Student of the Week
Our award this week goes to John Paul Landini. John Paul always exhibits fair play and good sportsmanship. This week we have seen John Paul push in with his academic skills to produce a high standard of work in writing and go beyond his comfort zone in the public speaking competition. We are all very proud of you John Paul, you certainly deserve the Student of the Week award this week.

Wirraminna Excursion
What a fantastic day we had last Tuesday at Wirraminna Environmental Centre. Burrumbuttock Primary School have created an exciting environmental centre bordering their school playground which allowed for safe exploration by our students. Mallan students joined us for the day and the students spent the day searching, learning and investigating the environment. It was certainly an engaging learning experience as students used mapping skills, observation and many higher order thinking skills as they hypothesised, interpreted and questioned their surroundings. It was a pity to have to stop the children asking such focused questions to drag them back on the bus for the journey home.
Many thanks to Vicky for her excellent driving and navigation skills.

Public Speaking
Last Thursday Graeme Minnis from Barham Lions’ Club visited our school to adjudicate the public speaking competition. All students presented themselves very professionally and stated their views convincingly. Des’lea and John Paul gave their first formal speech in a competition of this kind and should be very proud of their efforts. Congratulations go to Sharey and Bridie for being chosen to present their speeches at the next level to be held in Barham later in the year against students from neighbouring schools.

PBL
Next week I will be attending a course named ‘Positive Behaviour for Learning’. The training is for two days in Wagga. The course looks at the policies and discipline strategies in place at our school.

Lee Fox
Next week we have an author coming to work with the K-3 students on Thursday 24th June. Lee Fox will explain to the students the processes she goes through to design, write and publish her books. Lee will then workshop with the children to further develop their own writing skills. Having expert tuition in the classroom, working so closely with such small student numbers will be to each student’s great personal advantage.
We are very fortunate to have CAP funding to help fund the author visits that our students have had access to this term.
Reports
Student progress reports will be sent home on Friday 25th June.
A goal setting sheet will be sent home with the reports. Please discuss literacy and numeracy goals with your child and bring the sheet to the parent/teacher interviews. We will develop personalised learning plans for each student following discussion around these goals.

Parent/Teacher Interviews
Cassie Biti and I will be available for interviews on Wednesday 30th June. You will receive a time sheet to indicate preferences next week. If you wish to make an appointment to see Sara Mathers or Julie Heywood, please let me know.