SASS RECOGNITION WEEK
SASS stands for School Administration and Support Staff. This week students, parents and teachers at Molong Central School would like to acknowledge the hard work done by our SAS Staff as part of SASS National Recognition Week. This year’s theme is “Vital for Education”. I can’t imagine how Molong Central School would run without our dedicated and caring SAS Staff. Administration, First Aid, School Promotion and fixing just about everything as well as supporting student learning, there are so many roles that SAS Staff perform each day that enable Molong Central to run smoothly. Thank you to all of our wonderful SAS Staff for your contribution to our students’ education.

BOOK WEEK
Last Monday students and their families enjoyed several Book Week events including a visiting author and reading hour. Not to let the weather put a dampener on the event many people turned out to join with other schools across New South Wales to promote reading. Students also created beautiful classroom door displays to highlight this special week. Thankyou Mrs Hall, for your organisation of this fabulous event.

GIRLS ADVISOR
I am pleased to announce Mrs Claire Ryan as our new Secondary Girl’s Advisor. Mrs Ryan has already begun supporting several girls in improving their educational outcomes and I look forward to working with her. Students and their parents are encouraged to seek Mrs Ryan’s advice and support. To make an appointment with Mrs Ryan please contact the front office.

COMBINED HIGH SCHOOLS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
This week the following students Rachael Geddes, Georgie Allcorn, Millah Allcorn, Karla Pearson, Jesyca Pearson and Zac Pavy will be competing in the CHS Athletics Carnival at Homebush. This is a fabulous opportunity to compete at Sydney Olympic Park and I wish them all the best.

THANK YOU
The Agriculture Department and students of Molong Central School would like to thank Ms Chapman and Ms Mutton for the kind donation of two alpacas to the School. A big thank you also to the Dugmore family for the transport and care of the animals whilst they were in transit.

Mrs Michelle Barrett, Principal
YEAR 11 PHOTOGRAPHY EXCURSION

Using film cameras loaded with only 20 shots of black and white film, Year 11 Photography students refined their composition skills putting into practice the rule of thirds, and the emphasis on diagonals and leading lines to create impact into their images taken at the old Railway Station. Photographs taken may be used as entries in the Molong Show, the Ilford Schools Competition and their practical assessment in Camera and Darkroom Technique.

YEAR 8 PHOTOGRAPHY EXCURSION

Students shared point and shoot digital cameras on an excursion to Caldwell Molong. Following on from their learning of Line, Shape, Colour, Form and Texture, students were able to use these skills in a practical environment outside of the school grounds to obtain a better variety of subject matter. Again, the emphasis was to introduce the concept of composition (how to take a great shot that balances), whilst also applying their previous learning of design elements. Images from their excursion will be used for their practical assessment and may be entered into the Molong Show and the Ilford Photo Competition.

Ashley Smith, Photography Teacher

Pedro Oste and Jamie Adams enjoying their excursion to Caldwell Molong

YEAR 11 BIOLOGY

On the 17th of August Year 11 Biology travelled from Molong Central School to Bathurst to go to Somerville Museum. We were greeted by our lovely host Emma. Emma showed us around and told us all about rocks and minerals, fossils/remains of dinosaurs and also the fossils of the very first living organisms on Earth. We learnt a lot and had a fabulous day. A big thank you to Miss Pokoney for organising the excursion and to Mr Taprell for driving us there and back safely.

Hannah Hanson – Yr 11

RABOBANK NATIONAL MERINO SHEEP SHOW & RAM SALE

On the 25th and 26th of August, the School Show Team attended the annual Rabobank National Merino Sheep Show and Ram Sale. We took six wethers to compete in the challenge against 20 other schools. Our wethers were judged on their wool, meat value, fat and muscle score and their overall market value. Other activities that we participated in included a Sheep Quiz, ram and Ewe Junior Judging and Fleece Junior Judging. Over 160 students were entered into the judging competition where we had to act as the judge and place the entries 1st through to 4th. Out of all of the students who judged the fleeces our very own Sarah Fessey was the final winner. We were happy with our overall results and hope to improve for next year.

The show team would like to thank Ben Watts for donating the wethers, Kate Yelland, Mary-Ellen Betts and Janelle Fessey for driving us to the event and of course, thankyou to Miss Pokoney for taking the time to organise this excursion.

Sarah Fessey – Yr 11

Back LtoR – Jake Griffiths, Dylan Speirs, Sarah Fessey, Lauren Fessey and Miss Pokoney
Front LtoR – Alyssa Watts, Sarah Rapley, Hannah Betts, Henrietta Pottie, Jock Yelland and Jake Murray

Scott Taprell, Deputy Principal
Rhetoric Debating
This is the second year MCS has been involved in the Western Region Rhetoric Debating Competition. The Rhetoric Competition is structured quite differently to the Western Region Competition. In the Rhetoric Competition there can be NO coaching or input of any kind from a teacher. The students are coached by a High School student! The debaters also only get 1 hour to prepare their case. They cannot use any medium for research, only a dictionary! There are 3 choices of topics. These are sent to the school via mail and can only be opened prior to the 60 minute prep time. Each team eliminates their least favoured topics until one is agreed upon. A flip of the coin determines which team will argue the affirmative and which team will argue the negative. Last week our Rhetoric team of Hannah Leisk, Abbey Quinn, Kara Yelland and Claudia Stevenson participated in their first and only debate. Unfortunately, our first round debate was forfeited by the opposition (which actually means we won without having to do the hard work!) and our second round was a bye. The girls have been training for almost 2 terms coached by their wonderful mentor Jessica Burgess (Year 10) and were champing at the bit to put their training into practice. Their opponents were a team from Forbes Public School and the debate took advantage of modern technology and was held via video conferencing. The topic selected was “That computers are better than books”. We drew the negative side arguing against the case. The girls utilised their time very well and prepared a very strong case. Unfortunately though, the adjudicator awarded the debate to Forbes. This type of debating is a wonderful experience for our Primary students. Special thanks go to Jessica Burgess for her enthusiasm, commitment and positive contributions to Primary debating over the last two years.

