform. Cadence Tudor and Amelia Wright proudly accepted the award on behalf of Year 5/6. Well done Year 5/6 for being great role models and wearing correct school uniform.

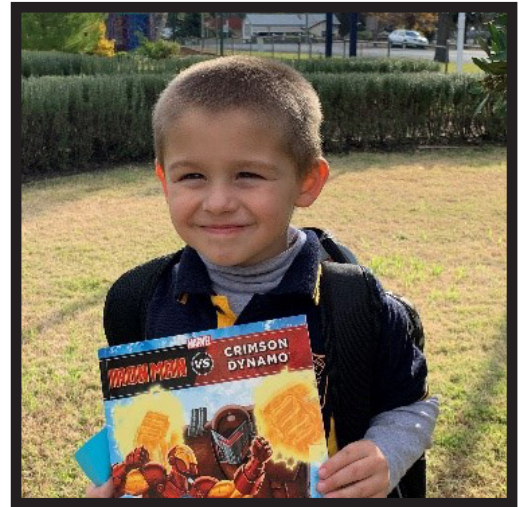


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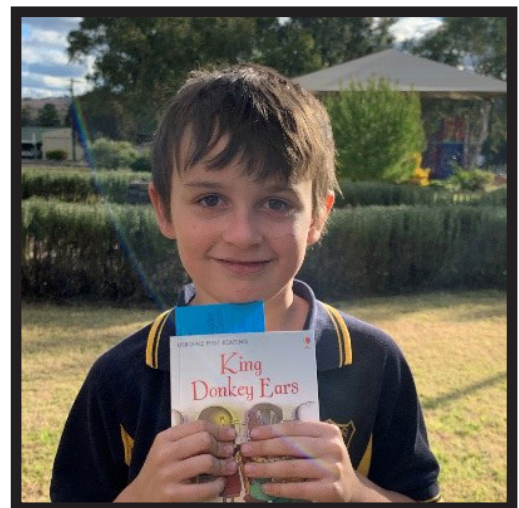
STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the following students for receiving Student of the Week Awards in Week 8.

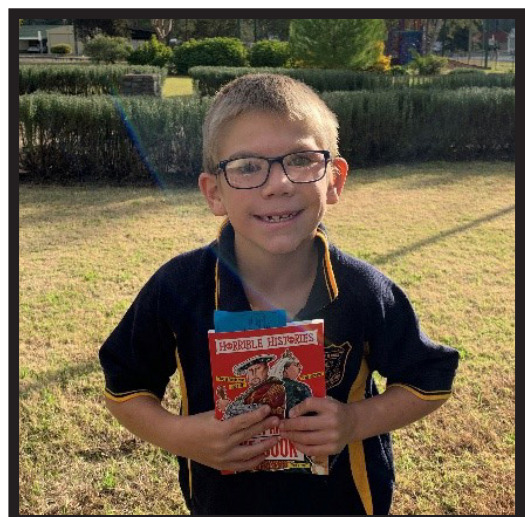
Kindergarten - Brax Fitzpatrick for amazing work in literacy groups



Year 1 - Kayden Milgate for doing great work



Year 2/3 - Alby Caban for increased confidence when contributing to class discussions



Year 3/4 - Daniel Olsen for always participating in class discussions



Year 4/5 - Logan Reid for an amazing effort in his learning and behaviour this week



Year 5/6 - Rylan Neale for working hard in mathematics.



Emma Garbellini
Relieving Infants Assistant
Principal

Secondary

WHERE THERE'S A WILL YOUTH LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

On Monday June 7, Miss Jane drove Rebecca Keegan over to St Joseph's College Aberdeen as a young Merriwa Central School Leader to participate in the organisation process for the Upper Hunter Youth Leadership Summit that was held on June 10. Rebecca was one of Merriwa Central School's students that attended the Leadership program in Adelaide sponsored by Where Theres A Will. These students were then required to return to their schools in the Upper Hunter and together organise a summit for students in their region.

On Thursday June 10, students and leaders from Merriwa Central School went to St Josephs Aberdeen to participate in the Youth Leadership Summit. Students had the opportunity to work in small groups with other students from all the Upper Hunter schools. The day was run by the young leaders who did a fantastic job coordinating all the activities, inspiring the attendees to step up as young leaders, and providing great examples



of what can be achieved when youth work together.

Activities revolved around the following themes;

- Qualities of a good leader
- The language of leadership
- Using strengths to increase wellbeing and developing meaningful relationships
- Goal setting
- Time management
- Seven aspects to be my best self
- Planning and conducting a successful project.

Merriwa Central students who attended had a great day and in their evaluations of the day the following comments were made:

- "It was a very positive and uplifting day".
- "What we learnt was very inspirational and capable of achieving".

Our thanks go to the Where Theres A Will Foundation and Mrs Hunt for making this opportunity available for the youth in the Upper Hunter. The growth in the young leaders who ran the day and their ability to connect with the participants from a range of schools as they all took turns to public speak and run the group activities was wonderful to witness.

Jane Hegarty



STUDENT OF THE WEEK KATANA MAGNUS

FAVOURITE SUBJECT: PD/H/PE, because I enjoy learning about and playing different sports

BEST PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT: Making it to regional cross country

CAREER ASPIRATIONS: Work on and manage a horse stud

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Riding horses and spending quality time with my family

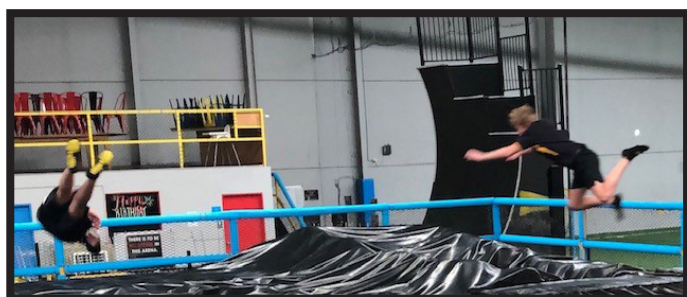
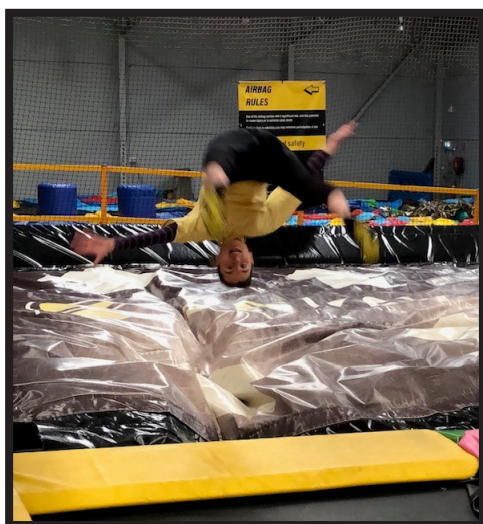
YEAR ADVISOR COMMENT: Katana is a diligent and conscientious student. Her application and dedication in class is a testament to her achievement as our Student of the Week. Katana is consistently willing to support and assist her peers both within and outside of the classroom, and regularly takes responsibility for her learning through her deep engagement and motivation during lessons. Katana is an exemplary student who regularly models positive and productive behaviours in all aspects of her schooling life.

Ashleigh Golden - Year Advisor



TEACHING AND LEARNING FACULTY

This week we celebrated the consistent application, dedication and effort of our students through a Rewards Day activity. This activity consisted of a day excursion to Newcastle to spend a day at Revolution Sports Park – an indoor trampoline facility. Students ranging from Year 7 through to Year 12 had a great day bouncing around on the different sections of the park and represent Merriwa Central School with respect and pride.



Harley Hannon
Mathematics Teacher

CAREER NEWS

Torrens University - School Holiday Workshops: Design and Technology - July 3. 10.00am to 2.30pm

Join our workshops to uncover what's in store when you undertake a course at Billy Blue College of Design at Torrens University Australia. Dive deeper into the worlds of Fashion, Interior Design, Communication and Graphic Design, Photography and Gaming and Animation to find your passion.

