

Encourage Your Parenting Partner

It's really important for husbands to encourage their wives in their job of mothering, to praise them for their skills and hard work and for mothers to build up and encourage dads. John is really good at it. He continually reminds me of my worth and of how much he values my being at home as a mother to our children. -Julia Anderson

Your children value what you do. When you value the work of their mother, so will they.

When you, as parents, support and encourage one another it strengthens your relationship.

Parenting can often be a thankless job. Make a conscious effort to change that in your home. Tell your wife thank you for all she does.

Thoughts?

[Join the discussion on the website.](#)

We love to hear from you too!

The Fathering Project Team



SCHOOL CALENDAR

The following link will connect you to our online school calendar for up to date information including term dates, school events, excursions etc.

<http://web1.willyama-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/webcal/calendar/1>

EMAIL ADDRESS

If you would like the Willyama Whisper emailed to you, please let the Front Office know and we will put you on our email distribution list.

THE FAST CENTRE

The FAST centre is open for all Willyama students on Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 3.30pm to 5.00pm and provides a great opportunity for students who may be having difficulty with assessment tasks or class work to receive extra assistance and tuition in any subject in a relaxed and resourceful environment.



WILLYAMA WHISPERS

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Term 3 Week 4

8 August 2014

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

We have had a sad beginning to the term with the sudden loss of one of our Year 12 students, Callum Callaghan. Callum was well known throughout the school by both staff and students and he is, and will continue to be, sadly missed by all. I have been extremely proud of the way that our school community, especially our Year 12 students, have supported each other and Callum's family through this extremely difficult time. Our thoughts are with Callum's family and close friends. Callum will always be remembered at Willyama.

The school athletics carnival was held recently and I would like to congratulate all students who participated, especially the age champions mentioned inside this newsletter. A very big thank you to Mr Carrett and the other PDHPE teachers for all their hard work in organising this carnival. Good luck to the students who will be participating in the West Darling Athletics Carnival on 21/22 August.

We were again fortunate to have Brett Murray in our school last week. Brett is arguably Australia's number one anti-bullying campaigner. He conducted student presentations and workshops on anti-bullying and leadership.

Year 10 students completed a three day block of work experience last week and I have heard many positive things about our students in the workplace. Well done to Mr Hughes and Year 10 students.

Year 12 students started their Trial HSC exams this week. These are probably the second most important exams that they will complete in their 13 years of schooling. We wish them well in these exams and in their preparation leading up to the all important HSC exams in October.

Some important future dates to put on your calendar include:

26 August	Junior elective night (7 into 8 and 8 into 9)
2 September	6-7 Open Night
18 September	HSC Leaving Ceremony (12:15pm)
22 November	Year 12 Formal
10 December	Annual Presentation Night

Grant Shepherd
Principal

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

New Records: 15 Female High Jump - Georgia Treloar 1.54m

	Male	Female
12 Years Age Champion	Liam Spencer	Maighan Mashford
12 Years Runner Up	Nicholas Millman	Hannah Hall
13 Years Age Champion	Zachary Murray	Angel Simmons
13 Years Runner Up	Callum Hoskings	Whitney Brown
14 Years Age Champion	Tyler Hicks	Melisa Keenan
14 Years Runner Up	Daymon Rogers	Georgie Kuerschner
15 Years Age Champion	Sam Edgecumbe	Georgia Treloar
15 Years Runner Up	Joshua D'Ettore	Chelsea Masclet
16 Years Age Up	Alex Johnston	Jessica Pryor
16 Years Runner Up	Michael Gusling	Mackenzie Evans
17+ Age Champion	Declan Henderson	Maddison O'dwyer
17+ Runner Up	Jason Masclet	Caitlin Lee

Overall Point Score

1st - Kyara 1080 points, 2nd - Hexham 690 points

3rd Yancowinna - 614 points

Celebrate

 **national science week 2014**

at the Broken Hill library

Kids, join us for a science experience to begin National Science Week!

When? Saturday, 16 August between 10am and 1pm.

What? We'll be hosting a science display, with interesting exhibits and some hands-on science fun.

Drop in any time between 10am and 1pm for some science fun!



PCYC | Safer Drivers Course

For Learner Drivers



Next Course: Sat 23rd Aug 10am - 1pm



PCYC are an accredited provider of the Safer Drivers Course.
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The Safer Drivers Course involves two modules:

Module one: A three-hour facilitated group discussion on how to manage risks on the road. This will involve a maximum of twelve participants and will be delivered by a facilitator.

Module two: A two-hour in-vehicle coaching session to develop low-risk driving strategies. This will involve two participants and a coach. Course cost: \$140

Participants must have completed 50 hours of actual on-road driving experience to be eligible for the course. Credits gained under the 3 for 1 scheme cannot be included.

Participants who complete the course will receive 20 hours credit recorded in their learner driver log book.

To find your closest club or book into the next available course check out our website:

www.saferdrivers.org.au

Call us on 9625 9111 or drop into your local club to find out more

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Runner up Champion

In the June holidays, Liam Roe from Year 8 went to Mildura to represent Broken Hill in 8 Ball at the inaugural Twin-City Junior 8 Ball Championships. Liam had a very successful championship as he played his way through the field to the final before being beaten to become the runner up for the tournament. Liam will be travelling to Adelaide in August to represent Broken Hill at the South Australian Championships. Congratulations Liam.

HSC exam workbooks now available as ebooks

Six HSC subject exam workbooks are now available as ebooks from iTunes. The ebooks have easy tap-through navigation and provide interactive, portable, full-colour reproduction of exams and student works and connectivity between each exam question and response.

All HSC workbooks include:

- the 2013 HSC exam paper in full
- samples of top-scoring students' responses
- markers' specific and general comments
- guidelines for marking

The subjects now available as ebooks from iTunes are:

- Business Studies
- Chemistry
- Economics
- Geography
- Textiles and Design
- Visual Arts

They can be purchased by visiting the [app store](#) on iTunes.

The e-books are among 14 exam workbooks produced by BOSTES in 2014 covering the following subjects:

- Ancient History
- Business Studies
- Chemistry
- Earth and Environmental Science
- Economics· English (Standard and Advanced) Paper 1
- English Standard Paper 2 – Modules
- English Advanced Paper 2 – Modules
- English (ESL)
- Geography
- Legal Studies
- Modern History
- Textiles and Design
- Visual Arts

Print versions of the exam workbooks can be ordered [online](#) from BOSTES.

The exam workbooks give students and teachers unique insights into the HSC marking process. Students can use them to work through the 2013 exam papers then compare their answers to top-scoring responses. HSC markers' comments identify strengths and weaknesses in student responses.

Year 7 Support Unit news

This term we welcomed Hedwig, a white budgie to our class. He is helping students learn what is involved in looking after pets and how to be a responsible owner. He loves sitting on the students' shoulder while they work and eating millet. We are looking forward to teaching him some cool tricks! Pictured below: Tyler Mew, Harry Morgan & Bo Summers

