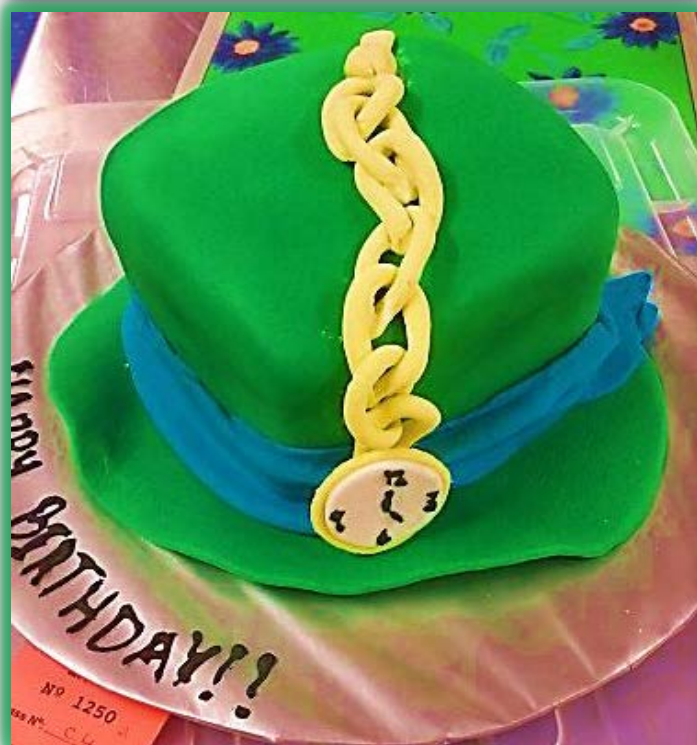
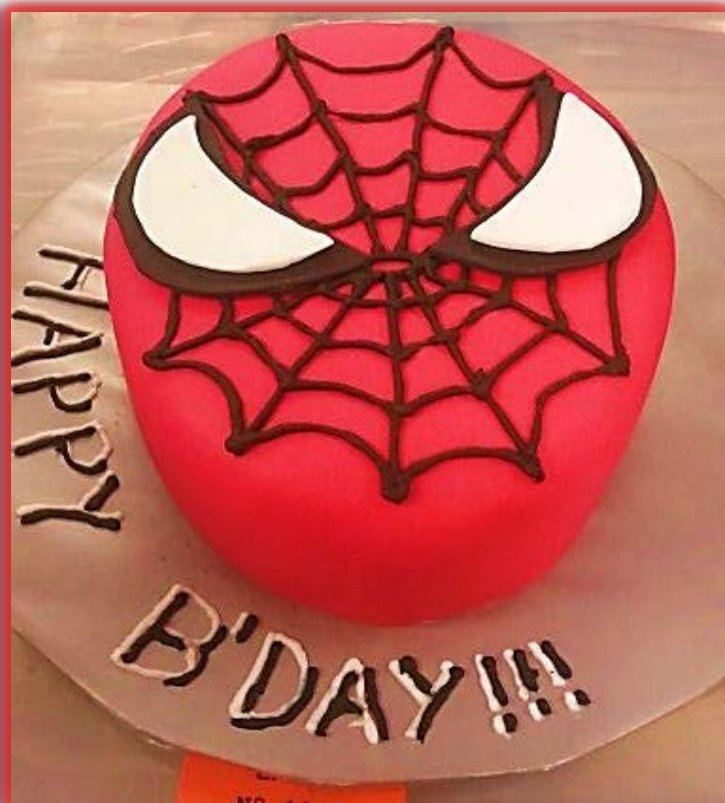


WILLYAMA WHISPERS – Term 4, Week 2, 21 October 2016

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Principal's Update

Our Year 12 students are currently sitting their HSC exams. These exams continue for just over three weeks. We wish them well knowing their efforts and dedication over the past two years will go a long way to helping them achieve their goals.



For Years 7 to 11 - we are all looking forward to another very productive term of student learning.

There are many great things happening this term including the upcoming launch of our new Skoolbag app and website. We will keep you posted.

Upcoming events:

25 October Pink Ribbon Day

31 October Halloween Mufti Day

4 November Year 8 VALID testing – Science

8 November Willyama Concert – Civic Centre

12 November HSC Formal

Grant Shepherd
Principal

Year 10 Food Technology

Students created, and produced decorated cakes at the end of Term 3 as part of their assessment task. The decorated cakes were entered into the Silver City Show and were rewarded with a range of 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes.



Ronald McDonald Charities Colour Run

On Sunday 9 October, Miss Kelly and eighteen enthusiastic students spent the last day of the school holidays at Sturt Park helping raise money to support the Ronald McDonald House Charities.

Well done to Jesse Craven, Jasmine Algate, Jasper Jones, Lauren Fisher and Shanae McAllister for their efforts in helping make this event such a success by working hard at the "colour stations". It was an amazing effort by all runners who completed the 5km all the while being pelleted by coloured dust and gale force winds.



Jordan Fisher, Shanae McMaster, Miss Kelly, Lauren Fisher, Grace Holloway and Sydney Carter

Chloe Berg, Madysun Camilleri and Sydney Moynihan

Willyama High Variety Night

Willyama Variety Night will be held at the Broken Hill Civic Centre on Tuesday 8 November 2016.

Tickets are available at the front office for \$8.80

City to Bay Fun Run

The Willyama Running Group travelled to Adelaide on Sunday 18 September to participate in the Adelaide City to Bay.