<https://www.torrens.edu.au/whats-on/school-holiday-workshops/design-school-holiday-workshops>

AFTRS Past Talks with Leaders in the Film Industry – Live Stream and Free

Talks @ AFTRS is a series of free, live-streamed events for the screen and broadcast industry. Each Tuesday lunchtime, we'll be hosting an inspiring chat with industry luminaries, who will talk about their current projects, careers, and inspirations. We'll focus on creativity and great storytelling. The sessions will be moderated by top industry professionals, including some of AFTRS' finest, and you'll be able to submit your questions in realtime.

<https://www.aftrs.edu.au/news-and-events/events/talks-aftrs/>

Winter skills to support ski industry boom

Minister for Skills Geoff Lee announces a program to develop a regional workforce for the snow season.

The NSW Government has launched the Winter Skills program to equip the regional workforce with in-demand skills ahead of a bumper 2021 snow season.

Deputy Premier and Member for Monaro John Barilaro welcomed the news and said the initiative would make a huge difference in the Snowy Mountains.

"One of the highlights of winter is a trip to our beautiful alpine region, and now thanks to this initiative, the thousands of families and tourists who hit the slopes will have an even more skilled local workforce ready to greet them," Mr Barilaro said.

"The Snowy Mountains did it incredibly tough last year with the region dealing with the impacts of drought, bushfires and COVID-19. That is why the NSW Government is providing fee-free training

for locals and people across NSW wanting to work on the slopes or nearby businesses this ski season. Read more here:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/skills-nsw/skills-news/winter-skills-to-support-ski-industry-boom>

Macquarie University Webinars

Did you miss one of the Q and As? You can watch them on-demand here.

- Watch now - Commerce
- Watch now - Law
- Watch now - How to apply for Macquarie Leaders and Achievers early entry scheme

<https://www.mq.edu.au/study/high-school-students/events>

UNSW - Girls in Business Digital Camp 2021 -July 6 and 7

The two-day online program (running 9am-5pm on both days) is open to Year 10, 11 or 12 female high school students in New South Wales who have a genuine interest in studying Information Systems, Actuarial Studies or Banking & Finance at the UNSW Business School. It is strongly recommended that students be studying mathematics if interested in participating in this program.

<https://www.events.unsw.edu.au/event/girls-business-digital-camp-2021>

If you require any further information then please contact me at school.

BBM Global Agriculture Industry Scholarship

Keep an eye open for it to resume shortly.

Applications for the 2020 BBM Global Industry Scholarships of \$8,000 are now open for travel in 2021.

The BBM Global Agriculture Scholarship is your opportunity to go overseas, to follow your passion, explore the possibilities and create the career you love. To apply for an Agricultural scholarship, you need to have (or be completing) your Certificate IV.

Total has a long history of Cert IVs applying and being successful with this scholarship. If you are interested, we can connect you with past applicants to talk about where they went, what they did and how that has helped them.

<https://www.bbm.asn.au/>

ADF Recruiting Options for Indigenous People

Enjoy the rewarding lifestyle of working in the Army, Navy or Airforce with hundreds of Indigenous people. Meet them in the various roles they perform. Learn more about the opportunities for Indigenous Australians in your chosen Service.

<https://www.defencejobs.gov.au/indigenous/overview>

ADFA - Study at UNSW Canberra

UNSW Canberra has international recognition as a successful, research-intensive university - generating new knowledge for the benefit of present and future generations which has had an impact around the globe.

- Engineering – Aeronautical, Naval, Civil, Electrical, Mechanical
- Cyber Security
- Arts
- Business

<https://www.unsw.adfa.edu.au/study/undergraduate/defence/programs>

TAFE Snapshot on Aviation and Maritime

Which occupations in this industry are likely to have the largest employment growth over the next three years?

Which TAFE NSW courses are popular for people looking to get into these job roles and how much can you earn?

https://www.tafensw.edu.au/documents/60140/219174/Careers-Snapshot_Aviation_and_Maritime.pdf

TAFE Snapshot on Community Service Counselling

Which occupations in this industry are likely to have the largest employment growth over the next three years?

Which TAFE NSW courses are popular for people looking to get into these job roles and how much can you earn?

https://www.tafensw.edu.au/documents/60140/219174/Careers-Snapshot_Community_Services.pdf

Jane Hegarty
Careers Advisor



St Joseph's Primary School

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

REGIONAL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

We wish the following students who are attending the Regional Athletics Carnival in Singelton on June 18 all the best: Tess Grocott, Eden Barry, Rihanna Hunt, Annabelle Hunt, Lula Peebles, Jeremiah Raines, Samuel Williams, Archie Constable, Jeremy Hopkins, Eddison Raines, Chad Booth, Archy Wallace, Fletcher Gardner, Hudson Wallace, Morgan Bates and Jye Bates.

This carnival helps to select the Upper Hunter Catholic Primary School team for the Maitland Newcastle Catholic Schools Athletics Championships in Term Three. We look forward to hearing about their success.

VINNIE'S DAY

Stage 2 are very excited to be hosting our annual Vinnie's day on the last day of term, Friday June 25. We ask students to come in pre-loved clothes and bring \$2 to donate to our local Vinnie's winter appeal. The money raised goes to our local Vinnie's organisation to assist locals in our community.

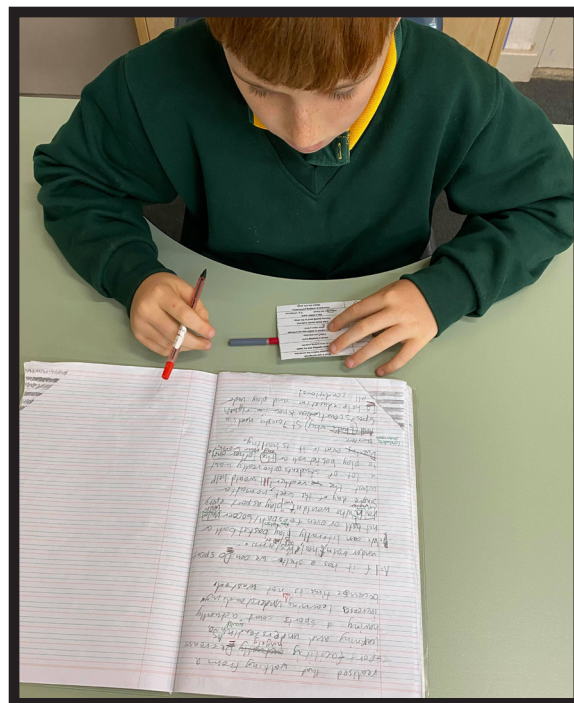
The day will be filled with a liturgy commencing at 9am, followed by a Vinnies activity in the classroom. As we aren't able to celebrate the wonderful Festival of the Fleeces event this year, we have dedicated the middle part of our day to participating in some festivities. After lunch, Stage 2 will host Festival of the Fleeces themed activities and we will conclude our day with "St Joseph's Got Talent". Parents are invited to any aspects of the day; we would love to see you.

WHAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING IN STAGE 2?

Our focus in English this term is persuasion. We have analysed a variety of different books and short clips to understand how composers of text use vocabulary, images and language forms to engage the reader. We have been using the Students have explored a range of language devices and have been using the AREA paragraph technique to structure their persuasive texts to build convincing opinions. There has been a big focus on editing our writing using the whole-school editing cards to improve our writing. Stage Two have recently enjoyed discussing and analysing the topic 'Should St Joseph's have a 4-day school week' trying to

convince Mr Borg.

Stage 2 and Stage 3 continue to combine for literacy groups with great success. We can differentiate the books students are reading to suit their reading ability. We have noticed an increase in focus, fluency, enthusiasm and academic results in our literacy groups.



Students begin each Maths lesson with warm up questions using the Elementary Mathematics Mastery EMM program covering a variety of topics. The questions are a great source for revision and ongoing learning. Recently, our weekly topic was angles. Students went on a few hunts around the classroom and school looking for a variety of different angles. They all enjoyed being hands on during Maths.

