Niangala School celebrated the achievements throughout the year of all students at our Presentation Day on Wednesday November 26. The children thoroughly enjoyed performing *Naughty or Nice*—a Christmas play, *the Cup Song* and Christmas themed songs for the Niangala School Community.

*Congratulations to all students for a wonderful year. The staff at Niangala Public School wish the school community a safe, wet and happy Christmas and New Year’s break.*
**Pasta night**

A slice of Italy came to Niangala for the Year 6 fundraising Pasta Night. With much thanks to Kerry Savory for her terrific organisation, the Niangala hall was transformed into an Italian trattoria, with Italian themed music and a slide show featuring images of Italy setting the scene. A total of 59 adults and children enjoyed delicious spaghetti with a tomato based sauce, fettuccine with a creamy bacon sauce, Italian style bread and a green salad all hand made and prepared by the students with the help of Kerry Savory and her sister Gail. For dessert there was a tangy and refreshing lemon sorbet.

We thank the Niangala Community for supporting the night. The students were thrilled with the response. Approximately $580 was raised—a terrific result, with the money being used to purchase sofas for the library.

Niangala students were recently visited by Gwen and Jack Cowell from the Presbyterian Inland Mission Outback Patrol.

Based in Deepwater, Gwen and Jack travel by plane to take scripture lessons at schools and School of the Air.

Gwen is an artist and draws wonderful pictures depicting bible scenes while Jack tells stories with the aid of Albert the Puppet.

**CAFE-TERA TERM 4, 2014**

- Mon 1 Dec – Fri 12 Dec  Swimming
- Wed 3 Dec  Year 6 Farewell Breakfast 8.45am
- Fri 5 Dec  Excursion to Walcha Central for band recital
- Mon 8 Dec  Excursion to Walcha Handmade, Prime Meats
- Wed 17 Dec  Last day of term 4

**CAFE-TERA TERM 1, 2015**

- Wed 28 Jan  Students return to school

**Rural Women’s Pamper Day**
Niangala students and caregivers travelled to Tamworth to the Capitol Theatre recently to watch the musical *Pete the Sheep*, based on the book by Jackie French and Bruce Whatley. The children thoroughly enjoyed the quirky tale about Shaun, Pete—his ‘sheep-sheep’, and the setting up of a ‘shearing salon’.

Isabell: I liked the show because it was fun to see, it was really good and I want to see it again.

Braith: The singing was good and the play was fantastic.

Hayden: I wonder how the person made the shed on one side and the salon on the other. It was clever how they remembered their lines.

Brock: We just finished shearing in our shearing shed. I liked Pete the Sheep. I wish you could do another show for us.

Grant: The characters were called Ratso, Shaun, Pete, Bruce and Bruno. I really enjoyed the singing. I liked that they used expression in the song. It was a bit strange that Shaun had a salon for sheep.

Chloe Worth, Emily Clarke and Sophie Worth recently attended a two day *Colour the Earth* Visual Arts Camp at Thalgarrah Environmental Education Centre. Along with other students from throughout the region the children enjoyed a grey scale drawing activity at night, learning abstract art, leaf printing, playing *tribes and territories’* bug drawings and the food!
The staff and students of Niangala Public School wish our Year 6 students—Lane Clarke, Emily Clarke and Chloe Worth all the best in the future. We hope that the many and varied activities experienced at Niangala help them to make the most of the opportunities available at high school and to make good choices along the way. The school thanks our Year 6 leaders for their outstanding leadership throughout the year, and for providing peer support to the younger children.

Do you need your tank cleaned?
Please contact Gail Brazel on 6769 2335 by this Friday 5th December to arrange this while the cleaners are in the area.

Farewell and Best Wishes!

Gubi Cabun Children’s Mobile Service are interested in having a Supplemented Playgroup at Niangala School in 2015 for children under school age. The cost would be $20 per term.

Please contact the school before Wednesday 17 December if you have a toddler who would like to participate.

School holiday activities
- Summer Reading Club - for more details contact your local library, call 67 675228 or register at www.cnl.nsw.gov.au.
- Summer holiday tennis clinic at Lake Keepit Sport and Recreation Centre - for ages 7-12, 6-8 Jan. 2015, go to www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/kidscamp or call 13 13 02 for more details.
- Swim and Survive classes - to enrol and for more information go to www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/swimandsurvive or call 131302.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

A vacancy will exist from February 2015 for the casual position of General Assistant at Niangala Public School. Interested applicants are invited to submit a one page Expression of Interest which should include:
- Name and phone number of two referees
- Qualifications and experience you would bring to the position

The applicant will be required to perform:
- Minor maintenance of buildings and equipment
- Gardening and lawn maintenance
- Receipt and distribution of stores
- Other duties as directed

The position is one day per week - 7 hours. Applicants will be required to have a Working with Children Check. ($80 for 5 yrs)

Application close on Wednesday 17 December 2014. Please contact the school for further information.