



The Westerly

Queanbeyan West Public School

P&C meets the first Wednesday of every Month at 7.00pm in the Staff Room



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We believe our school delivers a great primary education for the young people of our community. However we are always interested in the views of parents, family and friends as to how well we are providing a quality education for your child.

I invite you to complete and return the short survey you'll find with this newsletter to assist us ensure we continue to offer the best education available.

The survey is confidential and is **due back to school Tuesday 30 October.**

Health and Wellbeing

A Reminder to parents to notify the school about your child's health. We welcome information from parents about your child's health, even if you are not requesting specific support from our school. Our school asks for medical information when you enrol your child. It is also important that you let us know if your child's health care needs change or if a new condition develops.

Information about allergies, medical conditions such as asthma and diabetes and other health care related issues (including prior conditions such as medical procedures in the last 12 months) should be provided to the school by parents.

Please provide this information in writing to the Principal. This will greatly assist our school in planning to support your child's health and wellbeing. We welcome information from parents about your child's health.

Please also remember to notify staff in the school office of any changes to your contact details or to the contact details of your nominated emergency contacts.

We appreciate your assistance in this regard and assure you that any information you provide the school will be stored securely and will only be used or disclosed in order to support your son or daughter's health needs or as otherwise required by law.

Kindergarten 2013

If you have not filled out and returned your enrolment form for Kindergarten next year, please do so as soon as possible.

Dates for our Orientation Program are;

Tuesday 13 November, Thursday 15 November, Tuesday 20 November, Thursday 22 November.

Changes to School Networking

On Thursday and Friday this week, we will be updating our computer system. During this time we will be "off-line" and doing things the old fashioned way! Our phone system will be fully operational.

Selective schools

Are you already thinking about your child's Year 7 placement in a selective school in 2014? Online application and information regarding the process will be available from **Tuesday 16 October 2012.** An application information booklet may be obtained from the front office.

<http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/learning/k-6assessments/shsplacement/index.php>

Morning routines

The students are doing an excellent job of moving to their lines when the bell rings in the morning at 9:15am. Please remember that the teachers are responsible for the children when they are lining up and that parents are not to approach or discipline students.

Lost Property

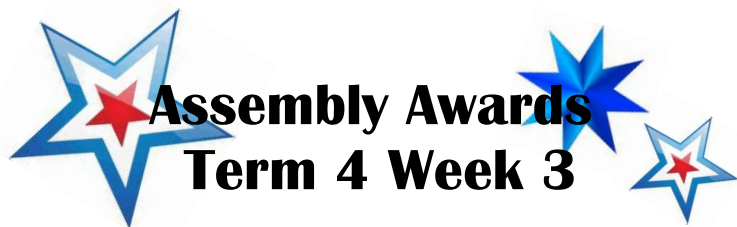
Please ensure that all items of clothing are clearly marked with your child's name. Any clothing left at the end of next week will be laundered and sorted for an upcoming uniform stall. Any summer uniform donations would also be gratefully accepted. The lost property baskets are located outside the Learning Centre.

Have a great week
Vicki Muscat
Principal



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 26/10/12 Leisure Sports begins for Yrs 5 & 6
- 29/10/12 Scholastic Book Fair begins
- 6/11/12 Kinder 2013 Parent Information Night – 7pm in Library
- 7/11/12 P&C Meeting



Assembly Awards Term 4 Week 3

KB: Zara – for her beautiful work in handwriting this week.

Clayton – for his continual engagement in our maths groups activities.

KC: Matthew – trying really hard to stretch out words.

Chloe – working hard in maths groups.

KF: Makayda – always presenting neat work and always working hard.

Seth – a neat, quiet worker who is always pleasant and polite.

KR: Michael – for helping the school support a wonderful cause.

Riley – for always being a kind and caring class member.

K/1M: Mathew – always doing his best work.

Jemma – always being a happy and helpful class member.

1C: Hayley – for displaying excellent manners and great work at all times.

Dasun – for always giving 100 percent.

1/2K: Fraser – excellent efforts in writing.

Emily – excellent efforts in maths.

2M: To be advised.

2N: Ryan – great effort in learning times table.

Mollie – great work in reading groups.

2T: Hayden – excellent effort in maths using Ten frames.

Dijana – for wonderful improvement with her reading and sounds. Well done Dijana, keep it up.

2/3S: Tameeka – keen participation in all areas of work.

K/6R: Aurylin – for fantastic behaviour at swim school.



Great Work!

Positive Behaviour for Success Lucky Leaves WEEK 2 TERM 4

K-2: Inderjit KC, Tali KC, Abby-Rose 1C, Temyka 2T.

3-6: Felicia 4T, Oshan 4/5L, Isabel 4/5L, Ty 5W.

BEFORE SCHOOL READING

Before School Reading is running again this term.

Every Wednesday Morning 8:30am - 9:05am.

See you in the Learning Centre!

Mrs Bedin

WAKAKIRRI DVD ORDERS

The Wakakirri Heats DVD's have been ordered. We expect them to arrive in the coming weeks.

If you wish to purchase the Wakakirri **Finals** DVD then we suggest that you place your order directly from the website (www.wakakirri.com.au). We feel this would be a more efficient process for you.

Remember the finals were held on the 6th September.

