Over the last two weeks the students at Cunnamulla P-12 State School have been participating in the Performing Arts program run by Peter Cook. Students have been involved in dance and drama workshops focusing on Excellence, Support, Commitment and Faith. On 27th August our students performed at the Cunnamulla Bull Ride showcasing the great work they have achieved. They also travelled up to the Charleville Eisteddfod on 2nd and 3rd September where they won the Most Outstanding Performers trophy. We are so proud of the efforts and achievements of our students!

Thargomindah Sports Camp

Cunnamulla P-12 State School has been allocated a small number of positions in this year’s Thargomindah Sports camp. Congratulations to students in yrs. 3-6 who have been chosen to attend as a reward for displaying excellence in attendance and behaviour throughout Term 3.

Everyday Counts!

A reminder that ALL students should be at school every day! Every day someone is away they lose an opportunity to learn and build on their knowledge and success at school. As a staff we ask all parents/carers or family members to reinforce the need to be here every day and also just as important ON TIME! Our attendance rate was 85.4% last year and we aim to improve this rate to 90%.

As part of our TRY for 5 program we have some very special visitors arriving next week to support our students in attending school everyday!

Bianca Shinnie
## Week 8 Winners!

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## Week 8 Individual Winner!

**4/5/6H**

Damian Beresford
## Congratulations Students!

### TRY FOR 5!

**LEADERBOARD**

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Let's get to first place!
Congratulations to the students who competed as part of the Cunnamulla athletics team at the South West Region carnival in Chinchilla last week. With 16 students participating, this was one of the largest group of students to represent our school in recent times! All students were excellent ambassadors for our school, displaying comradery and sportsmanship throughout the tough conditions. They received great results from their events, and all should be extremely proud of their achievement.

Clockwise from left: Steven Mitchell, Tristan Marshall, Hayden Cavenough and Nathan Widgell (below) racing for the finish line.

“i’m hungry!” says Rebecca Widgell after competing..

Damian Beresford in action.
Getting ready to throw, Jack Pringle.

Maria Yock sprints to the finish line.

Keely Lucas looking happy with her jump.

Congratulations to Keely Lucas, Jack Pringle and María Yock for their selection in the South West Athletics team!

Tristan Marshall, Marion Widgell and Chenille getting ready for their next event.
Book Week

Miss Lancaster as ‘Bruce Bogtrotter’ from the book ‘Matilda’ by Roald Dahl.

Shelbee McAuley-McKellar, Kimberley Ohlsen and Harrison Molenaar dressed as their favourite book characters.

All of the characters on display.

The beautiful display at the town library for Book Week, which ran from 22-26 August.

Mr Birchley AKA ‘Slim Dusty’.
The Town Library has a new addition in the form of a Nao robot called ‘Literator’. His job is to educate students in programming and script-language, with viewable results. Literator can walk, dance, speak, perform Tai-Chi and can even kick a football! All students have the opportunity to view this robot with an appointment at the Town Library.
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Professional actor Peter Cook collaborated with the students to devise a contemporary drama piece entitled “Ben from Cunnamulla”, while hip hop artist Bessy Kabamba taught the crew an energetic routine to the tune of “Easy Love” by Sigala.

Although rehearsals were long and difficult, the CMADD crew showed Commitment to their show by Supporting each other and performing at Cunnamulla’s Got Talent on Saturday 27th August. The CMADD crew Looked Long to the Charleville Performing Arts Festival, but problems out of their control threatened their Faith in what they could do. Despite numerous changes to their show, the CMADD crew Never Gave Up. They displayed Excellence in the Group Entertainment section of the festival on Friday 2nd September, and won gold.

Invited back the next night, the CMADD crew took their show to another level and won the Charleville Performing Arts Festival’s Most Outstanding Performers trophy. Out of all the solo instrumentalists, the choral singers, the dance troupes and acting ensembles, the CMADD crew’s performance was judged the best. The adjudicators wrote, “FABULOUS! Everyone played [their] role wonderfully & supported each other well. Great job dealing with current issues facing kids today. The performance flowed well – showing lots of [practice]. Then you started DANCING! WOW!”

A huge congratulations to Performing Arts Captain Tarni Thomas and Jacintha Mitchell for leading their crew, which included Abby Pender, Quanika Colliss, Layla Colliss, Sasha Woods, Maria Yock, K-Leigh Hogarth, Joshua Wharton, Hayden Land, Travis McAuley, Imagen Hooper, Larry Mitchell, Rebecca Widgell, Lauren Mitchell, Laney Mitchell, Chenille Lucas and Loren Mitchell-Murphy.

Thanks to CACH Transport Officer Henry Verryt, Mrs Biggs and Anthony Molenaar who drove the buses, and Miss Hodson for supervising the students.
Cunnamulla Most Outstanding at the Charleville Performing Arts Festival!

