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"With oars and sail"

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PLEASE
Return your
newsletter
folder
to school
each week.

Participation Leads to Success

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The Link

Principals Message

A reminder that this Friday we will hold an induction ceremony for our school leaders as part of our weekly assembly at 11am in the school hall. Parents and family members are most welcome to attend and stay for morning tea after the assembly.

Students will be participating in weekly Scripture lessons each Friday with Rev. Michael Pailthorpe. Please contact the school if you have any questions regarding this.

Have a great week

Regards ,

Carmel McMurray



DISTRICT SWIMMING

Congratulations to our P5 relay team consisting of Montana and Savannah Bevan and Hayden and Jake McCarthy who have made it onto the next level to the Region Swimming Carnival at Dubbo on Friday 8th March.

Montana will also be part of the Small Schools Junior Girls relay. We wish them all the best next week at Dubbo.

CLEAN-UP AUSTRALIA DAY

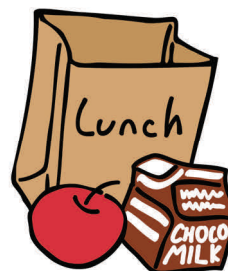
This Friday students will be participating in Clean-up Australia Day as part of school activities.



LUNCH ORDERS

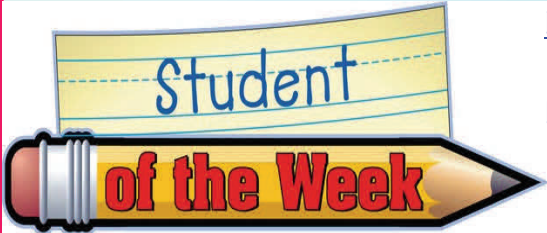
Lunch orders from the Central Hotel will only be able to be ordered on **FRIDAYS ONLY** as of next week (Mon. 4th March). Students will not be able to order lunches on Mondays, however can order sausage rolls (\$2) or party pies (60c) from school.

A reminder that sausage rolls and party pies can be ordered any day at school if needed.



SCHOOL CONTRIBUTION

Parents and carers are encouraged to pay the school activity and material contribution (voluntary contribution). This money assists the school in purchasing specialist craft materials, computer/technology items, books, pencils and other stationery. The cost of the contribution is \$30 per year. You are also welcome to pay any amount that is affordable to you.



LIBRARY

Montana Bevan

Assembly Awards:

22nd February 2013

K - 2

Ricky Stibbard
Nina Merchant

3 - 6

Jack Frazer
Jodi Williams

Student of the Week: Week 4 Term 1

Year 3 - 6 Tamara Greenhalgh

K - 2 Mitchell McMahon

Miss Adams Joe Valentine

Sportsperson:

Cameron Mulligan

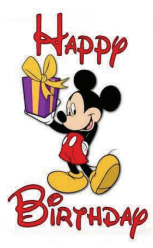
HAVE YOU RECEIVED THE SCHOOLKIDS BONUS?

Do you know about the Schoolkids Bonus? It is a new cash payment to help eligible families and students with the costs of primary and secondary school studies. Around 1.2 million families have already benefitted from the first wave of payments in January 2013 – *have you?*

If you receive a family or income support payment, including Family Tax Benefit Part A, you could be eligible to receive \$410 a year for each primary student and \$820 a year for each secondary student, with half paid in January and half paid in July.

The Schoolkids Bonus replaces the Education Tax Refund (ETR) and is a much simpler system. You no longer need to collect receipts and payments are made automatically so you don't have to wait months to make a claim via your tax return. Unlike the ETR you can choose how you use the payment to best support your children's education – whether it be school books, stationery, uniforms, school fees, or excursions.

Check your eligibility by visiting australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus and if you think you might have missed out on the January payment, contact Centrelink – either in person at a Centrelink-Medicare Office or by calling 132 468.



Happy Birthday

to

Jed Matheson
And
Ricky Stibbard

1st March 2013

Term 1 2013

Week 5	25.2.13	26.2.13	27.2.13	28.2.13	1.3.13 School Leaders Induction 11am
			LIFE EDUCATION VAN		Clean Up Australia Day
Week 6	4.3.13	5.3.13	6.3.13	7.3.13	8.3.13 Region Swimming Carnival Dubbo



MORNING FITNESS

Enjoying the fun of the parachute on Tuesday morning



Each morning at 11am students participate in a variety of fitness activities to stimulate their mind and body.

