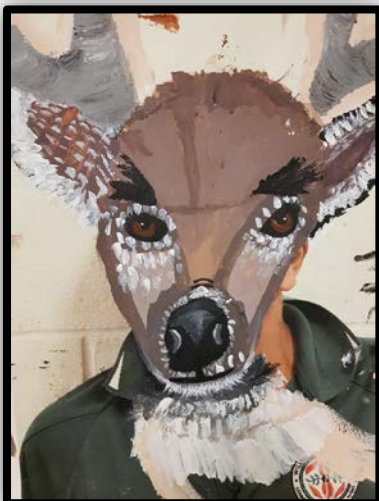


# WILLYAMA WHISPERS – Term 2, Week 2, 10 May 2019

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These artworks were inspired by the artist Charlotte Caron who explores the idea that everyone in society is wearing a mask. Year 9 students painted their spirit animal over the top of a portrait photograph, representing their personalities.

# Principal's Update

It has been a smooth start to Term 2 with students quickly settling back into their learning routines after the holiday break.

Congratulations to Mr Barton Johnston who was successful at interview in gaining our permanent Faculty Leader English position. A new English teacher Mr Jed Venn has been appointed and will commence with us on 20 May. We are also currently advertising for a new TAS teacher to replace Mr Michael Mifsud.

Our school was well represented at the town's ANZAC Day march during the holidays. I would like to thank all students and teachers who attended on this important occasion. I would also like to acknowledge the great job done by our school captains Tanvi Singh and Jack Stacey in delivering the address on behalf of all Broken Hill schools.

There were some awesome achievements by our three students attending CHS swimming championships last term. Kalyce Pressler won five gold medals and broke a CHS record. Lydia Hinton-Neal also gained a silver. More details inside this Whispers. We wish Kalyce and Lydia well as they swim in the NSW All Schools championships next week.

NAPLAN online will be held over the next two weeks for all year 7 and 9 students. I encourage all students to do their very best in these tests so we gain an accurate reflection of where everyone is at in terms of their literacy and numeracy skills.

We are all looking forward to a very productive Term 2 in terms of teaching and learning.

Grant Shepherd  
Principal



Willyama High School's Captains Tanvi Singh and Jack Stacey addressing the Anzac Day service.

# Competitive Sport Term 1

During Term 1 the Stage 4 Competitive Sport group participated in a round robin competition across 8 weeks. The students chose teams in the first week and came up with team names. They then competed in a different sport each week taking part in sports such as Indoor Soccer, Volleyball, Basketball, Dodgeball, Slide Hockey and Endzone.

Teams were awarded points based on the number of wins, draws and losses and bonus points were also awarded for sportsmanship and cooperation. The team that came out on top was the Princesses, (pictured with the Golden Boot trophy) closely followed in second place by Matrix. Well done to all students in this sport group who participated fantastically across the entire term.

Mr Mateer



# West Darling CHS Swimming

On April 8 2019, Lydia Hinton-Neal, Kalyce Pressler and Amalie Howse travelled to Sydney to represent West Darling at the Combined High School's State Swimming Championships.

The three girls enjoyed their experience and swam some personal best times throughout the carnival.

They represented our school and region with pride, with some fantastic success along the way.

The following results were achieved throughout the carnival:

## Kalyce Pressler Year 9:

Gold Medal -15 year girls 400m Individual Medley

Gold Medal -15 year girls 100 Breaststroke- Kalyce broke an 18 year record with a time of 1:12.71!!

Gold Medal -15 year girls 50m Freestyle

Gold Medal -15 year girls 200m Individual Medley

Gold Medal -15 year girls 100m Butterfly

## Lydia Hinton-Neal Year 10:

Silver Medal -16 year girls 100m Breaststroke

## Amalie Howse Year 7:

This was Amalie's first CHS Carnival. She swam some personal best times.

