



The Breeze

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Term 3 Week 3

Willow Tree PS visits Local Lions

Last Thursday night saw a large crowd gather at the local Willow Tree Lions Club dinner where 6 of our outstanding students presented a speech on a topic of their choice. It was an absolute privilege to listen to the students talk on a topic of their choice. Sophie Cropper, Beau Mulholland, Sarah Widdis, Grace Barwick, James Redgrove and Annabel Sevil all spoke exceptionally and amazed the members and guests of the Lions Club with their high level of public speaking skills.

Blackville Spelling Bee

This week, a number of students from all classes will be selected to represent our school at the Small Schools Spelling Bee being held at Blackville in a couple of weeks. Students should be practising their spelling every night and building their skills and strategies in this subject. More information about the Spelling Bee will be sent home with relevant students early next week.

Coffs Harbour Excursion/Dubbo Zoo

Both of our excursions for this year are fast approaching and the students are getting excited. With only 4 Weeks to go, please ensure you have returned the permission and medical information notes and are finalising payments for these trips. If you have any issues or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school for further information.

National Young Leaders Day 2014

Students from Year 4 & 5 received an important note yesterday about a wonderful leadership opportunity taking place in early 2014. The National Young Leaders Day will be held in Sydney on the 31 March at a venue to be advised. Parents are welcome to attend and some assistance with transport to and from the event will be required. Please read the notes carefully and return them to school to secure your spot at this wonderful event. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.



School Captain – Sophie Cropper and Sport Captain – Dane Saunders accept the trophy for overall highest point scoring school at Spring Ridge.

Calendar

August
6th – Small Schools Soccer Knockout – Wallabadah
14th – Small School's Spelling Bee – Blackville
14th – P&C Meeting 6pm school
15th – Zone Athletics Carnival
23rd – WTPS Spelling Bee
26-29th – Coffs Harbour Excursion
30th – Dubbo Excursion
SEPTEMBER
6th – Regional Athletics

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WILLOW TREE PUBLIC SCHOOL

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You can opt to have your newsletter sent to you by email. By emailing our schools weekly newsletter you will never misplace it, you will have the option to print out the stories and photos of your child/ren, you will have fast and easy access to all our schools news including upcoming events and permission notes and with the press of a button you can forward the newsletter to family and friends showing off your child/ren's achievements at school. Every parent is proud of their child/ren and we all know grandparents, aunts, uncles and friends love hearing and seeing their achievements also.

If you would like the option to receive your newsletter by email, please complete the form below and return to the office by Friday 14th August.

YES please send me the schools weekly newsletter by email.

Our email address is

National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day Celebrations Welcomes everybody to their

Fireworks Night

Saturday 4th August 2013

Events start at 3.30 at Werri Creek football grounds

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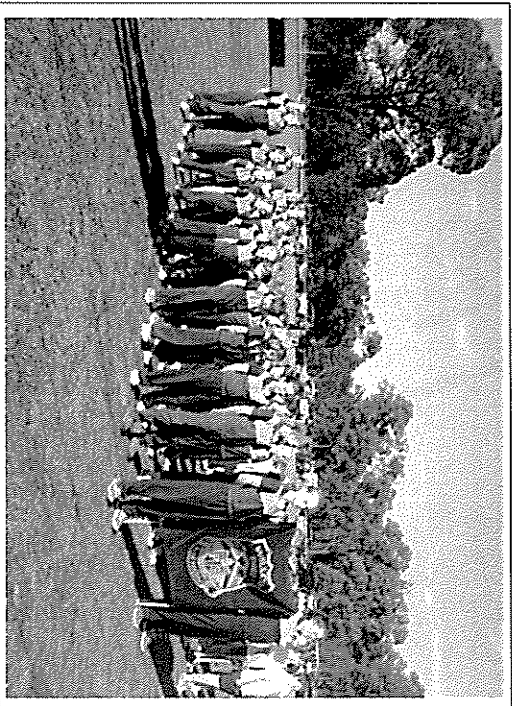
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SPRING RIDGE SMALL SCHOOLS SPORTS CARNIVAL