Miss Smith, Mr Kok, Mr Harris, Miss Firman, Mr Shepherd and Miss Kelly were joined by Mrs Shepherd, the Mashford family, and former student Kate Baldwin. Everyone had an amazing time with 40,000 other eager participants. Maighan Mashford must be congratulated on running 6km in 30 minutes!

The running team is taking a breather for the rest of the year but if there is renewed interest next year training may resume.



*At the Buffalo Motel Glenelg
Miss Kelly, Maighan Mashford,
Kate Baldwin, Mr Kok, Mr
Harris, Mr Shepherd & Miss
Firman.*



*North Terrace Adelaide
Kate Baldwin, Miss Kelly, Miss
Smith, Mr Kok & Miss Firman.*

Year 10 SES Training

Elleisha Perry, Georgie Kuerschner, Chelsea Regan, Brittany Regan, Jordan Craig, Hannah Evers, Jessica Groves, Kylie Borlace, Sienna Sulicich, Caitlyn Bloomfield, Lachlan Edwards-Neal and Kelsey Graham are spending an entire week 17 – 21 October, training as SES cadets.



*Georgia Kuerschner
& Kelsey Graham*

When they have finished their training they will head out to various locations around town and travel to Menindee on Friday to practice their new skills as young, responsible assets to the Broken Hill community.

*Lachlan Edwards-Neal, Sienna
Sulicich, Brittany Regan, Chelsea
Regan and Elleisha Perry*



VALID Testing

The Validation of Assessment for Learning & Individual Development (VALID) test for Year 8 students will be held **Friday 4 November 2016**. Catch up tests will be available on Wednesday 9 November for students who are absent from school on Friday 4 November. The test takes approximately 70 minutes. The VALID Science 8 test is an interactive, multimedia test completed entirely on a computer. VALID Science 8 contains multiple choice, short response and extended response tasks that are grouped around real-world issues, including scientific investigations.

Students are reminded that they will need to bring headphones or earbuds to school on the day of the test as there are audio components to the test. If you require more information about the VALID testing, please do not hesitate to contact the Science staff.

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.

Email Address

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

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>

Aurora Visit Term 3

On Thursday 22 September, Ms Virginia Cluff from the AURORA virtual high school came to visit Willyama AURORA students Jordan Fisher (Year 7), Luke D'Ettorre (Year 8), Lauren Fisher (Year 9) and Maighan Mashford (Year 9).

She was able to attend the graduation of former EXCEL students Grace McLean and Shannon Graham.



We would like to wish Luke D'Ettorre all the very best when presenting a project on heat radiation at the upcoming AURORA Science Fair.

Pictured above Jordan Fisher, Lauren Fisher, Luke D'Ettorre and Maighan Mashford with their virtual Science teacher Ms Cluff and their practical Science teacher Miss Kelly.

Broken Hill Youth Council

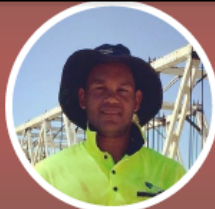


Are you interested in making a difference in the community and giving the youth of Broken Hill a voice?

If you are, the Broken Hill Youth Council is for you. The Council is a youth-led, volunteered-based movement, which aims to advocate and support the aspirations and ideas of young people in Broken Hill. As a group, we will work towards coordinating events and workshops that will provide information and support for young people. The Broken Hill Youth Council is also aiming to work with like-minded groups in order to create more opportunities for our youth.

Applications for the 2017 Broken Hill Youth Council are now open. We are looking for a wide range of members between the ages of 13 to 18. If you are interested, you can collect an application form from the front office. Applications are due back to the office by 31 October, 2016. If you have any further questions or information, feel free to talk to Georgie Kuerschner (Youth Ambassador of Willyama High School) or visit the Broken Hill Youth Council Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/BHCYCouncil/>.

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- Up to four year apprenticeship and two year traineeship with ongoing career development
- Receive a nationally accredited qualification upon completion

Applications now open for two Aboriginal Identified Traineeships and 12 Aboriginal Identified Apprenticeships across different fields in various locations, including:

- Government Traineeship (Parkes, Yennora)
- Civil Construction Apprenticeship (Russell Vale, Bombaderry, Bega, Broken Hill, Narrabri, Orange, Dubbo)
- Bridge Carpenter Apprenticeship (Newcastle, Bega, Albion Park)
- Plant Mechanic Apprenticeship (Narrandera)

Who can apply?

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of all ages and genders are encouraged to apply for this exciting opportunity! You can be a school-leaver, re-entering the workforce or a mature age worker simply wishing to change careers.

Search 'Aboriginal Apprentice' or 'Aboriginal Trainee' on <http://iworkfor.nsw.gov.au/> and submit an application.

Applications close: **Sunday 6 November 2016**

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- Civil Construction (Ballina, South Grafton, Port Macquarie, Coffs Harbour, Tamworth, Glen Innes, Singleton, Broken Hill, Narrabri,

Orange, Dubbo, Hay, Narrandera, Holbrook)

- Bridge Carpenter (Albion Park, Grafton)
- Signal Technician (Russell Vale)
- Plant Mechanic (Broken Hill, Dubbo, Bega, Port Macquarie, Russell Vale, Ballina, Sydney)
- Sign-writer (Waratah)

Who can apply?

Anyone of working age can apply.

People of all ages, different genders, Aboriginal Identified and other equal opportunity groups are encouraged to apply for this exciting opportunity!

All applicants need to be Australian or New Zealand citizen or permanent resident.

Search 'Apprentice' or 'Trainee' on <http://iworkfor.nsw.gov.au/> and submit an application.

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