

Value of the Week – Safety –

Safety is about looking after yourself and others. It means doing things that will keep everyone safe. This includes our day to day interactions and also using technology.



Behaviour Expectations

Queanbeyan West Public School enjoys a strong partnership with the school community. As a school, we support and reinforce the values you teach your children, in order for them to be safe, respectful and responsible citizens.

School rules are clearly defined and keeping within such boundaries enables teachers to teach and students to learn in a safe and happy environment.

PBS FOCUS Week 6 – Term 4

Respect

Play in your own space
Share equipment fairly
Wait for the teacher

Responsibility

Return equipment
Show sportsmanship
Use equipment in correct area.

Safety

Stay in bounds
Follow game rules
Play safely

PBS (Positive Behaviour for Success) is a process to improve academic and behavioural outcomes for students. Queanbeyan West Public School has been involved in PBS for a number of years. We are in the process of introducing PBS fully into the Classrooms. PBS is an approach to enhancing the capacity of schools to educate all children by developing research based, school wide, and classroom discipline systems. Many schools in Australia and overseas have a PBS approach.

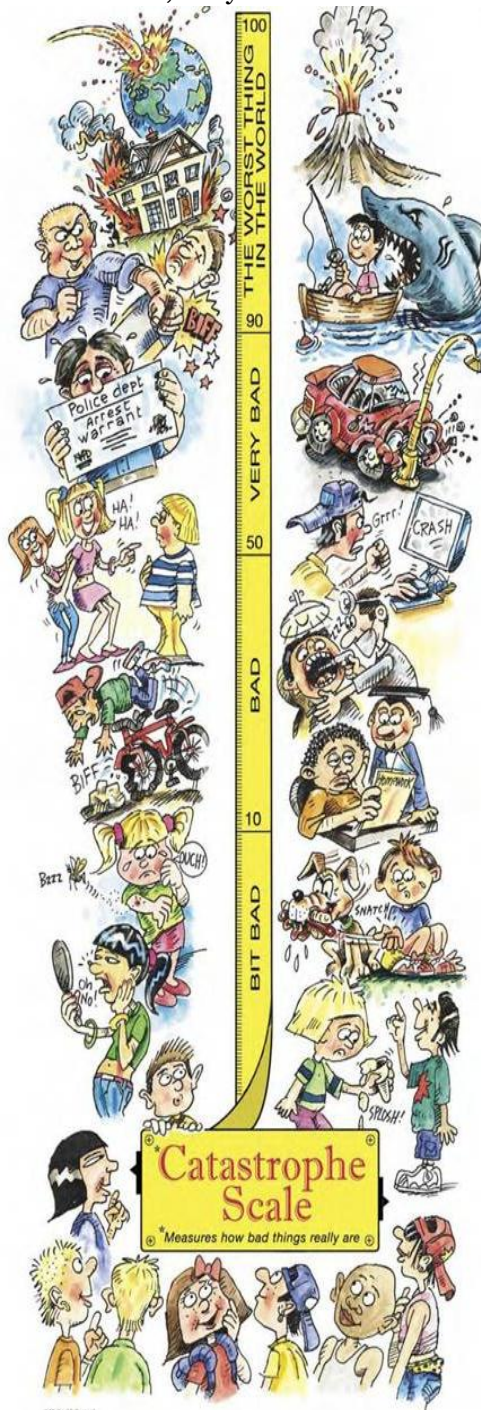
The process focuses on improving the school's ability to teach and support positive behaviour for all students. Rather than a prescribed program, PBS provides systems for schools to design, implement, and evaluate effective school-wide, classroom, non-classroom, and student specific discipline plans.



PBS includes school-wide procedures and processes intended for:

- . ALL students, ALL staff and in ALL settings
- . Non-classroom settings within the school environment such as walkways and the hall
- . Individual classrooms and teachers
- . Individual student supports for the estimated 3-7% of students who present the most challenging behaviours.

A scale such as this enables people to see how, under stress, they blow the stressful event out of



proportion and make it worse than it is. We often react to minor stress as strongly as, if not more than, to more serious events. If you do, join the club. It's human nature.

However, repeated high intensity reactions can harm our physical and mental health. Try to develop, over time, the capacity to detach and look at your problems "from 30,000 feet."

Appropriate humour under stress is regarded as one of the most mature and effective coping strategies of all because it involves this often times demanding ability to detach and take life less seriously.

Staffing News

Congratulations to **Miss Leanne Wade** on her fulltime appointment to Queanbeyan West Public School. A well-deserved and welcomed appointment.

School Messages

As mentioned in last week's newsletter planning for 2013 has begun. To assist we need to know if

there is any relevant information pertaining to your child's class placement for next year. If so I ask that you put in writing any special request you may have and attention it to me.

This information informs our decisions but does not determine our decisions.

Additionally if you know that your child is leaving us at the end of 2012 we would like to know as early as possible. 1 or 2 students can make a difference in our allocation of teachers for the school.

SRC Fundraiser

Last week we were entertained on Tuesday and Wednesday with the SRC Talent Quest. They raised \$175.00 for The Heart Foundation. I was totally amazed at how talented and brave our students are. Congratulations to all participants.

Wear Red

On Thursday 15 November the school will hold a 'Red Day' fundraiser to raise money for the Heart Foundation research. All students and staff are invited to participate and are asked to donate a gold coin.

