



# WILLOW TREE PUBLIC SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER



### Upcoming



- **Rugby League Trials**  
5<sup>th</sup> May
- **Netball Gala Yrs 5/6**  
8<sup>th</sup> May
- **School Cross Country**  
9<sup>th</sup> May
- **Zone Cross Country**  
30<sup>th</sup> May
- **School Photos**  
3<sup>rd</sup> June

### Principal's Corner

Welcome back to Term 2! We hope everyone had a fantastic break. We were excited to welcome student back into the classroom this week and are loving hearing all the exciting holiday stories. Term 2 is shaping up to be another extremely busy term. We remind parents to regularly check Sentral for information and notes regarding events to ensure students do not miss out.

We remind parents if their child/ren is to be absent for any reason they let the office know or complete via Sentral. It is important that absences are recorded correctly including late arrivals. We thank you for your co-operation in this.

## ANZAC DAY



It was fantastic to see students attend and participate in the Willow Tree community ANZAC Day ceremony. Students looked very smart marching in their winter uniforms. A big well done to Emily, Digby and Harrison who delivered speeches throughout the ceremony. Many positive comments were received. Thank you to P&C for providing morning tea for the community on what is a very significant event for Australians and an important one for our students to commemorate.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education journey. Together, we can inspire greatness and empower our students to 'Aim High'



# WTPS - NEWS & NOTES

## PSSA State Swimming

Congratulations to Max, Harry, Callie, Emily and Digby who all represented North West at the NSW PSSA State Swimming Championships late last term. It was the first year Max was eligible to compete and didn't disappoint, positing a pb in his 50m free. Harry and Callie also competed in individual events representing our school, zone and north west with pride. Emily and Digby joined with Harry and Callie on day two of the championships for the small school relay. There is something about being part of a team that boost confidence. The relay team had an awesome swim. They secured themselves a spot in the finals of the Peter Dobson Relay placing a very credible 5<sup>th</sup> in the state! Congratulations team, what an awesome swim!



## Small School Soccer & Netball

Once again we have entered a small school soccer and netball team into the state knockout competition. Mrs McCarthy and Mrs Simson will be coaching the soccer team with Mrs McKenzie coaching the netball team. Staff will be speaking with students about trials at school in the coming weeks. Trials for soccer will be open to students who turn 8 this year.



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## Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent/Teacher interviews will be held next week. Parents can book interviews via Sentral. Interviews can be conducted either face to face or via telephone. If you would like your interview via phone, please book an interview via the portal and let the office know you would like it via phone.

Parent/Teacher interviews are an opportunity for you to discuss your child's development and progress at school. Please note teachers will be on a tight schedule for interviews.

## Zone Trials

Goodluck to Digby, Riley; Dominic and Will Heath who will be representing Quirindi Zone at the NW Rugby League Trials in Tamworth on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May. We wish you all the best of luck.

Any 11 & 12yr olds wishing to trial for Rugby Union please see Mrs McCarthy for information.

Any students in Years 5/6 who would like to trial for touch football, please see Mrs McCarthy for information.

## Netball Gala Day

Unfortunately there was not enough interest for a Yrs 3-4 team to go ahead, however our Year 5-6 team will head to Tamworth next Thursday to take part in the Netball Gala Day. Please ensure all permission is completed via Sentral.

## Change of Date

Due to circumstances beyond our control our Athletics Carnival has been changed to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at Golland Fields.

## 2025 School Excursions

We are currently in the process of organising our 2025 school excursions. Please keep an eye out on Sentral for an Expression of Interest that may be sent out soon. These EOI's assist us in planning excursions and accurate costings.

We aim to provide students with an excursion that gives them an opportunity that they may not otherwise get to experience. We further aim to provide an engaging and educational experience for all. There are some exciting prospects in the pipe line, Stay tuned!

**"Education's purpose is to replace an empty mind with an open one"**

**Malcolm Forbes**



# WTPS - NEWS & NOTES

## WTPS - Contact Info

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Keep up to date with news and information through our school Facebook page



## Sentral

Sentral is the platform our school uses for communication, notes, attendance, reporting and finance. We encourage all families to make themselves familiar with Sentral to keep up to date with news and notes. Please note, once a due date has expired families will not be able to give permission or pay online. Parents will be required to come to the office to pay once expired.

## Election Day BBQ & Bake Stall

There is nothing better than a Democracy Sausage! This Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, Our P&C will be holding a BBQ and Bake stall at the Willow Tree Hall for Election Day. Your help is needed and greatly appreciated! The P&C support all students at the school. The P&C help in all kinds of ways and will be subsidising the cost of upcoming excursions. Please support them if you can.

### CAKE STALL & BBQ

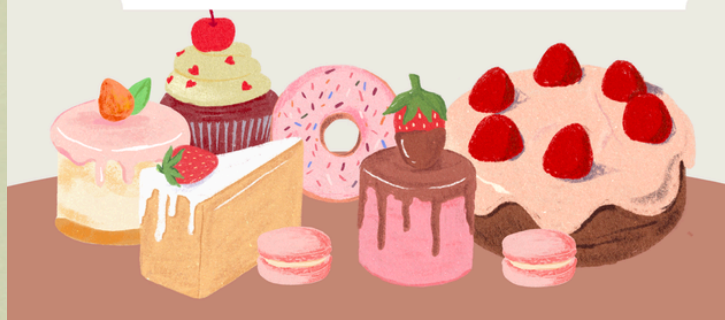
**Saturday - 3<sup>rd</sup> May**  
WILLOW TREE HALL - 8AM - 1PM  
*Election Day!*



**P&C need YOUR help!**  
DONATIONS OF BAKED GOODS ARE NEEDED!  
*Please ensure baking is packaged and labelled with ingredients ready to sell*



**Please support our P&C who support ALL students at the school**  
BAKING CAN BE DROPPED AT THE SCHOOL ON FRIDAY OR AT THE STALL ON SATURDAY





# WTPS - P&C NEWS

Our P&C are one of the most valuable assets to our school. The committee work tirelessly to ensure ALL students have equal opportunities at Willow Tree Public School. We know that volunteering is a thankless task but, we are extremely grateful for everyone who contributes to our P&C.

## Uniforms

Our P&C run our uniform shop - there is a selection of second hand uniforms or new available at the school. A reminder, sports uniform is worn on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays with formal school uniforms worn on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Please call into the office at any time for uniform requirements.

Reminder - students will return to school in Term 2 with winter uniform. Sports uniform is still worn on Monday, Wednesday & Fridays with winter formal uniform worn Tuesday/Thursdays. Girls winter uniforms can be purchased from Lowes in Tamworth (same as school ties)



## Canteen

Our canteen is open each Wednesday for students to enjoy. Please ensure students orders are written clearly on a lunch bag and placed at the canteen prior to the start of school.

## Canteen Each Wednesday



# WTPS MESSAGES

## School Photos

School photos will be taken at school on Tuesday 3rd June 2025 – Full winter school uniform to be worn (including school tie). Further information will be sent home closer to the date.



## Save The Dates

- **School Cross Country - Willow Tree School**  
Friday 9th May
- **Zone Cross Country - Venue TBC**  
Friday 30th May
- **Regional Cross Country - Coolah**  
Thursday 12th June
- **Willow Tree Athletics Carnival - Golland Fields, Quirindi**  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July – Date has changed!
- **Zone Athletics - Tamworth**  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> August – Date has changed!!