

# The Breeze

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Term 3 Week 5

### SMALL SCHOOLS SPELLING BEE

Twelve students represented Willow Tree Public School at Blackville yesterday at the Small School Spelling Bee. Katie Martin, Bella McCarthy, Celia Cropper, Hannah Watts, Edward Cropper, Annabel Sevil, James Redgrove, Tara Barwick, Beau Mulholland, Jack Avar, Grace Barwick and Sophie Cropper all performed well.

Congratulations to Sophie Cropper who was the overall winner for year 6 and a commendable 2<sup>nd</sup> place to Celia Cropper for Year 2 and Katie Martin for Year 1.

Thank you to Blackville School for hosting the event and to the parents who helped transport children.



### BOOK WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Next week our school will celebrate international Book Week. Students are asked to come dressed in their favourite book character. This year we will incorporate our book week character day with our school spelling bee and a K-2 bike afternoon. Parents and friends are invited to join us for an afternoon of spelling, parading and for the infants, riding. Families have also been invited to donate a book to the school library from the short list that can be found on The Children's Book Council of Australia website or from the office at school. A BBQ lunch will be available. We are asking families to please let us know if they would like to order a sausage for catering purposes. Students from years K-2 can bring in their push bikes for a bike afternoon. Please remember all bikes should be in road worthy condition and helmets are compulsory.

### FATHER'S DAY STALL

Our P&C will be holding a Father's Day stall at school on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August. Students will be given the opportunity to purchase some fantastic gifts for dad! Don't forget to start saving for the stall!

### PRAC STUDENT

Miss Sally Harris, an ex-Willow Tree Public School student, has been with us the past two weeks on prac from UNE. Miss Harris is in her first year of studies at university studying Early Childhood teaching. Years 2/3/4 have enjoyed having Miss Harris in their classroom and Miss Harris said she has loved being back in the same school she spent her primary years. Thank you for joining us Miss Harris and all the best for your studies.



August  
15<sup>th</sup> Zone Athletics  
Calendar Carnival  
22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> - Fathers Day  
Stall  
23<sup>rd</sup> - WTPS Spelling Bee  
23<sup>rd</sup> - Book Week  
Celebrations  
26-29<sup>th</sup> - Coffs Harbour  
Excursion  
30<sup>th</sup> - Dubbo Excursion  
SEPTEMBER  
6<sup>th</sup> - Regional Athletics



**Term 3 Week 4**  
**Class Awards**

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**



**Sam Avard** – Nothing is ever too much trouble for Sam. He is an outstanding school citizen who always gives his best and always with a smile on his face!

**K/1**

**Cody Sternbeck** – for good spaces between his words and for good recording of sounds

**Ned Swain** – good recording of sounds, clever thinking in maths

**2/3/4**

**Edward Cropper** – working hard with analogue time

**Darcy Devine** – always having great manners

**5/6**

**Cooper Harris** – excellent application to writing activities and using his wonderful imagination to produce texts

**Bella McKinley** – outstanding improvement in spelling results



**School Spectacular**

**Grace Barwick** – Grace and fellow students performed the play "Indian Salad"

**Sports Award**

**Leelan Watts** – for playing well and participating with all students

**GOOD LUCK**

Good luck to all the students who are participating at the Zone Athletics carnival tomorrow. Mr Ireland and Mrs McCarthy will be in attendance at the carnival. If you could please have your name marked off on arrival would be appreciated. Parent helpers will also be needed throughout the day to assist with shot put. We appreciate all your help.

### **RUGBY STATE CARNIVAL**

Wishing Cooper Harris all the best as he travels to Sydney next week as part of the North West Rugby Union team to compete at the state carnival. We hope you and your team have a successful time.

### **REGIONAL FINAL PUBLIC SPEAKING**

Sophie Cropper will travel to Armidale on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August to compete at the regional public speaking final. Good luck Sophie! We look forward to hearing all about your day.

