

My child/ren \_\_\_\_\_ WILL - WILL NOT be available to participate in the ANZAC Day march in Willow Tree in the holidays.

## ANZAC DAY MARCH

Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Quirindi! Center Run**  
**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2013**  
 Students received a visit from the co-ordinators of the Center Run to speak with them about the event. Entry forms are available at school for the team relay event (4 x 800m). Please see the office for a form if interested.

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## Parent Power Workshops - Maths 4 Mums and Dads

Last night was the first of our new Parent Power Workshops and thank you to those families who made the time to come along. Our focus this week was Maths (Time) and I found the workshop beneficial and took something home that will help their child/children develop a better understanding of Time. Please keep an eye out for our next Parent Power Workshop to be held early next term.

## Cross Country

Tomorrow is shaping up to be another tremendous day for our students in the sporting arena. Our school Cross Country will be run at the Willow Tree Recreation Grounds starting from 9:10am to attend on this day. Lots of planning and organisation has gone in to making the day a success and I know the students have been training hard to compete at their best level. A big thank you must go to the Honner and Cleal families for their generosity in allowing us to access their property to run our Cross Country Event.

## Staff Development Days - Term 2

Next Term, students will return on Wednesday 1 May due to an additional Staff Development Day being added to the school calendar this year. Staff from Willow Tree Public School will be attending the New England Small Schools Conference on Sunday 28 and Monday 29 in Armidale. Tuesday 30 April has also been designated a Staff Development Day for schools to begin the implementation phase of the New English K-10 Syllabus. Our staff will be working with a number of small schools from throughout the Liverpool Plains along with a Regional Curriculum Team Member to begin this process.

With great thanks to Mr Wayne Bailey, our Year 6 gift from 2012 is now in operation. The magnificent bird feeder (featuring the names of all our Year 6 students from 2012) is located under some native trees in the North-Western corner of the school grounds. I am sure this gift will bring much delight to our students and of course our bird-life that will hopefully appreciate the new feeding area.

## Bird Feeder in Operation

**Calendar**

5 <sup>th</sup> - School	1 <sup>st</sup> - Students Return
12 <sup>th</sup> - Last day Term 2	
25 <sup>th</sup> - ANZAC Day	
28 <sup>th</sup> - Small Schools Conference - Armidale	
29 <sup>th</sup> - Pupil Free Day	
30 <sup>th</sup> - Pupil Free Day	



Once again we would like to extend a huge thank you to Kelaher & Mr Merv Weame who came along today to talk to the students about the importance of ANZAC day and about their experiences in various wars. Our students are lucky to have the continued support from local community members who are able to share their personal experiences.

ANZAC Day Talk

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## EASTER HAT PARADE

Hey ho, what a show, look at what we've made as we go marching round and round in the Easter hat parade. Weren't there some fantastic hats on parade last Thursday? Students put a lot of effort into making some fabulous creations and proudly paraded them around for the rest of the school and our parents and guests to admire. Thank you to all our students for the effort and to the parents and guests for coming to share our Easter hat parade.

## SRC EASTER RAFFLE

The SRC ran an Easter egg raffle last week. Thank you to everyone who supported the SRC and bought a raffle ticket. The winners were: Sarah Widdis, Kelly Barwick, Ned Swain and Bella McCarthy.

## BIKE TRACK LAUNCH

Helmetts were strapped on tight as students participated in bike activities testing their skills last Thursday afternoon. It was great to see lots of bikes at school as students got to test out our refurbished bike track. As well as the bike track students participated in obstacle courses containing important skills to use when riding a bike. Each student's bike was also put through a bike safety test by our experienced testers! Thank you to parents for bringing in your child/rens bikes to enable them to enjoy the day.

## THANK YOU

The refurbishment of the bike track would not have been possible without the support and help of Noel & Betty Saunders of Saunders Contracting Pty Ltd, Mr Phil Marheine & Wayne are Mr & Mrs Saunders receiving their certificate of appreciation. We appreciate all the support.



## SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Our annual school cross country will be held at the Willow Tree Recreation grounds on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2013. Students are to be assembled at the Recreation Grounds at 9.10am ready to walk the track. Please make sure your children have transportation to and from the recreation grounds. There will be a canteen and BBQ lunch available at the grounds. Donations of cakes and slices would be greatly appreciated. Please complete the permission note and return to the office by Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2013. Please note this is a school event, all staff will be in attendance at the cross country.

## LUNCH PACK AVAILABLE AT CROSS COUNTRY

Sausage on a roll, popper and frozen ice block \$4.50

## ZONE NETBALL TRIALS

Good luck to all the girls who will be attending the zone netball trials in Quirindi after the cross country tomorrow. We wish you all the best for further selection.

## 2013 NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL DANCE CAMP

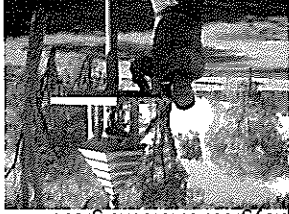
Bella McKinley will be attending the New England Regional Dance Camp at Lake Keepit next week. This dance camp is open for students from years 5 to 12 and is run by experienced choreographers. We wish Bella a successful week and cant wait to hear about this fantastic experience.

## ANZAC DAY

Once again this year ANZAC Day falls in the second week of the school holidays. Our students will be marching in the Willow Tree parade and fulfil a significant part in speaking in the official ceremony. Could you please fill in the form on the back of the newsletter to indicate if you children will be able to participate in the march? This will also let us know who might be available from the senior class to deliver a speech. Full winter uniform will be worn for the march.

## BIRD FEEDER

Last year's yr 6 class donated a beautiful timber bird feeder to our school. Thank you to Mr Bailey who kindly erected the bird house in the playground. It looks great.



## SCHOOL SPECTACULAR

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April  
Lachlan Bryce, Haydn Randell, Sople Cropper, Giulia Duddy, Brenton Dawson & Josh Redgrove

## P&C MEETING

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April  
6 pm at school

Everyone Welcome

## DURI Public School Horse Sports

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2013  
Please see the office for entry form if interested.

## WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

Once again our school will participate in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. By collecting stickers from 8<sup>th</sup> April – 9<sup>th</sup> June and places them in the box at school it will assist the school in obtaining items at the end of the program.