

WILLYAMA WHISPERS – Term 1, Week 10, 5 April 2019

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Artwork by Thierry Masclet Year 8

Principal's Update

As Term 1 draws to a close, I would like to sincerely thank all of our school community for the efforts that have been put in to start off the year. We have had a very good term of teaching and learning and all of our new teachers and students have quickly become integral members of our great school. Well done to our cricket boys in winning their recent game against Cobar High School and there are lots of great things happening in art. More details inside this Whispers.

The school term finishes next Friday 12 April for two weeks holidays with the Easter Break in the middle.

The town ANZAC Day march is on the second Thursday of the school holidays. We have a proud tradition of marching as a school and all students and staff are invited to march behind our banner. Please meet outside Hungry Jacks at 10:10am on 25 April.

There is a School Development Day on Monday 29 April and school will return for all students on Tuesday 30 April. It will be Week A on the timetable.

Grant Shepherd
Principal



Year 11 Life Ready Safe Travel Workshop

Harmony Day People's Choice Award

To celebrate Harmony Day this year, Willyama High School students participated in a mandala colouring contest. Students had a chance to vote for their favourite design and vote for it during the harmony Day celebrations on Thursday March 21.

It was a very competitive field and, once all the votes were counted, there were two designs separated by only one vote! Both of these deserving students received a special prize of 50 Vivos!!

The winners were: Ruby Freeman (Year 8) and Tess Muscat (Year 9). Congratulations Ruby and Tess!



Year 11 Life Ready Part One

On Wednesday 27 March Year Eleven students completed Part One of the Life Ready course.

Students participated in workshops with representatives from the community developing their knowledge of the world outside school including discussions around issues with safe travel, independence and positive relationships.

Year 11 will participate in Life Ready Part Two later in the year completing further workshops to help prepare them for life after school.

Courtney Rintoul

Year 11 Advisor



Brawley Brennan & Austin Wilson
participating in the Life Ready workshops

Alan Davidson Shield Cricket

On Friday March 22 Willyama High School played against Cobar High School in the second round of the Alan Davidson Shield Western Cricket Knockout competition.

The Willyama team was sent into bat after losing the toss and worked hard to set a large total.

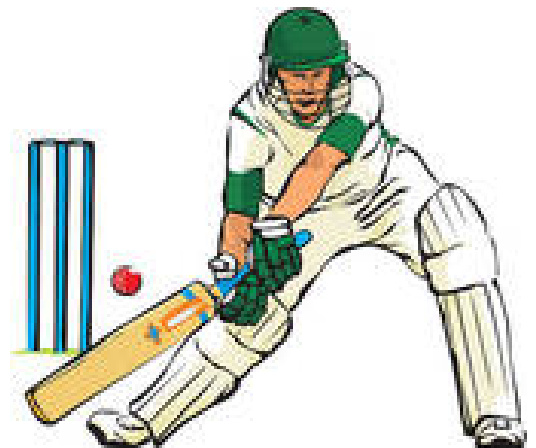
Nick Devoy did a great job holding the batting line-up together while also achieving a great total of 36.

Jackson Bray was excellent with the bat, finding runs everywhere and making use of the short boundaries. Jackson set Willyama up with an amazing century.

Harry Roach, Bailey Adams and Liam Baker held the bottom end of the line-up contributing a further 40 valuable runs. The Willyama captain, Austin Wilson, drew first blood with the ball. Tom McRae was the best of the bowlers taking 2 wickets in his 4 overs, conceding ZERO runs. Jackson also featured in the bowling attack taking 2 wickets himself.

Ty Parker finished the match with the final wicket with a great caught and bowled. The Willyama team will now go on to play either Forbes or Nyngan High School.

Luke Neal



Visual Arts Excursion

All Visual Arts students in Preliminary and HSC years are invited to attend an exciting excursion to Adelaide to experience an exhibition of the practice of Ben Quilty, as well as other collections in the Art Gallery of South Australia. They will also be involved in experiences at "The Jam Factory" and the Adelaide Central School of Art. A deposit of \$50 is payable by Friday 12 April. Current Year 11 students will study the art making practice of Ben Quilty in depth, in one of their Case Studies, and as such, this excursion is highly recommended.

Alison Jones



"Inhabit"

Sixteen oil paintings are sequenced like cartoon cells, revealing Ben Quilty's early training as an animator and his experience as an editor in a commercial television newsroom.