In Religion, students are learning Christian beliefs about the Trinity. Students have been reflecting upon God as a Father, Friend and Helper within their lives. By the end of the unit they will learn that The Father, Son and Holy Spirit are one, yet separate persons. They are inseparable and unified, each one abiding in the other. We have analysed the creeds and the beliefs in the creed.

History this term has involved researching reasons for European settlement and the daily life of a convict. Students have built up inquiry skills to assist in explaining how people, events and the past have shaped, and continue to shape, our world. The unit aimed to stimulate curiosity and develop problem-solving, research and critical thinking skills.

In Science, students have completed a number of experiments to identify and investigate solids,

liquids and gases as states of matter. Students completed an experiment using chocolate and found out that a change of state can be caused by adding heat. They observed the chocolate changing from a solid to a liquid caused by the heat of the sun.

For the past few weeks in sport, our focus has been Athletics skills. Students have learnt a variety of different Athletics skills which they were able to successfully put into action at our Carnival a few weeks ago. Stage two have been focussing on movement exploration where they have engaged in activities and practised beginning positions, static balances, rotations, landings and transitions. Safety elements are also incorporated into all lessons, including specific and safe warm-up and circuit activities.

In Health, students have been recognising the importance of making good food choices for

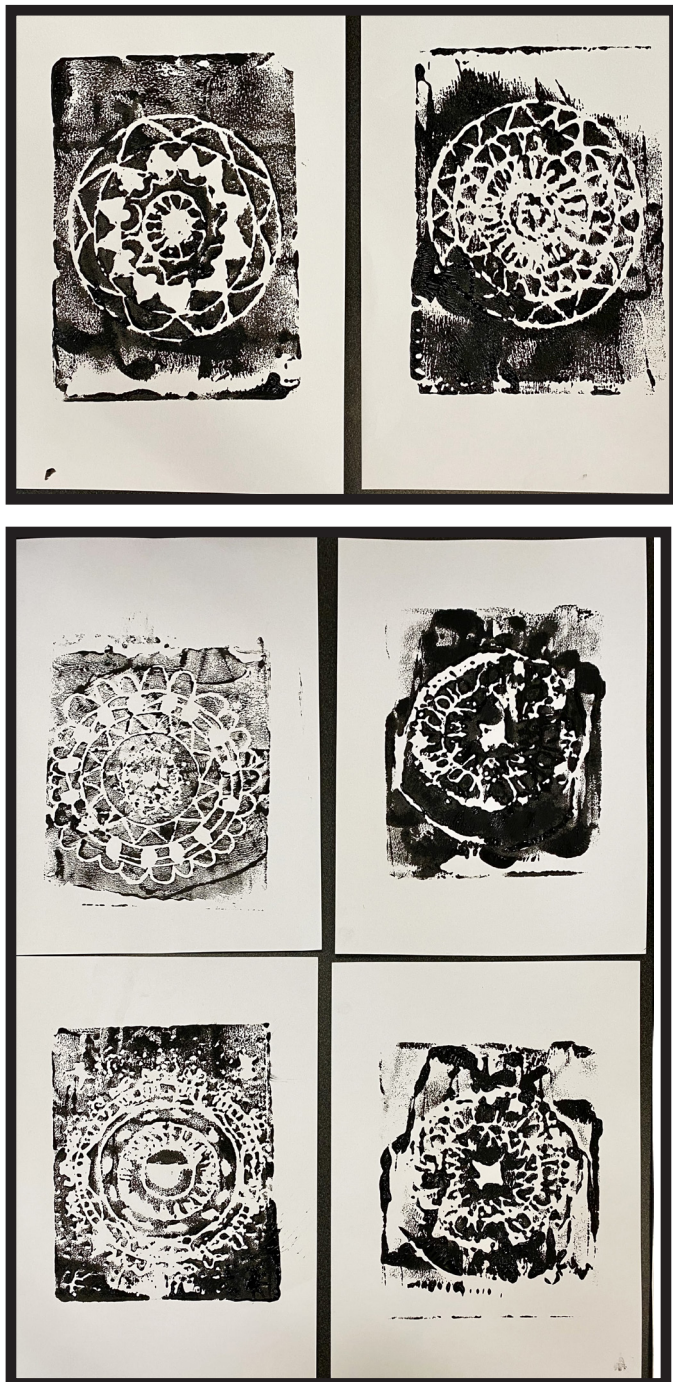
their overall health and wellbeing. They have been learning about the variety of factors that can influence their choices and assessing the messages around them about food. Stage 2 will also recognise and appreciate how culture has an immense impact on food selection and preparation.

In Art, students created an art piece using screen printing. We researched and practised drawing Mandala patterns and then they drew their drawing onto foam and screen printed their drawing. They enjoyed learning and experimenting with the technique of screen printing. Stay tuned these wonderful artworks will be available to purchase at our Campdraft and Fete.



Last week, we had the pleasure of Anna Kerrigan – Artistic Director of Aspire, Zoom us to work with students to gain a deeper insight of who they are and to gather and build upon the ideas and themes from students. From this, Anna alongside our writing group, were inspired to begin developing the script for this year's school play. We cannot wait to hear and start working with their amazing script.

Naomi Rodwell
Stage 2 Teacher



WEEKLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following award winners.

Week 8 Strength award - Bravery

Kindergarten - Ruby Urso - for always being brave and having a go.

Stage 1 - Archy Wallace - for the courage and perseverance he demonstrates when given a new challenge.

Daniel Dallas – For his impressive work with fraction notation

Stage 2 - Thomas Luke – for his reflections on how God is like a Father, Friend and Helper in his life.

Morgan Bates - for showing bravery and taking on challenges in his learning.

Stage 3 - Kirra Green- for constantly stepping out of her comfort zone and displaying bravery which has allowed for amazing growth.

Shykiah Walters- for always giving things a go with a smile on her face.

Principal's Awards:

Kirra Green – for an impressive speech on a refugee.

Lilly Towell – for an excellent effort in her persuasive writing.

Uniform Awards: (Presented by the School Captain and Vice Captain)

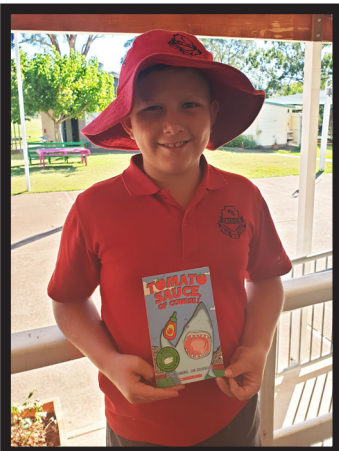
Jayden Schmidt and Eden Barry – for excellent presentation of their uniforms.

Mr Ashley Borg
Principal

Merriwa Ringer



Cassilis Public School



STUDENT OF THE WEEK - GORDIE

Gordie has been chosen as the Student of the Week for his improved approach to all learning tasks and being respectful to all staff and students. He had a very successful day last

Wednesday at Dunedoo where he was happy and participated in all the activities. Earlier in the week he wrote a detailed piece of writing about being a convict and completed reading activities using the fishing manual that he had been provided. Gordie created a graph using the data collected from a text - how many times different letters appeared on a page.

He showed kindness to others by helping them when they needed it. He played well in the playground, followed rules of the game and regulated his engine well by resting and having a drink of water when needed.

Congratulations Gordie on your efforts and achievements. You should feel very proud of yourself.

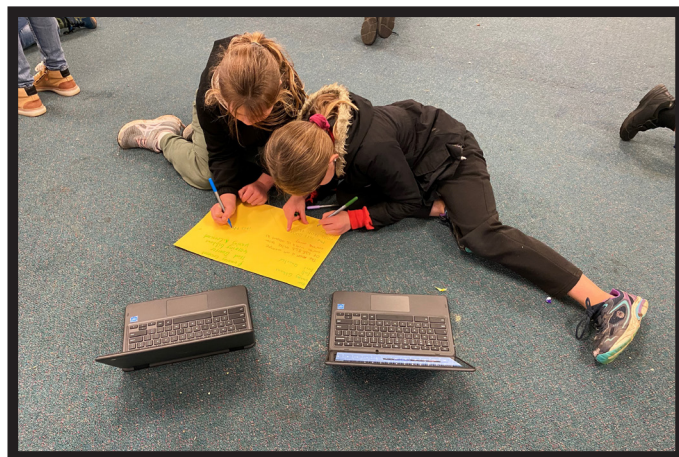
WHAT DO I DO IF MY CHILD IS AWAY FROM SCHOOL?