Thankyou

Mrs Gayle Doyle

PARKING IN SCHOOL ZONES

As the new school term commences motorists need to be reminded of the importance of parking safely in school zones. Parking unsafely can put children's lives at risk. Please remember to:

- **Park safely even if it means walking further to the school gate;**
- **Observe all parking signs;**
- **Never park on a footpath or nature strip;**
- **Never double park – it puts children at risk.**

It is also important to remind motorists that increased fines and loss of demerit points apply when certain offences are committed in an operating school zone. Please note that Queanbeyan City Council Rangers do take photographs and attach them to all parking fines issued in Queanbeyan.

School zone parking offence and penalty:

OFFENCE	MINIMUM FINE	MINIMUM LOSS OF DEMERIT POINTS
If you stop or park on or near:		
• A pedestrian crossing	\$344	2
• A children's crossing	\$344	2
• Any marked foot crossing	\$344	2
If you double park	\$258	2
If you park on a footpath or nature strip	\$143	2
If you park illegally in a:		
• No Stopping Zone	\$258	2
• No Parking Zone	\$143	2
• Bus Zone	\$258	2

*Please note, these values are higher for provisional drivers and are doubled during designated holiday/long weekend periods

*Source: RMS; Road Safety Issues around Schools, March 2011

Gatherings in the Park

Barnardo's 'gatherings in the park' community BBQ will be held Thursday 25th October at Town Park (Lowe street side). We will have activities for kids including Aboriginal painting, Traditional Indigenous games, jumping castle, sports games, BBQ and a fairy floss machine will be operating free of charge for the afternoon.

'Gatherings in the park' is a great way to network with local services and our local Aboriginal community in a relaxed environment. So bring along any flyers and info to pass around.

For more information contact Hayden Page on: 6124 3800 or 0417 238 173.

Queanbeyan Nature Reserve Community Day.

On Saturday November 10 from 11am to 1pm Park Rangers and ecologists will be at Queanbeyan Nature Reserve to share the natural wonder of the reserve.

For example there are endangered earless dragons, endangered daisies and other interesting native species in the reserve.

There will also be a free sausage sizzle and information displays and a guided walk heads off at 11.30am. Further down the track Parks, Landcare, and an organisation called Kosciuszko to Coast (or K2C) will do works to re-vegetate parts of the reserves and at that

time students may like to be involved, either to study the progress or to get dirty and help with plantings.

Schools as Community Centres

Positive Approaches to Pees/Poos for children with additional needs with Pelvic Floor physiotherapist Irmira Nahon (PhD). Workshop is FREE, dinner is provided. 6pm at SaCC in the grounds of Queanbeyan PS, Isabella St, Thurs 25th Oct.

Brain Gym information session 6pm Wed 24th Oct at SaCC. Have you ever wondered what Brain Gym is and how it can help your child prepare for learning? Come along to our free information session presented by Brain Gym facilitator Wendy Imrie. Dinner provided. More info or to register for either of the sessions contact Brooke on 6297 2167.

QWPS BOOK FAIR

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It's a Reading Celebration!

Monday 29 October – Friday 2 November 2012

Family Event: Thursday 1 November 2012
3.30pm – 6.30pm



Come along to our jewellery-making craft day. Learn about gemstones & make your own necklace & earrings. Hear about SaCC & how you can join our programs.

Sorry, no childcare available, however children are welcome at the centre. They cannot participate in jewellery making due to safety reasons though there will other be activities for them on the day.

Where: SaCC, in the grounds of Queanbeyan PS, Isabella St

When: Wed 24th Oct 12-3pm

Places strictly limited.

Contact Brooke to reserve your place **6297 2167.**



Family Photos are still available from the Front Office. \$8 each and all money goes to P&C fundraising.

Term 4 2012 Queanbeyan West Public School

Term Four	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT / SUN
Week 1	8 October	9 October	10 October	11 October	12 October	13 14 Oct
2	15 October World of Maths	16 October World of Maths K-2 Rugby Clinic	17 October	18 October	19 October	20 21 Oct
3	22 October	23 October K-2 Rugby Clinic	24 October	25 October	26 October Leisure Sports	27 28 Oct
4	29 October Book Fair Week	30 October K-2 Rugby Clinic	31 October 6D Science Fair	1 November Book Fair Family Event 3.30pm – 6.30pm	2 November Leisure Sports	3 4 Nov
5	5 November	6 November 2013 Kinder Parent Evening SRC Talent Quest	7 November SRC Talent Quest 5/6B Science Fair P&C Meeting	8 November SRC Talent Quest	9 November Leisure Sports	10 11 Nov
6	12 November	13 November Kinder Orientation 9.30am Parent Helper Afternoon Tea	14 November	15 November Wear Red SRC Fundraiser Kinder Orientation 9.30am	16 November Leisure Sports	17 18 Nov
7	19 November	20 November Kinder Orientation 12.30pm	21 November	22 November Kinder Orientation 12.30pm	23 November Leisure Sports Yr 6 Mini Fete	24 25 Nov
8	26 November	27 November	28 November	29 November	30 November Leisure Sports	1 2 Dec
9	3 December	4 December Presentation Day	5 December P&C	6 December	7 December Roll-a-thon	8 9 Dec
10	10 December	11 December	12 December Reports Home Year 6 Farewell	13 December	14 December	15 16 Dec
11	17 December School Concert	18 December	19 December Last Day T4	20 December SDD	21 December SDD	22 23 Dec
Hols	24 December	25 December	26 December	27 December	28 December	29 30 Dec

55 Days for Teachers
Year 2012 203 Days for Teachers

53 Days for Students
198 Days for Students