

## THE WILLOW WEEKLY

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Wednesday, the 17<sup>th</sup> of March, 2021

CELEBRATING LEARNING IN...





## **Grade 4/5/6 T**

The students in 4/5/6 T have been incredibly busy this term. We have learnt about holidays and celebrations from around the world, wrote our own narratives and are currently working on persuasive pieces. We have learnt all about place value, addition and subtraction and we are rounding the term off looking at length.

We have also had some visitors of the fluffy and featherily kind. But most importantly we have learnt new things and are continuing to learn bucket loads!



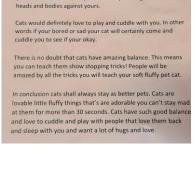












Cats are better pets than dogs

It is time we all agree that cats are better pets than dogs. Cats are absolutely fluffier and sleep with you every night. Cats would also definitely love to play and cuddle with you. And if yours ad or bored your cat can sense how you feel and come to see if you're okay. Last of all cats have amazing balance.

It is clear that cats are better pets than dogs because they make you feel comfortable, cozy and loved by rubbing their soft fluffy















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### FROM THE PRINCIPAL



#### Celebrations!

At last week's special assembly we announced the final figure for our "Time for a Trim" fundraiser. After setting a goal of \$750, our community responded as it always does – by going above and beyond! The result, just over \$1,200 raised. This money will go towards purchasing some much needed maintenance equipment for the school. We look forward to presenting this at an assembly in the not too distant future.





### **House Cup!**

Also at our assembly last week, we announced our first House Cup winners for the year. In a smashing effort that left every other House feeling a little BLUE, Hiscock were our winners by a large margin.

The students from Hiscock this week had the opportunity to select their reward for winning the House Cup. They chose to have the school decorated in blue! And so, today students brought in blue items to dress the school in blue and ensure the whole school was aware, that Hiscock were the house winners!

The challenge is now on for the Blue Machine to go back to back!

### **Curriculum Day**

Last Thursday, whilst students were at home or being taken care of by the grandparents, all staff participated in learning around digital tools to enhance teaching and learning practices. The day was ran by presenters from Microsoft and gave staff a number of tools to apply to their classrooms. At the end of the day, all staff developed a goal on how they will capture their learning from the day and implement it in our classrooms. We look forward to seeing our learning transforming our students' learning.

To ensure we make the most of the learning from the day, we will be holding a parent/guardian information session in Term 2. The idea for this session will be to provide families with learning on tools they can use at home to support students in their learning. A survey has been set up to assist us in in planning for this event. If you have a spare minute (literally, a minute), please complete the survey using the link below.

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### School Council

Our 2021 School Council Parent and School Employee body has been finalised. Congratulations to our Council members for 2021:

Janelle Bean-Thornton (continuing tenure) Lisa Hiscock (elected unopposed) Julie-Anne Sheffield (elected unopposed) Mark Williams (elected unopposed)

Lachlan Rodwell (continuing tenure) Amanda Poulter (elected unopposed) Chloe Williams (elected unopposed)

And myself as Principal. Thank you to these members of our community for taking up these positions to support the school in its efforts to be the best that it can be. Our next Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 31st. Should you have any items you wish for Council to discuss, please don't hesitate to approach one of the Council members above or e-mail the school account. We will endeavour to get photos of our Council members to display so that all members of our community are aware of who our councillors are.

With Parent and DET Staff membership finalised for this year, it is important that we acknowledge the contributions of our outgoing members. Tam Bradley completes her 2 year tenure on Council as a parent member. Tam may or may not have been dragged kicking and screaming by a "friend" on to Council in 2019, but in her two years, Tam has made significant contributions as a member of Council – particularly in the area of fundraising. Staff membership positions are the hardest to fill in School Council, often requiring a tap on the shoulder. Committing to extra hours at work is not something that is generally seen as an incentive. However in 2019, Elsie Rodger put her hand up to join Council and our school has reaped the benefits. In particular, Elsie took on the thankless task of taking minutes, ensuring all conversations and decisions of Council were documented, enabling clarity moving forward. Being new to Willowmavin at the time she joined Council, I personally want to thank Elsie for supporting me in my role on Council, as she provided great understanding and awareness of the school's strengths, needs and overall functioning.