If your child is away from school, please notify the school as soon as possible that day. This can be done by a phone call, text message to Mrs Burgess or email to the school's address. It is important that the school knows why your child is absent as we record attendance every day.

5....4....3....2....1 CASSILIS BLAST OFF!

At 9.00am on Wednesday the 9th of June 2021 the Galaxy Astronauts Skylah, Paul and Skye, and the Luna Astronauts Gordie, Olivia and Ben with their Commander Miss Sanders and Second Pilot Mrs Nairne boarded the Anderson Spaceship ready to blast off from Planet Cassilis.

When they landed on Planet Dunedoo the Galaxy Astronauts headed off into the Planetarium to learn all about the night sky while the Luna Astronauts moonwalked to the Space



Station to design a spacecraft or create an out of this world painting.

After some space snacks it was time for the Luna Astronauts to soar off to the Planetarium where they took a journey around the Solar System visiting the Sun and Planets while the Galaxy Astronauts took a trip into the centre of the Earth where they assembled a fan to represent its parts.



The Astronauts worked up an appetite from all their Space Exploration so they set off for some fantastic lunch. To end the day the Galaxy Astronauts jumped onto the Dunedoo Spaceship and travelled to the moon where they became Astronomers finding new and interesting information while the Luna Astronauts used their experiences from the day to write an interesting story that was set in out of space.



Before they knew it Commander Miss Sanders and Second Pilot Mrs Nairne were rounding up their astronauts to board the Anderson Spaceship ready to travel back to Planet Cassilis.



What did the students enjoy the most about the day?

Ben - I got to see an extra show of the dome by being a great learner



Skye - My favourite part was going inside the planetarium dome because the guys spun us out

Skylah - I liked the large dome because they showed us the planets and stars. He told us stories inside the dome

Paul - When we made the fans using the colours of the inner, outer and core of the sun, this was my favourite part

Olivia - Spending time with friends from other schools was the best part.

Thank to you Dunedoo Central School for the invitation to attend, Mrs Nairne and Ms Sanders for providing this great opportunity to our students and to Mrs Anderson for the kind use of her van.

While primary students were at Dunedoo, the infants' students were at school learning more about space and some great words to use in their speaking and writing.



SEMESTER 1 REPORTS

Staff have been busy writing Semester One (Terms 1 and 2) report cards. These show observations of your child's learning and effort and future directions. These will be sent home next Thursday.

Parent/Teacher chats will be held in the second week back after the holidays.

ASSESSMENT LEADS TO FUTURE LEARNING

Cassilis Public School has recently purchased a subscription to a program called Essential Assessment. This program allows teachers to



participate. A permission note will be sent home this week.

Parents, please help your child organise either their bike or speak to the school about borrowing one.

There was the offer to fix bikes at school, but they will need to be brought in before Friday this week.

END OF TERM ASSEMBLY

Our assembly will be held on Wednesday June 23 starting at 9.15am. All families and community members are encouraged to attend as the students love seeing you there.

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea will follow.



assess students at their individual levels and find out important information to make our teaching more individualised and effective. This program will also be used within the students Individual Education Plans as it identifies both strengths and weaknesses in all areas of English and Mathematics.

The program will also be used as a task within Reading and Maths Groups as it includes other tools that focus on areas of improvement for each student through games, videos and activities.

The results and data collected from the Common Grade Assessments will also be used to assist in the writing of this semester's reports and identify discussion points for Parent Teacher Interviews next term.

If you would like to know more about this program please feel free to come and talk to Miss Sanders about it.

A VERY SUCCESSFUL PIE DRIVE

Thank you very much to everyone who supported the P and C's Pie Drive. They raised over \$800 which is incredible, and this money goes directly to reducing the cost of the Canberra Excursion for all students. At no other school would the excursions be so affordable!

Special thanks to Mrs Anderson for all her organising and hard work sorting the pies and yummy treats with Mrs Cornish.

BIKE DAY

In last week's newsletter, the bike day was discussed. Each student will need a bike to

**Katie
Burgess
Principal**



Anglican News

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REFLECTION - PENTECOST 4 – Matthew 16:13-19

It used to be that turning twenty-one was the great milestone for young adults. The card for this birthday often had a 'key' and we sang the song 'he's got the key of the door, for the key meant freedom. But as anyone with doorkeys knows this key also brings responsibility and care for the household. As the twenty-one grows older the 'key of the door' becomes less and less a sign of personal freedom, and more a sign of responsibility, of critical decisions, of good management and self sacrifice.

After the death of Jesus, Peter was the leader of the community in Jerusalem for some years but later it is shared with James and John (Acts 10). Later he appears in Syrian Antioch, possibly needing to leave Jerusalem because of Roman persecution. The letter attributed to Peter gives the best evidence that later still Peter was in Rome (1 Peter 5:13) where he was executed in the persecutions of Nero in the '60's. In this letter Peter is remembered as a 'fellow elder' and 'shepherd' of the community. It was later generations who endowed his memory with titles such as 'bishop', 'Il Papa' (father) from where we get the title Pope.

Today we pray for all in the community who exercise the ministry of leadership and generously assume the responsibility such leadership entails. May all leaders model Jesus, the Good Shepherd, in self-giving and wise stewardship. (From "Sundays Under the Southern Cross" by Mary Coloe PBVM)

Love and blessings, from Rev Pat

DIARY DATES

9.00am - Sundays second and fourth Sundays Eucharist at Holy Trinity

9.00am - First and third Sundays Morning Prayer at Holy Trinity

10.00am - Friday Eucharist at Holy Trinity

11.00am - Friday Extended Eucharist at MPS or Hostel alternating.

Rev Pat Kirkby

Merriwa Rotary

LET'S SALE AWAY

A late reminder....Rotary Merriwa will be doing barbecue duties at the large clearing sale to be held THIS SATURDAY, June 19 at 145 Depot Road. If you are planning to be there, there is no need to bring lunch. Rotary will be happy to serve you. All proceeds will go to charity.

OUR LAST MEETING

It was our pleasure to host Greg and Lorraine Bevan from Kurri, Rotarians who are involved in a great scheme to assist handicapped children with a modified form of cricket, aimed at children in Years 3 to 6. It has been very satisfying for the club to find that these special-needs young people have embraced the game with enormous enthusiasm. It has given them the chance to participate in sport, rather than be just sideline lookers-on. Well done Kurri Rotary!

THE ROTARY PLAYGROUNDS

Progress continues. The new food service block is now being constructed. (Our club is not involved in this addition to the Rotary Playgrounds. It is being sponsored by the Council and financed by government grant.)

We look forward to having a much safer place for users of the facilities at the playgrounds to pull up and "linger a little longer" in Merriwa.



Mark Smith

Community Notice Board

Congratulations

Last Sunday one of Maurice Irvine's Shire Horses boarded a flight from Sydney to NZ. Tullymore Olearia aka Daisy was exhibited at St Heliers Heavy Horse Field Days in May where she won her class, Champion Shire Horse and Supreme Youngstock on her first outing and through the media coverage caught the eye of an overseas Shire breeder.

Daisy is full sister to Sydney Royal Champion Mare and Supreme Shire Exhibit of 2011, Tullymore Premiere Dionella, and is a daughter of Tullymore Prelude Acacia who was our first Shire Horse bred with imported English semen and who herself was Supreme Shire Exhibit at the National Australian Shire Horse Show in Moss Vale 2009. Daisy's sire is Arclid Adonis, imported to Tullymore from England in 2003 who is Australia's most prolific stock getter in the Shire Horse world.

