



Grade Meetings for Semester 1

This year I am conducting grade meetings to give parents a chance to meet with me and 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 4 March

Year 1 – Tuesday – 11 March

Year 2 – Tuesday – 18 March

Year 3 and Year 4 – Tuesday – 25 March

Year 5 and Year 6 – Tuesday – 1 April

Scripture

Scripture begins NEXT 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.

SRC News

The Student Representative Council (SRC) is a group of Years 3-6 students nominated by their peers to be the representative and voice for their class for the year. Students on the SRC are involved in organising fundraisers, discos and other school events. Nominations and elections have taken place last week. SRC representatives will hold office for 1 Semester. These students will have their badges presented to them at the Primary Assembly 2:00pm this Friday.

They are:

3/4S: Mei, Edu

3/4T: Lesley, Milly

4B: Amy, Michael

4W: Kiara, Jed

5S: Rorie, Renay

5/6D: Talisha, Braden

6R: Kirsty, Josh

P&C Annual General Meeting

The P&C Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 5 March 2013, at 7p.m. in the staffroom. The new committee for 2014 will be elected at this meeting.

At this meeting all Executive and Sub-Committee positions will be declared vacant and elections held. Positions include President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Canteen Vice President, Canteen Treasurer, Fundraising Coordinator, Regional and Sub-Regional Delegate, Social Committee.

Please note that only current members of the P&C are entitled to vote at this meeting. The P&C annual membership fee (\$1) will be collected at the conclusion of the AGM. The AGM will be followed by a General P&C meeting. All are welcome at both meetings. New members are always welcome.

A description of the positions available is listed below.

PRESIDENT

The duties of the President are:

- ✓ To chair all General, Special and Executive meetings of the P&C Association.
- ✓ To liaise with the Principal and staff.
- ✓ To be spokesperson for the parents of the school, both within the school and in the general community.
- ✓ To be ex officio member of all subcommittees.

VICE PRESIDENT

The duties of the Vice President are:

- ✓ to carry out all duties of the President when he/she is absent from meetings.
- ✓ to liaise with the President to ensure smooth running of the affairs of the P&C association.

SECRETARY

The duties of the Secretary are:

- ✓ to carry out the official correspondence of the P & C Association.
- ✓ to maintain communication with the President regarding any action required between meetings.
- ✓ to carry out the role of the Minute Secretary when he/she is absent from meetings.

P&C TREASURER

The duties of the Treasurer are:

- ✓ to receive and deposit all moneys and maintain accurate records of all such money received and paid from the Association funds.
- ✓ to bank all monies received within 48 hours of receipt of such monies. No money shall be withdrawn from said accounts unless authorised by the Association.
- ✓ to present at each General Meeting a statement of accounts showing the total of outgoing and incoming expenditure during the past month together with the current balance.
- ✓ to make available to the Auditors prior to the Annual General meeting all books, receipts, vouchers and monthly statement of accounts and tables the resulting Auditor's Report at the AGM.

CANTEEN TREASURER

- ✓ to be responsible for the accounts of the Canteen.
- ✓ to monitor prices being charged in the Canteen to ensure the cost effectiveness is being maintained.

✓ to make available to the Auditors prior to the Annual General meeting all books, receipts, vouchers and monthly statement of accounts and tables the resulting Auditor's Report at the AGM.

Have a great week
Vicki Muscat
Principal



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

28/02/14 Clean Up Australia Day
28/02/14 School Day Disco
03/03/14 Enviro Matters Show (Free)
04/03/14 School Photos
05/03/14 Scripture starts
05/03/14 P&C Annual General Meeting – 7pm
10/03/14 Questacon Science Show (Free)
24/03/14 Stage 3 Camp begins

Term 1 Week 5

Junior Assembly Awards

Host: 2B

Commences 12.10pm under the COLA

KC: Esther – working hard in class and trying her best.

Daniel – improvement in being brave and ready for school.

KM: William – fantastic work in the 'Engine Room'.

Ashton – fantastic work in the 'Engine Room'.

K/1K: Brydie – excellent listening and always following instructions.

Luca – very attentive and respectful in class.

1N: Chellsea – great listening and participating in class discussions and conversations.

Joshua – great application to all tasks.

Zach – always displaying the school values.

1T: Dekoda – wonderful classroom choices.

Haylie – welcome to QWPS.

1/2A: Sam – working hard and always being engaged.

Joshua – for beautiful reading and always finishing tasks.

2B: Tali – for putting in a fantastic effort in writing and producing an excellent recount.

Riley – for a great attitude towards learning and working hard in reading groups.

2D: Rachel – excellent effort with spelling.
Tom – being a responsible class member.

Fabulous!

Senior Assembly Awards Commences 2.10pm in school hall

3/4S: Ritik – excellent effort in PEGF spelling.
Edu – contributing well in discussions.
Valentina – settling well into 3/4S.

3/4T: Riley – working hard during all lessons.
Cameron – contributing well in class.

4B: Madison – consistent effort.
Adrika – excellent work in reading.
Bradley – consistent effort.

4W: Kiara – for being an outstanding leader and completing all set tasks.
Jed – for being an outstanding leader and completing all set tasks.

