

Stranger Danger

It is important that we remind students constantly of the importance of not speaking to strangers. They need to be continually reminded about not speaking to someone who stops in a car to talk to them. There was an incident last week in Queanbeyan where a student was approached. Students have been spoken to about this by staff at school but we just need to have this reinforced at home.

Important Road Safety Message



Just a reminder that when students are crossing the road they need to wait for the teacher to cross them safely. It is important that students only cross at the designated school crossings.

Let's Bag a Book

This week for "Book Week" in Week 6 students have been assigned a homework task to read a book and then place into a paper bag (which has been supplied) 5 items relating to the book. Students are encouraged to be creative and make some of the items. Mrs Hastings in the library has demonstrated to the students examples of what they could do. Students will then be required to do a speech to their class about the book they have chosen and explain the items. Students will also need to decorate their bag with the title of



the book as well as some illustrations relating to the book.

A peer support session will also be organised next week where the students can share their "bags" with their peer support buddies. We encourage students to share with their family the activity and have fun completing the task.

Financial Literacy in Schools

Last week Ms Cathryn Rodgers and myself attended a conference in Adelaide regarding financial literacy. We have been successful in our application to be a trial school for this program. The program involves teaching students Kindergarten to Year 6 units of work relating to money. It is all about being "Money Smart".

Have a great week
Carlyn Bladen
Relieving Principal



Queanbeyan Performing Arts Festival and Wakakirri

Last Tuesday night saw the culmination of many weeks of hard work and dedication from the QWPS Dance group. Miss Thompson has once again choreographed an incredible dance story. After two performances at the Canberra Theatre for the Combined Queanbeyan Schools Performing Arts Festival, we ventured back again to compete in the National Wakakirri Story Dance competition. The children gave three outstanding performances. We are anxiously awaiting the decision whether we have advanced to the finals for Wakakirri.

Thank you to all the parents and staff who have assisted with this huge production. There has been tireless energy spent to source, staple and sew costume materials which truly looked amazing on stage. Very special thanks must go to Juanita Wolf and Sharon Siciliano for coordinating

the making of our costumes. A very special thankyou also goes to Natalie Bradley who donated the hair products and did an amazing job with the dancers' hair. Our local L.J Hooker and Buckley's Real Estate businesses donated all the signs used for the Musical Notes costumes. In addition, Leader Graphics very kindly cut every single one to size.

Our amazing Elva Wright was responsible for the construction and painting of our awesome props. Finally, special thanks must also go to our incredible backstage crew. They may not have been under the lights but they were incredibly busy behind the props and were instrumental to the success of our performance.

There will be DVD order forms sent home this week for both performances.

STOP PRESS

WELL DONE - Wakakirri dancers – you have made the Canberra Finals – next performance to be held in September (date to be advised)

Gayle Doyle - Organiser



Mathletics Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have received awards from the Mathletics Foundation for outstanding Achievement in Mathletics.

Elijah
Rachel
Emma
Molly
Ibrahim



KB: James – for improved work habits.

Manu – for having the most amazing factual news items.

KC: Chloe – trying hard in all areas.

Matthew – always being safe, respectful and responsible.

KF: Tanya – for always being a cheerful member of our class.

William – for great participation in literacy groups.

KR: Ms Rodgers has been absent this week so next week we will celebrate 4 students from KR.

K/1M: Blake – for being an outstanding home reader.

Riley – making a big effort to finish all of her work.

1C: Hayley – excellent story writing.

Tyler – great reading.

1/2K: Logan – excellent behaviour in class.

Angus – for lovely work in class.

2M: Hector – for completing excellent work on narratives.

Jasmine – for trying hard to listen and concentrate in class.

2N: Amy – fantastic work ethics and being a responsible SRC member.

Charlie – fantastic work ethics.

2T: Sophie-Lee – for excellent effort in producing her thinking and feeling verbs.

Ethan – for excellent effort in number and being a super worker in maths.

2/3S: Tameeka – great reading response.

Good Work!

Positive Behaviour for Success **Lucky Leaves**

WEEK 4 TERM 3

K-2: Luke 1/2K, Jasmine K/1M, Keegan 2M, Vishavjit 2N.

3-6: Jesse 5W, Abigail 5/6B, Luke 5/6B, Seamus 6D.

DONATIONS NEEDED

The office is in need of some small track pants for children who need to have a change of clothes. If you have any pants at home that your child has outgrown we would appreciate them for our emergency clothing pool.



