



The Breeze

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Term 4 Week 5

SINCERE CONDOLENCES

It was with great sadness and shock that we learnt of the tragic loss of Jed Scoggin. Jed was a special little man who touched the lives of anybody who met him, including many students here at Willow Tree Public School. On behalf of the entire Willow Tree Public School community, I offer our sincere condolences to Sue-Ellen, Bridget, Auntie Julie, Uncle Merv, Travis and the extended family. Our thoughts are with you.

For those families who would like to attend a celebration of Jed's life and support the family it will be held tomorrow, Friday 8th November at Henry's Guest House, Quirindi from 11am.

P&C CHRISTMAS HAMPER

The P&C will be raffling a Christmas hamper at the presentation evening this year. Donations of items for the hamper would be greatly appreciated. Please leave all items at office.

CAPERS

WOW! WOW! WOW!
CAPERS 2013 was an outstanding production and an outstanding opportunity for our students to take part in something they will remember for a lifetime. Our Maypole Dancers were exceptional in their dance accompanied by 'The Bushwackers' and thoroughly enjoyed the entire week of CAPERS. A big thank you must go to all the parents who made the effort to attend a performance and we hope you enjoyed the show as much as the kids enjoyed performing in it. We must also thank Mr Thornton for driving the bus to Tamworth and back numerous times throughout the week along with the P & C who donated lots of money to reduce the cost of being involved in such a large event. Finally we must thank Mrs McCarthy. Mrs McCarthy organised the entire opportunity for our students from permission notes to bus organisation to costuming. Thank you Mrs McCarthy!!!

SWIMMING FOR SPORT CANCELLED THIS WEEK

Friday swimming has been cancelled for this week due to many staff being out of the school. Swimming will recommence next Friday for those students who have returned their notes by Monday. Swimming is a valuable life skill and the involvement of our students helps build water confidence and swimming skills for those more capable. Any student who does not return a note will remain at school and participate in regular academic learning activities.

Calendar

NOVEMBER

7th – Kinder Ready Commences
8th – Swimming for Sport cancelled this week
11th – Intensive Swimming program commences



CAPERS

Wow!! What a fantastic weekend! The weeks of hard work and preparation from our staff and students were put on display throughout three shows over Friday and Saturday. The students did an amazing job conquering the 'maypole' dance and performing live to "The Bushwhackers".

CAPERS is a fantastic opportunity for students, not only is it about the performance but the interaction out the back with students is great to see. Over 1000 students throughout the North West region were involved in the spectacular event which showcased the many talents of various students from dancing, singing and playing of instruments.

The students who attended the matinee performance loved seeing their fellow students performing. It was fantastic to see the children waving to each other in the finale, the performers were very grateful to have the support of the rest of the school.

Thank you to the parents who helped support our students throughout CAPERS by bringing them into school for the buses and attending the performances and once again to the P&C who donated money to reduce the cost to our families.

A massive thank you to staff who taught the children the routine and supervised students at the performances.

Huge thanks to Mr Ken Thornton who generously gave up his time to drive the bus over three days to practises and performances and last but not least thank you to the students who were dedicated to performing. You all make us very proud.



YEAR 6 PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

Parents of current year 6 students are invited to go "back to school" and find out what it will be like for your child next year.

**Wednesday 27th November
2013.**

6.30-8.00pm at Quirindi High School

INTENSIVE SWIMMING

A reminder to the students who have been selected to participate in the intensive swim program that their notes are due into the office tomorrow. The intensive swimming program is due to commence from Monday 11th November 2013. Students are reminded to pack their swimmers, towel and sunscreen each day next week. Travel will be by private car with Miss Watts and Mrs McCarthy. Should you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the office.

YEAR 6 CAR WASH

The year 6 car wash that was advertised earlier has been cancelled.

SCHOOL CHOIR

A reminder to all students involved in the school choir to make sure they return the permission notes for the choir performance this week.



SWIMMING FOR SPORT

Our swimming for sport program will commence once again from Friday 15th 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.

YEAR 5 TASTER DAY

Students in year 5 have been invited to attend a "taster day" to experience what high school has to offer on Thursday 5th December 2013. Permission notes have been sent home. Please make sure they are returned to the office as soon as possible.



SCHOOL SPECTACULAR ASSEMBLY

Friday 8th November –
Hannah Watts, Tom Devine & Stirling Gallagher

Friday 22nd November –
Molly McKinley, Katie Martin, Kyle Sternbeck, Leelan Watts & Darcy Devine

CANTEEN

Monday 11th November
Jodie Martin

Wednesday 13th November –
Kath Bailey & Pat Gallagher

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

KINDER READY

Our Kinder ready program commenced today. It was fantastic to see the students so enthusiastic about their transition into primary school. The new kinder ready students will join us again next Thursday to continue their transition.

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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