The weather was extremely kind to us last Friday for the annual Spring Ridge Small Schools Sports Carnival. Our students started the day off in fantastic style winning the march past. What a great team effort! The day had only just begun, our students competed throughout the day with the utmost determination, it was fantastic to see so many supportive parents following the students around each event encouraging them all to have a go and do their best. The improvement from our students was outstanding as was the sportsmanship they all displayed throughout the day. Well done to all the students who travelled to Spring Ridge to compete and support fellow school mates, it was great to see. At the presentation all the hard work of the Willow Tree students paid off with Willow Tree being announced the overall winners on the day and joint winners with Spring Ridge in the ball games. Congratulations to the following students

Juvenile Girls equal runner up -
 Emily Wamsley & Bridget Scoggin
Juvenile Boy Runner up -
 Brodie Saunders
Junior Girl Champion -
 Giulia Duddy
Junior Boy runner up -
 Edward Cropper



11yr Girl Champion -
 Zara McCarthy
11yr Boy Champion -
 Sam Avarid
Senior Girl Champion -
 Sophie Cropper
Runner Up - Bella McKinley
Senior Boy Champion -
 Dane Saunders

Congratulations to Brodie Saunders who broke the only record of the day in the juvenile boy's shot put.

WILLOW TREE LIONS CLUB

CELEBRATING A COMMEMORATION OF SCHOOLS IN DAYS GONE BY

The official opening of the identity of schools in our area that have been closed down before school buses came into play will be held on Saturday 3rd August at the property "Bobadil", McDonalds Creek, Willow Tree from 11am. A small vocal group from Willow Tree Public School will be performing at the opening. Please come along and support this event.

GOODLUCK

Good luck to our school soccer team who will play against Wallabadah in Quirindi next Tuesday. Please come along and support the soccer team if you are able from 1pm at the Golland Fields in Quirindi.

COFFS HARBOUR EXCURSION

An information sheet has been sent home with your child/dren regarding the Coffs Harbour excursion. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any queries or concerns. A reminder to families that final payment for the excursion is due on Friday 17th August 2013.

CWALUNCHEON

This was an outstanding effort from our students. Thank you from Mrs Parsons and her staff from Spring Ridge Public School for once again running the carnival, to Wallabadah P&C for the canteen and to our parents for bringing the students to the carnival. A huge thank you to our parents who helped with the running of events or timing throughout the day, carnivals like these cannot run without parents support and it is appreciated.

QUIRINDI ZONE PSSA ATHLETICS

Please note that the Quirindi Zone Athletics carnival date has changed. The carnival will now be held on **Thursday 15th August 2013**. Students who have been selected to attend the zone carnival have been given permission notes together with the events they will be participating in. Please make sure notes are returned to the office by the due date. Our school is responsible for running the shot put this year. If any parents are able to assist throughout the day please see Mr Ireland or Mrs McCarthy. Your help is always appreciated.

TENNIS FOR SPORT

Friday tennis is scheduled to commence tomorrow for years 3 & 4 students who expressed their interest last term. The cost of tennis is \$5.00 per week. Please make sure you bring your tennis racket together with money tomorrow. A student will not be able to participate in tennis if they forget to bring their money and/or racket.

CHESS

Chess will not be on tomorrow due to the majority of students being at the CWA luncheon. Chess will continue again next Friday.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos have been handed out to students this week. If anyone would like to order any Captains, Sports Captains or SRC photos, please collect and return an order envelope to the office and have it returned by 16th August 2013.

SCHOOL SPECTACULAR ASSEMBLY

Friday 2nd August - Grace Barwick, James Redgrove & Celia Cropper

Friday 16th August - James Devine, Annabel Sevil, Kiera Bailey

P&C NEWS

Once again the P&C will be selling raffle tickets as a fundraiser at the Willow Tree Inn on a Saturday night. If you are able to assist with the selling of the raffle tickets for one Saturday night from 27th July - 28th September please contact Kath Redgrove or Angus Sevil.

P&C Meeting

Wednesday 14th August 2013
 6pm at School
 Everyone welcome ☺

CANTEEN

Monday 5th August -
 Kath Redgrove & Sally Roser
Wednesday 7th August -
 Pat Gallagher

THANKYOU

A big thank you to Mr Chris Soley who is kindly donating a large tray of eggs each Wednesday to the canteen.

Thankyou to Mr Swain who assembled and erected our new noticeboard.