5S: Kyteeka – welcome to QWPS.
Megui – excellent work during maths.
Isabel – top marks in spelling.

5/6D: Samuel – being a conscientious thinker during maths lessons.
Jack – working hard to complete all tasks.
Riley – for a mature attitude towards peer relationships.
Aruna – excellent attitude towards all aspects of her learning.

6R: Austin – always being an attentive and enthusiastic learner.
Brooke – always having a wonderful outlook on learning and life.

Great!

Positive Behaviour for Success Lucky Leaves Week 4 Term 1

K-2: Jordan KC, Alahana KM, Dylan-Lee 1T, Zayden 2B, Simone 2D, James K/6R.

3-6: Leesha 3/4T, Yasmeeen 4B, Kiara 4W, Tiana 5/6D, Eligh 6R, Shaun 6R.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Tuesday 4 March 2013

The Portrait Gallery will be taking our school photos this year. Information and envelopes were sent home last week. 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. Thanks

Queanbeyan West PBS News

At Queanbeyan West Public School, we are **safe, respectful** and **responsible learners!**

This week's focus area is: **RESPECT** your teachers, your school environment and your class mates.



Schools Clean Up Day 2014 will take place on this Friday 28 February. Queanbeyan West will be participating again this year. Each grade will be allocated an area of the playground to clean up. Students will be educated and reminded about policies regarding sharp or dangerous rubbish. **Please send your child on Friday with some disposable gloves and a plastic bag.**

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.



PSSA Swimming Carnival

Last Friday 28 students travelled to the AIS to compete in the Queanbeyan PSSA Swimming Carnival. The students who represented our school performed well with some recording personal best times.

Brad – 1st in 11Yrs 50m Freestyle, 1st in 11Yrs 50m Breaststroke, 1st in Open 100m Freestyle, 1st in Senior Individual Medley.

Michael – 1st in Junior 50m Breaststroke.

Alex – 1st in 13Yrs 50m Freestyle.

Jack – 2nd in 11Yrs 50m Breaststroke, 3rd in 11Yrs 50m Freestyle.


Emily – 2nd in 8Yrs 50m Freestyle.


Kiara – 3rd in 10Yrs 50m Freestyle.

Senior Boys Relay – 3rd (B Rauter, B Wolf, S Frost, J Gilbert)

Brad, Michael, Alex, Jack and Emily will compete in the regional carnival at Dapto on 7 March 2014. Many thanks to the parents who provided transport and support.

Vicki Turner – Sports Organiser.





Queanbeyan High School Invitation

Year 7 2015 Information Night

All Year 4,5 and 6 parents and friends of our community who are considering sending their child to Queanbeyan High School in 2015, 2016 and/or 2017 are invited to attend our school on **Wednesday 12 March 2014 at 6pm in the school hall.**

Agenda

- **Meet the Principal: Mr John Clark**
Introduction to Key Staff. Share our school vision that includes the Personal Best Class; Bonus Program; Innovative teaching strategies, SPAC and College 3+3 program.
- **Meet The Deputy Principal: Ms Safija Bristina**
Staff and student expectations. Safety; Uniform; Self-disciplined conduct that includes respect and responsibility.
- **Meet the Student Advisor for Year 7 2015: Mrs Kerrie Jenkins**
Student Advisors welfare role and responsibility.

School
Prospectus
distributed
on the night

Further Information

Deputy Principal
Safija Bristina
P: 6297 2088
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Schools As Community Centres

123 Magic is a 4 week parenting skills course for parents with children 0-12 yrs. It will run between 10:30am-12:30pm Mondays at Barnardos from 3rd March. **Childcare available.** For more information contact Sam 6299 2851 or for a referral contact Brooke 6297 2167.

Basic English classes are run at SaCC, in the grounds of Queanbeyan PS, on Fridays 9am-10am. Young children are welcome. Please ph. 6297 2167 for more information. The lessons are FREE.



BUNGENDORE TIGERS JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB

Monday, 3, 10 & 17 March 2014
Mick Sherd Oval, Bungendore
from 4.00-5.00pm

Tiny Tiggers introduces 4-6 year olds to the fun and skills of modified Rugby League and is run by a qualified Coach

FREE for all participants

To register your Tigger's attendance, please contact the Club Registrar at tigersregistrar@optusnet.com.au

We are a  goodSPORTS club



Monaro Panthers Football Club

soccer registrations are now open ONLINE, closing date the **31 March 14**. For more information on how to register

go to www.monaropanthers.com.au under the registrations link.



If you have never played cricket before or come from either an indigenous or multicultural background, you are invited to the Global Cricket Day on Sunday the 2nd of March 2014 from 10am at Boomanulla Oval, Narrabundah.

This is a FREE event where registered participants will receive a FREE cricket clinic, FREE cricket pack, FREE lunch and the chance to meet past and present cricket stars including Maximus Thunder! To register, 1) log onto www.in2CRICKET.com.au <<http://www.in2CRICKET.com.au>>, 2) enter the postcode 2604 and 3) select Global Cricket Challenge.

For more information, please contact Matthew on 0416 531 998 or matthew.william@cricket.com.au