Thanks!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

23/8/12 DISCO
27/8/12 K-2 visit to Queanbeyan Library
30/8/12 K-2 visit to Queanbeyan Library
5/9/12 P&C Meeting
7/9/12 Year 4 Warrambui Excursion
12/9/12 Mogo Excursion

P&C News

FATHERS DAY STALL

Dear Friends & Families,

We have taken care of Father's Day for you this year, on Wednesday 29th August 2012, the P&C will be holding a Father's Day Stall in the Hall. Classes will be taken to the Hall throughout the day, and parents are invited to drop by and have a look at our stock when you pick up the kids in the afternoon. We have heaps of stock, and nothing is over \$10.

See you there!



Dear Family and Friends,

Our Chocolate and Plant fundraisers are nearing a close.

Thank you to the many families who have already returned their money. For those that have not - could you please complete your fundraising and return your money to the front office, by tomorrow **Wednesday 15th August 2012**.

Thank you once again for your support.

Kind regards,
Teresa Rivers
Fundraising Coordinator
QWPS P&C



BEFORE SCHOOL READING

Before School Reading is running again this term.
Every Wednesday Morning 8:30am - 9:05am.
See you in the (warm and cosy) Learning Centre!
Mrs Bedin

Can You Assist?

We are looking for a senior community member (perhaps a grandparent or great grandparent) to come and visit Stage 1 to talk about their life in the past. We are looking for someone who might bring along a couple of interesting objects from the past and to share a few memories of what life was like when they were young.

If you can help, please leave a message for Mrs Moss at the office.

**Family Photos may be viewed at the Front Office.
\$8 each and all money goes to P&C fundraising**



HATS

Our school has a policy of 'no hat - play in the shade'. Please encourage your child to wear their school hat. Hats may be purchased from the front office at a cost of \$7.00.

School Disco



Queanbeyan West Public School
P&C Committee will be holding a
School Disco on **Thursday 23rd
August 2012** in the School Hall.

**\$3 Entry Fee to all students.
(Payable at the door on the night)**

The Canteen will be in operation selling
Drinks, Snacks and Glow Sticks.

Please note this Disco is for Queanbeyan
West Public School Students **ONLY** and
you must attend your designated time
slot.

**Kindergarten, Yr 1 & Yr 2
Students
5:15pm – 6:30pm**

**Year 3,4,5 & 6 Students -
6:45pm – 8:00pm**

There will be a DJ there with the latest
age appropriate music and there will also
be games and giveaways.

There will be supervision from School
Teachers on the night for children
attending the Disco.
Children will not be allowed to leave the
hall at the end of the disco without an
adult to collect them.

Volunteers are needed for the night to run
the canteen, If you are able to help at all
Please contact Robyn Sliwinski on 0432
039 370 or leave a message for me at the
front office.

JERRABOMBERRA DISTRICT SOFTBALL

Season 12/13 commences Saturday, 20 October
2012 at the Mawson Playing Fields.

Registration Days will be held on:

Saturday, 18 August 2012

Jerra Tavern (outside) 10:00am to 1:00pm

Saturday, 25 August 2012

Jerra Tavern (outside) 10:00am to 1:00pm

Saturday, 1 September 2012

Riverside Plaza 10:00am to 1:00pm

Saturday, 8 September 2012

Riverside Plaza 10:00am to 1:00pm

For further details please contact: Greg on 0409
130 555

WEEKEND PLAYGROUP

Weekend Playgroup for families with children 0-8
years - **Saturday 25th August 2-4pm** at the
Schools as Community Centres in the grounds of
Queanbeyan Public School, Isabella St.

For family members who don't normally come to
playgroup - working parents, grandparents,
aunties, uncles, other siblings...come and see
what SaCC is about. Cost \$2 and a piece of fruit
to share at snack time.

A Positive Parenting Program

A Positive Parenting Program will begin at SaCC
on 30th August from 12-2pm and will run for 5
weeks. If you are interested, please register with
Brooke 6297 2167.

Triple P is a course for parents who would like
additional information and support to manage
children's behaviour. The program aims to
prevent behavioural, emotional and
developmental problems in children by enhancing
the knowledge, skills, and confidence of parents.

Queanbeyan District Basketball Association.

Players Wanted

Friday Night Social Basketball Competition

Kindy-Yr2 & Yr 3-4.

Teams require new or existing players for Term 3

If interested, please email Rosie at

pete35@tpg.com.au for further information

or come along to the Basketball Stadium -

Southbar Rd on Friday night from 5.30pm

"No one has yet fully realised the wealth of sympathy,
kindness and generosity hidden in the soul of a child.
The effort of every true education should be to unlock
that treasure". Emma Goldman - Author