

# The Breeze

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### Term 4 Week 9

#### CULTURAL DAY

Last Friday the Year 5 & 6 students took us on a journey around the world to experience a taste of their country of origin. The students did a fantastic job preparing their tables and food. Students were required to research their country of origin as part of a HSIE unit they had been studying, as part of this they were asked to prepare a dish from their country and share with the other students and guests. We had dishes from Ireland, Germany, Scotland, England, Italy, France and Norway and what a culinary delight they were. Parents, staff and other students were treated to some spectacular dishes from stew, soup, English puddings, pigs in blankets, beef pie, haddock, fish & chips and frankfurts to puddings, black forest cake, apple dessert, croissants, scones with cream, biscotti and French cheese. The classroom was a wall of colour with the countries flags, balloons and streamers. Some students came dressed in traditional costume while others came dressed in the countries colour. Thank you to all the parents who helped

their children prepare for the day and who came to support and taste all the delicious delights. Congratulations to all the students who went to amazing efforts prior and on the day to bring a taste of their countries origin to us here in Australia.



#### SCHOOL CHOIR

Our school choir were very excited to perform in their second public appearance at "Eloura" in Quirindi on Tuesday. Students performed four songs to a very enthusiastic and appreciative crowd. Many thanks to the parents who transported students to and from school for the performance, our students would not be given as many opportunities as this if it wasn't for the supportive parents we have at our school. Thank you to the staff and residents of Eloura for the welcome and morning tea, we hope to make an appearance once again next year.

#### FAREWELL MISS JAMES

Tomorrow will be the last day for our prac teacher Miss James. Miss James has been with the year 5/6 class throughout the past 4 weeks. Thank you Miss James, we wish you all the best in your future career as a teacher.

#### Calendar

#### DECEMBER

- 5<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Farewell Dinner
- 12<sup>th</sup> – Presentation Evening
- 16<sup>th</sup> – Rewards Day
- 18<sup>th</sup> – LAST DAY for 2013

## Term 4 Week 8

### Awards Student of the Week

**Brayden Soley** – for always trying to improve his reading & maths. Keep it up Brayden!

#### K/1

**Stirling Gallagher** – for his great effort in reading & clever thinking in maths

**Ned Swain** – for working well in all areas of school work. Ned is a very helpful & caring student.

#### 2/3/4

**Hannah Watts** – for being an enthusiastic and polite class member

**Dominic Hyde** – for writing a really scary horror story in creative writing

#### 5/6

**Beau Mulholland** – Organising a wonderful and well decorated display for his Cultural Day assignment

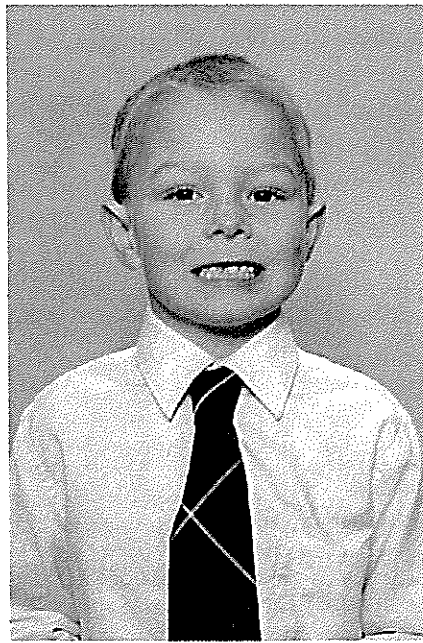
**Sarah Widdis** – for being an outstanding school citizen and an excellent role model for all students

### Gold Certificates

Congratulations to Darcy & Tom Devine on achieving a Gold Certificate.

### Cloth Patch

Five Principal's Gold Merit Certificates are needed to receive a School Cloth Patch. Congratulations to **Darcy Devine** on achieving a Cloth Patch.



#### Miss James

**Cooper Harris** – great work in PE, HSIE & Maths

**Declan Fuz** – great improvement in HSIE & Maths

#### Scripture

**Jack Swain** – Excellent participation in our Scripture lesson.

### **YEAR 6 ORIENTATION**

Yesterday the year 6 students who will be attending Quirindi High School next year had their orientation day. Although nervous at first the students were very impressed with Quirindi High and their facilities.

### **YEAR 5 TASTER DAY**

Students in year 5 had the opportunity to visit Quirindi High School today to "taste" the atmosphere of High School. The day was open to all year 5 students where they participated in mini lessons and were treated to a BBQ lunch. The students had a fantastic time. Thank you to the staff of Quirindi High School for organising this day.

### **Ex-Willow Tree Student At State Debating**

Congratulations to Oliver Smith, an ex-Willow Tree Public School Student who now attends Quirindi High School, on representing the New England Region at the Junior State Debating Championships in Sydney.

### **School Memories 2013 DVD**

Jodie Martin has kindly volunteered to put together a School Memories DVD for 2013. The DVDs are \$10 each. If you would like a copy please leave your name and money at the school office by Tuesday 10th December. Jodie will have the DVDs ready for Presentation evening.

### **SWIMMING FOR SPORT**

We only have two weeks left of swimming for sport. If your child paid last week for swimming it has been carried over till this week however if your child/ren did not pay or were away they will need to pay. Once again students will leave school at 1pm to travel to the pool and will return at approx. 3pm. Parent helpers would be greatly appreciated. Students will need to remember to bring their swimmers, towel and sunscreen. Children who do not bring their swimmers or payment will not be able to swim.

### **PRESENTATION EVENING**

Our annual Presentation Evening will be held next Thursday evening from 6.30pm at the Willow Tree Hall. We look forward to seeing you all there as we celebrate our student's achievements throughout 2013. The P&C will provide supper at the end of the evening, donations of cakes or slices would be greatly appreciated.

### **2014 SCHOOL CAPTAIN SPEECHES**

Our year 5 students will deliver their captains speeches next Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> December 2013 at 9.30am. Everyone is welcome to come along and support the students.

### **BLANDFORD HORSE SPORTS**

Blandford Horse Sports will be held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2014. Entry forms are available at the office. Forms are to be returned by 19<sup>th</sup> February 2014.

### **SCRIPTURE CHRISTMAS SERVICE**

Permission notes for the scripture service need to be handed into the office by tomorrow. Students who do not return a permission note will not be able to attend the service. The scripture service will commence at 12noon. Everyone is welcome to attend, if parents are able to stop at the school and help transport students to and from the church it would be greatly appreciated. Students are asked to bring the following items for a costume:

**K/1** – Shepherds – a tea towel with a cord/elastic to keep it on head.

**2/3/4** – Angels – Boys- white school shirt

Girls – white shirt or t-shirt to put over uniform

Both – Tinsel circlet on head  
No wings

**5/6** – costumes supplied

### **2013 REWARDS DAY**

A reminder to families that the rewards day note and money are due back to school by Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December. If the note and money has not been returned students will not be able to attend the rewards day.

### **CANTEEN**

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December**

Kath Redgrove & Caroline Sevil

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

Kelly Barwick & Steph Cone

## SCRIPTURE SERVICE

I give permission for my child/ren \_\_\_\_\_ to attend and participate in the 2013 scripture service on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2013 at the Catholic Church in Willow Tree. I understand transport to and from school to the church will be by private car. YES – I am able to help transport students. I have \_\_\_\_\_ seats.

Parent/guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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