HEALTHY HAROLD LIFE EDUCATION



Class 3/4/5/6 students enjoy lessons with Life Education Teacher, and Healthy Harold today in the Life Education Van.

Red Bend Catholic College

YEAR 7 TO 12 CO-EDUCATIONAL DAY AND BOARDING COLLEGE



invite you to their

Open Day

Sunday, March 10, 2013

10am - 2pm

Guided tours from 11am - 2pm, light lunch provided

Meet the Principal
and staff

Enrol now for
2015 & 2016

Limited places available for 2014

THROUGH DIFFICULTIES TO GREATNESS



For more information contact the College on 6852 2000

GRENFELL JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE -GIRLS LEAGUE TAG KNOCKOUT CARNIVAL

GRENFELL JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOUR CLUB TO ENTER OUR GIRLS LEAGUE TAG KNOCK OUT CARNIVAL.

WHEN : SATURDAY, 16th March 2013

WHERE : LAWSON OVAL GRENFELL

WE WILL BE RUNNING ALL AGE GROUPS ON THE DAY

MINI- Ages 5,6,7,8 and 9 years

MOD- Ages 10, 11, 12 and 13 years

INTERNATIONAL - 14, 15 and 16 years

COST : \$10 PER PLAYER- ALL PLAYERS MUST BE REGISTERED WITHIN THEIR OWN DISTRICT TO BE ABLE TO PLAY

RSVP: 28th February

PAYMENT DUE BY: 28th February

PRIZE MONEY WILL BE AWARDED ON THE DAY
FULL CANTEEN FACILITIES AVAILABLE

NOMINATIONS TO: trevor@grenfellcomm.com.au
Any problems with team numbers...we are happy to help.

ENQUIRIES: TREVOR MAWHINNEY 0413444595
JARROD BREBNER- 0403457060
LORRAINE HARVEYSON - 0428432352
RODNEY COTTER -0418219115



Australian Government

About the Schoolkids Bonus

What is the Schoolkids Bonus?

The Schoolkids Bonus is a payment to help eligible families and students with the costs of primary and secondary school studies.

When does the Schoolkids Bonus start?

The Schoolkids Bonus starts from January 2013.

Who is eligible?

You could receive the Schoolkids Bonus if you have a child in primary or secondary school, or you are a primary or secondary student, and you receive one of the following payments:

- Family Tax Benefit Part A
- Youth Allowance
- Disability Support Pension
- ABSTUDY Living Allowance
- Carer Payment
- Parenting Payment
- Special Benefit
- Education allowances under the Veterans' Children Education Scheme and Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act Education and Training Scheme.

Children in preschool are not eligible.

How much will I receive?

If you are eligible, you will receive:

- \$410 for each child in primary school (paid in two instalments of \$205)
- \$820 for each child in secondary school (paid in two instalments of \$410).

If you share the care of your children and receive a percentage of Family Tax Benefit Part A or an education allowance, you will receive the same percentage of the Schoolkids Bonus.



When will I receive it?

Payments are made in January and July every year. You must be receiving one of the eligible payments on 1 January to be eligible for the January payment. Similarly, you must be receiving one of the eligible payments on 30 June to receive the July payment.

If you claim Family Tax Benefit Part A as a lump sum at the end of the financial year, you will receive the Schoolkids Bonus then.

What do I need to do to get it?

It's easy. You don't have to fill out any forms, keep receipts, or claim the Schoolkids Bonus in your tax return.

You just need to let Centrelink know:

- when you or your child starts primary school to start receiving the payment and
- when you or your child move from primary to secondary school to start receiving the secondary school amount.
- when you or your child finishes secondary school to receive the final secondary school payment.

How will I be paid?

If you're eligible, the Schoolkids Bonus will be automatically paid into your nominated bank account in January and July.

Has the Schoolkids Bonus replaced the Education Tax Refund?

The Schoolkids Bonus replaces the Education Tax Refund, which means you no longer need to keep receipts and claim it through your tax return.

Is the Schoolkids Bonus less than the Education Tax Refund?

No - the Schoolkids Bonus is \$410 a year for each primary student and \$820 for each secondary student compared to a maximum of \$397 for a primary student and \$794 for a secondary student under the previous Education Tax Refund. In addition, most families were not claiming their full entitlement under the Education Tax Refund because they didn't have the receipts when they did their tax returns or forgot to claim the payment. Schoolkids Bonus is paid automatically and no receipts are required.

Where can I go for more information?

To learn more about the Schoolkids Bonus, visit

australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus

