



New Curriculum

Next Year will see the introduction of the new curriculum in English at Queanbeyan West and a transition to Mathematics which will be fully implemented in 2015. Then in 2015 and 2016 we also introduce Science and History.

New South Wales has joined with the Australian Government and all other states and territories to develop an Australian Curriculum. The Board of Studies NSW has developed new K-10 syllabuses for English, Mathematics, Science (incorporating Science and Technology K-6) and History that incorporate agreed Australian Curriculum content.

This year the teachers at school have been engaged in Professional Development to prepare for the introduction of the English curriculum next year. In English, students learn to read, write, speak, listen, view and represent language. They learn about the English language and literature, how language varies according to context, and how to communicate to a range of audiences for different purposes. They learn to read for information and pleasure. They learn about poetry, novels, plays and visual texts. They gain a sound grasp of language structures, punctuation, spelling and grammar. They learn to think in ways that are imaginative, creative and critical.

The important focus in Education is to prepare students to be learners for the 21st Century.

Leisure Sports

This Friday October 25 will be the first session of Leisure Sports for the students in Year 5 and Year 6. The bus will depart school at 9.30am to travel to the M Power Dome. They will return to school by 11.25am. It would be appreciated if payments for Leisure Sports could be finalised this week. If there are any

difficulties with this can you please contact the front office.

Kinder 2014 Enrolments

We are currently planning for Kindergarten Orientation. If you have a child, who will be turning 5 before 30 July, 2014 and you are intending to enrol them for next year, please complete an application form and return it to the office as soon as possible. A reminder also that the **Kindergarten Parent Information Night is going to be held in the School Library on Tuesday 19 November starting at 6.30pm.**



Pink Morning Tea

Today the teachers at school are celebrating Breast Cancer Awareness by having a morning tea to raise money. Usually the staff brings in "Pink Food" but this year we have decided to dress in pink.

Mr Hardy and Mr Sedunary have embraced the challenge and look

dashing today in their pink suits!!

SRC Representatives

Last week at the Junior and Senior assembly the new SRC representatives were given their badges. We welcome these students to the SRC. In their role they will attend the SRC meetings on Mondays where they discuss issues they would like to raise on behalf of their class. Last week at the SRC meeting the students talked about organising a handball competition when the new courts are ready in the middle playground.

SRC Representatives for Semester 2

Peer Support

This week in Peer Support students will be looking at ways to show respect for others. They will discuss the different rights students have at school and how students can support each other in respecting these rights. They will also develop strategies for responding positively in different situations.

Peer Support will be at 2.00pm on Tuesdays now that Swim School has finished.

Road Safety

The crossings on Morton Street and Richard Avenue are supervised every afternoon. It is very much appreciated that as adults, we model appropriate behaviour when exiting the school. It may take an extra minute or two, but it is important that you use the crossings, with your child in the afternoon. Walking out of the Richard Avenue 'big gates' and walking across the road is dangerous, as is walking out of the front gates on Morton Street gate and crossing there, this puts our children at risk, so your cooperation is very much appreciated.

Have a great week
Carlyn Bladen
Relieving Principal



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

25/10/13	Leisure Sports for Yrs 5 & 6
30/10/13	Milo T20 Blast Cup Cricket
31/10/13	Count Us In Music
01/11/13	Leisure Sports for Yrs 5 & 6
6/11/13	P&C Meeting
19/11/13	Kinder 2014 Parent Info Night-6.30pm
26/11/13	Kinder Orientation 9.30am – 12.30pm
28/11/13	Kinder Orientation 9.30am – 12.30pm
3/12/13	Kinder Orientation 12.30pm – 3.00pm
5/12/13	Kinder Orientation 12.30pm – 3.00pm
10/12/13	School Presentation Day
11/12/13	Year 6 Farewell

Junior Assembly Awards

Term 4 Week 3

Host: KC Item: KC

(this week held under the COLA,
commencing 12.10pm)

KC: Danny – excellent home reading.

Marlie – great efforts in writing.

KK: Lily – excellent on-task behaviour.

Ella – improving handwriting.

KM: Aadi – excellent work in the engine room.

Coral-Lee – always trying hard to complete all tasks.

K/1N: Dylan – great word writing.

