



### Welcome Back To School

**Welcome back to  
school for Term 4.**

Term 4 is shaping up to  
being a busy one, not that

the other terms were quiet!

Please ensure that you read our newsletter on a regular basis as it is our main source of information for special events occurring in our school.

Things to look forward to – The Intensive Swimming Scheme, Movie Night, Kinder Orientation, Walk and Roll-a-Thon, voting for school captains for 2014, finalising assessments, student reports, Presentation Day, Year 6 Farewell and Carols.

I will be on Long Service Leave from Tuesday 8 October – Friday 25 October. Ms Bladen will relieve me. Mrs Moss will relieve as Assistant Principal Support, Ms Rodgers will relieve Ms Bladen as Assistant Principal. Mrs Ware will take 4B. Mrs Blanchard will also be on leave until 22 October. Mrs Kenyon will be on leave this week and Miss Rombouts will take her class.

We welcome back Ms Chapman and Ms Wardlaw from their leave.

#### “What Style”

The What Style Performance will now be at our school this **coming Friday, 11 October 2013** and not the 24 October as previously indicated. There will be two performances on the day. Students attending the swimming scheme will be going to the 10am show so they don't miss out.

#### Spelling Bee 2013

On Wednesday 18 September, I was lucky enough to travel to Batemans Bay for the annual Spelling Bee Competition.

It was a marvellous day and our juniors started us off. Chloe and Reuban were ready to spell and spell they did!! Our representatives produced outstanding results, with Chloe making it to the final 11 and Reuban to the final 5.

It was then time for the seniors to take the stage, Rachel and Luke. Rachel and Luke made it look effortless, however the words got more and more complex, amazingly complex!!! Rachel competed hard and was unfortunately knocked out after the 3<sup>rd</sup> round. Luke held on until after the 4<sup>th</sup> round and even then only made a tiny error. Great results, well done.

It was a truly great day to be a part of. I would like to thank the parents and grandparents who took the time to transport their children to the competition and support them throughout the day.

Sportsmanship was truly visible throughout the competition, with all students and parents from many different schools supporting and encouraging one another. What a wonderful thing to see and be a part of!

Well done Spellers, you represented our school beautifully!!

Ms Rodgers

#### Peer Support

This week in Peer Support the students participated in activities helping them identify and accept differences in other people. Students will also identify ways they can demonstrate being caring through their actions. Discuss with your child the importance of accepting differences in other people. Perhaps take the time to identify and discuss various differences people may have e.g; appearance, religion, culture, disabilities. Ask your child to share the qualities they appreciate in their friends.

syllabus.

Since the beginning of this year, teachers have been participating in professional development focusing on how to implement the new elements of the syllabus.

Providing teaching and learning opportunities for students to work with **multi-modal texts**, is an important part of the new syllabus. A **multi-modal text** uses a combination of two or more communication modes, for example, print, image, spoken texts, computer presentations or film. The use of technology is highlighted in the syllabus.

Teachers have designed units of work incorporating the use of **multi-modal texts**.

### End of Financial Year

The school's end of financial year is on Friday, 30 November. Please ensure if you are intending on paying any school contributions, excursion or performance fees for 2013 that they are paid before this date.

The school office will be unable to receipt any money on Friday, 30 November or on Monday, 3 December while the end of financial year rollover is underway.

### Canteen Volunteers

The canteen is in need of volunteers to help out in Term 4. As a volunteer you will assist the Canteen Manager in preparing, selling and serving food to our students. It's a great way to be involved in your child's school, meet other parents and the children love to see someone familiar behind the counter! You don't need to be tied down to regular shifts - once a week, once a month or once a year, your help would be appreciated for whatever time you can spare even if it is only for one or two hours. You can also help out before school by making toast. Please call in and speak to Di or phone the canteen on 6297 3770. Alternatively, you can send a note in with your child with your name, contact number and availability. We look forward to hearing from you.

Have a great week

Vicki Muscat

Principal



### No Hat, Play in the Shade!!

All students are expected to wear their school hats when out in the playground in Term 4. This term our 'No hat, play in the shade' policy will be strictly adhered to. Please ensure your child's school hat is clearly labelled with their name!



ENGLISH  
K-10  
SYLLABUS

The NSW English K-10 syllabus for the Australian curriculum will be implemented next year.