Primary Awards
Bronze
Dakota O’Keefe
Silver
Evan Murdoch
Gold
Jacob Petrie & Amelia Thurtell
Platinum
William Bloomfield
Principals Badge
Lachlan Hobbs

Club 100
Congratulations to the following students who have reached Club 100
Lydia Philpott

★ STUDENT OF THE WEEK ★

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Our Fun Run is coming up in two weeks so don’t forget to get your sponsors. Extra sponsor sheets are available from Mrs Backhouse or the Main Office.

Have a wonderful week!
Jane Backhouse
Deputy Principal - Primary

Uniform Award – Thursday
Week 5 - Term 3
Stage 1 - Asher Oliver
Stage 2 - Jerome McKellar
Stage 3 - Breanna Fricker
**BOOK WEEK – YOUNGER READER**

*BLEAKBOY & HUNTER STAND OUT IN THE RAIN* – by Steven Herrick  
*THE CLEO STORIES* – by Libby Gleeson, Illustrated by Freya Blackwood  
*FIGGY IN THE WORLD* – by Janu Tamsin  
*THE SIMPLE THINGS* – by Bill Condon, Illustrated by Beth Norling  
*TWO WOLVES* – by Tristan Bancks  
*WITHERING-BY-SEA: A STELLA MONTGOMERY INTRIGUE* – by Judith Rossell

**BOOK WEEK – OLDER READER**

*ARE YOU SEEING ME?* – by Darren Groth  
*THE INCREDIBLE ADVENTURES OF CINNAMON GIRL* – by Melissa Keil  
*INTRUDER* – by Christine Bongers,  
*NONA & ME* – by Clare Atkins  
*PROTECTED* – by Claire Zorn

Hi Everyone,

During Book Week we had many students delivering entries to the Library up until last Friday so judging will take place this week. Winners will be published in the newsletter next week. I wish to congratulate all the enthusiastic and creative students on their efforts. Please come and have a look at the Book Week display which showcases the talents of our students.

Over the past two weeks I have featured the shortlist books that were nominated for the CBCA awards for this year. These titles will be available for lending from this week and I know there are some students who have been waiting patiently to read their favourite books.

The Premier’s Reading Challenge is over for 2015 and I would like to congratulate the 152 students K-9 who completed the Challenge. They are to be commended on their efforts.

Scholastic Book Club catalogues will be sent home this week and orders will be due back to the Library by **Monday, 5th September** by the end of the school day. This will allow me to place the order and receive items before the holidays.

Unfortunately there have been a few water damaged books returned to the Library lately. Please encourage your children to look after books that are in their care. Students will be asked to replace books that are damaged.

Have a great week,

Mrs Hall

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**ORANGE CITY JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB**

*Junior Registration Day 2014/15 PREMIERS IN UNDER 11 & RUNNER’S UP UNDER 12’s*

The start of the 2015/16 Cricket season is nearly upon us and Orange City Cricket Club would very much like to invite both boys and girls of all ages to register with us and get out on a Saturday morning and engage in what is our national summer sport – Cricket.

Orange City place great importance on developing players through the junior ranks and we also know that forming teams from kids who go to the school means they stick together over many years. So if you want to be a part of this great tradition, don’t forget to talk about it at school with your mates, tell your parents and get down to Riawena Oval on Sunday, 6th September (10.00pm – 2.00pm) to sign on. There is a form of cricket for all school ages, boys and girls so play with your mates and have a go!!

Also on the day we are facilitating a second hand cricket gear sale. So bring your unwanted gear down and we will endeavour to sell it on for you. A great way for junior to get gear that ‘won’t cost the earth’.

**2015/16 Fees**

Shirts and caps (cost included in the fees) will only be provided to new players. If a player from last season needs a new shirt or cap, that cost will need to be met on top of the fee. The fees include insurance and there are no additional match day fees, so in comparison to other sports, we believe that we continue to offer very good value for money.

- Milo T20 Blast - $99.00 (8 wk program as set by Cricket Australia)
- Under 10’s, 11’s, 12’s  $95.00
- Under 14’s to Under 16’s  $100.00
- Centenary Cup – 13 to 19 years $150.00 (school age players only)

Centenary Cup is open to both adults and juniors (subject to assessment with the younger ages) and provides a pathway to senior cricket for juniors with the help and experience of more senior experienced player engagement in a game environment through ongoing skill development and game knowledge.

In addition, Orange City Junior Cricket Club are this year offering two lucky juniors the opportunity to ‘Win back their fees’ if their registration is completed by Saturday, 12 September 2015 where will then hold a draw and return the fees the respective winners!!

For more information and a registration form, please contact Jon Harris (0407013053) or melandjon@optusnet.com.au

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**LITTLE ATHLETICS - CUMNOCK**

*Friday September 11th - Meet and Greet at the Cumnock Oval at 4.00pm.*

*Friday the 9th of October - First day of the season at Cumnock oval at 5.00pm.*

Any enquiries please contact Nigel Strahan on 0401 351 771

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**Canteen 04/09/2015 – 11/09/2015**

**HELP IS DESPERATELY NEEDED ON THIS ROSTER.** Please give one morning per month to the Canteen—that is all it takes. Ring the Canteen on 6366 9009 from 8.30am-1.45pm. If you can’t work on your day just call me. Thank you, Tina McGovern, Canteen Manager.

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