Tullymore Stud is known as the top heavy horse stud in Australia having produced Royal Show champions with three breeds of horses, Clydesdales, Shires and our own breed of harness horses using lighter mares covered with Clydesdale and Shire stallions. There are seven Royal Shows in Australia and Tullymore horses have won at six of them with SA being the show where Tullymore horses have not yet been exhibited. Tullymore's greatest achievement was in 2018 when three Tullymore horses took out all the major awards in the Shire Horse competition with Tullymore Eugenia – Champion Mare and Supreme Shire Exhibit, Tullymore Sir Joseph Banks – Champion Stallion/Colt and Tullymore Sir William – Champion Gelding. This was a world first for all three categories coming from the same breeder.

Having been the importer of a number of Clydesdale and Shire stallions over the last 30 years it is a great pleasure to now have one of our own exported to another country.

Working Dog Challenge

With talks of the Merriwa Spring Time Show going ahead for 2021, it is time to ask the question... **Who is interested in having the Working Dog Challenge again?**

This is a fun event for all dogs, big or small, testing the connection between dog and owner as they complete a course of jumps, climbs, tunnels and gates...

We have a sponsor, with Marie Scott and Stay and Play Photography generously donating prizes for the event. But what were are after is an indication of people with dogs, willing to give it a go; people to assist on the day with setting up, scoring and packing up.

If you fit into any of these catagories then please feel free to let me know on 0447 219 193.

We will be holding an information session in the near future which will explain the rules of the game. We will also aim to hold a training session prior to the event.

It was an event enjoyed by all in previous years and will be great to have it run again for 2021.

Tina Taylor

Congratulations

Congratulations to the Merriwa Junior Rugby League Football Club for the wonderful weekend you have just organised for all the players. A job well done.

Hylt Cronin

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Community Notice Board

Merriwa and District Progress Association

TWO COUNCILLORS FOR MERRIWA AND CASSILIS

With elections for Councillors to the Upper Hunter Shire due in September this year, it is time for residents in the western portion of the Shire to choose who will represent them on Council for the next term.

This district needs two motivated Councillors who can express the concerns and opinions of the local community at Council meetings. To improve the chances of two western representatives being elected to Council, it is recommended that only two strong nominees stand for election. With local support, all primary votes can be focussed on these two candidates to give them the best chance of success.

Please consider whether you have the aptitude to take on this important role. Although community groups (such as the Merriwa District Progress Association) and residents are trying to make Merriwa a better place to live, strong local representation on Council is necessary to support the efforts of these groups and ensure Council's works and services are distributed equitably across the Shire.

An intimate knowledge of the workings of local government IS NOT required. The NSW Office of Local Government holds training courses on how to become an effective Councillor. More information on becoming a Councillor can be found at: <https://upperhunter.nsw.gov.au/your-council/2021-elections.aspx> AND <https://www.elections.nsw.gov.au/Political-participants/Candidates-and-groups/Candidate-nominations-for-local-elections/Six-steps-to-being-a-candidate>.

The upcoming Council term will only be three years due to the last term being extended by a year because of COVID-19, so it's a good opportunity to take on this challenging but rewarding role.

The local community needs your help as its representative on Council. If you can make this very worthwhile donation of your time, the community would be very grateful and you would reap the satisfaction of performing this generous duty. It would be an opportunity to

promote that worthwhile project you have been wanting to see implemented.

Stephen Gowlland

St David's Uniting Church

PIE DRIVE

Orders have closed but if anyone has missed a sheet or has forgotten to order, we do order extras, but to be sure of receiving the goods of your choice, please call Barbara on 6548 5131 or 0428 485 131 and we can place you on our list.

Delivery Day: Tuesday June 22, 2021

Orders can be collected from 10.00am - 3.00pm

Place: St David's Uniting Church Cnr Mackenzie and Vennacher Streets

If anyone has difficulty with pick up time, contact Barbara on the above numbers and we can make arrangements.

Barbara Campbell



SCONE YOUTH CENTRE OPEN DAY

TUE 29 JUNE 9:30AM - 6:30PM

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 Form available at upperhunter.nsw.gov.au

QR code: Scan code to book

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Community Notice Board

Biggest Morning Tea

Cassilis Public school will be hosting a Biggest Morning tea to share with the community. Please feel free to come along and bring a plate of food to share.

When: Wednesday June 23

Time: 10.00am

Please RSVP by June 21 to 63761009.

Cassilis Public School

NON EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORT

Our organization transports residents to medical appointments. We urgently need volunteer drivers to help provide the service. If you can spare some time to assist please contact Joy or Marie at the office weekdays between 9.00am and 12noon. The Bottle Museum in Vennacher Street, opposite the Swimming Pool. Telephone 6548 2653. Normal Police and Working with Children Checks will be required at our cost. We provide a uniform and reimburse meal costs.

We are in our 24th year having started in May 1998. We transport more than 400 clients to their appointments each year. With an agreement with Cancer Council NSW we are able to transport all Cancer related appointments free of charge. A very nominal charge is made for other appointments. Generally we pick up and return from the clients home.

Bryan Baker

Upper Hunter Community and Youth Development and Support Services

We are running another online Youth MHFA Refresher course on Monday June 21 from 9.00am-1.00pm.

Throughout this course, you will:

- Gain an understanding of the latest research in the mental health field
- Learn the 3 key actions for helping someone feeling suicidal
- Work through complex mental health first aid interactions
- Practice mental health first aid skills

NOTE: To be eligible, participants need to have completed the full 14-hour Youth MHFA course within the last three years

Register via the link: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/youth-mhfa-refresher-tickets-155902750323>

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Community Notice Board

RSL Sub Branch

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A message to all RSL Sub Branch Members.

Our next meeting will be on July 11, at 10.30am to co-inside with the RSL Clubs Annual General Meeting.

We would like all members to attend if possible.

Bob Baihn

Merriwa CWA

CWA EDUCATIONAL GRANTS

The Hunter River Group of the Country Women's Association has available the following Grants:

1. The Hunter River Group Educational Grant valued at \$500.00, for a student entering Tertiary Educational in 2022, whether it be for University, TAFE, or College
2. The Jean Latham Educational Grant valued at \$300.00. This grant is available for Year 11 students entering Year 12 in 2022 and reside in the bounds of the Hunter River Group.

To be eligible the student must meet the following criteria:

- Reside within the bounds of the Hunter River Group
- Demonstrate a need for financial assistance.

Mature students may apply.

Every application will remain confidential.

Applications should be returned to the branch secretary by September 30, 2021.

Robyn McAlister

Carols in the Park

MARK THIS DATE

The Combined Christian Churches of Merriwa would like to hold the next Carols in the park on December 12, 2021 in Apex Park Merriwa.

Covt19 restrictions may still be in place, so we may have to modify the way we hold the event..

However, please keep this date free.

Cr Ron Campbell

Merriwa Senior Citizens

Association

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our next meeting and Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday June 22 at 11.30am.

Subs are due (\$5.00).

Raffle for a \$30.00 voucher to be won.

Please bring a plate to share for lunch in the Squatters' room of the club.

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Mary O'Neill

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GRAZIER

- For the love of wool; lambing, winter knits and running a business. As the winter chill sets in, it's the perfect time to celebrate wool. Meet the women reigniting our love affair with merino, making everything from stylish staples to heirloom keepsakes
- Women of the West; two years after the Queensland floods the triumphs of the communities is very evident.
- Life on the road; the Paine family packed the car and went for a 1400 km trip north to Longreach, Queensland along with their much loved black cockatoo Kezz!

HOME BEAUTIFUL

- Escape to the country; create a warm welcome in classic style with 25 ways to cosy up your home
- 20 pages of fabulous flooring plus bathroom heating dilemmas solved!
- Library love; chic designs for reading retreats and how to transform your sagging shelves to stylish shelves!

