

The Breeze

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Term 1 Week 4

RAIL WORK

The Australian Rail Track Corporation is doing essential maintenance and upgrade work to ensure the safety and reliability of the rail track in our area. They are aiming to get it done quickly and safely but unfortunately there will be some disruption and it is noisy work. The work will include Tamping and Track upgrades. The work will take place from 6am to 6am Tuesday 10th March to Friday 13th March 2015 (including night works throughout plus equipment delivery the day before and site tidy up after). The work will take place on the Murrurundi side of the level crossing at Willow Tree. The level crossing will be open, construction vehicle movements to/from site will be managed using traffic control. For any further information contact Kathy Rawson 1800995979

SPEECH THERAPY OPPORTUNITY

Willow Tree Public School is excited to announce that we have secured the services of a Speech Therapist for a couple of hours per week to help provide support and strategies for students in need. Next week information and permission notes will be sent home to some families to allow their child/children to participate in a screening test to determine which students may need individual interventions to help support their learning. Parents will be contacted via telephone to discuss student participation in this program.

CHANGES TO ROUTINE

If there is a change in routine for your child in the afternoon (regarding buses/pick-up etc.) it would be greatly appreciated if parents could contact the school or send a note with their child clearly outlining the change. This simple communication avoids a great deal of anxiety for the students and it also ensures they get home safely and not put on the wrong bus, or held at school when they shouldn't be. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

THANK YOU

Wow! How good is the front of our school looking at the moment? A huge thank you to Mrs Barwick and Mrs Avarad who, in their own time, have been in and weeded the front gardens, they are looking great.

We would also like to thank the businesses who have purchased advertising space on the back of our newsletter. Please support these businesses who have supported us.

Calendar

FEBRUARY 2015

MARCH

- 3rd – Regional Swimming
- 4th – P&C AGM
- 6th – Balndford Horse Sports
- 20th – WT Horse Sports
- 23rd – Sids 4 Kids Rally
- 23rd – Hallogen Youth Conference

ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Congratulations to all our swimmers who represented Willow Tree Public School at the Quirindi Zone swimming carnival last Friday at Werris Creek. All our participants had a fantastic day competing in their events, it was great to see you all having a go and displaying outstanding sportsmanship throughout the day. Thank you to our parent helpers who timed and judged lanes, carnivals could not be held without your help and it is always appreciated. Big congratulations to Annabelle Avard who was awarded 11yr girl Quirindi Zone P.S.S.A Champion, what a great effort.

Well done to the following students who will represent the Quirindi Zone PSSA at the regional swimming trials in Armidale on Tuesday 3rd March 2015.

Ned Swain –

Liverpool Plains Small School Jnr Boy Relay

Emily Wamsley –

Willow Tree Public School Relay

Katie Martin –

8yr girls 50m freestyle
Jnr Girls Individual Medley
Willow Tree Public School Relay

Tara Barwick –

Snr girls 50m Backstroke
Liverpool Plains Small School Snr Girl Relay
Willow Tree Public School Relay