Operation Art Competition

Students are invited to enter a 2D artwork in the Willyama High School Operation Art competition. Up to four artworks will be selected by a judging team of Willyama teachers to be sent for exhibition in this years' Operation Art exhibition. The artworks have the chance to be exhibited in The Children's Hospital at Westmead and The Art Gallery of NSW in Sydney. Artworks must be between A4 and A2 size. Closing date for the competition is Friday 24 May. We will be awarding prizes for the selected entries. Please see Mrs Jones or Miss Hudson for entry details.

Alison Jones



Willyama High School Book Club

In Term 2 we will be launching a new book club to explore all things related to books and reading. Book clubs are a fantastic way to promote a culture of reading at school, to build on the enjoyment avid readers already experience and maybe even entice reluctant readers into the world of books!! More information about the book club will be revealed at assemblies and in roll notices. Students who would like to be a book club member are encouraged to come to the library to register their interest.

Tracy Henderson



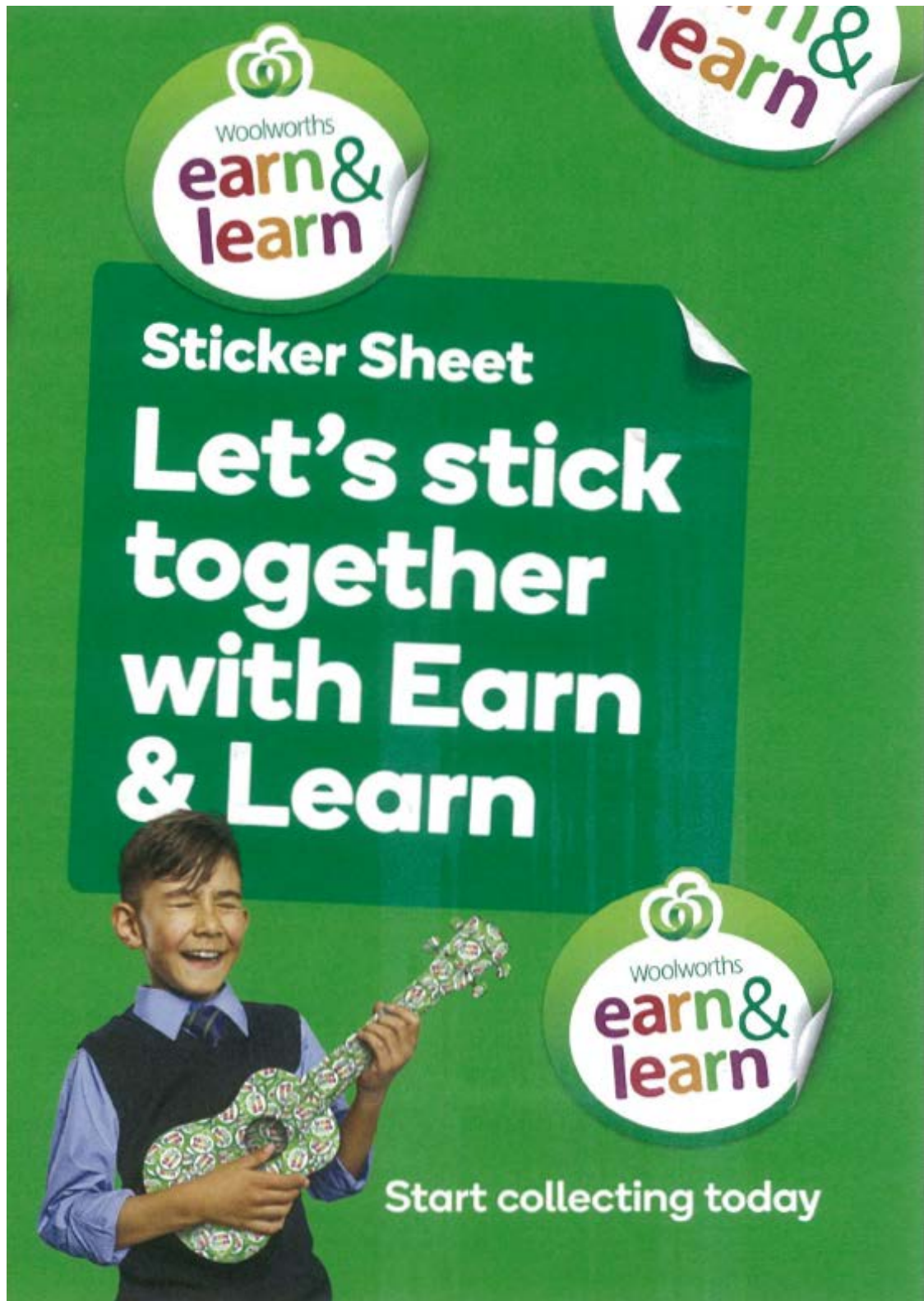
The Fast Centre

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.