ADORE HOME

- Front doors to adore! From classic to contemporary these doors have serious street appeal. If the budget is tight go for a plain door, vibrant paint and a statement door handle that will elevate the look instantly
- Meet 7 emerging female artists you should have on your radar. Still Life, Aboriginal Dreamtime and semi-abstract styles inspired by nature, travel and life.

FRANKIE

- Packed full of design, art, photography, fashion, travel music, craft and musings on life in general. A great magazine for teen girls

MEN'S HEALTH

- Staying fit is a numbers game but with the

news cycle constantly churning out new ones it's difficult to know which of them really count. Here the figures are held against science to see which of them you should know

- 18 ways to build mental strength; the key to an easier life isn't about having a thick skin or talent, it's about not suppressing your emotions and understanding them.

A TOMATO CARD MOMENT

Remember when we were little, we couldn't wait to be mature responsible adults! What on earth were we thinking?!

BEANIE BOO

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Leanne and Neville Hook and the newsXpress

Di's Clothing Patch

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Our new season handbags and wallet are in store.

Di Inder

Upper Hunter Shire Council

DRAFT WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

Upper Hunter Shire Council is asking for feedback in regards to the draft Waste Management Strategy 2021-2031.

The purpose of the draft is to provide further recommendations in respect to waste and resource recovery and to enable Council to transition to a more sustainable waste management framework.

We are holding a number of community meetings as outlined below:

- Tuesday June 15 - Aberdeen Community Hall
- Wednesday June 16 - Scone Council Chambers
- Thursday June 17 - Merriwa School of Arts
- Friday June 18 - Murrurundi CWA Rooms
- Monday June 21 - Cassilis Community Hall
- Tuesday June 22 - Moonan Hall

Each session will be 6.00pm to 7.00pm.

No registration is required.

The draft strategy is on display at each of Council's offices and is available at upperhunter.nsw.gov.au

Residents are invited to provide written comment regarding the strategy by 13 July via:

Email: council@upperhunter.nsw.gov.au

Mail: PO Box 208, Scone NSW 2337

DRAFT ON-SITE SEWAGE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2021

Council has resolved to implement an update of the Upper Hunter On-Site Sewage Management Strategy.

The strategy provides an integrated approach to on-site sewage management systems within a self-regulating framework of community education, local support services and environmental and public health protection.

The draft strategy has been placed on exhibition for public comment for a period of 28 days from 16 June 2021.

The draft strategy is on display at each of Council's offices and is available at upperhunter.nsw.gov.au

Residents are invited to provide written comment regarding the strategy by 14 July via:

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MERRIWA AND CASSILIS WORKS SCHEDULE

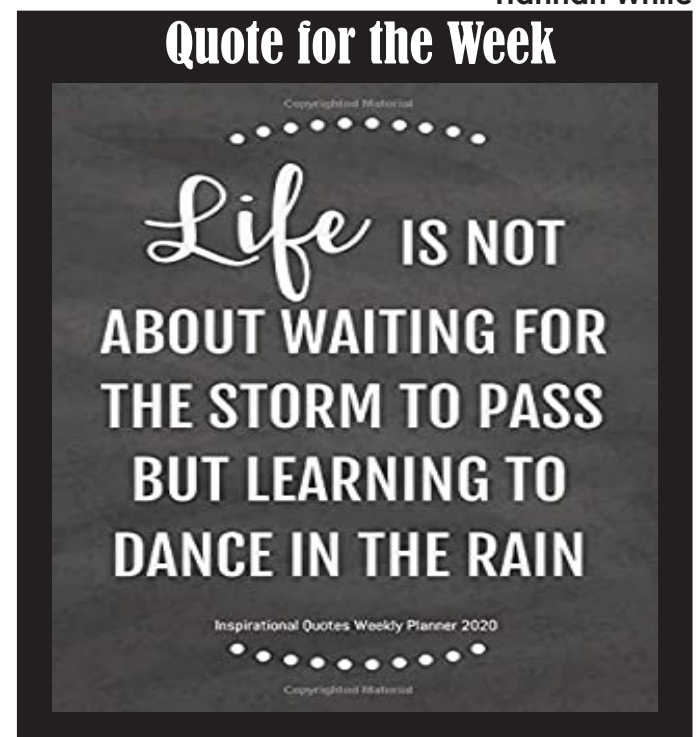
The following construction and maintenance works are happening in Merriwa and Cassilis this week.

- Toilets, garbage
- Parks, sports fields and reserves mowing and maintenance
- Public toilet maintenance
- Bunnan Bridge to Kars Springs construction works
- Bettington Street footpath finalisation of ongoing works
- Cassilis Community Hall, construction works
- Driver Reviver ongoing works
- Regional roads, heavy patching.
- Golden Highway, road maintenance
- Action requests as required

The following roads are to be inspected next for the grading/maintenance program:

- Vinagroy Road
- Ulan Road

Hannah White





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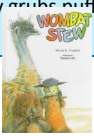





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MAC Winter Holidays 2021

Monday 28th June	Tuesday 29th June	Wednesday 30 June	Thursday 1st July	Friday 2nd July
Aussie	Outback	Reef	BIG Things	Music
Breakfast (for those in extended care) Choice of cereal or toast, milk or fruit juice and piece of fruit.				
Morning Tea				
Flag Biscuits	Damper and Golden Syrup		Banana Bread	Microphone cupcakes
Dot Painting 	Making our own yummy Wombat Stew out of sticks and Mud	Hunter Valley Gardens \$20	Big sized games 	Musical lamington eating Competition
Lunch				
Vegemite sandwich and Meat pies	Sausage sizzle 		Mini Pizza	Quiche 
How the birds got their colours art	Sand globes	Hunter Valley Gardens (if we get enough Children.)	Merriwa's own "Big things" Box Sculpture	Australian Dance Party
Afternoon Tea				
Aussie Favourites	Witchetty grub and puff pastry. 		Big Pineapple, Big apple, Big Mandarin fruit platter	Tasting Platter
Wear your brightest and most colourful clothes.		Please bring plenty of warm clothes to keep warm and dry.	BIG Pyjama Party, Come dressed in your PJs for the day	Get your groove on and dress for a dance
				
Fruit	Vegetables/legumes	Protein	Dairy	Grain
Treat				

MAC Autumn Holidays 2021

Monday 5th July	Tuesday 6th July	Wednesday 7th July	Thursday 8th July	Friday 9th July
Food	Explorer	Bush	Capital	Aussie
Breakfast (for those in extended care) Choice of cereal or toast, milk or fruit juice and piece of fruit.				
Morning Tea				
Fruit Kebab	Weetbix slice	Vegemite sandwich	Jelly Cups	Flag Biscuits
Name that Australian Food! 	Explore the Merriwa River Geocache	Trip to Rockridge (Private Car)	Virtual tours of Canberra	Trivia Game Show 
Lunch				
Meat pie and Chips	quiche 	Great Aussie BBQ Lunch	Pizza Face	Sandwiches
SAO Competition 	North, South, East and West , Navigation and Maps	Bush skills	Tallest flag pole build.	Paper Plane Comp.
Afternoon Tea				
Possum magics food fair 	Scones with Jam and Cream	Damper and marshmallows	High tea 	Tasting Platter 
				
Fruit	Vegetables/legumes	Protein	Dairy	Grain
Treat				

FREE workshops for parents and supervisors of learner drivers

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Merriwa Pre-School
For children 2 - 5 years

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For children attending Kindergarten to Year 6
After School Care and Vacation Care

MERRIWA TOURIST WELCOMING CENTRE & MEN'S SHED

Arts, Crafts, Farm Produce!

Clean toilets!

CENTRE:

Open every day

9.30am-2.30pm

MEN'S SHED:

Every Thursday

10.00am onwards

President: E Shipway
Telephone: 6548 3201



CWA

Meets Second Monday
of the month
10.00am
CWA Rooms
159 Bettington Street

Visitors and new members are always welcome

Enquiries to:

President: Barbara Campbell
Phone: 6548 5131 or 0428 485 131
Email: barbaraj911@gmail.com
Secretary: Kim Clydsdale
Phone: 6548 2558
Email: kmclydsdale@gmail.com

Dress For Less



Trinity Markets

Accessories, Books, Nick-Nacks
Clothing for all the family
DONATIONS WELCOME!

