

# The Breeze

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE Term 4 Week 10

### 2014 SCHOOL CAPTAIN

How proud we were of all the candidates who stood proudly and delivered their school captain speeches this Tuesday. Each and every student spoke well and should be proud of the way in which they conducted themselves. Congratulations to Sam Avar and Zara McCarthy on being elected Willow Tree Public School's Captains for 2014.



### THANK YOU

If you have been into the school grounds throughout the past couple of weeks you would see some gardening renovations are starting to take place. They are looking fantastic and will be amazing once completed. Thank you to Mr Greg Bailey who has put in so much time and effort so far and to the parent helpers who volunteered their time.

### PRESENTATION EVENING

Our annual Presentation Evening will kick off at 6.30pm tonight at the Willow Tree Hal, please make sure students are assembled in the hall by **6.15pm..** It will be fantastic to see you all there to help celebrate our student's achievements throughout 2013. **Full summer uniform is to be worn.**

### YEAR 6 FARWELL DINNER

Last Thursday night year six students gathered with their parents and staff for a farewell dinner at the White Hart in Murrurundi. It was fantastic to reflect on the memories of their schooling life amongst their families and peers. A special thank you to Mrs Gwen Cone who kindly made the farewell cake at short notice, it was greatly appreciated. On behalf of the staff and students at Willow Tree Public School we would like to wish our outgoing year 6 students all the best for their future.



### ARTC RAIL WORKS

This morning representatives from ARTC met with Mr Ireland and Mr Sevil advising of the new rail works that are set to take place from mid-January for a maximum of 12 weeks. A new access road will be built to enable rail employees' access to trains from the level crossing on the Merriwa Road to where the new Chilcotts' Creek loop has been constructed. ARTC are asking that families be mindful of the extra truck and construction activity that will take place over this short time. If you have any queries or concerns please contact the environmental line on 1300 550 402. ARTC thank you for your assistance and patience throughout this matter. ARTC have advised that the access track is the final part of the Chilcotts' Creek loop project that will reduce noise and level crossing closures.

### DECEMBER 2013

12<sup>th</sup> – Presentation Evening  
16<sup>th</sup> – Rewards Day  
18<sup>th</sup> – Out of Uniform Day  
18<sup>th</sup> – Class parties  
18<sup>th</sup> – LAST DAY for 2013

### JANUARY 2014

29<sup>th</sup> – Students return to school

### FEBRUARY 2014

5<sup>th</sup> – P&C meeting @ school  
7<sup>th</sup> – Swimming Carnival  
14<sup>th</sup> – Zone swimming carnival

## SUMMER READING CLUB

The Quirindi branch of the CNRL will be holding a summer reading club. Reading is an important skill for all students and is encouraged every day. For further information regarding the summer reading club please contact the CNRL on 67462350

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### CNRL BOOK WEEK 2013 COLOURING COMPETITION

Congratulations to the following students who were successful in winning prizes in the 2013 Central Northern Regional Library book week colouring competition in which they entered earlier this year.

#### **Kinder**

1<sup>st</sup> – Kyle Sternbeck  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Stirling Gallagher

#### **Year 1&2**

2<sup>nd</sup> – Celia Cropper

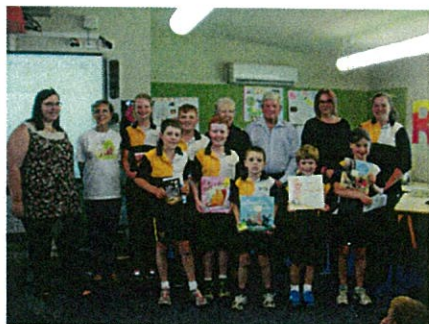
#### **Year 3&4**

HC – James Redgrove

#### **Year 5&6**

1<sup>st</sup> – Beau Mulholland  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Sophie Cropper  
3<sup>rd</sup> – James Devine  
HC – Bella McKinley.

Thank you to Mayor Ian Lobsey, Librarian Marcela Krasny, Councillor Mary Roberts and Judge Lindi Currie for attending our assembly last Friday to present the awards.



### CLASS PARTIES

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December is the last day of school for students in 2013. Wednesday will be an out of uniform day, however please ensure sensible clothing and shoes are worn. Students will also have their class parties. It is asked that each family bring along some party food to share with the other students.

### SWIMMING FOR SPORT

Tomorrow will be the last Friday for swimming for sport for 2013. The cost of swimming for sport is \$6.00 per student which includes pool entry and bus. Students with season tickets only need to pay the \$3.00 bus. *Students will be given the opportunity to purchase from the pool canteen this week if they bring spending money.*

Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered to help with swimming for sport this year. Without your help it would not have been possible to continue with this program.



### 2013 REWARDS DAY

The bus will depart at 9.00am from school on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December for the rewards day. Students will go to the movies to watch "Cloudy with the Chance of Meatballs 2" followed by lunch and a game of Strike bowling. Included in the cost of the day is small popcorn with drink and pizza for lunch, if your child does not eat pizza you will need to pack them lunch. It is suggested that students still pack some snacks and a water bottle. There will be no need for students to bring spending money. ***Sports uniform is to be worn on the day.*** Please do not hesitate to contact the office if you have any queries or concerns.

### SCRIPTURE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

The annual combined scripture service was held at the Catholic Church in Willow Tree on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December. Students presented a short play on the birth of Jesus. Thank you to the scripture teachers throughout the year who give up their time to teach scripture.



### SCHOOL READERS & LIBRARY BOOKS

Another year is coming to an end and it's now time to search through the bookshelves, under the beds and in the play rooms for school readers and library books that need to be returned.

### CANTEEN

There will be **NO** canteen next week due to the rewards day and class parties. On behalf of the staff and students we would like to thank Shelly Devine (Canteen Co-ordinator) and the volunteers who give up their time throughout the year to make sure our canteen is open.

### 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.

## Term 4 Week 10

### Awards Student of the Week



**Lachlan Bryce** – An outstanding week with an improved attitude in the classroom

#### K/1

**Molly McKinley** – For good work with end sounds

**Katie Martin** – For good reading of her chapter books

#### 2/3/4

**Tara Barwick** – For working hard with her spelling all term

**Eddie Cropper** – For being a happy and positive person and always making us laugh

#### 5/6

**Bella McKinley** – For excellence in Creative arts

**Cooper Harris** – Impressive results in imaginative, informative and persuasive writing.

#### Gold Certificates

Congratulations to James Redgrove, Josh Redgrove and Hannah Watts on achieving a Gold Certificate and to Leelan Watts for receiving two Gold Certificates.



#### School Spectacular

**Cody Sternbeck** – for his great pictures & talk on his "Bull Riding"

**Ned Swain** – for his great slide show presentation on "Nan & Pop's farm"

**Gus Sevil** - for his good recital of the funny Poem "The Teacher took my Ipod"

#### Scripture

**Brooke Bailey** – Congratulations on your wonderful year of participation in Scripture.