Earn & Learn

The Woolworths Earn and Learn program is back in 2019. This program gives schools the chance to earn amazing school equipment. Woolworths Earn and Learn will be running between 1 May and 25 June, collect as many stickers as you can! Full sticker sheets can be placed in the boxes in the front office. Extra sticker sheets can be collected from the school office.



Weekly Tip: School Rules



Weekly Tip: Supporting Education.

This month our tips are focused on inspiring and equipping dads with teenagers.

It's important to encourage our kids' learning - education empowers our kids, giving them the ability to interpret the world around them. Support them by trying these practical tips:

- Show respect for their teachers - try actively introducing yourself to school staff and thanking them for teaching your kids.
- Always show teachers respect, even if their teaching style doesn't match your child's learning needs perfectly. Smile, listen and raise any concerns in a calm and adult manner.
- Avoid blaming teachers, or the school, if your child is struggling with study or friendships – work respectfully with the school to see how you can support the staff and your kid(s).
- Don't tolerate vandalism – teach your kid(s) about being respectful to their property, school property and their peers' property.
- Remind your kids (often) that you believe education is important and continually model this by staying in touch with their progress.
- Keep showing your kids education is important by supporting school activities such as parent evenings, busy bees and fundraising events.

Engage: regularly ask your kids what they learnt today/ this week/ this term.



EMPOWERMENT/ HEALTHY LIVING/ SOCIAL IMPACT/

Youth Hub is a YMCA NSW program which has several programmatic components:

Young Leaders is a group of people aged 11-17 who want to plan and hold events for all young people in the community. They take part in fortnightly meetings and are interested in finding out what all young people in Broken Hill want and need. The community can also access the Youth perspective by scheduling visits to the Young Leaders meetings. Young Leaders become YMCA Volunteers through a process facilitated by our staff and are able to get membership to the YMCA while they are active members of Young Leaders.

Youth Hub is a physical space situated inside the new YMCA Broken Hill Integrated Wellness Centre. It is a youth friendly space in which youth-led programs are run every week. Currently, the homework room (situated inside the Hub) is open three days per week and the Youth Hub space is open on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 4pm- 7pm when programs are structured. The calendar for Youth Hub is advertised on the YMCA Young Leaders Facebook page and YMCA IWC Facebook page.

Workshops scheduled in Youth Hub space and in venues across the city. Young Leaders have designed a program of workshops to take place in the Hub for all young people aged 11-25. The schedule for workshops will be available on the YMCA Young Leaders Facebook pages or by phoning the Y on 80881999

StreetgYm StreetgYm is being piloted in Broken Hill from March 18 2019 for eight weeks. StreetgYm is a program conducted in local parks and includes games and snacks and is conducted by fitness and youth services staff from the YMCA and staff from other services when available.

Monday 18/3, 25/3, 1/4, 8/4, 15/4, 22/4, 29/4, 6/5 at Duff Street park at 3.30-5pm

Wednesday 20/3, 27/3, 3/4, 10/4, 17/4, 24/4, 1/5, 8/5 at Sturt Park at 3.30-5pm

Uplift is a small group fitness program for eight weeks for young people suffering a mental health issue or having had a setback. It is a structured program in which registered young people come to two small group training sessions per week. This program allows young people to feel the benefit of being active and feel strong. It will start in July 2019 and registrations are made by visiting <https://www.ymcansw.org.au/community-services/mental-health/uplift/>

For any other information about Youth and Community Services at the YMCA please contact:

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Dates to Remember

- Wednesday 10 April – HSC Visual Arts Excursion
- Thursday 11 April – Year 10 Visual Arts Excursion
 - Friday 12 April – Last Day of Term 1
 - Monday 29 April – Staff Development Day
 - Tuesday 30 April – First Day of Term 2
- Thursday 2 May – Monday 6 May – Advanced English Sydney Excursion

HAPPY
Easter

