



Today we recognised a wide range of development and excellence in academic, sporting and cultural areas as well as personal growth and maturity. All our students and families should be proud of the awards their child has received which are recognition of individual learning and achievement. While we recognise these students, there are many other students who have worked hard and shown improvement. Actually if your child has done their best, then they can be proud of their achievement, whether they received a certificate or not.

Award Recipients today:

Principal's Award
Dux
P&C School Pride Award

Amy Monck
Ella Buckley
Anna Armstrong
Lucas Petrovski
Sophie-Lee Gray
Brad Rauter

Queanbeyan High School Scholarship

Angus Murray
Isabel Wood
Emma Hassall
Cassidy Clarkson
Brendon Chaparadza
Megui Vallera
Kiara Virgo
Michael Pito
Leesha-May Prykiel
Jaidyn Waugh-Smith
Nicholas Slack

2014 Captains

Jack Armstrong
Emma Hassall

2014 Vice Captains

Eligh Unwin
Georgia Gray

2014 Prefects

Brad Rauter
Sam Frost
Jordan Gilbert
Jessica Cairney
Alexandra Stewart
Bobi-Lee Engel

Walk and Rollathon

We had a lovely afternoon at Queanbeyan Park last Friday. Many students, staff and parents participated and the smiles on their faces were a delight to see. Thank you to parents who assisted

us in transporting scooters down to the park. Thank you also to the St John Ambulance and Police for all their assistance on the day. It's now **time to return all sponsorship**. We will check efforts on Monday and a student from each Stage will receive a \$25.00 gift card.





Final Day for Students

A reminder, that the last day for students is Wednesday 18 December. On this day the school will assemble at approximately 3:00pm near the Library to enable us to farewell Year 6.

Ready for high school

Can you recall what you were most apprehensive about when you started high school? This video of Year 7 students explain why teens shouldn't be worried about starting high school, and how they can get off to a great start in the first few days.

Watch the videos:
<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/devlopment/what-happens-in-year-7>

Kik messenger

Does your child use Kik? **Police have described it as "the No.1 social media problem involving teenagers"**, but most parents would barely have heard of messaging app Kik before last week. Find out what it is:
<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/technology-az/technology-glossary/7woF/5353/Kik+messenger>

Why cyber safety experts are concerned:

<http://www.smh.com.au/digital-life/digital-life-news/experts-warn-of-apps-hidden-dangers-20131130-2yif3.html#ixzz2mYlkXFyd>

Choosing school shoes

Are expensive school shoes the best option for happy feet? Let's face it, school shoes have never been at the cutting edge of fashion. In fact if you look at what your parents were wearing, the humble school shoe really hasn't evolved much at all. Tips for choosing shoes:
<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/choosing-the-right-school-shoes>

Teach your kids to be waterproof

As temperatures rise, the risk of drowning increases too. Review these water-safety tips to help keep your family safe this summer. Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/water-safety-tips>

Have a great week
 Vicki Muscat
 Principal



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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|----------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| 11/12/13 | Parent Helper's Afternoon Tea 1.30pm |
| 11/12/13 | Year 6 Farewell |
| 16/12/13 | Carols Evening |
| 17/12/13 | Year 6 Fundraiser – Games Day |
| 18/12/13 | Student's Last Day (Yr 6 Arch 3pm) |
| 29/01/13 | First day of school for Students in Years 1 to Year 6 |

Junior and Senior Assemblies have finished for the year.

**LAST DAY FOR SCHOOL BANKING
THIS YEAR WILL BE TOMORROW
WEDNESDAY 11 DECEMBER 2013**

2013 Year Book - \$15.00 would like to purchase _____
copy(ies) of the 2013 Yearbook.

Name: _____

Class: _____

I enclose \$ _____ cash/cheque/credit-debit card
for Yearbook/s (at \$15.00 per copy).
(Please make cheques payable to Queanbeyan West Public
School)

Credit Card Authorisation

Please Charge \$ _____ (total amount)

Card Number: _____

Expiry Date: __ / __ Verification No: _____ (on back
of card)

Card Holder's Name:

Card Holder's Signature.....

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



**Please return all library
books as soon as possible.
- Mr Lumley is starting
the library stocktake and
so ALL books need to be
returned. Thank you**

NEW NSW PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE free app



Students can
search for PRC
books, record
books that they
have read and
track their
progress.

Available for
Windows 8

devices, Apple devices (such as iPhone
and iPad), Android devices

Available from:

<https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>

Over 246,000 students participated in the NSW
PRC Challenge this year. Congratulations to the
173 students who successfully completed the
challenge from our school. Students will receive
their certificates in the next few weeks.

