

The Breeze

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Term 1 Week 3

A massive thank you to everyone who attended our swimming carnival last Friday. The weather was great, the participation was fantastic and the support was amazing. Our students battled it out in the pool throughout the day, producing some great results. The staff were extremely impressed with the sportsmanship shown throughout the day. One of the great things about our small school is the interaction our senior students have with the younger students, this was displayed at our swimming carnival as the senior students didn't hesitate to hop in and help out the younger ones. Well done to ALL our students, the improvement shown was amazing to witness. Thank you to all the parents who helped out with time keeping and encouraging all the students to try their best. A huge thank you to the staff that organised and ran the carnival on the day.

Who said technology can be trusted???? Whilst technology is a fantastic thing and definitely the way of the future, unfortunately at times it is still not 100% accurate. This was the case on Friday at the carnival. Whilst all the champion and reserve champions were correct, due to a wrong formula in the spreadsheet the house points were not correct.

Banksia were in fact the winning house at the swimming carnival. It was unfortunate that this did happen however, Waratah students have been extremely gracious in their defeat. Waratah's captains, Giulia & Jack were a little reluctant to hand over the trophy to Banksia's captains, Annabel & Tara who were more than willing to accept it on behalf of their team mates.

We do apologise for the error and congratulate both houses on a successful carnival.



Banksia's House Captains, Annabel Sevil & Tara Barwick accepting the Barwick Family Trophy for Highest Point Scoring House.

"PARENT POWER WORKSHOP – READING"

Wednesday 19 March
at school.

All parents welcome. 6-7pm

This session will look at how reading is taught to students of all ages. It will focus on strategies parents can use to help their children at home and how to build levels of comprehension.

We will also look at the outcomes required of students as outlined in the New English Syllabus which is mandatory as of this year

Calendar

FEBRUARY 2014

14th – Zone swimming carnival

19th – Farrer Open Day

MARCH

3rd – Blandford Horse Sports

5th – P&C AGM

7th – WT Horse Sports

Entries Due

10th – Regional Swimming

21st – WT Horse Sports

31st – Young Leaders Conference - Sydney

ZONE SWIMMING

CARNIVAL

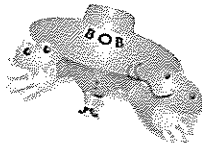
The zone swimming carnival will be held at the Werris Creek swimming pool tomorrow, Friday 14th February 2014. Students are to be at the pool for a 9am prompt start. Students wishing to have a 'warm up' will need to be at the pool after 8am. Mrs McCarthy will be the staff member attending the carnival. Good luck to Emily Wamsley, Bridget Scoggin, Ned Swain, Aleeci Francis, Annabelle Avard, Giulia Duddy, Tara Barwick, Billy Swain, James Redgrove, Zara McCarthy, Jack Swain & Sam Avard who have all been selected to participate at the carnival.

Congratulations to Annabelle, Aleeci, Sam, Giulia, Tara & Zara who have all been selected to represent the small schools in relays and to our school relay consisting of Sam, Giulia, Zara & Tara. Good luck to all our students and swim fast!

Parent helpers will be required on the day to help with time keeping. Please see Mrs McCarthy if you are able to assist. Werris Creek Public School P&C will be running a BBQ with lunch available for purchase on the day.

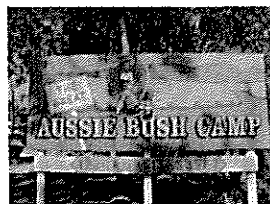
LIBRARY

A reminder to all families that K/1/2 library day is on Wednesday. If students could please try and remember to bring along their library bag on a Wednesday.



BOB TURNER WILDLIFE SHOW

Kinder, Year One & Year Two have been invited to attend the "hands on" wildlife adventure presented by Bob Turner Wildlife to be held at the Willow Tree Pre School on Tuesday 25th February 2014. Permission notes have been sent home with students in these years. Could you please ensure you complete the permission note and return to the office together with the payment of \$5.00 (per students) to see the show by Wednesday 19th February 2014.



AUSSIE BUSH CAMP YEARS 3-6

This year the school excursion for years 3-6 will be to The Great Aussie Bush Camp from Wednesday 20th to Friday 22nd August. A minimum of 18 students will be required for the excursion to go ahead. We will be sending a "Commitment to Attend" note home over the next couple of weeks to gauge if we have enough interest for the excursion to go ahead. A deposit will be required that will not be refundable. The cost of the excursion will be determined on the number of students attending however will be kept to a minimum. We are hoping to get numbers early to allow parents ample time to pay off the excursion. If you have any queries or concerns with regard to this please do not hesitate to contact the school.