### Attendance

No grade was able to achieve a 100% attendance record last week, however 4/5/6T came incredibly close with just one absence day from the class for the week. With a normal school week this week, hopefully that magical 100 can be achieved in multiple classrooms!

#### Signing Off

You have to live through the worst parts of life so you never take the best parts for granted.

Until next time, take care of one another and be the best you can be!

Mr. O'Callaghan











## 25 Nights Plus

Amelia Bloomfield Louis Campbell Octavia Castle Evelvn Hall-Bowden Charlie McKenzie Oliver Sheffield Reid Williams Jai Bamford-Newey Ruby Ellis Jeremy Hall-Bowden Ben Hamilton Beau Jervis Alex Mason Riley McKenzie Willow Roberts Hannah Pate Willow Poulter Jake Bamford-Newey Anwyn Lajang **Nate Eames** Dayne Lang Harrison Mealy Rhys Pate Tyler Stebbing Anneka Thornton



150 Nights Plus

175 Nights Plus

200 Nights Plus

**225 Nights Plus** 

250 Nights Plus

**275 Nights Plus** 

300 Nights Plus

# COME & TRY SESSIONS

Session One:

Date: 29th March 2021

Location: Beveridge Primary School Address: 30 Ambrosia Way, Beveridge

Time: 6:00pm to 7:00pm



**Session Two:** 

Date: 30th March 2021

Location: Memorial Stadium - Wandong

Address: 12 Dry Creek Rd, Wandong

Time: 4:30pm to 5:30pm

**Session Three:** 

Date: 31st March 2021

Location: R.B.Robson Stadium - Wallan

Address: 48 Bentinck St, Wallan

Time: 4:30pm to 5:30pm

Pre-Registration is required, form can be found on our Website, Facebook page or by emailing wallanbasketball@gmail.com



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## Student of the Week







F/1 LUCIE HISCOCK

SCHOOL VALUE: DO YOUR BEST

For putting in her best effort in all areas of learning this week.



2/3 RUBY ELLIS

SCHOOL VALUE: RESILIENCE

For demonstrating persistence when learning to identify odd and even numbers. Great work!



4/5/6 R TAIT LANG

**SCHOOL VALUE: BE YOUR BEST** 

For putting extra time into his writing. He has ensured that it includes a wide range of adjectives that will keep the reader interested.



4/5/6 DAYNE LANG

**SCHOOL VALUE: BE YOUR BEST** 

For having a positive attitude to all his learning and trying his hardest at all his tasks. .



## Student of the Week







F/1 EVELYN BOWDEN-HALL SCHOOL VALUE: BE YOUR BEST

For working well in class and trying her best in all her work



2/3 ALEX MASON SCHOOL VALUE: BE YOUR BEST

For his fantastic effort in Maths this week. Great work!



4/5/6R BLAIR NEWBOULD SCHOOL VALUE: ACHIEVEMENT

For his fantastic start to Year 4, throughout the week he has spoken politely and completed all of his work.



4/5/6 MOLLY GILL SCHOOL VALUE: BE YOUR BEST

For demonstrating of the value of Be Your Best during her learning, by having a go at all tasks, seeking help when needed and helping her peers.

# Kinder Visits







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March

## What's On...



### **Dates To Remember:**

17th March – Kinder visit

19th March - Hot lunch Day

24th March – Kinder visit

29th March – Cross Country

1st April – Easter Bonnet Parade & Raffle

1st April – Last day of Term 1

27th April – School Photos

7<sup>th</sup> May – Mothers' Day Stall

# 8th Hannah Pate 8th Beau Kemp 13th Sharon

5th Blake Dale

17th Willow Poulter 19th Sophia Borg 24th Oliver Sheffield 24th Dayne Lang

## School Photos 2021

Please be advised our School Photo Day will be held on: Tuesday the 27th April 2021.

More details to come.



### **Easter Raffle**

Thank you for all the donations we have received so far for our Easter Raffle. If you would like to donate to the Raffle prizes please bring your donation to the school office.