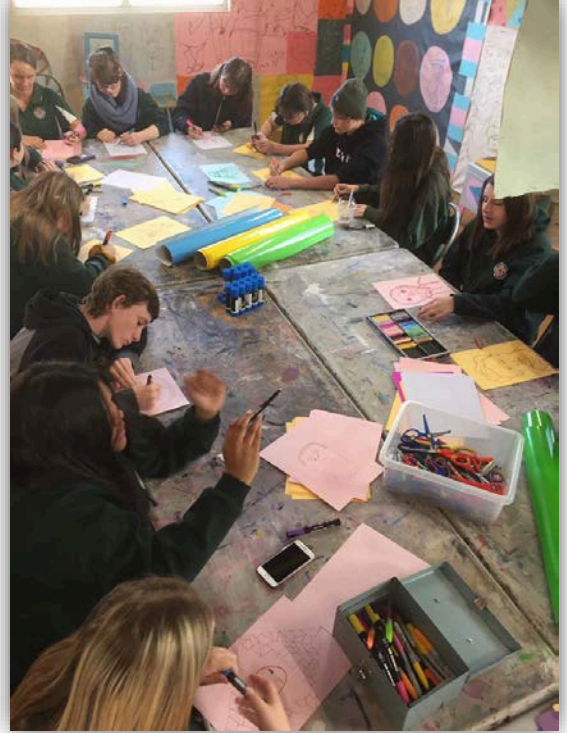
A massive congratulations to Kalyce for her 5 Gold Medals and broken State Record, and to all three girls who performed successfully and admirably. Well done!!!

Mrs Devoy



# James Price Art Excursion

Students in Year 10 and Year 12 spent time with James Price's "800 Souls" installation in the last week of Term 1. Our students had an excellent time learning and talking about James' concept and participating in a fabulous workshop!





# Anzac Day Service



During the holidays, on the 25 of April, students from each school throughout Broken Hill, including Willyama High School, participated in the annual ANZAC Day parade. Willyama students marched as part of the school and, with Broken Hill High students, helped the RSL carry banners down the main street of Broken Hill. Our school captains presented a memorable speech in memory of past and present war veterans.

