



# Willans Hill School News

P: 02 6925 1076 F: 02 6925 3871 E: [willanshil-s.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:willanshil-s.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

Challenging,  
engaging and  
innovative learning

Building a  
professional learning  
community

Making sense of the  
world

Term 3  
14 August 2019

A big shout out to the students who performed last week at the Education Week celebrations in the Marketplace and at The Supernova event on Saturday. Our community should be extremely proud of the students who participated in both performances. Thank you to all the staff and parents who attended the events and demonstrated their support for our students. A big thank you to Mr Clark and Mrs Taylor who were responsible for organising this opportunity for students to showcase their talents, in particular to Mr Clark who gave his own time on the weekend to support students in The Supernova extravaganza.

Thank you to those parents who attended the Education Week Open Day at the school. It was wonderful to see students, parents and staff

coming together and having fun.

Throughout Week 2 students participated in Footsteps Dance workshops. Feedback from students and staff and from my visits during the workshops indicated that this experience was again very positive for all involved. The workshops started in 2018 and have been paid for through school funds to support the wellbeing of students.

Book Week is next week the theme this year is Reading is My Secret Power. Each year across Australia, the Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) brings children and books together celebrating CBCA Book Week. During this time schools, libraries, booksellers, authors, illustrators and children celebrate Australian children's

literature. We look forward to celebrating this important event in our school calendar.

Congratulations to the P&C for their successful submission to the NSW School Canteen Menu Check Service. Our school canteen meets the NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy. Congratulations! A big shout out to Belinda Lapham and Kaylene Brown for their commitment and hard work throughout this application process.

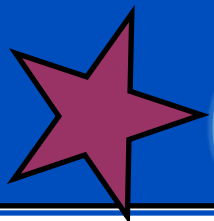
Gabrielle Sheather  
Principal



Education Week  
Celebrations at  
Willans Hill School

Term 3	Event	Time
Wednesday 21 August 2019	Book Character and Great Book Swap Day	Information on page 3
26 August - 28 August 2019	Life Education Van	Timed sessions
Friday 20 September 2019	Year 12 Graduation	6:00pm
Friday 27 September 2019	Last day of Term 3	

Every student has the ability to learn, achieve and succeed. Together we nurture, guide and foster successful learners in a safe, respectful learning environment, recognising the capabilities of all students. Encouragement is provided to build and foster relationships to empower every student to make valuable contributions within their community.

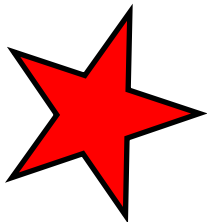


# Class Awards

Week 3	Class 1	Declan Leidl	Excellent behaviour this term.
	Class 2	Jai Gorham	Using a new sign in the classroom.
	Class 3	Ana Harvey	Naming all of her classmates.
	Class 5	Ajak Mabyour	Excellent reading of sight words from our predictable chart writing.
	Class 6	Annie Heir	Making a positive start to work experience at Coles.
	Class 7	Mostafa Hussain	Engaging in graph making tasks in maths.
	Class 8	Chloe Blanchard	Answering questions in English lessons.
	Class 9	Chloe Smith	Applying her knowledge in pattern making.
Week 4	Class 1	Dareen Al Hamo	Trying lots of new tasks.
	Class 2	Paul Tseros	Identifying a calming strategy whilst angry.
	Class 3	Henry Pavitt	Independent reading.
	Class 5	Charlie Achilles	Improved confidence and accuracy when identifying sounds.
	Class 6	Danielle Steele	Concentrating on writing.
	Class 7	Dante Williams	Writing accurate procedures in English.
	Class 8	Asha Daley	A successful start to post school transition.
	Class 9	Ephram Abdel-Makal	Engagement in mathematics.

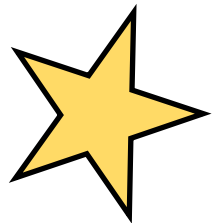


## Sport Awards



Maggie Standley  
Sarah Clark  
Jaz Seymour  
Emily Baldwin  
Charlie Achilles  
Kiara Quade  
Jack Ritchie

Outstanding effort and energy during Footsteps dance.  
Outstanding effort and energy during Footsteps dance.  
Joining in with the group and using his hands in sport.  
Enthusiasm when riding for the first time at RDA.  
Engagement in AFL clinic.  
Engagement in relay races during AFL sessions.  
Positive engagement in weekly bowling.



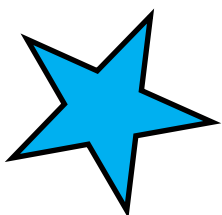
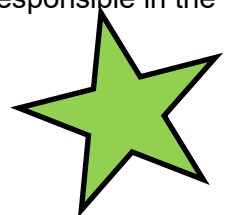
## School Expectation Awards



Prudence Lapham  
Ruby Langfield  
Maggie Standley

Being responsible by being a good learner.  
Being respectful by being a good friend.  
Being respectful towards other people and responsible in the playground by making positive choices.  
Being respectful by being kind to others.

