**Meadow Flat Public School End of Year Concert**

This is being held on Friday. Please remember to bring a cake, dessert or slice to share at supper time.

Students must wear full school uniform for the first part of the evening as this is the formal presentations section.

- 5.00pm  BBQ chicken and salad for those families who pre-ordered
- 5.45 pm  Meal serving concludes
- 6.00pm  Students to line up in assembly area
- 7.00pm**  Supper
- 7.30pm**  Infants class performance
- 8.00pm  Primary class performance
- 8.30pm  Picture presentation
- 9.00pm**  Evening concludes

**P and C Catering**

The P and C will be serving hot dogs and chicken dinners at the End of Year Concert. All current students will be getting a free hot dog and a drink.

**Student Awards**

Each time the students receive a Nutsy Award they need keep them in a safe place until they receive 5 of them. These are then processed by the classroom teachers who gives the student a sticker. This sticker is placed on a sticker card. When four sticker cards are collected a Principal’s certificate is awarded.

A special school pendant is awarded once the 4th Principal’s award is due.

For some students these will be awarded on Friday evening. Others will be presented by the end of the year.

It is not expected that many of these awards will be presented each year.

The students re-start this each year.

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**Meadow Flat Public School Trash and Treasure Sale**

The sale commences at 9am this Sunday - 2nd December 2012.

- Garage sale stalls
- Face painting
- Pony rides
- Lucky dip
- Sausage sizzle
- Cake and slice stalls
- Animal nursery
- Bacon and eggs sandwiches

There will be a working bee from 3pm on the Saturday 1st December 2012. Please help out.

Sunday Gates open 7.30am for stall holders to set up.

Donations are requested for items for a school garage sale stall. These can be left in the shed attached to the canteen.

Donations of eggs are also requested.

**Gold Coin Mufti Day**

The students raised $62 for the P and C. Well done!

**Canteen News**

Last month the school canteen ran a competition to promote the healthy eating strategy in school lunch boxes and through school canteen purchases.

A number of students were successful in winning prizes. Many thanks to our school canteen coordinator Angela Masters who donated the prizes.

**School Photos**

The 2012 school photos have arrived. These are available for collection from the school office. They will not be sent with students. They can otherwise be collected on Friday at the School Concert.
School Items for Sale

The school will have for sale by highest bidder the following items. The items will be available for viewing at the garage sale on 2nd December 2012. Bids need to be written down and placed in an envelope. Items close 12th December 2012 at 4pm.

- X1 McCulloch Rideon lawn mower
  18hp, 38 inch, 6 speed
  2009 model

- X1 yard blower
Student Artwork

At the Trash and Treasure sale on Sunday each student will have a piece of artwork on display. Each visitor will be given the opportunity to vote for their favorite piece. This will then be framed and it will go on display in the office.

Bathurst Regional Council – Library Van

The last visit for 2012 will occur this Wednesday - 28th November 2012. Please return any Bathurst Library books.

Lithgow Mayor’s Christmas Appeal

With Christmas being the season of goodwill to all, Mayor Maree Statham is inviting residents of the Lithgow area to donate a gift to the annual Mayor’s Christmas Appeal.

Each year, Council works closely with the staff and volunteers at our local nursing homes; Tanderra, Cooina, Three Tree Lodge and Tabulam to develop the Christmas Appeal.

Many of our elderly residents living in nursing homes are incapacitated and unable to attend family functions to celebrate the festive season or do not have family members living nearby.

The Mayor’s Christmas Appeal has been developed to show appreciation to the residents of our aged care facilities for their contributions to the community. These people have given so much to their friends, families and the broader community throughout their lives. So let’s give back to them with a little gift that says thank you.

What are the most suitable gifts to donate?

Although any gift given from the heart is wonderful, the nursing home staff and volunteers suggest that consideration be given to ensuring that gifts are non-allergenic or provide visual and sensory stimulus, particularly for Alzheimer’s patients.

Their suggested wish list of gifts includes:

- Bright soft toys
- Tissues
- Non-allergenic personal hygiene products

Gifts that can be given to the nursing home to be used enjoyed by all residents in the communal areas are greatly appreciated also. Such as:

- CD’s and DVD’s of old classics.
- Crocheted or knitted knee rugs

How to donate

All donations are distributed to the residents of the various nursing homes at their Christmas Functions in December by the Mayor.

