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THE CENTRAL CHRONICLE

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WHAT'S ON!

Wednesday 5th November - Newsletter

Wednesday 5th November - Cooking Club @ lunchtime

Monday 10th November - Singing Club @ lunchtime

Tuesday 11th November - Remembrance Day - 11am

Wednesday 12th November - Whole School Assembly - 9am

Wednesday 12th November - Cooking Club @ lunchtime

For more events, please visit our calendar on the Sentral Parent Portal

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Principal Report

Dear Parents, Carers, and Community Members,

As we move through Week 4, it has been wonderful to see the engaging activities taking place at our school. One highlight last fortnight was the Yanco Creek and Tributaries committee BioBlitz program in Jerilderie, where secondary students engaged enthusiastically with local biodiversity, exploring and learning about our natural environment. Experiences like these not only enrich our science curriculum but also foster a deep connection and respect for nature.

Our Student Representative Council (SRC) continues to bring joy to the school community with their Singing and Cooking Lunch Clubs. These clubs have become popular lunchtime activities that encourage teamwork, creativity, and a sense of belonging. It's heartening to see students developing their confidence and new skills outside the classroom setting.

Last week's Grandparents Day was a special occasion filled with warmth and celebration. The spoken word poetry performances by our students were particularly impressive, showcasing their creativity and confidence in public speaking while honouring the important role grandparents play in our lives. Furthermore we saw a number of students sharing their special talents through a short skit on stage. Well done students!

Students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributes funding to our school in the amount of \$90 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

I would also like to take this opportunity to discuss our OCS rewards system. This program recognises students who demonstrate positive behaviour, consistent learning, regular attendance and wearing school uniform. It is designed to motivate and celebrate achievements while promoting a respectful, inclusive school culture. We encourage all students to strive for excellence and to make positive choices daily. We look forward to celebrating with students who have consistently done these things all semester at the rewards day on the last day of term.

Additionally, we cannot overstate the importance of regular attendance. Consistent attendance plays a critical role in student success, ensuring continuity in learning and development. We ask parents and carers to support their children in attending school every day unless unwell, as every lesson counts towards building knowledge and skills.

Finally, a few tips for supporting your child's learning at home:

- Establish a consistent routine for homework and reading.
- Encourage curiosity by discussing what your child has learned each day.
- Provide a quiet, dedicated space for study.
- Show interest in your child's school activities and celebrate their efforts.
- Promote a growth mindset by praising persistence and resilience.

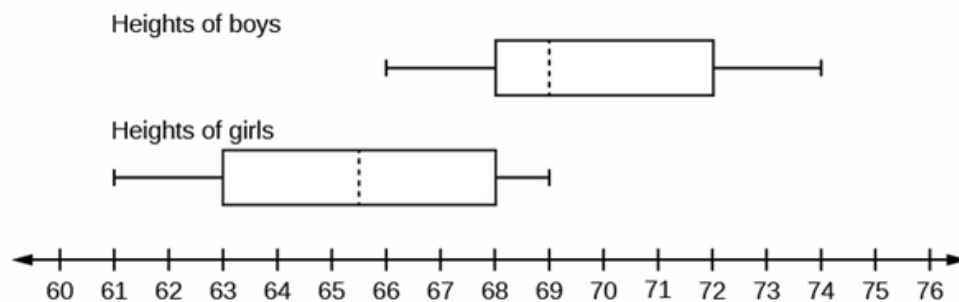
Thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education. Together, we can ensure that every student thrives both at school and beyond.

