

GUNNEDAH EISTEDDFOD

Willow Tree students, Annabel Sevil, Sophie & Celia Cropper, Kiera & Brooke Bailey and Grace Barwick are all participating in individual items at the annual Gunnedah Eisteddfod today. We wish the girls good luck in performing their item.

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Term 2 Week 4

2013 School Excursion (Years 3-6)

An expression of interest note for our school excursion has been sent home to all families of students in Year 3 – 6 and we thank those families who have already returned these. We are planning an excursion to the lovely beachside city of Coffs Harbour and are planning a good balance of educational opportunities and enjoyable activities for our students. Please also remember that school excursions are about students building a level of independence away from their home environment.

Please return your expression of interest as soon as possible so organisation can be finalised. A permission note will be sent home in the coming weeks clearly outlining the excursion and links to curriculum content.

Year 6 Jumpers

Thank you to all our Year 6 families who have returned their Year 6 jumper paperwork. The jumpers will now be ordered and will hopefully arrive in the near future so students can gain maximum use throughout the coming winter weather. A big thank you must go to Mrs Kelly Barwick for her organisation of these mementos for our senior students.

5/6 Tennis for Sport

Tennis for Sport will continue tomorrow if the weather is fine. All students participating in this program need to bring their own tennis racquet and \$5 to cover coaching and court costs. Unfortunately no additional students can participate in the program as numbers need to be kept at a manageable level.

Liverpool Plains Environmental Education Visit

Today our students participated in the Liverpool Plains Shire Council Resource Recovery Program. This is the second year the program has visited Willow Tree and it teaches students about the importance of caring for the earth and using natural resources to benefit ourselves and the environment.



Environmental Education Officer
Moira Pigeon, Tyler, Katie, Bravden & Molly

May 24th – Zone Cross Country

June 14th – Regional Cross Country
17th – School Photos
21st – Athletics Carnival

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School Assembly

Hosts: Tara Barwick & Aleeci Francis

Student of the Week

Aleeci Francis – Excellent effort in NAPLAN and for working consistently well all the time

K/1

Cody Sternbeck – Enthusiastic participation & effort in addition & subtraction

Katie Martin – Fantastic Handwriting

2/3/4

James Redgrove – Fantastic fraction work

Tara Barwick – Exceptional bookwork

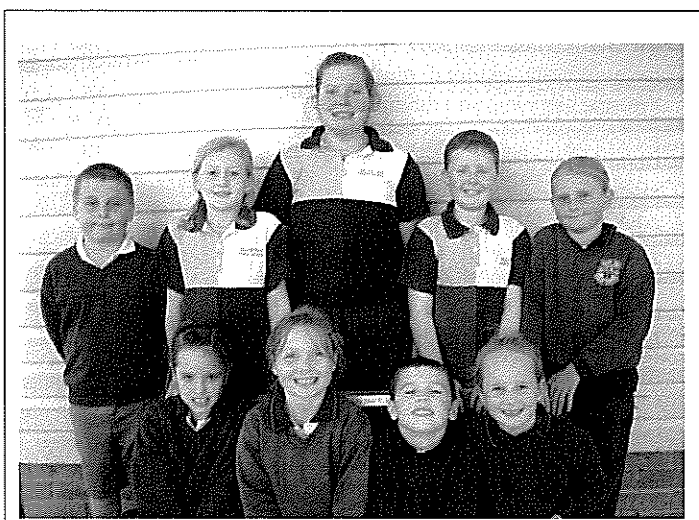
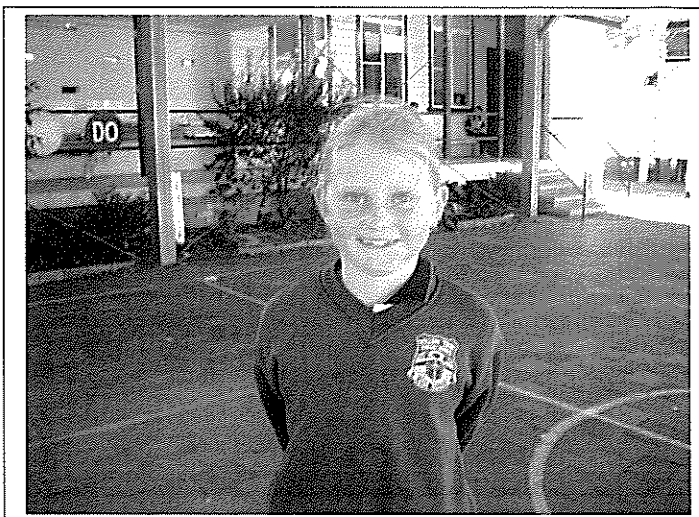
5/6

Bella McKinley – for being a fantastic class member and an outstanding role model for the younger students

Codeyn Martyn – for a consistent effort during Maths lessons

Gold Certificate

Congratulations to **Amber Fowler** for gaining a gold certificate.



Library Awards

Aleeci Francis – for working hard and getting lots done

Brayden Soley – for returning books & reading independently

Sports Award

Kiera Bailey – outstanding manners when getting equipment from the shed

Cooper's North West Rugby Union Trials Report

On Monday 20th May I went to Gunnedah with Quirindi Zone for the North West Rugby Union Trials. We played two games against Tamworth Zone winning both games. Conditions on the day were fair. I was fortunate to get into the Southern Side with several other Quirindi students.

On Friday 31st I will travel to Tamworth to play against the Northern side and from there the selectors will pick the North West Side.



ZONE CROSS COUNTRY

Good luck to all the students who are participating at the Zone Cross Country tomorrow. Students are to be assembled at the Willow Tree Recreation grounds by 9.15am ready to walk the track. Parent helpers to man check points along the track would be appreciated. Please see Mrs Jenkins in the morning.

Please make sure your child has ample water with them. Willow Tree P&C will be running the canteen. Donations of cakes and slices would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Shelly Devine if you are able to assist in the canteen throughout the morning.

TENNIS FOR SPORT

Students had a fantastic time last week learning new skills for enhancing their tennis game. Years 5/6 will continue tennis again tomorrow from 1.30-2.30. Students are to bring their tennis racquets and \$5.00. Students are also advised to bring a water bottle and must have a hat.

TOUCH FOOTBALL TRIALS

Sophie Cropper, Grace Barwick & Sarah Widdis represented Quirindi Zone at the North West Girls Touch Football trials in Tamworth last Friday with Cooper Harris also representing Quirindi Zone Boys Touch Football trials in Armidale. Sophie, Grace, Sarah & Cooper all played good, fair games and were unlucky not to be selected to compete at Regional level. Well done!

WEEKLY SCHEDULING

Learning how to make time for homework, study, chores, part-time jobs and so on is a vital skill for all kids, but it's one that we need to teach them by example. It's just a Word document, but you can now create your own weekly schedules to whip your family into shape.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/weekly-schedule-template>

CANTEEN

Monday 27th May
Angus Sevil & Pat Gallagher

Wednesday 29th May
Nicole Sternbeck & Tracy Swain

SCHOOL SPECTACULAR

Friday 24th May
Zara McCarthy, Brooke Bailey, Bridget Scoggin

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

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

Notice of P & C General Meeting
Willow Tree Public School
To be Held Wednesday 29th May, 2013 @ 6pm.

Agenda for the meeting is as follows:-

Present/Apologies
Reading of Previous Meeting Minutes
Correspondence In/Out
General Business
*Treasurer's Report
*Canteen Report
*Principal's Report
*Student Insurance
*Future Fundraisers 2013
Business Arising
Closure of Meeting
All Welcome to Attend!