Week of Tastes
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### 2014 Calendar

**Term 3, Week 7**
- Tuesday 26 August: Mrs Carter’s birthday

**Term 3, Week 8**
- 1-5 September: SASS Appreciation Week
- Tues-Wed 2-3 Sept: Live Life Well Course – Mr Steward and Mrs Downey to attend
- Thurs-Fri 4-5 Sept: Planning Day in Wagga – Mrs Holden and Mrs Carter to attend

**Term 3, Week 10**
- Wednesday 17 Sept: PARS visit by our Education Director
- Friday 19 September: Last day of term 3 and Mrs Ryan to attend First Aid Course

**Term 4, Week 1**
- Monday 6 October: Public Holiday
- Tuesday 7 October: Term 4 begins for staff and students
- Saturday 11 October: Illabo Show!

**Term 4, Week 2**
- Friday 17 October: Baldry Shield at Wallendbeen

**Term 4, Week 5**
- 3-7 November: Excursion Week

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### Feature Photo

Emily, Lily, Ava, Sam and Al enjoying learning with new experiences at Junee High School recently!

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A message from Meredith

This week we have taken advantage of the early spring weather to learn in an open air setting.

Week of Tastes

Our front cover depicts our student at A Week of Tastes held at Junee High School. We thank the high school for hosting these days which were greatly enjoyed by our attending students. Thank you to Mr James Burgess from Eurongilly PS who supervised our students on the second day and to Mrs Cathy Passlow for supporting our students also at this week’s workshop. Thank you to Mrs Di Cusack and James for supplying us with photos from both days.

Welcome

We welcome Miss Jade Belling to our school as a School Learning Support Officer over the next few weeks.

Pottery Workshop

We look forward next Tuesday 26 August to a very special pottery workshop with Kath Powderly from Best Street Studios. Old clothes (mufti day) is the most sensible option for this day. It will be a great learning experience for our students! We are asking for each student to pay a small contribution of $3.00 towards this event to help with costs.

Local shows

As you are aware we are collating the children’s quality work samples in readiness for the upcoming Illabo and Junee Shows, the time certainly comes around quickly!

Red Cross Celebrations

Last Wednesday our students celebrated 100 years of Red Cross in red and white themed mufti clothing. Mrs Carter has provided an excellent learning program for all students K-6 as they gain a greater understanding of the role of the Red Cross over the past 100 years. Years 3-6 viewed a new released Red Cross rose to mark 100 years, planted at the Illabo Cenotaph.

From Mrs Carter –

Thank you to everyone who supported our fundraiser for Red Cross. Following is a quote from Junee-Illabo Branch President, Mrs Jenny Morton “Your wonderful children, (I am always so impressed with them) raised $58.60. Thank you sincerely from Red Cross”.

Debating

Today, Mrs Carter has taken our debating team of Mim Hopkins, Hayden Ingham, Joshua Wheat and Taiyo Rees to Eurongilly PS for the last round of the Premier’s Debating Challenge. Our students have improved so much with their confidence speaking in front of an audience. Congratulations Eurongilly PS for winning the debate. We thank Mrs Carter for giving up time on her day off and for organising this event.

Book Week

Next Thursday 28 August from 1:45pm students will engage in some exciting Book Week activities based on the theme Connect to Reading. We are looking forward to a great afternoon of celebration. We thank Mrs Carter once again for organising an exciting afternoon of activities.

Library visit

Primary students had a great time viewing the travelling exhibition: A life in writing on the author
Elyne Mitchell this week at their visit to the Junee Library.

Public Speaking

Mrs Carter will be working with our students over the next few weeks in preparation for the Junee Lions Public Speaking Competition with the final being held at Junee North Public School on Tuesday 16 September. More details closer to the date.

Live Life Well

Mr Steward and Mrs Downey will be trained in the Live Life Well program to be held at Wagga on 2 and 3 September. We have been very fortunate to obtain a grant for staff training and implementation of the program into our school.

