

The Breeze

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Term 1 Week 9

SIDS FOR KIDS RALLY DAY

What a fantastic morning our students together with Pre-school students had as they welcomed the rally cars together with their drivers and support crew from SIDS for KIDS. The drivers handed out goodies to the students before sitting down to an amazing luncheon prepared by the wonderful helpers. Students sang some songs for the guests before trying their luck at some games. A huge thank you to everyone who helped in cooking, preparing and serving the luncheon, donating cupcakes for students to purchase for morning tea, and cleaning up after lunch. Students enjoyed playing games before a BBQ lunch. Mr Ken Godfrey from the SIDS for KIDS rally praised the P&C for their efforts and thanked the school for their fantastic hospitality. We wish all the rally car drivers and the support crew all the best for the rest of their journey.

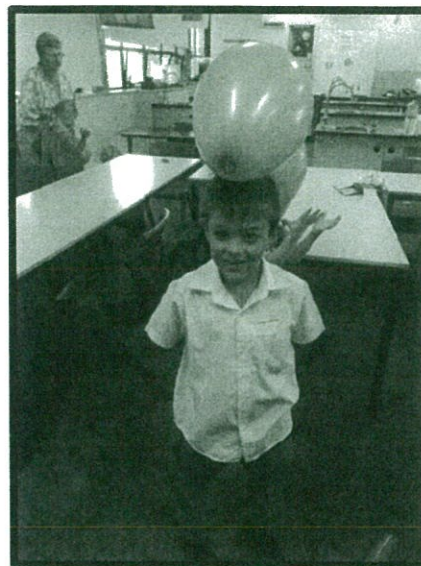


WILLOW TREE PUBLIC SCHOOL

SCIENCE EXPO

How much fun was that? Students and staff from Wallabadah and Willow Tree Public Schools had a fantastic time at Quirindi High School today at the Science Expo. Mr Andrew Harries, Science teacher at Quirindi High School, wowed the students with some pretty cool science experiments. Mrs Saunders, Mrs Godden and Mr Jackson took each stage for the morning session of experiments and Mrs Jenkins, Miss Bale & Mr Ireland took the afternoon groups. Mrs Kemble, Ms Bridge and Mrs McCarthy also helped with the amazing, hair rising, skin tingling experiments throughout the day.

Our Small Schools would like to thank Ms Meghanne Clarke, Principal of Quirindi High School for allowing us to use their great Science facilities and Mr Harries for giving his time to show our students some amazing Science experiments.



Amber & Cooper experiencing Static Electricity

Calendar

APRIL

- 1st – Year 6 Taster Day – Qdi High
- 2nd – Art in a Suitcase
- 2nd – Last Day Term 1
- 20th – Staff Development Day
- 21st – Students Return
- 24th – Cross Country
- 25th – ANZAC Day
- 27th – Qdi Horse Sports – Postponed

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School Assembly

Awards

K/1/2

Cooper Johnson: for neat work & for good listening.

Kira-Lee Moore: for good work with weekly spelling & for good oral reading.

Cody Sternbeck: for good work with 2D Shapes & Area.

3/4/5/6

Tarlah Ind-Gesell: for improvement in neatness and bookwork.

Darcy Devine: being a wonderful helper in the school. Darcy is always willing to help and assist others.

Miss Bale's Awards

Katie Martin: Working hard in all class activities.

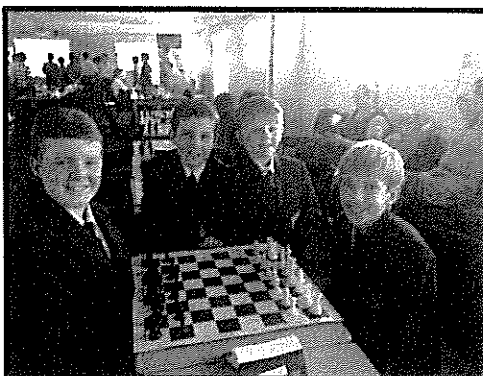
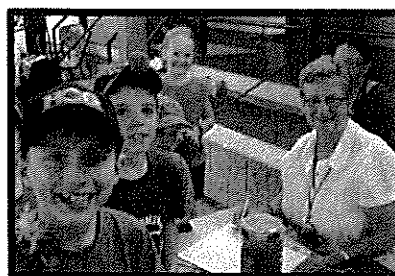
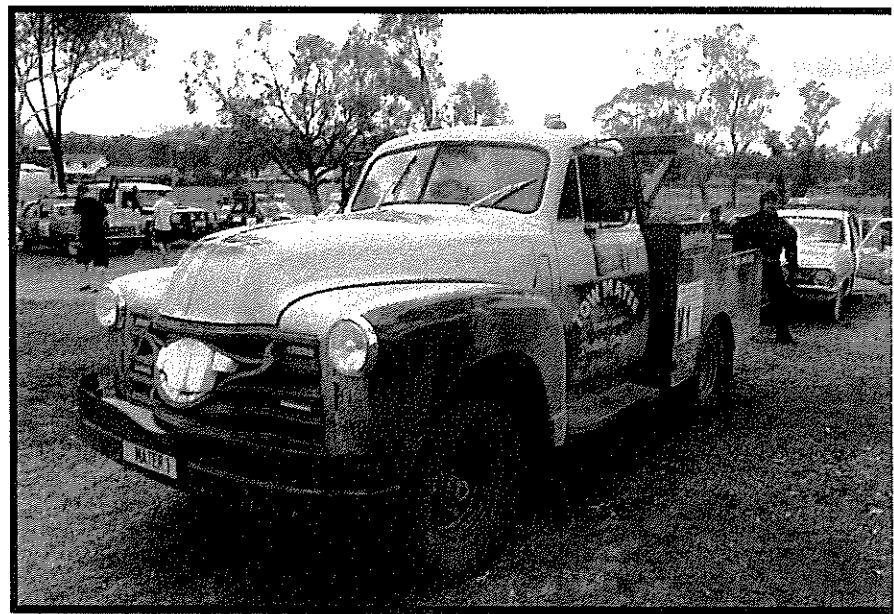
Tom Devine: Creating a fantastic 'Safe Place' picture.

