

The Breeze

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Term 2 Week 2

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

On behalf of all the staff and students at Willow Tree Public School we would like to wish all the Mothers and Grandmothers a very special Mother's Day. We hope you all are spoilt by your children.

MOTHER'S DAY STALL

The P&C Mother's Day Stall will be held tomorrow morning at school. Items will be on sale ranging from \$1 - \$6 ea. Don't forget to bring along some money and buy a special gift for your mum. Students may be limited to two items to start with to ensure all students are given an opportunity to purchase.

We asked a few students the following question – here is their response.

My Mother is special because...

She plays cards with me –
Kyle Sternbeck

She gives me cuddles – *Tom Devine*

She is nice – *Haley Fowler*

She helps me with everything – *James Redgrove*

She always kisses me and hugs me – *Leelan Watts*

HALOGEN FOUNDATION – NATIONAL YOUNG LEADERS DAY

Notes were sent home this week to our Year 4/5 students with information about the 2015 National Young Leaders Day. Students and parents who are interested in attending this day need to return their expression of interest note as soon as possible. Tickets for this event are highly sought after and we encourage parents to purchase their tickets through the school early to receive an early bird discount and guarantee their place for the event.

NAPLAN

Students in Years 3 and 5 will be sitting the NAPLAN assessments next week. These assessments are held annually to gauge the growth and learning of students throughout their schooling. NAPLAN will take place on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of Week 3 and will incur some minor interruptions to classroom routines. If you have any questions or concerns regarding NAPLAN, do not hesitate to contact the school for further information.

STEWART HOUSE AWARD

This week our school has been recognised for its ongoing contribution to Stewart House. The school is being presented with an award for its support in fundraising over many years. Awards are presented to schools based on a ratio of funds raised to student enrolments. Stewart House is a wonderful organisation that has provided fantastic opportunities to many Willow Tree students over the years and it is wonderful that this school continues to support this very worthwhile cause.

Calendar

MAY

9th Mother's Day Stall
9th – Stewart House
Donation Envelopes Due
13 – 15th – NAPLAN (Years
3 & 5)
14th – P&C Meeting, 6pm at
school
19th – Pie Drive Order
Forms Due
23rd – Zone Cross Country

JUNE

9th – Public Holiday
14th – Play Night

ZONE TOUCH FOOTBALL TRIALS

Well done to all the students who participated in the Quirindi Zone Touch Football trials last Friday. Congratulations to Zara McCarthy who was selected as part of the girls team to represent Quirindi Zone at the North West Trials in Tamworth on Friday 16th May and to Sam Avarad who was selected as part of the boys' team to represent the Quirindi Zone at the North West Trials in Armidale on Friday 16th May.

ZONE NETBALL TRIALS

Good luck to Tara Barwick and Giulia Duddy who will be attending the Quirindi Zone Netball Trials tomorrow.

WILLOW TREE PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C PLAY NIGHT

"Zinderella of Warranella"

Tickets are now on sale for the play night to be held at Warrah Creek Hall on Saturday 14th June 2014. Tickets can be purchased from the office at school or the Willow Tree Visitors Information Centre. Adults - \$30 includes dinner and complimentary drink on arrival + entertainment. Children \$10, Preschoolers \$5 (both include children's meal) Bar Facilities available. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Come and join in a fun night of entertainment featuring past and present school students, P&C members and community members whilst supporting a worthy cause.

STEWART HOUSE

Every year our school supports Stewart House in Sydney. Included in last week's newsletter is a Stewart House Donation Drive envelope. It would be grateful if families who wish to participate could please return them to the office by tomorrow, Friday 9th May.



STEWART HOUSE

STEWART HOUSE – BOUNCY BALLS

Stewart House bouncy balls are still available for purchase from the office for \$3.00ea.

THANK YOU!

We would like to send out a massive thank you to Mr Greg Bailey who kindly donated his time to building the new garden walls along the verandah and around the two trees in the paved area. The walls look amazing.

HOMEREADER'S

Well done to all students who keep bringing in their completed home reading books. It is great to see students and parents embracing the importance of reading at home. Some students are approaching their 100 nights of reading mark. Congratulations, keep up the good work.

CANTEEN

Mon 13th May –
Jodie Martin

Wed 15th May –
Sarah Thomas



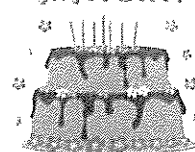
SCHOOL SPECTACULAR ASSEMBLY

Term 2 Week 6

Friday 6th June

Giulia Duddy, Leelan Watts,
Katie Martin, Tom Devine &
John Thomas

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



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Happy Birthday to Brad Johnson who will celebrate his special day next Thursday, 15th May. We hope you have a fantastic day.