The new English syllabus incorporates much of the current English K-6

### Positive Behaviour for Success

#### Lucky Leaves

#### Week 10 Term 3

**K-2:** Chellsea KC, Annalise KK, Jemma 1B, Danielle 1B, Brodie K/6H, Anthony K/6R.

**3-6:** Nataliya 3B, Kyaan 3H, Fraser 3T, Bradley 3T, Georgia 5R

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

08/10/13 School Swimming Scheme begins  
11/10/13 At School Performance "What Style"  
25/10/13 Leisure Sports for Yrs 5 & 6  
6/11/13 P&C Meeting

## **No Junior Assembly this week due to "What Style" performance show.**

### **CHANGE OF DATE – SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION – QUEANBEYAN**

We talk about seven year old children as beginning to understand the concept of reason, meaning, and understanding and the concept of right and wrong and how our sins can affect our lives and other people's lives. A growing trend in the Archdiocese is that children are now being prepared for the First Reconciliation in Year 3 instead of Year 2. I have also moved preparation for Reconciliation to fit in line with the season of Lent when the sacrament should be celebrated. Therefore, all activities in preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will commence in early 2014. The sacrament of First Eucharist will be celebrated in Year 4. If you have already registered your child, please disregard the original schedule of events you have downloaded from our website. A new "SCHEDULE OF EVENTS" is at our website for downloading.

For those parents who haven't registered their child, please proceed with the registration and payment, via our website at [www.stgregorysparishqueanbeyan.com](http://www.stgregorysparishqueanbeyan.com) <<http://www.stgregorysparishqueanbeyan.com>>. Please register your child before the 21 February 2014. A late fee of \$20 will apply for any late applications.

Please call or email the parish office on 62994611 if you have any queries in regards to this matter. Our apologies for any inconvenience this 'rescheduling' may have caused.

### **The What Style! Show**

I give permission for my child/ren to attend The What Style! Performance this **Friday 11 October 2013**. I enclose \$5.00 per child. Please return note and money to classroom teacher. If you took the opportunity to pay for all the performances in one payment at the beginning of the year, this performance is already covered.

This is a musical performance that combines live music with Gillian Eastoe's vibrant personality. The show uses music, song, rhyme, props, costumes and involves full student participation.

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Class: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Card Holder's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternatively, a credit card authorisation can be given by telephone to the Front Office on 6297 2020

**Our whole school rules are**  
**RESPECT - Be caring and polite**  
**SAFETY - Be safe and learn**  
**RESPONSIBILITY - Be accountable**

# What's on @ SaCC Term 4, 2013

**Playgroup 9:30am-11:30am Tuesdays & Wednesdays** at SaCC. All welcome! Session is \$2 & a piece of fruit. At playgroup we have craft time, story time, music time, snack time & free play.

**Kindy Gym** 10am for 2yr olds, 11:15am for 3-5yr olds & 12:15pm for children with special needs. Sessions run on **Mondays**. Cost is \$2 & bring a snack for break time. Trained gymnastics teachers run these fun sessions to music.

**Transition to School Playgroup** 9:30am-11:30am **Thursdays** at SaCC. All children starting school next year are welcome. Session is \$2 & bring your recess for snack time. Transition Playgroup is facilitated by a teacher from Noah's Ark and we focus on skills children need to get ready for school.

**Multicultural Playgroup** 9:30am-11:30am **Fridays** at SaCC. All welcome! Session is \$2 & a piece of fruit. A multilingual worker attends the sessions regularly. We focus on language skills & play, arts & crafts & we have story & music time.

SaCC is located in the grounds of Queanbeyan PS on Isabella Street. Contact Brooke 6297 2167.

## Also at SaCC this term:

**Reading Tree every 2nd Thursday** starting 17th Oct, 10:30am at **Queanbeyan Town Park**

**Autism Support Group for Transition to School** 8th Nov 12pm

**Young Parents Group**

**Wednesdays 11am at Axis**

**Canteen visit (TTS) 24th Oct**

**Classroom visit (TTS) 7th/14th Nov**

**Toddle Yoga - register with Brooke**  
6297 2167

**Craft club 2nd Sat of the month 2pm**  
**Photography Club 1st Sun of the month, 2pm**

**Dads Interest Group last Sunday of the month, 1pm**

**Positive Birth Group - 2nd Thurs of the month 12:30pm**

**Baby/Kids Expo Sat 26th Oct**

**Last Day of Term 4 18th Dec**

**SaCC initiatives return NSW school Term 1, Week 1, 2014**