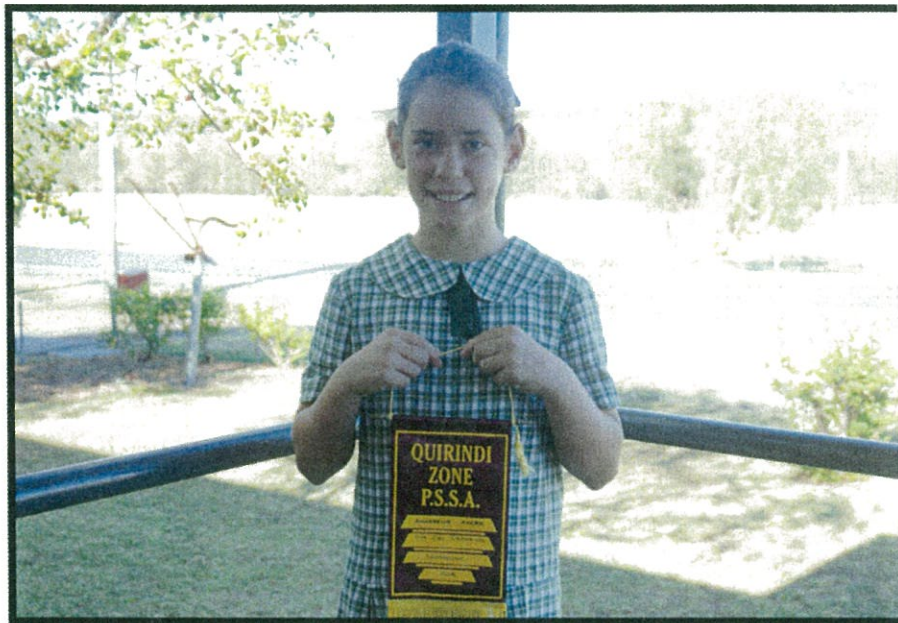
Annabelle Avard –

All age 100m Freestyle
11yr Girl 50m Freestyle
11yr Girl 50m Butterfly
11yr Girl 50m Backstroke
Snr Girls Individual Medley
Liverpool Plains Small School Snr Girls Relay
Willow Tree Public School Relay

Pictured are students who represented Willow Tree Public School at the Quirindi Zone PSSA Swimming Carnival last Friday



Congratulations Annabelle Avard – Quirindi Zone PSSA 11yr girl Champion



**YOUNG AUSTRALIAN
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PERFORMANCE**

Solid State Circus is a fresh Australian comedy acrobatics troupe. The tightly packed, high energy show features an array of circus skills, including mini tramp, juggling and high level acrobatics! If you don't know the difference between a backflip and a backsault, then this is the show for you! Willow Tree Public School will be travelling to Wallabadah Public School on Thursday 5th March 2015. Students will leave school at 9am that morning where they will attend the circus performance at Wallabadah. At the completion of the Solid State Circus performance students will remain at Wallabadah for lunch before heading to Quirindi Public School for a performance by the Anglican Church, Zoo Keeper.

Further information regarding travel to and from the performances together with costing will be sent home on a permission note on Monday.

MATHS PLUS TEXT BOOKS

A reminder to families that payment for Maths Plus Text Books are due by Friday 6th March 2015.

**QUIRINDI PUBLIC SCHOOL
HORSE SPORTS**

Claim the Date

Quirindi Public School will be running their annual Horse Sports on Monday 27th April.



SIDS FOR KIDS RALLY

SIDS Adventure Treks is a group of Queensland Adventurers who embrace "being silly" for a good cause. The Trekkers are passionate about raising funds to help SIDS save babies lives and provide bereavement support services. Willow Tree Public School will be hosting a group of trekkers on Monday 23rd March 2015. The P&C will be catering for approximately 50 trekkers who will start arriving at our school from 11am. We have it on good authority that Elmo and Elvis could be making an appearance! Parents are invited to come along and join in the fun day of activities. Keep your eye out for further information in coming newsletters.

**BOB TURNER WILDLIFE
SHOW**

Our K/1/2 class have been invited to the Pre-School on Monday 9th March for the Bob Turner Wildlife Show. This show has always been a fantastic, hands on experience for our students who get up close and personal with some great animals. The cost of the show is \$5.00 per student. Permission notes have been sent home with students. Please make sure the permission note is returned to school together with payment by Wednesday 4th March.

CANTEEN

Monday 23rd Feb –
Michele Wamsley

CANTEEN – TERM 2

The P&C have decided to change the day of canteen in Term 2 to a Wednesday. Our school canteen relies on volunteers to run the canteen each week. Our students love being able to order their lunch and purchase their morning tea from our canteen. A roster will be placed in the canteen for any volunteers or alternatively please contact canteen co-ordinator, Jacinda Moore on 0438 138065 to express your interest. Jacinda will be more than willing to assist any new volunteers. The canteen is certainly an asset we don't want to lose at the school.



28 & 29 March 2015

2:00 pm – 10:00 am

**Quirindi Showground/ Polocross
field**

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