CANTEEN

Mon 17th Feb – Sue-Ellen Scoggin

Wed 19th Feb – Caroline Sevil

Curlewis Horse Sports

Friday 28th March 2014 please contact the office for entry form if interested.

Notice of P & C Annual General Meeting Willow Tree Public School

Venue:- Willow Tree Public School Library

Date:- Wed 5th March, 2014.

Time:- 6.00pm

Gold coin donation is required to be a member of the P&C (Insurance purposes)

Following this meeting will be the General Meeting.

Notice of P & C Meeting Of Willow Tree Public School To be held Wednesday 5th March, 2014.

**Promptly at the end of the
6pm AGM**

Agenda for the meeting is as follows:-

Present/Apologies
Reading of Previous Meeting Minutes
Correspondence In/Out
General Business

- *Welcome of 2014 Committee
- * Treasurer's Report - carried forward from AGM
- * Canteen Report
- * Principal's Report
- *Horse Sports
- *2014 Fundraising
- *Play Night
- *John's Wishlist!
- Business Arising
- Closure of Meeting

2014 Swimming Carnival Results

Congratulations to our
Champions and Reserve
Champions

Minor Girl

Champion – Katie Martin
Reserve – Holly Martin

Minor Boy

Champion – Jake Wamsley
Reserve – Tyler Evans

Junior Girl

Champion – Annabelle Avard
Reserve – Aleeci Francis

Junior Boy

Champion – Ned Swain
Reserve – Darcy Devine

11yr Girl

= Champions – Giulia Duddy
& Tara Barwick

11yr Boy

Champion – Billy Swain
Reserve – James Redgrove

Senior Girl

Champion – Zara McCarthy

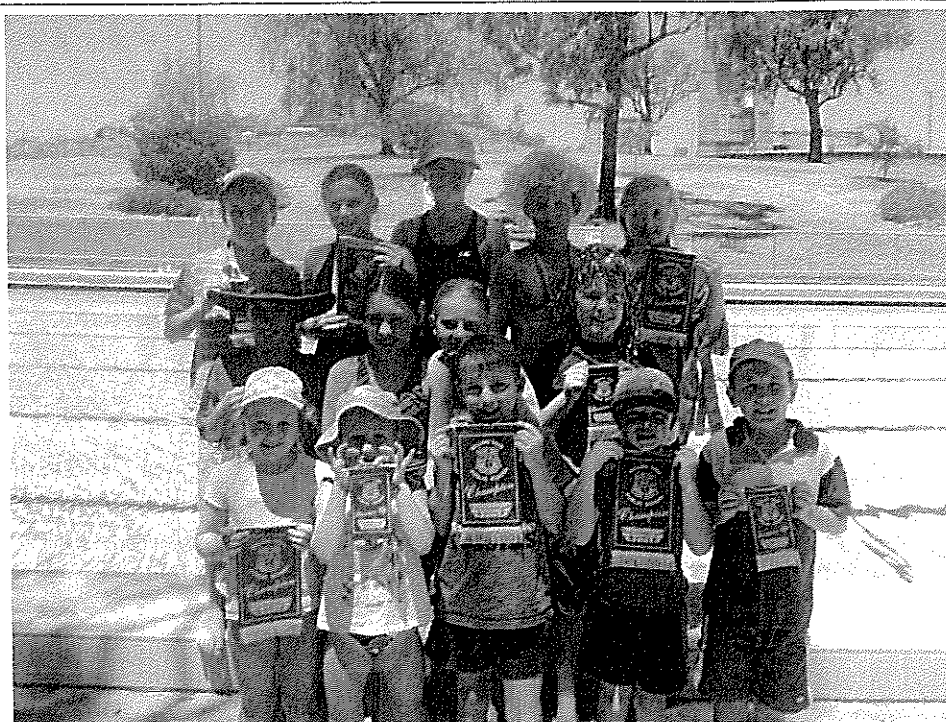
Senior Boy

Champion – Sam Avard
Reserve – Jack Swain

**J.E.M Encouragement
Award – Emily Wamsley**

**Kate Symonds Award for
participation and effort -
Jack Swain**

**Barwick Family Award for
Highest Point Scoring
House –
Banksia**



**RS Schofield Family
Award for Highest Point
Scorers –
Zara McCarthy & Sam
Avard**

Congratulations to Aleeci Francis who broke the only record of the day in the junior girls 50m breaststroke. What an amazing effort for Aleeci to take over 4seconds off the previous record.



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