

The Breeze

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE Term 4 Week 3

Our Deepest Condolences

All of our staff, students and the wider community have missed the lovely, warm and welcoming face of Mrs Barnett in our front office over the past fortnight. The sudden passing of Mrs Barnett's father last week has been a very difficult time for her family. On behalf of the entire school community, I would like to express our thoughts and condolences to Mrs Barnett and her entire family during this difficult time.

Kinder Orientation Morning

Yesterday a small group of parents visited the school to participate in our Kindergarten Orientation Morning. This is an informative morning for new parents to learn about the wonderful opportunities on offer for their children when they come to Willow Tree Public School. If for any reason parents were unable to attend the Orientation morning, please contact the school and I will be more than willing to sit down individually and have a chat and answer any questions.

CAPERS is Here!!

Next week will be the culmination of lots of hard work and planning as CAPERS finally gets underway. Our dance students are very excited and are looking forward to their experience of performing on the big stage.

I also hope as many students as possible have taken advantage of the extremely cheap tickets to see such a spectacular show at Friday's Matinee Performance. A huge thank you must go to Mrs McCarthy who has coordinated a lot of the CAPERS organisation and also to the school P & C who have donated a significant amount of money to subsidise costs for performers and spectators.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN results were sent home recently with students in Years 3 and 5. Overall, I was very proud of the efforts of all of our students who participated in the assessments and our school results as a whole. If you have any questions or concerns at all regarding NAPLAN, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Calendar

OCTOBER

31st – CAPERS rehearsal – Tamworth

NOVEMBER

1st – CAPERS matinee & evening performance

2nd – CAPERS evening performance

7th – Kinder Ready Commences

8th – Swimming for Sport commences



CAPERS PERFORMERS

The time is almost here. Next week will see all the hard work of our performing students pay off as they take to the stage to participate in CAPERS.

There will be a few disruptions next week due to students attending practices and performances however they will be kept to a minimum.

Below is a brief outline of the week ahead for the performers, please note more detailed information has been sent home last term.

Thursday:

Depart school at 8.30am for rehearsal at TRECC. Sports uniform to be worn. Packed morning tea, lunch and water. Return to school approx. 1.30pm. Travel by Bus and private car

Friday: Assemble at school 7.30 for 7.45am departure to TRECC

Costume to be worn – blue jeans, flannelette shirt & white joggers

Students need to pack plenty of water, snacks and lunch. Pizza will be provided for dinner.

Approx 11.30pm arrival at school for parent pick up

Saturday: 4.30pm assemble at school for departure to TRECC

Full costume to be worn.

Snacks and water to be packed.

Approx 11.30pm arrival at school for parent pick up

Please note: NO electronic devices should be brought as you can appreciate there are thousands of children and staff can not take responsibility for students belongings. Students can bring a book or writing materials if they wish.

Electronic equipment can also interfere with sound and lighting technology.



SWIMMING FOR SPORT

Our swimming for sport program will commence once again from Friday 8th November. It will run each Friday until Friday 13th December. Students will leave school at approximately 1pm and return at approximately 3pm. Students will need to make sure each Friday they bring their swimmers, towel and sunscreen. The cost of the program will be **\$6.00** per students per week. This includes \$3.00 pool entry and \$3.00 bus. Students who have a season ticket will only need to pay for the bus each week. Payment will be collected each week in class. Please complete the permission note on the back of the newsletter and return to the office by Friday 1st November 2013.

Parent helpers will be needed and are greatly appreciated. If you are able to help please contact the office.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any queries or concerns.

CAPERS MATINEE NON-PERFORMERS

A reminder to all students who are attending to watch the matinee performance of CAPERS that the bus will depart school at 8.30am and return at approx 2.30pm, please make sure your child/ren have a packed morning tea, lunch, snack and water.



SCHOOL SPECTACULAR ASSEMBLY

Friday 8th November –

Hannah Watts, Tom Devine & Stirling Gallagher

CANTEEN

Monday 28th October –

Bev Thornton & Kath Bailey

Wednesday 30th October –

Tracy Swain & Helen Barwick

If anyone is willing to volunteer for the canteen roster, please contact Shelley Devine.

KINDER READY

Our Kinder Ready program will commence from Thursday 7th November 2013. Children who are enrolled to commence kindergarten in 2014 are invited to attend our kinder ready program. If you know of anyone with a child ready to start school please let them know about our program.

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Awards

School Spectacular

Congratulations to the following students who both presented a great school spectacular last week.

Bella McCarthy – a great slide show presentation of her horse 'Scooter'

Jasmine Fowler – for a great presentation of her collection of shells.

Student of the Week



Stirling Gallagher – for clever thinking in Maths and for working hard with his reading

K/1

Jasmine Fowler – for good matching in reading "The Big Kick"

Katie Martin – for clever spelling & good effort in Maths

2/3/4

Joshua Curmi - for reaching his goal of reading a level 20 book

Annabel Sevil – for writing a good information report on the platypus

Amber Fowler – for being a mature and responsible class member



5/6

Jack Avar – consistent effort in reading

Matthew Wilkins – academic improvement in all areas

CWA AWARDS

Last term our students in years K-3 completed a colouring competition on Morocco as part of the CWA International Day. The winners from the Willow Tree competition were sent on to zone for judging. Congratulations to

Annabelle Avar, Stirling Gallagher and Emily Wamsley who were all successful in winning a prize at zone level. Thank you to Mrs Margaret Harris from the Willow Tree CWA branch who attended our assembly this week to present the students with their prize.

SWIMMING FOR SPORT

I give permission for my child/ren _____ to attend swimming for sport with Willow Tree Public School at the Quirindi Swimming Pool commencing from Friday 8th November each Friday till Friday 13th December. I understand travel to and from the pool will be by Howard's Buses and the cost of the program will be \$6.00 per student per week or \$3.00 per student per week if they have a season ticket.

Parent/Guardian _____

Date _____

Yes my child/ren have a season ticket

Name _____

ticket number _____

Name _____

ticket number _____

Name _____

ticket number _____

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