Joseph – trying hard with his writing.

Molly-Mae – trying hard with her writing.

1B: Jacinta – working hard to improve in all areas. Great effort in reading and writing.

Matthew – for a great attitude to learning.

1W: Mia – working consistently in all areas.

Olivia – working well in reading groups.

1/2C: Spencer – working hard to present his best work and manners.

Clay – excellent manners and listening to instructions.

2T: Nathan – wonderful effort in grammar.

Katelin – excellent effort in grammar.

Fabulous!



Book club orders due back Friday 25 October. No late orders accepted. Thank you.

School 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 - thank you.



Positive Behaviour for Success Lucky Leaves Week 2 Term 4

K-2: Eleigha KC, Annalise KK, Rayesha K/1N, Beau K/1N, Sienna K/1N, Samuel 2T.

3-6: Sarah 3H, Shakeya 3T, Marcus 3T, Mitchell 4/5W, Braeden 5R, Abigail 6D



School Banking Keep saving to win more Dollarmites' treasure in Term 4!

A fantastic competition for the School Banking Program is running in Term 4. Students simply need to make two or more School Banking deposits **from 21 October to 30 November, regardless of the value.** They will then be automatically entered into the competition.

Treasure Chest prizes:

60 x Apple iPod touch 16GB

100 x Adventure DVD Pack including Despicable Me, Despicable Me 2 and HOP.

Family Photos

The Portrait Gallery took a number of student family photos earlier in the year in Term 1. You may view these at the front office until the end of term. The photos are \$8 and all money collected goes directly into school funds.

This year we had 60 students participate in the NSW Department of Education School Swimming and Water Safety Program. We watched students grow in confidence and strength in the water every day. Students learned and practised new skills in the water and participated in water safety talks and procedures.

All the students were very well behaved and it was an absolute pleasure to take keen, energetic respectful, responsible and safe students to the Queanbeyan Aquatic Centre.

A special thanks to all the staff who came along and helped with teaching, coordinating and assisting students at the pool.

Until Next Year,

Yours in Swimming,
Miss Thompson



Our whole school rules are:

RESPECT - Be caring and polite

SAFETY - Be safe and learn

RESPONSIBILITY - Be accountable

Schools as Community Centres News

The Queanbeyan Baby/Kids Market and Expo will be held **this Saturday 26th Oct** with stalls selling second hand baby/kids clothes and toys, local businesses, local services and sporting clubs, live demonstrations including baby/toddler yoga and baby massage, and activities for the kids and family – BBQ, cake stalls, jumping castle, face painting, a magician and more.

Come along on the day for lots of fun, or to book a stall please contact Leanne on 0437 261 461 or qbnp@pandcaffiliate.org.au.

Toddler Yoga is held on Tuesday afternoons 1:45pm at SaCC, in the grounds of Queanbeyan PS. \$10 per session, for more information contact Brooke 6297 2167.

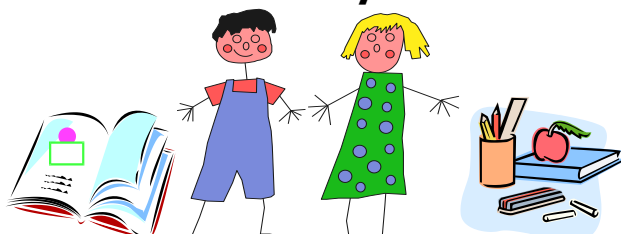
Queanbeyan ASD Support Group invites all parents of children in primary school or going to Kindergarten next year to its next meeting, Friday 8th Nov, 12pm at the Schools as Community Centres building, Queanbeyan PS, Isabella Street. Come along to meet other parents who will be going to your school next year, and celebrate the journey these families have made this year. More information Brooke 6297 2167.

Queanbeyan West Public School

Kindergarten 2014

Parent Information Night

Tuesday 19 November 2013
starting at 6.30pm in the School Library.



Any enquiries phone: 6297 2020

**School Assemblies will be held under
the COLA again this week.**

Assembly under the COLA!

UP TO DATE CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have changed your contact details, either address or phone numbers please let the office know so we can update our records. It is important that we are able to contact you regarding your child especially when your child is in sick bay. Thanks