Hamish Bolton

SRC Publicity Officer

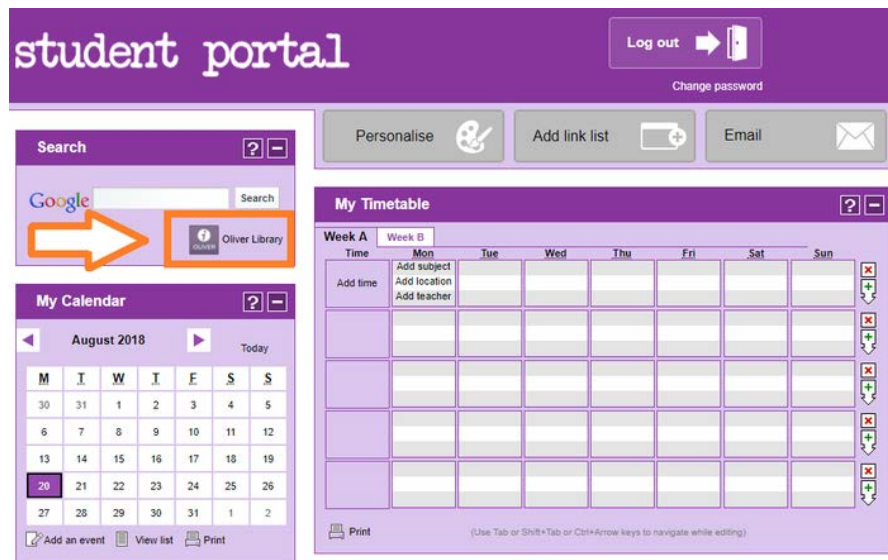


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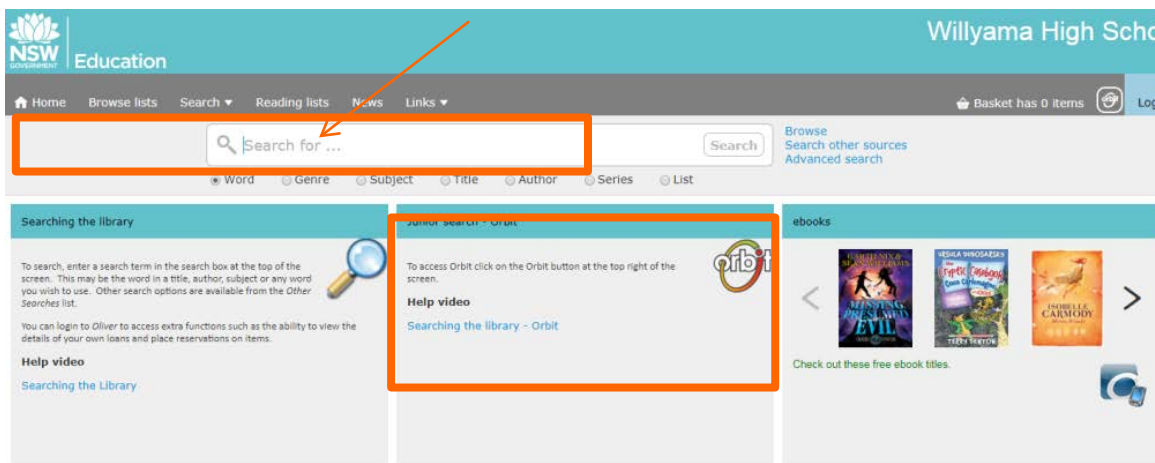


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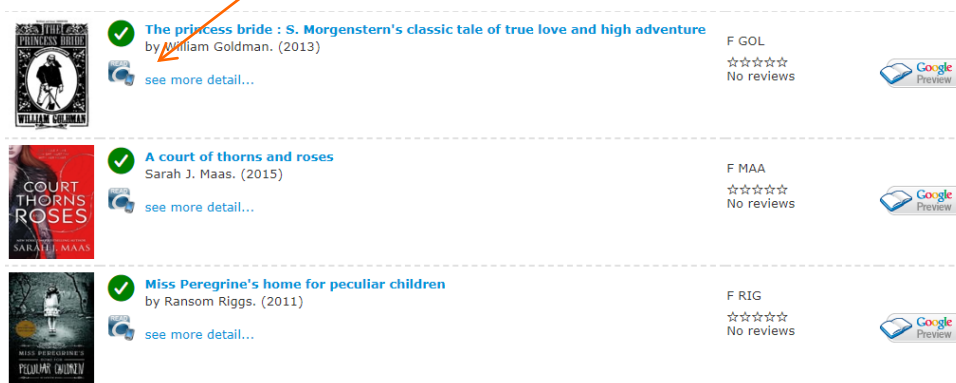
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Years 7 and 8	2 books	14 days
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Year 10	4 books	14 days
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## The Fast Centre

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 also be collected from the school office.



## Teacher Book Review

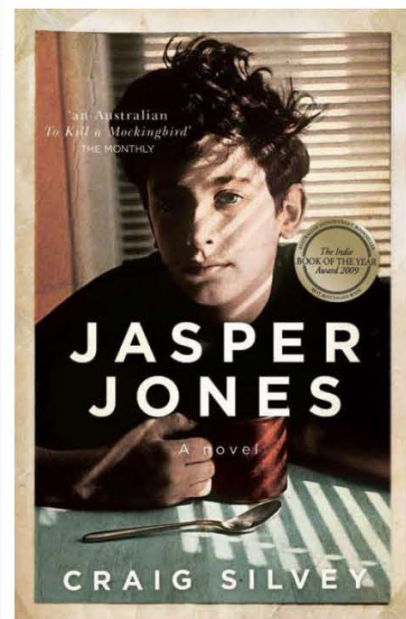


### Book Review: Jasper Jones

The book is set in the summer of 1965, in the small mining town of Corrigan. One sweaty night while 13-year-old Charlie Bucktin is reading, Jasper Jones, a rebellious outcast, appears at his window. "Jasper Jones," Charlie explains, "has a terrible reputation in Corrigan. He's a thief, a liar, a thug, a truant."

'Jasper Jones' is a book that has it all. As well as the main theme being based around the mystery of a murder, the book also deals with love, friendship, and small town culture. The dramatic and dark opening of the book introduces the conflict around the murder of Laura Wishart. This introduction had me hooked, but the comedy and funny banter throughout the book kept me turning the pages.

'Jasper Jones' is also now a major motion picture.



