Success at Carnival
Illabo wins the day!
2014 Calendar

Term 2, Week 4
Tuesday 20 May  
ICAS Computer Skills Competition and Ag Education Workshop – Years 4, 5 and 6

Wednesday 21 May
PSC Learning to Lead Day JHS

Friday 23 May
CDPSSA Cross Country in Junee for Years 3-6

Term 2, Week 5
Friday 30 May
Primary Principals Association Meeting Cootamundra

Term 2, Week 6
Monday 2 June
Mrs Steward to LMBR Course (new reform for accounting and in Canberra)

Tuesday 3 June
CDPSSA Athletics Carnival in Cootamundra

Wednesday 4 June
ICAS Science Competition

Term 2, Week 7
Monday 9 June
Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday

Tuesday 10 June
Riverina Cross Country Carnival

Term 2, Week 8
Tuesday 17 June
ICAS Spelling Competition

Term 2, Week 9
Monday 23 June
Riverina Athletics Carnival

Tuesday 24 June
Debating Gala Day

Friday 27 June
Last day of term 2

Saturday 28 June
Rugby at Illabo

Term 3, Week 1
Monday 14 July
Staff Development Day

Tuesday 15 July
Students return for term 3

Feature Photo

Miriam, Anisa, Sienna, Judy, Ava and Emily enjoying their day at last week’s athletics carnival.

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A message from Meredith

A fantastic Junee District Small Schools Athletics Carnival was held last Friday at the Illabo Showgrounds. Perfect autumn weather, with great children and supporters ensured a happy day! Illabo proudly won the overall point score trophy, as well as the Marching trophy and the parent/teacher race! Congratulations K-6 on representing our school with great sportsmanship and doing your personal best on the day!

Congratulations to the follow overall winners:

Emily Ryan – Competitors Medallion
Harry Pratt – Juvenile Boys Championship Trophy
Anisa Rees – Junior Girls Championship Trophy
Max Day – Junior Boys Championship Trophy

Event winners:

Anisa Rees – 1st Junior Girls 800m; 1st 10yr Girl 100m; equal 1st Junior Girls High Jump; 1st Junior Girls Shot Put.

Harry Pratt – 1st Juvenile Boys 200m; 1st 7yr Boys 50m; 1st Juvenile Boys Long Jump; 1st Juvenile Boys Shot Put.

Stella Duck – 1st Juvenile Girls 200m,
Max Day – 1st Junior Boys 200m; 1st 10yr Boys 100m; 1st Junior Boys Long Jump; 1st Junior Boys Shot Put.
Hayden Ingham – 1st Senior Boys 200m; 1st Senior Boys High Jump.

Sienna Hillam – 1st 8yr Girls 100m.
Anisa Rees – 1st 10yr Girls 100m; 1st Junior Girls Shot Put.
Taiyo Rees – 1st Senior Boys Shot Put
Tom Day – 1st Juvenile Boys Discus.

Staffing

We welcome Mrs Natalie Wilkinson to our school as a part-time teacher. In the second semester, Mrs Jenna Downey will be here on Monday and Thursday, with Mrs Wilkinson here on Tuesday and Wednesday. Mrs Carter and Mr Steward will still be here on their usual days.

We wish Mrs Julie Ryan, after many years of loyal service at Illabo PS, a great trip as she heads off to the Kimberley’s and the top end for 9 weeks. Enjoy your Long Service Leave Mrs Ryan!

Mrs Glenys Steward begins (replacing Mrs Ryan) at Illabo PS from tomorrow; her days will be Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Cross Country

The CDPSSA Cross Country Carnival is to be held this coming Friday, 23 May at Loftus Oval, Junee. The carnival starts at 10:15am with a walk the course. Please be at the oval by 10:00am. Students are to make their own travel arrangements for this. Students are to pay a $3.00 levy payable on the day and bring their hats, sunscreen, lunch, plenty of water and any asthma medication needed.

Please return permission notes (attached) prior to the day. The following students are to attend: Alastair, Oliver B, Harry, Sienna, Ava, Emily, Sam, Judy, Anisa, Mim, Hayden and Taiyo.
Mr Steward will be attending the carnival with our selected students with Miss Callow and myself remaining at school.

Ag Education in Schools

On Tuesday this week, AgriFood Educators Geraldine Piper and Jan Bartram worked with our students on *where does my food come from?* with hands on activities and reviewing agriculture in our everyday life. Definitely an exciting and appropriate area for our students! We welcomed Eurongilly students as well for this.

Professional Development

On Monday this week, Mrs Carter attended a Learning Support course at Cootamundra. Last Friday afternoon I undertook training for Principals in Financial Management and next Friday, 30 May I will be attending the Primary Principal’s Association meeting in Cootamundra, with Mr Steward and Mrs Wilkinson remaining at school.

ICAS Computer Competition

Selected students will sit for the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools Computer Competition Tuesday of this week.

NAPLAN

Congratulations Years 3 and 5 for doing your personal best for the NAPLAN testing last week! Results will be available to parents in September. If you have any questions about the reporting process for NAPLAN, please do not hesitate to contact me.

CRAFT

Winter craft has begun – if you have any wool leftovers from knitting/crocheting, could you please send to school, thanks in anticipation. Well done, Years 3-6 with your perseverance in learning new skills!

PSC Leadership Day

This **Wednesday, 21 May**, is our Years 5 and 6 Premier’s Sporting Challenge visit to Junee High School.

Students are to meet Miss Callow 9:20am (at the JHS bus stop) and are to be picked up at 2:15pm.

The bus will take the students in after the regular run in the morning, returning with the students in time for the normal afternoon run.

Students are to bring their recess and lunch. The school canteen is also available. Please also pack a water bottle for rehydrating throughout the day and wear sports uniform.

Meredith
Community News

Junee Medical Centre

Junee Medical Centre is participating in the Child Dental Benefit Scheme. Eligible children are entitled to $1000 of selected dental treatment, according to the Medicare schedule, over 2 calendar years.

Junee Medical Centre has 2 dentists participating in the scheme. Dr Ghabrial is available on Tuesdays and Dr Eskander is available on Wednesdays and Fridays.

To find out whether your child/ren are eligible contact your local Medicare office.

Please phone Junee Medical Centre on 6924 3022 for appointments.

Parenting Tips

Too sick for school?

As the cold weather hits, so do the winter bugs. It’s often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover, especially when that means an adult cancelling work. For safety’s sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice. School A to Z and the NSW Health have created an at-a-glance chart to help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school. Find it by typing this link into your web browser: www.bit.ly/1hytn2E

Mental maths strategies

We teach children a range of different strategies to add and subtract numbers. By showing them several methods for solving maths questions, we’re helping them to look for patterns. All this builds a good sense of “number” which means they understand the relationships between different numbers and why different ways to add and subtract work well. The goal is that your child will understand many ways to approach a maths problem and will be able to choose a way that makes the most sense to them. School A to Z has a lot of resources, including help sheets on mental maths strategies, here: www.bit.ly/1kiUsY