



The Westerly

Queanbeyan West Public School

P&C meets the first Wednesday of every Month at 7.00pm in the Staff Room



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Grade Meetings for Semester 1

This year I am conducting grade meetings to give parents a chance to chat about what is happening in specific grades. While we don't talk about individuals, it is a chance to discuss any questions you may have.

It is very informal and a great way to get to know the parents at our lovely school. So come along for a cuppa and some morning tea.

The sessions for this semester are as follows and will begin at **9.30am in the staffroom**;

Kinder – Tuesday 5 March

Year 1 – Tuesday – 12 March

Year 2 – Tuesday – 19 March

Year 3 – Tuesday – 26 March

Year 4 – Tuesday – 2 April

Year 5 and 6 – Tuesday – 9 April

Meet the Teacher Sausage Sizzle

I would like to invite parents to a 'Meet the Teacher' BBQ to be held on **Wednesday 6 March**. Come along and join us between **5:00pm – 6:30pm**. Any parents who are available to get the sausages sizzling, at around 4:45pm, please contact me, your help is very much appreciated and valued.

This is an opportunity to meet and talk with the staff in an informal setting. This BBQ will be followed by the P&C AGM at 7:00pm.

The P&C Annual General Meeting will take place next Wednesday. I encourage parents to attend. The P&C and Canteen have a terrific bank balance, which reflects their excellent fundraising efforts. The AGM is an excellent opportunity to hear about the plans they have to support the school in improvements for your child.

WH&S (Work place Health and Safety)

Thank you to the parent who rang the school anonymously on Friday afternoon, to let me know about a safety issue at the bottom of the school driveway on Richard Avenue. This parent was concerned about the gravel that had washed down onto the path making a slip hazard. This has now been rectified. I appreciate all contact because it makes our children safer.

If you notice any safety issues in the school boundaries please contact me. Your observations are most welcomed.

Scripture

Scripture begins this week. Mrs Daisley has worked very hard to coordinate the class groups. However if your child ends up in the wrong scripture group, please contact us and we will make the necessary adjustments immediately.

Talking to Staff

Schools are dynamic 'people organisations' and as a school community we all have a vested interest in the well-being of the school. The working relationship between the home and the school is a vital link, ensuring a positive and productive education for every child.

As Principal, my number one priority is the happiness and safety of every child. Children who are feeling happy and safe are receptive learners. If you have concerns about your child, please contact us, as 'problems' are far more easily attended to now than in the last week of school!

We are only too aware that at times parents tend to think their concerns are trivial and you debate with yourself whether you should contact the school. Our response is that nothing is too trivial when it comes to the education of your child. So if you have concerns or want clarification, please contact us. I will ask you, however, to consider the following points:

- The number one priority of our teachers is teaching the children, therefore if you arrive unannounced, it may not be convenient or possible to release them from teaching duties to speak to you. It is always best to arrange a meeting time by phoning the office or writing your child's teacher a note requesting a meeting.
- If you want to meet with me, it is generally best to make an appointment as I can have a number of commitments throughout the day and cannot be always readily available.

Have a great week
Vicki Muscat
Principal



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

6/03/13 P&C Annual General Meeting
12/03/13 School Photos
29/03/13 Easter Good Friday
01/04/13 Easter Monday holiday
05/04/13 School Cross Country

Positive Behaviour for Success **Lucky Leaves**

WEEK 4 TERM 1

K-2: Karley Ferguson KC, Eirini Korres
1B, Simone Oliver k/1N, Kiara Armour
1/2C

3-6: Parbhjot Kaur 3H, Kiara Sliwinski
3T, Jake Davis 5R, John Umali 6S

Library Days

Class Library Days:

Monday- 3H, 1B, 5R

Tuesday- 3B, 4/5W, 1/2C, 6D

Wednesday- 4L, 3T, KC, K/1N

Thursday- 1W, K/6R, KK, KM, 6S

Friday- K/6H, 2T

K-2 students should have their library bags
when borrowing.