Sports Award

Joel Redgrove: for trying hard in Cross Country training.

Chess Awards

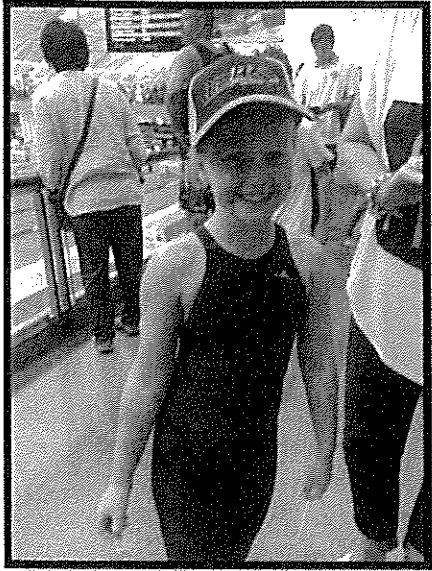
Congratulations to James Redgrove, Billy Swain, Darcy Devine & Gus Sevil on their fantastic effort at the recent chess competition at Farrer.



Mr Angus Sevil, President of Willow Tree Public School P&C presented SIDS for KIDS Trek Adventures organiser, Ken Godfrey with a cheque on behalf of Willow Tree P&C and Willow Tree Public School.

NSW PSSA STATE SWIMMING

Congratulations to Katie Martin who swam a PB to come 15th in the state in the 8yr girls 50m freestyle. What an amazing achievement and experience. Well done Katie.



ZONE SOCCER TRIALS

Well done to Tara Barwick and Annabelle Avarð who attended the regional soccer trials as part of the Quirindi Zone soccer team last Friday. It was an extremely warm day however both girls enjoyed the experience and day.

ART IN A SUITCASE

On Thursday 2nd April students will be lucky enough to receive a visit from the Tamworth Art Gallery to showcase some fantastic art works to the students. This is free of charge and will be held in school hours.

HALOGEN YOUTH CONFERENCE

Tara Barwick, Annabel Sevil, Billy Swain, James Redgrove and Annabelle Avarð attended the National Young Leaders Day conference in Sydney on Monday 23rd March. The conference is supported by the Halogen organisation and is aimed at inspiring young students to become better leaders within their school and community. Each year inspiring speakers address the students telling them their stories and giving advice. This year students were lucky enough to listen to Bindi Irwin and her story together with the two men behind the new Australian movie, "Paper Planes". NSW Premier, Mike Baird also addressed the students. A huge thank you to parents who took their children to the conference, it is a fantastic opportunity for our students.



HORSE SPORTS RAFFLE

If anyone has any raffle tickets to return to school, please return them by the end of term.

Playground Upgrade Working Bee

A working bee is being held Thursday 9th and Friday 10th April to replace the old logs around the play gym and new sandpit area with Versa wall blocks. If you are able to help at all over the two days please contact Skye Avarð on 0458759098

CANTEEN

Monday 30th March -
Jodie Martin

CANTEEN – TERM 2

If you are able to volunteer a day, 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.



PUBLIC SPEAKING ASSEMBLY

As mentioned in our previous newsletters, Public Speaking assemblies will replace the former School Spectacular Assemblies. Our next Public Speaking Assembly will be on:

Friday 27th March:

Billy Swain, Cody Thompson, Bella McCarthy

Students can prepare a 2-3minute speech on a topic of their choice to present to the assembly. Ideas that students can talk about are; their favourite pet, a hobby, a sport, a sportsperson, their idol, their favourite holiday, their family or simply a topic of their choice.

The idea of this activity is to encourage students to feel confident while speaking to a public audience.



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