Tues-Fri

9.00am - 12.30pm

Sat

9.00am - 12.00pm

118 Bettington St. Merriwa

Groups

Hunter Medical Practice

Merriwa and Denman
 Monday – Friday 8.00am – 6.00pm
Merriwa
 Cnr Brisbane and MacKenzie Streets
Denman
 51 – 53 Ogilvie Street
 For appointments please phone 6532 5013

MERRIWA & DISTRICT LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE

2020/21 starts Oct 12!
 Tots (3 & 4 yrs) to u/17 yrs
Mondays 5.30 to 6.30ish
 at Merriwa No. 2 Oval
 (season ends 22 February)
New Members Welcome
 ph: Belinda Keane 0407 875 876
 e: belindak@live.com.au

MERRIWA SPORTS CLUB LTD

65482028
 Golf, Bowls, Squash, Darts, Pool, ATM, Club Keno
 Opening Hours
 Monday to Friday 3.30pm, Saturday 12.00pm, Sunday 3.00pm
 Friday Happy Hours 5.00-7.00pm
 Saturday **Happy Saturday** all day \$5 schooners, house spirits and wine. Club raffles and members draw
HONKI HAUS CHINESE RESTAURANT
 Wednesday-Friday open for dinner. Saturday-Sunday open lunch and dinner.
 Dine in or take away



Rotary Club of Merriwa Inc
ROTARY
 SERVICE Above Self
Meets each Tuesday at the Merriwa Sports Club
7.00pm for 7.30pm
 4 x 4m Marquee for Hire
 0429 482 389



Merriwa Magpies
 Rugby League Football Club
Merriwa Rugby League Football Club
 President: Ben Robins
 Vice President: David Martin
 Secretary: Gaynor Blackadder
 Treasurer/Publicity Officer: Jessyca Morgan

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NON EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORT SERVICE
 We will get you to your appointments on time with special care.
 
 Office hours are:
 9.30 to 2.30 weekdays
 Bottle Museum building or leave a message on the answering service for a call back.
 Tel/Fax 6548 2653



2021 Merriwa Springtime Show
 Established 1908
 17 to 19th September!
 www.merriwashow.com.au
 Tyler Austin - President
 Marie Scott - Secretary
Tel: 0498 378 500



PONY CLUB
MERRIWA
 Clare Martin
 President 6548 2201
 De Patterson
 Secretary 0416 194 501
 Fiona Morgan
 Treasurer
 Rally days every 2nd Sunday of month from February to October



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 Bistro/Snack Bar
 Take Away
 Lunch & Dinner 7 days
 Parties & Weddings a specialty
ATM, SKY CHANNEL CLUB TAB, CLUB KENO DARTS, SNOOKER, POOL

MERRIWA SSAA AND APA
 Range facilities and Fire arm testing available
 President: Nathan Telfer
 Secretary: Phil Martyn
Contact 6547 6031 for information
Shooting weekends 2nd and 4th weekend of the month




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 Offering a large range of rural merchandise including animal health, feed and produce, water pipe and fittings, fuels and lubricants, agricultural chemicals, hardware and much more!
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Find us at 19 Vennacher Street Merriwa
 Open Monday - Friday 7.30am - 5pm
 Saturday 9am - 12pm
 Phone: (02) 6548 2071

Season starts **Term 4**

Make a SPLASH!
Merriwa Swimming Club
 merriwa.swimming.org.au

BBQ area and Kids Play area
Friday
 Raffles and 3 Members Badge Draws
Sunday
 Raffles
 Members Badge Draw between 11.30am & 1.30pm
Club: 6548 2157
Bistro: 6548 2295
 For the information of members and their guests.



MERRIWA JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE FOOTBALL CLUB
Magpies
President Bernard Constable
Secretary Julie Wilton
 All inquiries to the secretary
 0498332565
 merriwamagpiesjrl@gmail.com

MERRIWA RACES
April 23, 2022
 Race Club President - Paul Frampton
 Contact - 0428 485 182
 Visit www.merriwaraceclub.com.au

MERRIWA BUSHMAN'S CAMPDRAFT EST. 1947
 President: Jamie Edmonds 0428 308 010
 Secretary: Kellie Porter 0432 109 760
 Treasurer: Kelly Curtis
 October Long weekend
 merriwacampdraft@gmail.com



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Merriwa Cricket Club
 President: Jon Osmond
 0428 714 648
 Vice President: Mark Fieldsend
 Secretary: James Armstrong
 0412 926 525
 Treasurer: Mick Curteis
 - 0475 980 254

MERRIWA DISTRICT PROGRESS ASSOCIATION
 Get involved in influencing decisions on matters that affect the whole local community
 Meets on Third Wednesday every month
 at 6.00pm Merriwa RSL
 merriwaprogress@gmail.com



Clubs/Sports Merriwa RSL Club

The Friday night Members Lucky Badge 7.00pm draw for \$580.00 was not won the number was 369, this week it jackpots to \$600.00.

The 8.30pm Members Badge draw worth \$700.00 was not won the number was 144, this week it jackpots to \$750.00.

The 9.00pm Members Badge draw for \$240.00 was not won the number was 387, this week it jackpots to \$260.00. LTPS/19/36118

The Sunday Members Badge Draw for \$650.00 was not won last week the number was 134, this week it jackpots to \$700.00 and will be drawn between 11.30am and 1.30pm and you must be present to win the money. LTP/19/36118

Members must be present to claim any of the draws and present their current membership card upon request. It is an offence to NOT have your membership card on your person when on the premises.

Wednesday Nights from 6.00pm - \$6.00 PINTS. – For every pint sold between February and June 30 the RSL Club will be donating \$1.00 to help with Miranda Boland's recovery, and after three months we have donated \$1199.00.

Saturday nights – free juke box, pool comp \$100.00 first prize, \$5.00 schooners and House spirits. From 6.00pm till 10.00pm.

Courtesy Bus – the clubs courtesy bus if available for pickups on Friday's from 5.30pm (you must book by ringing club), with drop offs at 9.15pm, 10.00pm and 11.30pm.

HAPPY HOURS

Friday 5.30pm to 7.30pm

Saturday 6.00pm to 10pm

Sunday 11.30am to 12.30pm

Bistro hours – lunch Thursday – Sunday 12/2.00pm, Dinner Monday – Thursday 5.30/7.30pm Friday – Saturday 5.30/8.00pm.

Matt Morgan

Merriwa Sports Club

STATE OF ORIGIN

What's better than a good game of State of Origin? Origin on the BIG SCREEN, hot dogs and the chance to win money! The Merriwa Sports Club will be playing the game on the big screen and will be supplying hot dogs. Doubles are also on sale for \$1.00, match the two first try scorers and you win \$100.00.

SATURDAY NIGHT RAFFLES

Come along and enjoy our Saturday night raffles, ten meat trays and five fruit and veg trays up for grabs. The trays are looking amazing, thanks to Merriwa IGA and Max's Country Cuts. Raffle begins at 7.30pm. The members draw was drawn on Saturday night, member number 64 was not present so the badge draw jackpots to \$650.00 this week. Drawn anytime between 6.30 and 8.30 pm, you must be there to win.

HAPPY HOURS

Friday 5.00-7.00pm

Saturday - ALL DAY! That's right, all day happy hours. \$5.00 schooners, house spirits and wine. ALL Day. Happy Satdy everyone.

THURSDAY NIGHT POOL AND DARTS

We have had a great few weeks of darts, with a new winner every week. Join us for pool and darts on Thursday nights. Names in by 6.00pm. \$5.00 entry for each competition, winner takes all.