Have a great week
Vicki Muscat
Principal



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 14/11/12 Good Effort Afternoon Tea
- 15/11/12 Kinder Orientation – 9.30am
- 15/11/12 Wear Red –SRC Fundraiser.
- 16/11/12 Leisure Sports
- 20/11/12 Kinder Orientation – 12.30pm
- 22/11/12 Kinder Orientation – 12.30pm
- 24/11/12 Super Saturday at Queanbeyan High
- 30/11/12 Leisure Sports
- 4/12/12 Presentation Day
- 7/12/12 Roll-a-thon
- 12/12/12 Year 6 Farewell
- 17/12/12 School Concert

Positive Behaviour for Success Lucky Leaves WEEK 5 TERM 4

K-2: Chloe KC, Jemma K/1M, Christine K/6R, Bradley 2M.

3-6: Thomas 3W, Josif 4T, Rochelle 5W, Tenille 5/6B.

Assembly Awards Term 4 Week 6

KB: Adam – for continually trying his best to follow all the school values.

Olivia – for always trying her best in all aspects of her school work.

KC: Thomas – being an independent worker at all times.

Isabella – always completing her work efficiently.

KF: Mia – for her enthusiasm in all school activities.

Tyler – for showing responsible behaviour.

KR: To be advised.

K/1M: Riley – a big effort in all writing tasks.

Benny – an improved attitude to learning.

1C: Alysha – for learning the friends of ten and always showing outstanding manners.

Nathan – for really trying his best at all times.

1/2K: Ritik – staying on task and being organised.

Georgia – being a responsible class member.

2M: Jasmine – reading aloud beautifully and with expression.

Tyler Walls – for settling in well at Queanbeyan West Public School.

2T: Ethan – for consistent efforts in all areas. Well done.

Emma – for an excellent explanation on a Mosquitos Life Cycle.

2/3S: Michael – enthusiastic participation in maths activities.

K/6R: Ryan – excellent Mathletics work.

Fantastic!

There are some Family Photos taken earlier in the year that may be viewed at the Front Office. \$8 each and all money goes to P&C fundraising.



Good Effort Afternoon Tea

Students who have received 30 Good Effort Cards will be having afternoon tea with Mrs Muscat at 1.10pm on Wednesday 14 November. Congratulations to the following students:



Mary-Therese	K/6H
Angus	K/6H
Jorja	KC
Thomas	KC
Emily	KC
Tali	KC
Ava	KC
Baltazar	KF
Mia	KF
Kiara	KF
William	KF
Charlotte	KF
Abby-Rose	1C
Georgia	1C
Mastura	1C
Edu	1C
Katie	1C
Dasun	1C
Alysha	1C
Fraser	1/2K
Amelia	2M
Anna	2N
Mollie	2N
Amy	2T
Kiara	2T
Ethan	2T
Temyka	2T
Bradley	2T
Hayden	2T
Alana	2T
Emma	2T
Michael	2T
Ross	3W
Elijah	3W
Kennedy	3W
Masen	3W
Brodie	3W
Alexander	3W
Eve	3W
Hailie	3W
Mia	4T
Eligh	4T
Fariyah	4T
Cassidy	5W

Hats

The school has a policy of 'no hat – play in the shade'.

Hats may be purchased from the front office at a cost of \$7.00.

BOOK FAIR – THANK YOU

What a great Book Fair; teachers were kept very busy and the students' excitement was great to see.

Thank you to all of our parents, students and teachers who supported the fair by buying books, and to Mrs Nolan, Mrs Kenningham, Mrs Chapman, Mrs Bladen, and Mrs Flowers who kindly gave of their time to help at the fair.

We raised approximately \$900, which is being used to update part of our geography section and purchase a number of popular student fiction and non-fiction books, including an extra set of the Diary of a Wimpy Kid series. Back orders for books have been finalised for all but 3 students who have been informed that their books should arrive later this week.

Chris Lumley
Teacher Librarian

Second Hand Uniform Stall

A second hand uniform stall will be held next week on Tuesday 20 and Thursday 22 November from 2.30pm to 3.30pm in the Junior undercover area. There will be a 50cent sale on all winter items (excluding jackets with school emblem still priced at \$5), so take advantage and stock up early for next year. We would still greatly appreciate any summer uniform donations that are clean and in good condition. These can be made at the front office. Assistance in running the stall is always appreciated, so if you have a little time to spare, please call Paula Adcock on: 0408 185 116. Thanks

On Sunday 11 November Sophie and Chelsea along with Mrs Muscat represented the school at the Remembrance Day Service in Queanbeyan.

**Queanbeyan High School
Parent Orientation Evening
for parents and Year 6 students
Tuesday 20 November 2012
6.00pm until 7.00pm
in the School Learning Centre located
at the top of J Block.**

SUPER SATURDAY

24 November 10.30am to 1.30pm

Students and families of Year 5 & 6 are invited to the days' events and to participate in classes. The activities are free and a BBQ lunch will conclude the day. Subject selection sheets have been issued to students and should be returned to school by Friday 16 November.

Any questions please call Queanbeyan High School on 6297 2088.

Community Event – Surf Safety

Presenter: Dr Ripp talking about "The Science of Surf" (basically surf safety)

When: Thursday 29th November

Time: 6:30pm

Where: St Gregory's School Hall, Molonglo Street, QBN

Cost: Gold coin donation

www.scienceofthesurf.com <<http://www.scienceofthesurf.com>

> (if you would like to check it out first for more info)

All (parents & children) welcome, especially if you are holiday makers to the South Coast.

School Magazine Order

Student _____

Class _____

☐ Yes I would like to order _____ copies of the 2012 Queanbeyan West Public School Magazine.

Schools as Community Centres

White Ribbon Day Thurs 15th Nov – a stall will be held at Riverside Plaza with a display of artwork and information, with White Ribbons also on sale. Come down to the stall and say 'no' to violence towards women.



**Family Fun Day at Queanbeyan Park
Saturday 24 November 2012
10am – 5pm.**