

Railway Town Times

Term 2 Week 7



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Tuesday 5th June 2012

What's On?

Wed 6th June – Mrs Magill's Funeral

Wed 13th June- P&C meeting 7pm

Frid 22nd June – PSSA Gala Day-Boys Soccer & Girls Hockey

Mon 25th June – Reports sent home

Thurs 28th June – TREC

Frid 29th June – PSSA Gala Day- AFL & Netball

Editorial

Progress is being made with preparations for our Railway Town Mobile Pre-School to commence in term 3. Thanks to the Huxtable, Pearce, Bloomfield, Dyson, Philp, Pinnuck and Hannan families who helped out with a clean-up of the rooms ready for the contractors to commence work on painting, fencing and minor works inside the building.

If there are any parents who are interested in volunteering to become a Multi-Lit tutor at our school please contact me for more information. Training is provided and a commitment of 3 to 4 mornings per week to tutor students required.

The class teachers are working on their semester one student progress reports at the moment and will be ready to be sent home at the end of term.

The PSSA gala days are organised for the end of term, with Boys Soccer and Girls Hockey on Friday week 9. In week 10, AFL and Netball also on Friday.

A note was sent home on Friday with information about next Wednesday's arrangements. Limited supervision will be available between the hours of 10am-12pm because of Mrs Magill's funeral service.

Thank you
Nigel Sherrard
Principal

TRUST FUND SET UP

Most of you all know of the tragic passing of Megan only a day after the arrival of the twins, Connor and Thomas. I know so many people want to help out in any way they can. Megan and Colin have always worked so hard to provide so much love and support for their beautiful children. A trust fund has been set up for Colin, Keira, Eunan, Connor and Thomas and their future. The trust has been called 'Magill Family' with the Broken Hill Community Credit Union BSB 802 377 Account number 37734802. Any little contribution you wish to make would be more than appreciated by Colin and his beautiful family.

Wheel A Thon Prize Winners

The voucher winners from each class were drawn on Friday. The winners were:

Logan Ferguson, Seth Wilson, Cooper Wielozynski, Dray Pascoe, Luke Hall and Liam McKee.

CanTeen – You Can

CanTeen and Sony have launched a fundraising campaign to raise money for teenagers with cancer. Please send any old mobile phones to the front office and they will be recycled to raise money for CanTeen.

Woolworths Earn & Learn

The Earn & Learn collection sheets for this year's scheme have been sent home. For every \$10 you spend at Woolworths, you receive a sticker to place on your sheet. When the sheet is full please return to the front office.

National Buddy Day

To celebrate National Buddy Day and support The Alannah and Madeline Foundation, West Broken Hill Football Club will be holding a 'Purple Day' on Saturday 23 June at Jubilee Oval. Participants are invited to wear 'A Splash of Purple' and donate a gold coin. All funds raised will contribute to The Alannah and Madeline Foundation's Better Buddies Framework. Attached is a poster for your information.

*Keep this date free:
Railway Town Public
School FETE 1st
November 2012.*

CLASSIFIEDS

Assembly Awards

Congratulations to all this week's award winners!

K/1R – Abbayshay Pinnuck, Maddie O'Neill

1MS – Chloe King, Jayden Craker

2/3M – Ebony Jewitt, Amali Elston

3/4V – Suni Forner, Porshia Dragut

4/5B – Shelby Kennedy, Shannara Murphy-Eyre

5/6M – Waylon Probert, Corry-Lee McEvoy

MB – Heath Butcher

Library – Kagen Pearce, Angus DeFranceschi

COTW – K/1R, 2/3M, 3/4V & 5/6M

Caught Being Good

K/1R – Crystal Nichols

1MS – Taiden Spencer

2/3M – Deacon Eastley

3/4V – Casey Ferguson

4/5B – Violet Dixon

5/6M – Maggie Dowton



Assembly

Assembly this week will be conducted by Miss Mack & 2/3M. Assembly starts at 12.20pm on Friday.

Attendance

Everyone2day

Attendance every day that the school is open for instruction is a legal requirement and a major responsibility of parents/carers. **Do not** keep your child away from school for the following reasons as they are not considered to be acceptable:

- Birthdays
- Shopping
- Minding other children
- For routine check-ups or care such as hair cuts
- Minor family events
- Medical and other health appointments for your child with specialists such as dentists or doctors should be made either before or after school or during the school holidays
- Regular appointments (i.e. private swimming or music lessons during school time) which require students to leave school early

It is important to understand that the Department may take further action where children of compulsory school age (6-17) have recurring numbers of unexplained or unacceptable absences from school. Some of the following actions may be undertaken.

- Attendance meetings and compulsory attendance conferences - Parents (and sometimes their child) can be asked to go to a meeting with school personnel and other regional officers. The aim of the meeting is to help identify strategies to support the child and family. Other agencies may also be invited along to help, if parents agree.
- If the school and other regional officers have tried to help improve a child's attendance, without success, parents (and sometimes their child) can be asked to go to a compulsory attendance conference. The conference will be run by a trained conference convenor. The aim of the conference is for the school, parents/child and other identified agencies ("the parties") to further identify the issues which are impacting on a child's attendance.
- The outcome of a compulsory attendance conference is for the parties to agree to undertake certain actions to improve the child's attendance. These actions are written in the form of undertakings.
- Applications to the Children's Court – A Compulsory Schooling Order. Legal compliance can be sought through an application to the Children's Court for a Compulsory Schooling Order. The aim is to assist a family and/or child to address the issues which are preventing satisfactory school attendance but has the added enforcement of a Court's powers.
- Prosecution in the Local Court - If all attempts by schools and regional support staff fail to improve a student's attendance, action can be taken in the Local Court and the result can be fines up to a maximum of \$11,000.