Warm regards,
Miss Melinda Elith
Approachable Relieving Principal

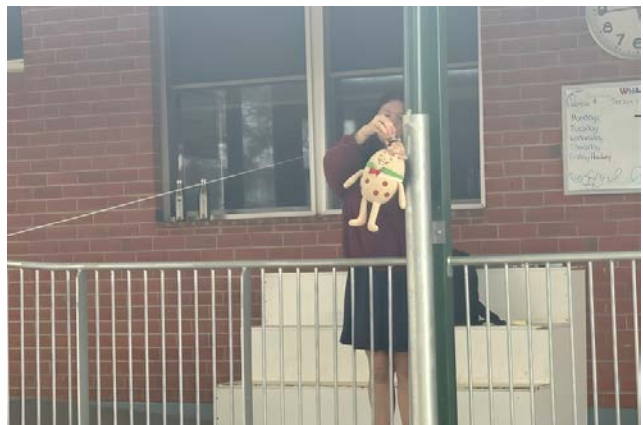
Teacher contribution: Mrs Davis

MATHEMATICS

This term both Stage 4 and 5 Mathematics have been looking at data. Stage 4 have been calculating mean, median and mode and looking at the different ways in which types of data is graphed and analysed. Stage 5 dropped different types of balls 15 times from a 1 metre height and recorded the bounce height. They then used Excel to record and display their data in box plots.



Box plot - the dotted line shows the median. Half the data lies below this point, ie, half of the girls are below 65.5cm and half of the boys are below 69cm.



Last term as part of their assessment task, Stage 5 used different materials and toys to create ziplines. They then used trigonometry to determine the ideal height, length and angles for their toy zipline.

Teacher contribution: Mrs Davis

Food TECHNOLOGY

This term we are learning about food for special occasions. This has come in handy as we baked muffins, cupcakes and biscuits for Grandparents Day. Zara helped the Kindergarten students make chocolate balls for the morning tea as well. In class she has planned food and decorations for a Batman themed birthday party and investigated celebrations in a range of countries and religions.

The Agriculture students grew potatoes, some with more success than others! Matthew's small potatoes (tablespoon for size reference) were roasted whereas Hunter's were used to create a delicious potato bake.



Zara baked some amazing biscuits using RecipeTinEats Christmas biscuit recipe <https://www.recipetineats.com/christmas-cookies-vanilla-biscuits/> for the Cooking Club students to ice and decorate. The older students were incredibly kind and helpful, assisting the younger students with their icing and decorating. This week we are making sushi!



Grandparents Day

Grandparents Day



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Riverina EEC - Art Gallery Exhibition

EVIE, PHEONIX, HAYLEY AND SOPHIE ATTENDED THIS PROGRAM LAST TERM



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ART GALLERY EXHIBITION

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24 OCT - 5 DEC
Mon - Fri 10am to 5pm

A celebration of creativity and talent of 80 Stage 2 and Stage 3 students from NSW Department of Education schools across the Riverina. Young artists were selected for their demonstration of High Potential and Gifted Education in the creative domain of art. The Art in Nature collection showcases artworks inspired by the beauty and diversity of the natural world, reflecting the unique perspectives of these gifted students under the guidance of artist in residence Amanda Morton.



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WE ARE OPEN 7 DAYS

SAT TO THURSDAY 5.30PM

FRIDAY 4.30PM (happy hr 6.30-7.30pm)

THURSDAY SUPERDRAW

06/11/2025 - \$2,200

Thursday Night 30/10/2025

**\$17,600 - Claimed - Dianna Bradley
Ivanhoe #97**

\$25 Winners: Mick Dalitz, Betty Carmichael,
Stacie Carter, Colin Widdison, Frank Smith

Chocolate Winners: Halle Robb, Jane Leslie,
Sheree Casey

Sunday Night 02/11/2025

\$1200 - Unclaimed - Jarry Kerr

\$25 Winners: Kerrie, Alex, Rikki Robb,
Helen Brown, Di Richens and Jimmy Beale

Chocolates: Peter Dalitz, Merlinda Beckett
and Jess Heath

next Sunday Night \$1300

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Oaklands Cricket Club

**PINK STUMPS
DAY**

**SATURDAY 20TH DECEMBER
#8 IN 2025**

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Oki Eats Bistro - Weekly Menu