School Planning

Mrs Carter and I will be completing our new School Plan Training for 2015 in Wagga on 4 and 5 September.

School Administrative and Support Staff

During the week 1-5 September we are celebrating the annual SASS Recognition Week. We thank our wonderful support staff – Mrs Ryan, Mrs Steward, Mr Harris and Mr Buckley for their wonderful commitment to our school.

Garage Sale

On Wednesday 10 September the school will be holding a Spring clear-out selling off sundry items, including pieces of furniture residual after the office refurbishment. All welcome to come and have a browse and hopefully spend some money!

We look forward to moving into warmer weather for the remainder of term 3 – we have four very busy weeks ahead of us!

Kinder Enrolments and Transition

We are now taking expressions of interest for 2015 Kindergarten enrolments. Our Kinder Orientation Program has commenced to help our local children get used to the routine, excitement and fun of learning before they start school next year. This is held on Wednesdays for the remainder of the school year (excluding holidays and excursion week). The program is open to all children who turn 5 years old before 31st July, 2015.

If you are aware of any new families wishing to enrol at Illabo Public School please get them to contact us for an information package. Thank you.

P&C News

The next meeting of our P&C will be held on Tuesday 9 September at 4:00pm in the school library. All welcome.

Don’t forget the P&C fundraising night held every few weeks on a Wednesday night at the Illabo Hotel.
**Parenting Tips**

**Flu season is here!**

Influenza is spread from person-to-person through the coughing or sneezing of infected people. Remind your child about these good hygiene practices to minimise the spread of infection:

- Anyone who is sick with influenza symptoms should stay home until their symptoms are gone.
- Cover the nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Throw the tissue in the garbage bin after use.
- Wash hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hands cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.

If you or your child develops influenza-like illness, seek the advice of your family doctor as you would with any other illness.

The seasonal influenza vaccine, which protects against the pandemic influenza strain as well as two other influenza strains, is now available free to eligible people. More information about the vaccine is available from the NSW Health Immunisation Unit’s [vaccination page](#).

Previous vaccination with the pandemic influenza vaccine, Panvax® is not a barrier to also receiving the seasonal influenza vaccine.

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**Community News**

**First Aid Course**

19 September 2014 – 9:00am–3:00pm

The Eurongilly Hall Committee is holding a First Aid Course run by Allen’s at a cost of approx. $65.00 (depending on numbers – the more enrolled the cheaper it is!).

A book will be issued three weeks before the course which you have to read and answer the questions in the book. These will be checked and marked on the day of the course, therefore no exam will have to be undertaken and the course will run for 5 hours. A light lunch will be provided.

Please phone Helen Sheridan on 6944 7216 or 0408 692 877 to make a booking by 22 August.

**Junee Netball Clinic**

Commences at the Junee Recreation and Aquatic Centre on Tuesday 9 September from 4:30–6:30pm. Cost is $40.00 per child (including coaching and a goodies bag). Bring a water bottle and comfortable clothes. Age is 6–14 years. For registration please contact Junee Netball 0417 491 441 or brucentash@bigpond.com. Registration closes 7 September.

**Coolamon Rural Women’s Gathering**

The 22nd NSW Rural Women’s Gathering will be hosted by Coolamon Shire on the weekend of 12, 13 and 14 September 2014 with fantastic workshops, keynote speakers and Gala Dinner. To access a program and other relevant information for the weekend go to their website: [www.nswruralwomensgathering.org](http://www.nswruralwomensgathering.org)

**Junee-Illabo Red Cross News**

There will be a High Morning Tea on Wednesday 27 August from 10:30am at Junee’s St Luke’s Hall at a cost of $10.00 per person. Come along to support this very worthwhile cause.
Chess Tournament

7/08/2014

I went to the Chess Tournament at Wagga Wagga Sturt Public School with my mum and Anisa by our car.

