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## Wishbone Directed by Dave Letch

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COMING 2009 WISHBONE It's all about magic and dreams coming true. Years ago... Mad Dog Matilda, bushranger, who robbed from the greedy rich to give to the poor, leapt over a cliff and escaped capture. Not so lucky was faithful companion FINTAN the dog. Fintan was trapped, captured and put on trial as an accomplice to robbery. The authorities threw FINTAN in prison sure that this would lure Mad Dog Matilda into their hands. But having leapt from the cliff, Mad Dog Matilda was never again seen and FINTAN stayed in his cell, waiting. Now...today... A group of teenagers, on an adventure, turn up in Mad Dog Matilda territory. Not far behind them are their parents in hot pursuit. The kids know they have to keep a low profile, but they still want to explore the town. They see children who are singing a strange nursery rhyme they have never before heard. They are singing "Matilda! Matilda!" They pass an elegant girls school St. Matilda's. What is the connection? Mystified, the teenagers try and find out what this is all about and, along the way, run into the dreadful Mayor and his gang of henchmen. Everyone in the township seems to be a spy or frightened. They keep seeing a curious symbol <><> Our heroes find out about a society called Friends of Fintan. Fintan the dog is now an exhibit in the museum that was once the local jail. Fintan still sits looking up through the grill waiting for his master to return. With parents in hot pursuit of our heroes, they find themselves caught in warring factions between the boy's school: Howard Jean's Memorial, and St. Matilda's. They hear from a local shop-keeper the folk-legend of Mad Dog Matilda, his horse Gert and the ever-faithful Fintan. Apparently, if you find Matilda's skeleton and break a bone, you get a wish. If you break his wishbone you get everything! They discover the skeleton in the bush and their wishes come true, but in a very strange way. They attempt to contact his ghost and discover all he really wants is to be re-united with his dog. Meantime, the mayor and his cronies are going to destroy the museum and build a hyper-market. Fintan must be saved! The hilarious consequence is a night in the museum, trying to save the dog for his master. Aided by all people and dogs of goodwill in the town, they set out to show the mayor that his worst nightmares are in the real world. The mayor and his cronies decide it's safer to head for the hills. In the great joy of the villains being defeated, the town is joined in celebration by the ghost of Mad Dog Matilda, Gert the horse and the ever-faithful FINTAN. Photo Gallery Video Clip