STARTERS

CHEEZY GARLIC BREAD - 8

CHEEZY BACON BREAD - 8

THE TOMMY FETA - 8

CHIPS - SMALL - 5 or LARGE - 10
(Gravy is Free)

ADDED EXTRA LOADED CHIPS - 3

Bacon, Cheese

With Choose 1

Siracha Mayo, Blue Cheese,

Ranch Dressing or Gravy

SALADS

GARDEN - 15

CAESAR - 15

ADDED EXTRA

ADD Grilled Chicken - 8

BURGERS

BOWL ME OVER SANGA/BURGER - 25

BEEF ME UP BURGER - 35

DOUBLE ME UP BURGER - 25

SINGLE ME UP BURGER - 15

VEGGIE BURGER - 22

GRAVY -

Plain, Mushroom, Diane & Pepper

PASTA

PENNE PASTA - 15

CHICKEN & MUSHROOM

CREAMY PENNE - 18

SEAFOOD

CRISPY SKIN SALMON - 30

200gm Salmon with Mango Salsa, Tartare with
choice of Chips & Salad or Mash & Steamed Veg

FISHERMANS BASKET - 15

MEAT

STEAK 250GM (MIN) - 30

Chips & Salad or Mash & Steamed Veg

LAMB CRUMBED CUTLETS (2) - 25 (3) - 30

Chips & Salad or Mash & Steamed Veg

GRAVY CHOICES

Plain, Mushroom, Diane & Pepper

CHICKEN

TO CRUMB OR NOT TO CRUMB - 22

Grilled (GF) or Chicken schnitzel served with
Chips & Salad or Steamed Veg & Mash

ADDED EXTRA

Parmi Topping - \$3

WINGS

6 CHICKEN WINGS - 12

Served with chips and 1 Sauce (GF)

12 CHICKEN WINGS - 20

Served with Chips and 2 Sauces (GF)

GRAVY - Plain, Mushroom, Diane & Pepper

KIDS MENU

KIDS MINI PASTA - 8

CHICKEN NUGGETS - 8

PIZZA BREAD - 8

TINY TOT SNAGS - 8

Take home meals now available

NEW

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CWA Oaklands

2025 CWA Oaklands News for October.

- All office bearing positions were filled at the Annual General Meeting. Thank you to everyone who stepped into a role. New members are welcome, joining fee is \$50.00. Members are looking forward to our 77th year.
- Our rooms are in excellent order being a great meeting place for our new ventures of the Opportunity Shop and the Textiles & Craft Group who are busy making cloth boomerang shopping bags, on sale for \$4.00. Our budget still needs \$5,000 to open our doors. We are managing well financially.
- The Country of Study for 2026 is Fiji, this should prove to be very interesting. Fauna is the Glossy Black Cockatoo. Flora is the She-Oak. Foe is Escaped garden plants. Primary Product (chosen to promote Australian grown products) is Wattle Seed.
- The CWA of NSW also continually working on advocacy of issues which are of concern. Advocacy Kits are available providing background information, why it matters, the CWA of NSW policy position, what branches can do, what individuals can do, plus Quick Facts. Some which we are working on are:
 1. Best Practice Baby Health Services for all families 2025
 2. Seasonal eating for health, communities and environment 2025
 3. Cervical Screening 2025
 4. Immunisation 2025
 5. Biosecurity 2025
- The Advocacy Kit Pounds Recommendations 2025 will be useful for going forward within Federation Shire, with steps for solutions to unwanted animals.
- Next meeting: Tuesday 18th November at the CWA rooms, cnr Milthorpe & Coreen St.

Contact: Heather Kerr 0447 335 201

All Welcome

Wattle seed is an unsung 'Super Food'. Roasted ground wattle seed is used for baking, thickening of sauces & casseroles, to ice cream flavouring. Roasted wattle seed gives a nutty fresh roasted coffee aroma, also used in beverages or added to chocolate or desserts.





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Where: Oaklands CWA Rooms

When: 3rd Tuesday of the Month - 18th November, 2025

Times: 11.30am - 4pm

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