May Bowditch



**SRC staff member of the week - Mr Peter Clark**

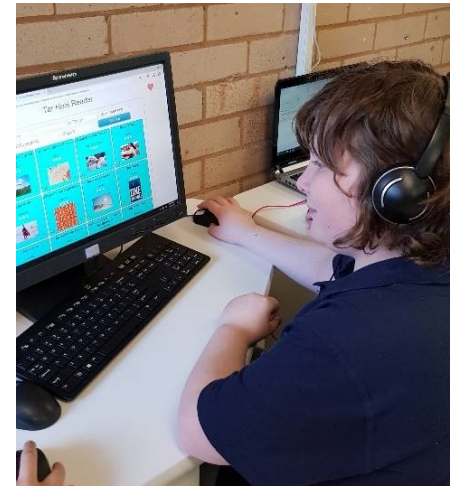


## Education Week Drumming in the Marketplace

Our high school drumming group performed for the local community at the Wagga Marketplace as part of Education Week. The students showcased their drumming skills and played rhythms learnt during our weekly Drumbeat lessons.







The students of Class 2 have had a busy start to the term.  
Look at them hard at work!



**Get ready!** We are celebrating **BOOK WEEK** on **Wednesday 21 August**  
with **Book Character Day** and **The Great Book Swap!**

[greatbookswap.org.au](http://greatbookswap.org.au)



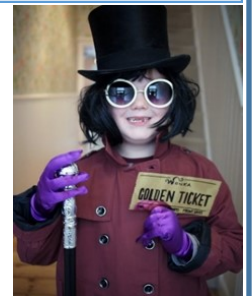
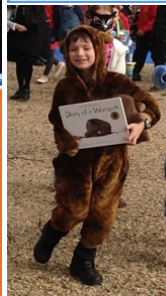
**The Great Book Swap**

Indigenous Literacy Foundation

**Our school community can help close the literacy gap**

The Indigenous Literacy Foundation aims to reduce disadvantages experienced by children in remote Indigenous communities across Australia by lifting literacy levels and instilling a lifelong love of reading.

Every donation helps provide books and literacy programs to remote communities where they are needed most.



**What do students do?** Dress up as a book character, bring a book to swap and a gold coin to donate to support the Indigenous Literacy Foundation.

**The Great Book Swap is not just for students!** Parents, carers, pre-schoolers, grandparents and staff are also welcome to bring a gold coin donation and a book to swap. This will take place between 11:45am and 12:45pm on Wednesday 21 August 2019.



Week 5 is Book Week! This year the theme is

# Reading is my Secret Power

Here is a list of 10 ways in which reading can be a powerful secret that improves the quality of the lives of both children and adults.

- 1 Reading is mindful.**  
When engaged in reading you aren't distracted by devices, chatting or problem solving – it creates quiet space in the brain and focuses your attention.
- 2 Reading reduces stress.**  
When in the flow of a good book, perhaps with a cup of tea, there are few better ways to momentarily halt the stresses of life. Hold on tight to this feeling.
- 3 Reading improves your ability to wield words!**  
Reading increases vocabulary and understanding of the way words work in both written and spoken forms.
- 4 Reading is free.**  
How powerful is the word 'free'? Books can be accessed online and in print for free from libraries. Reading can be as entertaining as a night out at the movies and some states even have free community reading events.
- 5 Reading improves writing.**  
The more you read, the better grasp of the written word you have.
- 6 Reading increases empathy and social awareness.**  
Reading allows us all to walk in the shoes of others and experience historical and current world events from the safety of your bedroom.
- 7 Reading is knowledge.**  
Readers are lifelong learners who gain new knowledge from each new book they read.
- 8 Reading improves your problem solving.**  
Seeing characters make sense of their problems and seeing patterns in the ways issues are dealt with in written form improves your analytical thinking and your flexibility in problem solving.
- 9 Reading offers an escape from the daily grind.**  
It offers a place to retreat and experience another reality.
- 10 Reading exercises the imagination.**  
It provides the mind with the opportunity to create visuals that are unique to the reader.

**Why do you read?**

# Willans Hill Canteen Menu



## Hot food

Pie	\$3.20
Sausage roll	\$2.50
<i>Homemade</i> Ham and pineapple pizza	\$3.00
Chicken / Beef noodle cup	\$2.50

## Snacks

Redrock Deli chips	\$1.00
<i>Homemade</i> Garlic bread (2 pieces)	50c
Popcorn	\$1.00
Custard cup	\$1.00
Jatz and cheese	\$1.50
Yoghurt pouch	\$1.00
Vanilla or strawberry	
Seasonal fruit cup	\$1.50
Veggie stick cup	\$1.00

## Sandwiches and wraps

*(All can be toasted)*

Salad	\$4.00
Ham / Chicken and salad	\$5.00
Vegemite	\$1.00
Cheese	\$1.00

## Drinks

Fruit box	\$1.50
Apple, Apple & Blackcurrant or Orange	
Flavoured milk	\$1.50
Chocolate or strawberry	
Bottled water	\$1.00

## Frozen

Quelch	\$1.00
Apple Berry fruit juice icy tubes	
Ice cream tub	\$1.00

Keep an eye out for our

**\$4.00 weekly specials**



on the SkoolBag app  
and Facebook page



*All suggestions are welcome and appreciated.*

*If you would like to help out in our canteen  
please contact Kaylene Brown.*

## SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

If your child has certain dietary requirements, please contact Kaylene Brown via email

[willanshillpandc@gmail.com](mailto:willanshillpandc@gmail.com) or leave a message for her at the school office, as we are able to cater for a variety of needs.

Examples:

- Food needs to be pureed or cut into small pieces
- Gluten or dairy free
- Vegetarian