It is requested that the gifts be wrapped and labelled for either a Male or female tag and that they are anonymous. This way they can be distributed according to the required numbers of male, female patients for each nursing home. Please advise staff if your gift/s could be given to either sex or if it is suited to an Alzheimer’s patient when you drop it off so that a tag can be attached by Council officers prior to distribution ensuring everyone receives a gift.

If more gifts are received than required for distribution to the Nursing Homes, they will be donated to one of the other local charity Christmas Appeals for distribution to members of the community in need at Christmas.

When your child’s new best friend is a bad influence

Best friends are a key part of childrens’ lives. But what do you do when you suspect your child’s best buddy is a bad influence? Experts discuss different approaches.


Copying and plagiarism

Copying other people’s work and presenting it as your own is plagiarism. It’s an increasingly common problem in the online world where material can easily be copied and pasted from websites. Students need to acknowledge the ideas of others when they
use them in projects, assignments and assessments. Find out more:


**Help your kids enjoy reading**
How do you make reading a joy and not a chore for your child? One way is to find information and interesting facts about things that intrigue or interest your child in books, magazines or on the internet. Read and talk about what you find out. Here are some other tips:


**Western SSA Raffle Results – drawn**
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Thanks to all who supported the raffle.

**Dates**

**Term 4 2012**

**November**
Wednesday 28th – Library van (returns only)
Friday 30th – End of Year Concert 6pm

**December**
Sunday 2nd – Car boot sale
Sunday 2nd – Sunny Corner Sunday
Tuesday 11th – Human Sexuality Yrs 3 to 6
Wednesday 12th – Water Bug Survey Yrs 3 to 6
Thursday 13th – End of Year Picnic Day
Monday 17th – Canteen Christmas Party
Wednesday 19th – Last Day for students
Thursday 20th – Staff Development Day
Friday 21st – Staff Development Day

**2013**

**January**
Tuesday 29th – Staff Development Day
SUNNY CORNER SUNDAY & Meadow Flat Trash ‘n’ Treasure 2012
December 2nd - 9am to 4.30pm

Your once a year opportunity to visit Artist and Artisan Studios & Gardens.
Meet the makers and creators - look out for the red flags.

SUNNY CORNER SUNDAY 2012 & Meadow Flat Trash ‘n’ Treasure 2012

1. Meadow Flat Public School -
   2630 Great Western Highway, Meadow Flat
   - Trash 'n' Treasure stalls, pony rides, face painting, animal nursery, BBQ and much more. (For inquiries or stall registration call Kathy 0428 270 276)

2. The Old Farm Studio - 1511 Sunny Corner Rd, Meadow Flat
   Ph: 6359 5270
   - Greg Hyde, Tass Burns, Abbey Barrett - Paintings, etchings, prints & cards

3. Sunny Corner Hall
   - Art Exhibition, hand-made quilts and all day refreshments

4. Reg Campbell Gallery - 141 Sunny Corner Rd., Kirkconnell
   Ph: 6337 5312
   - Doug Sealy & Brian Chapman - Paintings & prints

5. Littleton Gallery - 213 Napoleon reef Rd., Napoleon Reef
   Ph: 6337 5267
   - Katrina Daly - Oils, watercolours, screen-printed cushions, preserves and lavender

6. Hillandale Garden and Nursery
   287 Eusdale Rd., Yetholme
   Ph: 6337 5234
   - Sarah Ryan - Plants, seeds and seedlings.
   - Watercolour cards.

EVERYONE WELCOME! Bring picnics or visit the various food stalls available.
Get ready for Christmas with unique gifts and country fair! A great day out! Bargains to be found...

2012 Mayors Christmas Appeal

Mayor Maree Statham invites everyone to donate to the annual Christmas Appeal for our Nursing Home Residents.

Donations of anonymous gifts may be dropped off at the Council Administration Centre, Lithgow Library Learning Centre or Wattleawang, Portland and Rydal Libraries.

Gifts will be distributed by the Mayor at functions to be held at local nursing homes: Cooninda, Tanderra, Three Tree Lodge and Tabulam Cottage during December.

For suggestions on suitable gifts go to Council's website www.lithgow.nsw.gov.au or contact Deborah and Rhiannon at Council on 6354 9990.

Let's make this Christmas, a wonderful Christmas, for everyone!