Written by Mr Birchley

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The Performing Arts team receiving their personal awards, acknowledging their commitment and talent.

Big smiles after being awarded the top prize at the Charleville Performing Arts Festival!
Cunnamulla P-12 S. S. students from Year 3—6 have been invited to attend the annual Thargomindah Sports Camp from the 12-16 September (last week of Term 3). To be eligible, students are required to have an attendance above 90%, have not been suspended, have paid their school fees, and have a satisfactory level of behaviour and effort in class. Students will participate in sports such as Rugby League, Cricket, Netball, Indigenous Games, Tennis and many more. Of an evening, students will be able to experience a range of activities. All students will be staying at Thargomindah State School during the week.

WINNERS:

Music Camp Father’s Day Raffle

Drawn by: Sargent Ron Budradeen

First prize, Dad’s Mega Pack—Bill Carr
Second prize, Dad’s BBQ Pack—Trish Norton
Third prize, Dad’s Car Pack—Alec Thompson
Fourth prize, Dad’s Pamper Pack—Carmel Elliot

We wish to thank everyone who supported this fundraiser by purchasing tickets.
A huge thankyou to all the businesses that donated the great items we received to make up the four great prized that were on offer.
Student Interview:
Josh Wharton & Quanika Colliss

What is your favourite colour? JW: red
QC: blue

What is your favourite football team? JW: Cowboys
QC: Broncos

What do you like doing after school? JW: Stay home and watch TV.
QC: Watching TV.

What is your favourite food? JW: meat
QC: lollies

What is your favourite movie? JW: Head of State
QC: Parent Trap

Teacher Interview:
Ms Sue Jeisman

Sue Jeisman has been busy with, firstly, the Book Fair and then with Book Week, which ran from the 20-26th August. Marion Widgell interviewed her in regards to her recent success with these events.

“Book Fair was a great success, making over $280 worth of new resources for the library. Students were able to come and see what new titles were available and the fair is already being planned for 2017. Currently at the library, we have some wonderful new books, of which students are able to borrow.

Book Week was a busy affair, with each class going to the town library to experience the event. This year, we celebrated the wonderful writing and illustrating of Australian artists. Students had the opportunity to review all the books which were shortlisted for the Book of the Year Awards. On Friday, students dressed up as their favourite characters, and prizes were awarded for the best dressed.”

Ms Jeisman dressed as ‘Ms Trunchbull’ from the book ‘Matilda’ by Roald Dahl.
Students will be awarded with a delicious free breakfast at school on Friday mornings, if they attend school for all five days of that week.

Last Friday (02/09) was the first Try for 5 pancake breakfast, and was a great success with all students!

Peppa Collins and Penny McKellar making the Try for 5 sign as they enjoy their pancakes with K-Leigh Hogarth.

Jody Widgell and K-Leigh Hogarth lining up behind Kelian Maxwell to get their pancakes.

Lochlan Jackson receiving his pancake serving from Susan Morcom, as Jarib Branfield-Bradshaw watches on excitedly.
Try for 5 aims to encourage students to attend school five days a week.

Next Thursday and Friday (15 and 16 September), all students who have an attendance of 95% or more for this term will be rewarded with several visitors... Justin Hodges and Scott Prince!

**Thursday—**

- **12:45pm** - Whole school parade introducing Hodges and Prince: winning classes and individuals awarded. Identify students who have a 95-100% attendance for Term 3
- **1:00pm** - 95-100% attendance students will have a special lunch with the ambassadors and then participate in activities on the oval.
- **4:00pm** - Community event: all individuals welcome, families with high attendance and most improved will be awarded prizes by the ambassadors.

**Friday—**

- **8:15am** - Pancake breakfast for students who have attended five days in that week.
- **8:35am** - Whole school parade, ambassador statement.
- **9:00am** - Whole school oval activities with ambassadors.
As part of KEYS we will be organising and running transition into school activities within the district during Term 4, and we are gathering a list of all children in the area who will be starting Prep in 2017.

Your child is able to start Prep in 2017 if they turn 5 between 1st July, 2011 – 30th June 2012.

If your child is starting Prep next year, could you please leave a message with either Tammy (at the library), Sacred Heart office, Cunnamulla P-12 State School office or Eulo State School. This will help us to include all children starting school next year, in our events.
Indigenous Games Carnival Day

On the 9th of September the Indigenous Games Carnival will be run by the Year 11/12 Recreation class in Period 3 and 4. We are inviting the Year 7 to 10 students to participate in this Paroo vs Warrego event. The collected points will go towards the school’s Novelty Cup. The games which will be played include Wana, Keentan, Edor and Kokan. This carnival benefits students by providing a better understanding and knowledge of indigenous culture.

WHAT YOU ARE REQUIRED TO BRING:

- Hat
- Water bottle
- Running shoes
- Sunscreen
- Positive attitude!
Colouring-in Competition