Library is open every second half of lunch.

Happy Reading
Mr Chris Lumley
Teacher Librarian

Mathletics - Gold Award

*Congratulations to Emma Panozzo
and Michael Armstrong.*

After School Gym is back in 2013 on Wednesday evenings
from 5:30pm at Queanbeyan PS for children in K-6. Please
call Jenny 6251 1131 for more information.

Multicultural Playgroup is a small playgroup where everyone
is welcome. Come along on Fridays from 9:30am-11:30am
for craft, stories, singing and playing together. Cost is \$2.
Bring a piece of fruit to share. For more information please
contact Brooke 6297 2167. A multilingual worker attends the
sessions fortnightly.



KC: Joshua Siannis – being a responsible class
member.

Luke Diggelmann – following instructions
carefully.

KK: Anna Armstrong – beautiful handwriting
Anthony Podgajski – responsible worker in
class.

KM: Nickayla Gore – for being a pleasant well
settled class member.

Lachlan Fahey – for being a hard worker who
completes all tasks.

K/1N: Beau Mather – great sentence writing.
Simone Oliver – interesting journal writing.

1B: Matthew Gore – always being ready to
learn.

Tali Ingram – beautiful handwriting.

1W: William Hopkins – interesting,
imaginative writing.

Baltazar Pius – excellent participation in
Blueearth.

1/2C: Manu Hunter – outstanding listening
and manners.

Kirilee McGee – always doing her very best.

2T: Katelin Kirkpatrick – welcome to
Queanbeyan West Public School.

Nathan Moss – welcome to Queanbeyan West
Public School.

K/6H: Blake Dennis – excellent work habits.

Great Work!

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Tuesday 12 March 2013

The Portrait Gallery will be taking our school
photos this year. Information and envelopes were
sent home earlier. If you did not receive one please
contact the front office.

**Please note that envelopes and money do need
to be returned to school before photo day** to
ensure an organised flow of photographed classes,
even though on the letter from the Portrait Gallery it
says to bring envelopes on photo day.

Thanks

House Captains 2013



Farrer: Captains – Danny Stubbings, Skye Jackson,
Vice Captains – Jack Armstrong, Georgia Gray
Junior Captains – Ryan Bradley, Sara Sulc



Hume: Captains – Jesse Hannaford, Kiara Williams
Vice Captains – Braeden Wolf (absent), Jade Williamson
Junior Captains – Megui Vallera, Kaylah Hamood



Griffin: Captains – Jye Bird, Ella Buckley
Vice Captains – Brad Rauter, Mia Konkoly
Junior Captains – Braden Foy, Bella Brennan (absent)



Throsby: Captains – Kai Spannari, Tyla O'Grady
Vice Captains – Sam Frost, Bobi-Lee Engel (absent)
Junior Captains – Daniel Cotter, Jamaya Blake

District Swimming Carnival

Last Thursday 23 students travelled to the AIS for the District PSSA Swimming Carnival.

The results have not been sent through and hopefully will be in next week's Westerly.

Congratulations to Brad Rauter – Junior Boy Champion and **Rachel Condat** – 11 Years Girls Champion. We also finished second in Champion School.

Many thanks to the parents who provided transport, assisted with timekeeping and managing the children.

Year 3 Fundraising Effort

Thank you to the Year 3 students who provided all the delicious cupcakes to sell as part of their Financial Literacy unit. An amount of \$255.00 was raised with proceeds going to Stewart House. Fantastic!



Up To Date Contact Details

If you have changed your contact details please let the office know so we can update our records. It is important that we are able to contact you regarding your child. Thanks

Junior Assembly

Junior Assemblies will be held on a Friday commencing at **12.15pm**. There will be an assembly this week and parents are invited to attend and sign in at the office on the way to the hall.

Queanbeyan West Public School Classroom Rules