Notice of P & C Meeting Of

**Willow Tree Public School
To be held**

**Wednesday 14th May, 2014 –
6pm in School Library.**

Agenda for the meeting is as follows:-

- Present/Apologies
- Reading of Previous Meeting Minutes
- Correspondence In/Out
- General Business
 - * Treasurer's Report – Including
- Horse Sports Results
 - * Canteen Report
 - * Principal's Report
 - * Play Night Update
 - * Pie Drive
 - * Uniform Report
 - * Landcare Dinner

Business Arising

Closure of Meeting

Term 2
Week 1 Awards

Class Awards

3/4/5/6

Annabelle Avar – being a delightful class member who works hard and strives to do her best at all times.

Bridget Scoggin – An improved effort in classroom application. Keep working hard Bridget and concentrate on your learning.

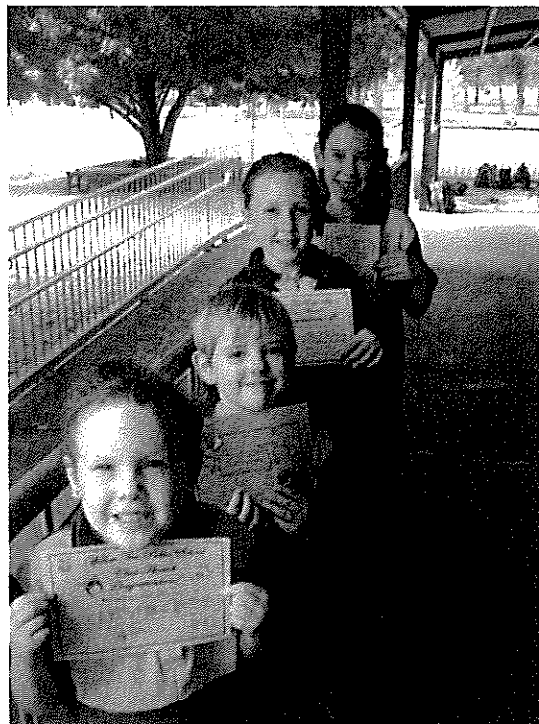
Mrs Ramage's Awards

Sophie Colquhoun – For an excellent booklet on pigs for our "On the Farm" unit

Annabel Sevil – For a fabulous recount of her holiday

Sports Award

John Thomas – For having lovely manners



Printable planners for homework and study

School A to Z has printable monthly planners which include school holidays and the numbered weeks of each Term (for example Monday 19 May is the start of Week 4, in Term 2). Print one for each child to stick on the fridge or on their noticeboards. It's a great way to teach them how scheduling their time, means they can fit in the fun activities as well as their other commitments and responsibilities. Download May 2014 at <http://bit.ly/UbmQz8>

NAPLAN

Good luck to all our year 3 and 5 students who will be sitting NAPLAN next week. Don't forget to eat a healthy breakfast each morning and get plenty of sleep.

THE GREAT AUSSIE BUSH CAMP

A reminder to all families who have students attending the Great Aussie Bush Camp that payment can be made at any time at the office. The excursion is due to take place in Term 3 however we are allowing plenty of time for the excursion to be paid off. If you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the office.

P&C PIE DRIVE

A reminder to all families that the P&C Pie Drive order forms are due back to the school or Kathy Redgrove by the 19th May. With the cooler weather upon us it is a fantastic time to stock the freezer with some yummy sweet or savoury pies, lamingtons and sweets.

SOCCER DEVELOPMENT CLINIC

When: 4 July 2014
1-30pm to 4-30pm
Where: Golland Fields,
East St. QUIRINDI
For: Boys and Girls
born 2002 to 2008
Cost: \$35 per person
– includes a quality soccer
ball to take home



Further information and enrolment available
online at :-
www.dst.nsw.gov.au/active/whats-on.asp?region=northwest
or by ringing 67661200

A food handling certificate, accredited course, is being conducted at school on Friday 16th May @ 9.30am. If you are interested in getting a certificate, it is a personal expense, but we can do it together once you have registered. The course costs \$60 and you must register before the 16th at www.foodhandlerscertificateonline.com.au. Once you have done that, bring along your login details to school on the 16th and we will work together on the school's iPads. The course should take between 3 and 4 hours. Smaller children welcome and bring plate of food to share. Any questions please ring Kathy Redgrove.

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