



The Breeze

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Term 3 Week 6

WILLOW TREE PUBLIC SCHOOL SPELLING BEE

Well done to all students who participated in the school spelling bee on Tuesday. We are proud of each and every student who stood up and "had a go". Years Kinder – 2 is more of a fun spelling bee, whereas students from years 3-6 were competing to represent Willow Tree Public School at the Premiers Spelling Bee. Our regional finals for the Premier's Spelling Bee will be held at Nemingha Public School on Thursday 11th September 2014. Congratulations to the winners & runner ups in each year group.

Kinder: Holly Martin

Year 1: Gus Sevil

Year 2: Katie Martin

Year 3/4: Darcy Devine

Runner Up: Bridget Scoggin

Year 5/6: Jack Swain

Runner Up: James Redgrove

Congratulations to Darcy, Bridget, Jack & James who will represent Willow Tree Public School at Nemingha next Month.

FAREWELL MRS RAMAGE

Tomorrow will be Mrs Ramage's last day at school before she commences maternity leave. Students held a small farewell party on Tuesday with Mrs Ramage to wish her luck. Thank you to the families who provided a plate for the party. On behalf of all the students and staff we wish Mr & Mrs Ramage and Lucy all the best for a safe arrival of new baby Ramage. We look forward to meeting baby Ramage.



Mrs Ramage, Mrs Jenkins & K-1-2

MATERNITY LEAVE POSITION

We welcome Miss Fitzpatrick back to school for the next couple of weeks as she will be filling in Mrs Ramage's maternity position until Miss Amanda Bale is available to commence teaching in week 9. Miss Bale will continue in Mrs Ramage's role until the end of Term 4 2014.

BOOK WEEK PARADE

As part of 2014 book week celebrations students can come to school dressed as their favourite book character on Thursday 28th August. Students are encouraged to start thinking about which character they might like to come dressed as. A short parade will be held at 1pm before a BBQ lunch will be cooked and served by year six students. Parents and friends are welcome to come along and watch the parade and join in the BBQ lunch. ***Please indicate on the back of the newsletter and return to school by Wednesday 27th August if your child will be ordering lunch on this day for catering purposes.***

Calendar

AUGUST

20th – 22nd – Aussie Bush Camp

22nd – Mrs Ramages last day

26th – K/1/2 Excursion

28th – Book Week Parade

29th – Regional Athletic Carnival, Tamworth

SEPTEMBER

1st – Wallabadah Horse Sports

3rd – P&C Meeting – 6pm at school

11th – Premier Spelling Bee - Nemingha

Week 6 Assembly Class Awards

K/1/2

John Thomas – Good knowledge and writing of numbers

Stirling Gallagher – Good reading, trying hard to read fluently 'the Waving Sheep'

Bella McCarthy – For working hard with her spelling

3/4/5/6

Darcy Devine – Excellent work in Maths, learning about acute, obtuse and right angles. Well done Darcy!!

Zara McCarthy – Wonderful improvement in handwriting and in transferring this to general bookwork. Great job Zara!

Mrs Ramage's Awards

Haley Fowler – For working extremely hard in our activities about our senses. Well done Haley!

Bridget Scoggin – For working her best in all activities in Term 3. I'm so proud of your efforts Bridget.

Gold Certificate

Congratulations to Amber Fowler on achieving a Gold Certificate. Well done!



iPads

With technology a major part of our students learning. It is a great asset to have so many iPads in our school. The iPads are used frequently in both classrooms to enhance lessons in most subjects.



Kindergarten enjoying their lesson using the iPads

New Library Books

Mrs Ramage has purchased new books for the library. There is a wide variety in all areas from fiction to non-fiction, including a large number of books from this years' Children's Book Council of Australia Short Listed titles. The children are enjoying reading the new books. Thank you Mrs Ramage.



K/1/2 EXCURSION



Our infant students are extremely excited about their excursion on Tuesday 26th August. Students will need to be assembled at school ready for a **6.30am departure**. Students will travel to and from the reptile park in a hired bus driven by Mr Thomas. Please make sure students have morning tea, lunch, snacks and plenty of water. Students will need to wear their sports uniform and school hat. Students can bring a small pillow for the trip if they like. The bus is expected to return to school at approximately 7pm.

Flu season is here!

Influenza is spread from person-to-person through the coughing or sneezing of infected people. Remind your child about these good hygiene practices to minimise the spread of infection:

- Anyone who is sick with influenza symptoms should stay home until their symptoms are gone.
- Cover the nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Throw the tissue in the garbage bin after use.
- Wash hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hands cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.

If you or your child develops influenza-like illness, seek the advice of your family doctor as you would with any other illness.

The seasonal influenza vaccine, which protects against the pandemic influenza strain as well as two other influenza strains, is now available free to eligible people. More information about the vaccine is available from the NSW Health Immunisation Unit's [vaccination page](#).

Previous vaccination with the pandemic influenza vaccine, Panvax® is not a barrier to also receiving the seasonal influenza vaccine.

CANTEEN

Mon 25th August – Michele Wamsley

Wed 27th August – Kath Redgrove

For all canteen related enquiries, please contact Jacinda Moore – 0438 138065 Or jak_bug83@yahoo.com.au



School Spectacular

Assembly

Term 3 – Week 7

James Redgrove, Darcy Devine, Bella McCarthy, Molly McKinley & Holly Martin

WILLOW TREE PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C MEETING

Wednesday 3rd September 2014

6pm at school

Please come along and support our P&C and school
Everyone welcome

BOOK WEEK PARADE – BBQ

Please order me: Name _____

_____ sausage sandwich pack @ \$3 ea. – (including a drink) extra sausage \$2 ea.

_____ chicken kebab pack @ \$3 ea. - (including a drink) extra kebab \$2ea

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