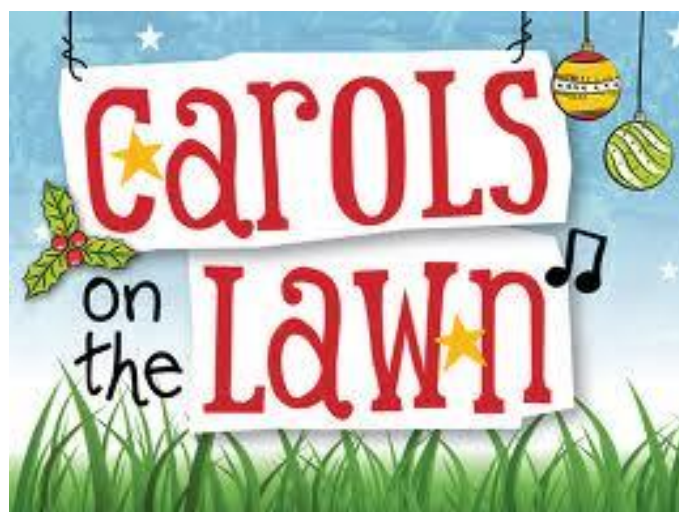
Students, who complete the PRC each year from
Years 3- 9 inclusive, will receive a PRC Medal.
Students may start reading for next year's reading
challenge. The Kindergarten to Year 2, Years 3 &
4, and Years 5 & 6 Reading lists are available with
the Personal Reading Log that can be downloaded
from:

<https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html> This web page has more information and
answers frequently asked questions (FAQs).

Mr Lumley also has copies of the Reading Log
available for students.

Mr Lumley

**You're Invited
to**



**Where? Queanbeyan West
Public School –
Junior Playground
When? Monday 16 December
Time? 6.00pm**

**Bring a picnic blanket, dinner and
your singing voice.**

**LED Candles, Christmas
headbands and necklaces will be
available for sale on the night.**

LOST PROPERTY

As the end of the year fast approaches, your child may be missing an article of school clothing, a lunch box, drink bottle etc. Please take a look in the lost property boxes to claim any item/s that belong to your child.



CANTEEN NEWS

The canteen will be operating on Monday 16 and the last day of school for students Wednesday 18 December 2013.

As this term is quickly coming to an end, stock in the canteen is being greatly reduced and as a result some menu items will not be available.

If an item is unavailable I always try to substitute it with something to your child's satisfaction, and of the same value. Vegetarian fried rice is still available.

Fun, Fun, Fun!!

Yr 6 Mini Games Day

Year 6 Farewell Fund Raising

Tuesday 17 December 2013

The mini games day will be held in the school grounds and is for the students only as a fund raising activity to raise money for a gift to the school from our current Year 6.

Activities have been planned to entertain and provide a fun filled session for all students.

The \$5 cost will include all games, a sausage sizzle, drink and ice block.

(Money to be brought in on the day)

Year 6 Games Day 2013

| Theme | Game | Group No. | Leaders | Class |
|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------|------------------------|-------|
| Footballers | Penalty Shootout | 1 | Tegan & Aleks | 6S |
| Masqueraders | Malteser Racing | 2 | Aislinn & Jesse | 6S |
| The Fruit Loops | Fruit Loop Chain | 3 | Katilyn & Fadli | 6S |
| The PJ Gang | Card Relay | 4 | Skye & Angus | 6S |
| Super Naturals | Fruit Salad | 5 | Taylor & Nicholas | 6S |
| Rainbows | Skittles | 6 | Rochelle & Petar | 6S |
| Outta Space | Space Bugs | 7 | Mawi & Ty | 6S |
| The Zombies | Dodge Ball | 8 | Loren & Sohail | 6S |
| Alice in Wonderland | Flinch | 9 | Tianie & Charlie | 6S |
| Wacky Hair | Stuck in the Mud | 10 | India & Danny | 6S |
| Pixars | Tin Can Alley | 11 | Courtney & Corey | 6S |
| Rubix Cube | Bin Ball | 12 | Faith & Oshan | 6S |
| Group to be split!!!! | | 13 | Kiara & John | 6S |
| The Nerd Herd | Hot n Cold | 14 | Isabel | 6S |
| Mo's & Monocles | Shoot Out | 15 | Andrew & Olivia | 6D |
| Fantasy Creatures | Obstacle Course | 16 | Ella & Matthew | 6D |
| Wild West | Quoits | 17 | Cassidy & Bailey | 6D |
| The Coolios | Silent Ball | 18 | Kartik & Abbey | 6D |
| The Green Team | Elimination Basketball | 19 | Kade & Melanie | 6D |
| Top Hats | Up Ball | 20 | Aden & Shandi-Lee | 6D |
| Vampires | Everybody's It | 21 | Katelyn & Angus K-W | 6D |
| Candy Stripes | Hand Ball | 22 | Sienna & Jarn | 6D |
| Super Heroes | Gladiators | 23 | Aimee & Kai | 6D |
| Polka Dots | French Cricket | 24 | Alyssa | 6D |
| Funny Hats | Egg and Spoon Race | 25 | Amy & Alex Smith-Kelly | 6D |
| Warriors | Tug o' War | 26 | Jack B & Sophia | 6D |
| The Bandanas | Sponge Throw | 27 | Jack W & Emily | 6D |

Students will need to dress in the theme for their peer support group!! This is just something simple that they have in the cupboard! We don't want parents to go and purchase special costumes!! If students don't have anything to dress up in, then they just dress in casual clothes.

It is a non-uniform day!!

Lunch will consist of a sausage sandwich, a fruit drink and an ice block!!