CLUBS OPENING HOURS

Mondays to Friday 3.30pm to close
Saturdays to Sundays 12.00pm to close

HONKI HAUS RESAURANT

Honki Haus now doing lunch time specials on a weekend. Come on in for a delicious meal, whether it's for lunch or dinner. Honki Haus Restaurant closed Mondays and Tuesdays. Open for dinner Wednesday to Saturday 4.30pm to 8.00pm. Sunday dinners 4.30pm to 7.00pm. Open for lunch Saturday and Sunday 12noon to 2.00pm.

For bookings and take away – 0460 817 606.

DRAG SHOW

CanAssist will be hosting a Drag Show on July 17, starting at 5.30pm. Tickets are \$50.00, this includes a two course meal, provided by

Eat@153, and a fabulous show. There will be games, prizes and a lot of fun. All money raised will go directly to CanAssist Merriwa. Book your table of eight today, tickets are selling fast!

2021/22 MEMBERSHIPS

Membership renewals for 2021/22 have been sent out, keep an eye in the post for your renewal. From July 1 the 2021/22 member numbers will be used for our members draw so make sure you remember to renew for you chance to win!

Brendan Cowell

Merriwa Rugby League Football Club

Our next games are Merriwa v Aberdeen at Aberdeen on Sunday June 20. Monarch blues at 10.20am and Reserve Grade at 12.30pm.

Let's go Magpies

Jessyca Morgan

Merriwa Junior Rugby League Football Club

Round 8 saw our girls League Tag games a wash out for all age groups which was understandable with the weather the way it was.

Saturday morning saw our league teams head off to Singleton to play. Even though the wind was freezing the kids played fantastic games of Footy.

We hope all our Magpie family's had a wonderful and safe long weekend and we look forward to see you all at training through the week and ready to tackle another weekend of footy.

Thank you to our wonderful committee, volunteers, coaches, League Safe, team managers, parents and most importantly our invaluable sponsors.

Have fun Magpies!

Brooke Marchese and Amanda Tudor

U/6'S BLACK

Merriwa Blacks kicked off the Under 6's at Singleton. After a week off, they were fresh and eager. It was a great team effort all round with the highlight being their tackling.

The Sparrows Nest Player of the Week wasn't decided on the day and would be announced at training on Tuesday. We will reveal in next weeks ringer.

UNDER 6'S WHITE

Merriwa whites had a tough game against Scone in the mud but everyone seemed to have fun. This weeks player of the match was Olivia Urso who was involved in some good tackling.



Cassilis Park Player of the Week went to Olivia Urso.

Ringer Deadline!

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UNDER 7'S

Our under 7's had an early game at Singleton last week. The wind was blowing and it was freezing cold but the kids got out on the field and had a great game. Tries this week went Charlie Barry, Myles Hvirf and Callum Nicholls.

UNDER 9'S

Merriwa Under 9's had a great game this week with player of the week going to Aubree Oldham. Aubree scored three tries this week with Arcy, Hudson, Riley and Morgan also scoring a try each. The whole team stepped it up this week with awesome tackling seen by all.



The Cory and David Vero Player of the Week went to Aubree Oldham



UNDER 11'S

The Eat at 153 Player of the Week went to Jye Bates.

HUNTER VALLEY GROUP 21 REP SIDE

Three of our Merriwa Magpie girls were selected in their age division to represent Hunter Valley Group 21 Rep sides. Mia Morgan for the Under 14's and Ashleigh Loft and Brooklyn Blackadder for the Under 16's. Last weekend they traveled to Forster to take on Group 3. Both teams were victorious in their matches with the Under 14's score being 24-16 The Under 16's being 24-4.

Well done girls.

Brooke Marchese



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Can Assist Merriwa
Comedy & Dinner Evening

Saturday, 17th July

6:30pm until late.

2-course dinner included
courtesy of Eat @ 153

Get your SPARKLES on!

APPEARING HERE

Merriwa Sports Club

Saturday, 17th July from 6pm till late, \$50.00 per ticket
Contact Dave@IGA or Marlene 6548 5191 to reserve your table
Tickets also on sale at Merriwa Sports Club.

Hunter Local Land Services Community Conversations Around Local Emergency Planning

You asked and we delivered!



Our drought Farm Family Gatherings highlighted the need for first aid training and local skills in preparation for drought, bushfire and natural disaster events. Hunter Local Land Services, in partnership with your local emergency services and National Recovery and Resilience Agency are opening the conversation around these critical issues often left in the 'too hard basket'. We are inviting you to a FREE community BBQ to meet your local emergency first responders and decision makers, gather essential resources to assist with your planning, and become familiar with local emergency issues.

If these questions are parked in your 'too hard basket' then come along!



*Do you have first aid training?
Is the Emergency Plus App on your phone?
Are you prepared with a bushfire plan?
What will you do with your animals in an emergency?
Where is your Neighbourhood Safer Place?
Does your community have a defibrillator?
Is your property clearly identified?*

Date: Wednesday 16 June 2021

Time: Drop in 4:00pm - 6:00pm with a BBQ Dinner

Location: Cassilis Bowling Club

THIS EVENT IS COVID-19 SAFE.

Numbers are limited due to COVID-19 restrictions. All confirmed participants will be required to register and must not attend if they have any symptoms such as fever, cough, sore throat, shortness or breath, or loss of taste or smell.



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Elders Merriwa

MINI FIELD DAY

8.30am - 3.30pm

Talk to industry experts in animal health, fencing, insurance, pasture/cropping plus much more & enjoy end of financial year specials!

17
JUNE

2021



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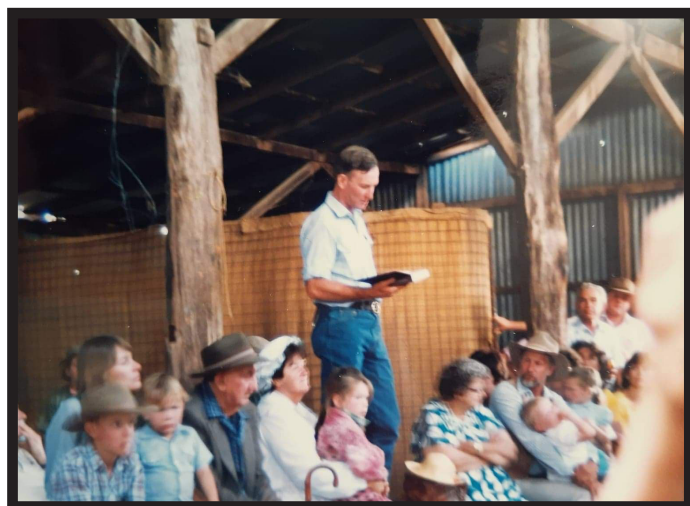
A Walk Down Memory Lane

WITH JAMES CONSTABLE

of his diamond wedding last weekend, also reached his 87th milestone on life's journey on Sunday. The veteran is probably the only person still in the flesh who heard and witnessed the first practical demonstration of transmitting of sound over the telephone in Australia. This demonstration was given by Alexander Graham Bell, Scottish scientist, then domiciled in America, at "Brindley Park" Merriwa in the dim and distant past.

Alexander Graham Bell was born in Edinburgh, Scotland in 1847. He studied the problem of transmitting sound by electricity and light, and in 1876, patented an apparatus which has been developed into the telephone of today. His visit to this country related to creating interest in his invention. It was only looked on with askance by the authorities, as it had also received a poor reception in America and the Old Country."

An opportunity went begging.



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St Joseph's Primary School Merriwa P&F Association presents

2021 Junior Campdraft & Fete

Saturday 26th June - Merriwa Showground



MARKET STALLS, CAKE STALL, PLANT STALL,
FUN & GAMES, COFFEE,
HORSE EVENTS ALL DAY, CANTEEN,
PLASTER PAINTING,
DECONSTRUCTED HIGH TEA,
& MUCH MORE

**FETE FUN
FROM 10AM**

RAFFLE - \$2 EACH

1st Prize: 2 night accommodation Voucher @ the Townhouse

2nd prize: Trailer load fire wood

3rd prize: Nespresso Essenza Mini Coffee Machine

4th: Picnic Hamper

5th: Family pass Australian Maritime Museum

MCS in touch with our community



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