Recommended by Miss Hudson



# Book Club

Did you know that spending just 10 minutes a day reading together is a key factor in the link between home literacy and your child's lifelong love of reading?

The best gift any parent can give a child is the love of books and the joy and benefits of independent reading for fun. Children who read at home, or are read to, have a head start on reading success in school.


To get more kids reading both at home and at school, Willyama High is participating in **Scholastic Book Club** this year. Up to twice a term, during the school year, Club catalogues, which include a different selection of books offered for all ages, will be available through roll call groups. **If you would like your student to bring one home, remind them to collect a catalogue from their roll call teacher or from the library.**


You'll find award-winning books and bestsellers, as well as old and new favourites. The selection of books available through Scholastic span a wide range of children's reading levels and interests *and* they are inexpensive (some books cost as little as \$2).

It is easy to order. The **Book Club LOOP** platform for parents allows you to pay by credit card. Your student's order is submitted directly to Scholastic and the books will be delivered (free of charge) to school. You can place your order at [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://scholastic.com.au/LOOP) or using the **LOOP** app, which can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play. Each order helps earn free books and teaching materials for our school, however there is never any obligation to order. There is no better way to encourage reading than to allow children to choose the books they want to read!

Ms Henderson

**DON'T FORGET!**





**Book Club**  
orders are due:

**20 May 2019**

# Dates to Remember

- Tuesday 14 to Friday 24 May - NAPLAN Years 7 & 9
- Wednesday 15 May – NDIS Parent Information Session 10am-12 Noon.
- Wednesday 29 May to Friday 31 May – Stage 6 Visual Arts Excursion
  - Friday 31 May – School Cross Country Carnival
- Monday 3 to Friday 7 June – West Darling Open Girls Soccer
  - Friday 21 June – West Darling Cross Country



## Tennis Coaching

Available Term 2 with qualified and experienced tennis coach Rusty Power.

Commencing	Tuesday 30 April 2019
Location	Broken Hill Tennis Association O'Neil Park, Wolfram Street
Times	3:45pm – 4:30pm (4/8 year olds) 4:30pm – 5:30pm (9/13 year olds) 5:30pm – 6:30pm Squad (advanced juniors)
Cost	\$10/Session
Contact	Rusty or Kimmy to confirm a position on 0418 889 096 or <a href="mailto:rusty.power@live.com.au">rusty.power@live.com.au</a>
Also Offering	Early years, special needs, group & private sessions by appointment.

# Community News

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## PARENT INFORMATION SESSION All about the NDIS

**Date:** Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2019  
**Time:** 10:00am – 12:00pm  
**Location:** Broken Hill North Public School  
Chapple st, Broken Hill

The Department of Education together with the Community & Mainstream Engagement team of the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA), would like to invite you to attend an Information Session for parents about the NDIS and the range of supports available to assist young people.

### The Information Session will cover:

- Understanding the NDIS
- Seeking access to the NDIS
- The participant pathway
- Preparing for your planning appointment
- Q&A

Please contact Jodie Parker by phone on (08) 8082 5732 or by email [JODIE.PARKER@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:JODIE.PARKER@det.nsw.edu.au) to confirm your attendance

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## PARENT INFORMATION SESSION The NDIS & Post School Pathways

**Date:** Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019  
**Time:** 10:00am – 12:00pm  
**Location:** Willyama High School  
Murton st, Broken Hill

The Department of Education together with the Community & Mainstream Engagement team of the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA), would like to invite you to attend an Information Session for parents about the NDIS and the range of supports available to assist young people to transition to post school life and employ.

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- Understanding the NDIS
- Seeking access to the NDIS
- The participant pathway
- Post school pathways and employment supports
- Preparing for your planning appointment
- Lets Talk About Work booklet
- Q&A

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## Expression of Interest 2019 Civic Ball



**Friday 30 August 2019**

Would you like to be part of Broken Hill's Premier Debutante Ball?

Council is seeking expressions of interest from girls 16 years and over on 30 August 2019 to be part of the Civic Debutante Ball.

Register your interest now by email to [council@brokenhill.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@brokenhill.nsw.gov.au) or telephone 8080 3322

**EOI's must be received no later than 5pm 24 May 2019**

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