### **COFFS HARBOUR EXCURSION**

A reminder to families that payment for the year's 3-6 Coffs Harbour excursion is due this Friday. Students are very excited about our excursion that is only a little over a week away.



### **KINDER - YEAR 1 – TRAIN EXCURSION**

This term the Kinder and Year 1 class have been studying the HSIE unit "Transport". As part of this unit the class will be taking a train ride! How exciting! Permission notes have been sent home. Please make sure these are completed and returned to the office so tickets can be secured.

### **CAPERS**

Rehearsals have commenced for CAPERS. This year our school is involved in the small schools dance. The theme for the small schools is a bush Australia theme. Organisers are once again hoping to secure the "Bushwhackers". CAPERS is an exciting experience for our students. There will be a few practises in Tamworth prior to the performances on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> and Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. We thank our parents for their constant support and assistance with all our events at the school. We greatly appreciate everything.

### **SMALL SCHOOLS SOCCER TEAM**

Our soccer team will play their next match at Tamworth against Gum Flat Public School. Permission notes will be sent home with students when details are finalised. This is a great achievement for our soccer team who have progressed through this far. The matches are exciting to watch and the team loves having a crowd to cheer them on. Everyone is welcome to come and support the soccer team in their bid to make the next round.

### **TENNIS FOR SPORT**

There will be NO tennis for sport this Friday OR next week due to book week festivities.

### **ASTHMA FRIENDLY SCHOOL**

Willow Tree Public School is an Asthma Friendly school with staff being trained by an accredited nurse specialising in this field. All staff at Willow Tree have also completed Anaphylaxis training.

### **MEDICAL FORMS**

As part of a new upgrade, new medical forms were sent home to families last term to be completed and returned to school. Could all families PLEASE complete the forms and return to the office by Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August. Even if there is no change please place the child's name on the form and return to the office. We appreciate your assistance in this matter.

### **SCHOOL SPECTACULAR ASSEMBLY**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August** – James Devine, Annabel Sevil, Kiera Bailey

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August** – Declan Fuz, Billy Swain & Emily Wamsley

### **CANTEEN**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August**  
Skye Avar & Kath Bailey

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August**  
Jodie Martin & Shelly Devine

♦ **CANTEEN SPECIAL** ♦  
**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August**  
**Mrs Bailey's Meatballs & Spaghetti \$3.50**

### **FATHER'S DAY STALL**

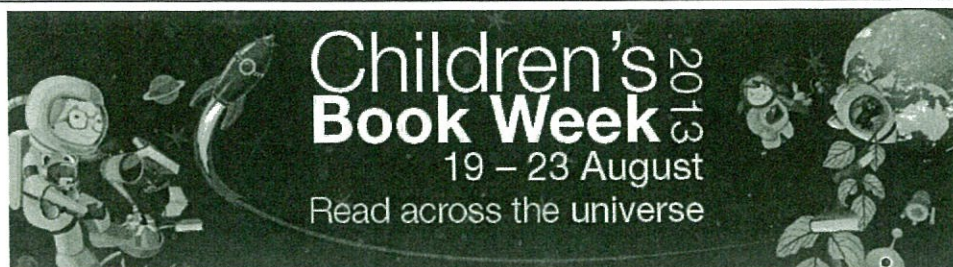
**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> & Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August**  
at school

Gifts ranging from 50c - \$6.50

Huge range of gifts  
Socks, shower gels, key ring's, tool kits, stubby holders, notepads, money box, apron sets, car fresheners, magnets & much more

Gifts cards – 50c  
Free gift wrapping





## Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August

- 11.40 School Spelling Bee
- 12.45 Book Week Character Parade
- 1.15 BBQ Lunch – Sausage sandwich and cordial \$2.50
- 2.00 K/1/2 Bike Activities

Years 3/6 – Put yourself right into your character and present a short (max. 1 minute) speech/song/mime about “who you are”  
 Kinder – Year 2 students can tell us who they are and which book they are from

Parents and Friends welcome to attend

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