Home Reading

25 Nights

Tahlia Probert

50 Nights

Axton Carroll

Porshia Dragut

Jack Burke

75 Nights

Chloe King



Level 5 Awards

1MS

Dylan Murphy

2/3M

Alexias Dutton

Level 6 Awards

1MS

Seth Wilson

2/3M

Mathew Fisher

Rowan Martin

Luke Nicoli

3/4V

Jordan Bloomfield

Caleb Fenton

4/5B

Shelby Kennedy

5/6M

Liam Gers

Mackenzie Chester

Aiden Dewsbery



Law Week Prize Winners

The local courthouse ran a colouring contest last week and we had three prize winners!



Maddie O'Neill

Tahlia Probert

Kennith Lohmann



I must apologise for not getting a newsletter out to everyone last week, I was just too busy and couldn't get it done because of an exciting new career change. However I'm back on track and will endeavour to get an edition out to you every week. **Term 2, Week 7**

Warm Tomato or Chicken Noodle Soup

How does warm yummy soup on a cold day sound?

Yep sounds great to me too!

Alison our amazing canteen volunteer will be making Chicken Noodle and Tomato soup this Thursday the 7th of June 2012 for the kids to purchase for recess and lunch.

Pre-ordering of the soup Thursday morning is advisable so that your child's soup is ready and cooled slightly for pick up at the canteen.

Your child's name and class will be written on the cup along with their choice of chicken noodle or tomato and lunch or recess depending on when they choose to have their soup.

The soup will be available at **\$1 per cup**.

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Ordering Rules to make all our lives easier

There has been quite a bit of confusion lately about the ordering process in our school canteen. So to try and resolve any questions you might have I thought I'd put a little bit of information in this newsletter on the process.

- Bakery orders eg: Pies, Pasties, Sausage Rolls must be in by **9am** (the bakery requires us to put the order in early so that the goods can be delivered to the school and ready in time for lunch).
- If you are late for school and you need to order lunch you will be able to order anything from the menu **except for the bakery items**.
- There will be no pre-ordering for recess (unfortunately our canteen is occasionally too busy and our canteen volunteers don't feel they have the capacity to manage the ordering of both recess and lunch. If we had at least 2 volunteers everyday this could perhaps be reviewed and may be possible).

Canteen Volunteers

I have decided to keep this section in our newsletter as we have not yet secured any new volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Kristle on 0422 019 474. All volunteers are required to fill in a Volunteer Declaration Form prior to commencing in the School Canteen.



Pictured above: Our Mighty Monday Volunteer Malissa working in the canteen to bring our children their yummy foods.

Canteen Menu List Changes

There has been some changes to the Canteen Menu for the winter months and to add new items to the canteen for eg:

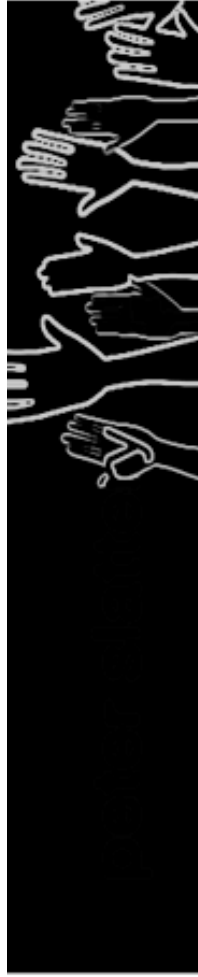
We have added corn on the cob, Hot Ham and Cheese Rolls and Hot Chicken and Gravy Rolls.

I'd also like to draw to your attention Chicken Burgers. Chicken Burgers with lettuce and mayo are \$4.00 and a Chicken Burger with Salad and Mayo is \$5.50.

Focus Waters have had a price change, they are now available for \$1.70 each.

I'd also like to point out that forks and spoons are now 5 cents each...unfortunately we are not covering our costs and so small items such as these need to be passed on.





ALL Parents, Carers, Teachers & Youth Workers

Things You Must Know about Teenagers: A Survival Guide with Peter Slattery

Date: Thursday 14th June, 2012

Time: 7pm - 8.30pm

Venue: Club Legion Function Room, Crystal Street

Price: Free

There's physical stuff, social stuff...and the time is now. Things are different, and we know things about brains we didn't know before.

We have FACEBOOK (OMG!) and texting and the NET...and totally new things. Parents deal with this every day, and we sometimes just wander about bumping into new worries and new technology. There is also so much added pressure from Alcohol, Tobacco and other Drugs.

This evening will provide a few useful signposts, something of a roadmap, and some solid practical tips to help get you through the new maze.



Peter Slattery.
Therapist, Educator, Trainer

"Felt like I had no control over my kids! It was like they were parenting me! I really needed a workshop like this to open my eyes. I see things differently now." - Concerned Parent

To Register Please Contact:

Veronica Barnden (Lifeline)

Ph: 80877525

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Or visit the Neighborhood Counselling Centre, Argent St

West Broken Hill Football Club's

Purple Day

Saturday 23rd June 2012
Jubilee Oval

WEAR SOMETHING PURPLE
GOLD COIN DONATION

Come along & help us celebrate

NATIONAL BUDDY DAY

Raising much needed funds for

The Alannah & Madeline Foundation



WEST BROKEN HILL

WFC

FOOTBALL CLUB

Online donations

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