I was very nervous. When we got there there were a lot of people. I had a game of chess with Hayden and I won. Then we had to sign up and I went up as team captain. On my team there were Mim, Anisa and I. After that we went to our first game and then we started, it was a close game but we all won and I wrote down all the results. We were in a good start. We got on to another game and it was a hard team but Anisa got in check mate. Mim won too. That was a good game then we had recess I was very hungry so I couldn’t wait to eat.

After that we got on to another game with Mim and Anisa winning but I lost. By Taiyo

Week of Tastes

On Wednesday 6 August 2014 Years 3-4 went to Junee High School to attend a Week of Taste.

We had to taste banana, lemon, vegemite, dark chocolate, mint, feta cheese. The banana was not very good I did not like it. The lemon was very sweet. The vegemite was ok but I like it better on toast. The dark chocolate was bitter. The mint I liked it a bit. At last the feta cheese, it was a bit ok.

We were blind folded during the test. We also had to guess the drinks, one was lemonade and the other one was lemonade but it had orange dye in it.

Next we had recess for 10 mins after that had to go inside. Years 3-4 got coloured pencils to colour in a place mat like a plate, cup, cutlery and also a serviette. Lots of people said mine was very colourful. I smiled because I was happy.

Lily Passlow
Year 4

Ilabo’s Chess Champions

On the 6 August was the chess tournament in Wagga Wagga. I woke not knowing how the day was going to pan out.

As I walked out the front door I felt the nerves starting to leak into my body mixed with excitement and adrenaline. I hopped into the car with Judy who was going to the chess tournament to compete but in a different team to me. Mum turned on the car and off we went. It took about an hour because of all of the road works to get to the school of which the chess tournament was being held, Sturt Public School. We pulled up at Sturt Public School and Max pulled up in front of us.

We walked into the school and found the hall which the chess tournament was being held in. We walked in and I was almost blown out of the room by all of the noise of everyone talking. I soon became used to the noise and went to find Anisa and Taiyo who were the two other people in my team. Once I had found them and sat my bag down and we had signed our team in and became ready the chess tournament was about to start.

Someone from the New South Wales Junior Chess League walked on stage and talked about the rules that we had to follow and told us where the pieces of paper were that would tell us who we were playing. Taiyo checked the list and off we went to play chess.

We played chess all the way until lunch with little breaks in between each game. Earlier my Mum had ordered Judy and I lunch from the canteen. I had a pie and Judy had a sausage roll. Judy’s sausage roll looked tiny so I was very happy that I had a pie until it started to become a little messy.

We got about two minutes of playtime after we had finished our lunch.

The bell rang and we went inside for one more game of chess. We were on eleven points by then and because we had had such a good round before we were put up against the best team at the tournament Sturt Public School C. We each lost our games and we were a little bit upset with ourselves. The New South Wales Junior Chess League representative walked on stage and announced that we didn’t have enough time for another game so he announced the winners and the team that won was the team we had just versed, Sturt Public School C.

Overall Anisa, Taiyo and I came eleventh so we were pretty happy with that. Once we finished looking at the results Mum, Judy and I started walking out. I saw one of my hockey friends and she waved and smiled and I waved and smiled back.

I thought that the chess tournament was heaps of fun and a great and amazing experience overall.

Written By Miriam Hopkins Year 6

Week of Taste

Today Years 3&4 went to the Junee High School [Wednesday 6 August] for taste week until lunch time. First we went in a room to watch a video about tongues and noses and how they work together. That was fun.

Then we started tasting. First we tasted different types of fizzy. Then we had to write them down on a piece of paper what it was, what it looks like and what it tastes like, that was fun too. After that we had to put our blind folds on.

First we had lemon and after that we had banana, dark chocolate, feta cheese and then vegemite. Then we took our blind folds off and had some mint and water then we had to go out for morning tea.

After that we went back inside then one side of the room screamed while the other side ate a square of chocolate then we swapped. Then we put music on and ate the other square.

After that we got a piece of paper with a plate, drink, napkin, knife, fork and spoon. We had to colour it in and after that we had to wait for Mrs Carter to take us home. It was cool.

By Ava