



The Westerly

Queanbeyan West Public School



P&C meets the first Wednesday of every Month at 6.30pm in the Staff Room

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SASS Week

This week we celebrate School Administrative and Support Staff (SASS) Recognition Week. We are very fortunate at Queanbeyan West to have such a dedicated group of people including the ladies in the front office and the School Learning and Support Officers in the classroom as well as our General Assistant. We all really appreciate their outstanding support and thank them all very much for their contributions to our school.

NAPLAN Results

This week all students in Years 3 and 5 will take home their NAPLAN test results. All the students sat these tests earlier in the year and they have been marked and the results have been prepared on a national level. The information we get from these results is vital. It informs us not only about the individual children but how the school is going with regard to other schools and students across NSW and Australia. We use this information, along with the Kindergarten Best Start data and school assessments to help us plan, train staff and support our students.

Peer Support

This week in Peer Support the students will practise working cooperatively in their groups. Students need to understand that it is not always easy to work together and that we need to share our ideas, listen to others and accept there is more than one way to solve a problem. Through the activities they are encouraged to see problems as challenges to be overcome, and understand that working cooperatively as a group can make a situation easier to handle.

School Security

Each day gates around the school are locked, so parents wishing to sign their children out if they are leaving early or going to an appointment will need to attend the front office. Students will then be sent to the front office where they will be signed out. Parents should not go directly to the child's classroom to pick them up.

Snow Excursion

This week on Thursday 4 September 45 students from Years 3 to 6 will be travelling to Mt Selwyn to

participate in some fun snow activities. Unfortunately due to the recent warm weather the snow tubing fields have been closed for the season. There will be other fun activities for the students to participate in. The weather forecast also indicates that there may be snow in the next couple of days.

Year 3 and 4 Excursion

On Monday 15 September the students from Year 3 and 4 will be travelling to the Royal Australian Mint in Deakin to see how money is made. This is part of the unit they are doing on "Products and Services." The students will be able to make and design their own coins.

Kindergarten Excursion

On Wednesday 17 September the Kindergarten students will be going to the Q Theatre in Queanbeyan to see a production of "Pete the Sheep." Notes being sent home today.

P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be held at 6.30 pm tomorrow evening, Wednesday 3 September 2014, in the Staff Room. (Entrance can be made via the front office.)

Our meetings are held in a friendly, informal atmosphere and usually run for about 60-90 minutes. All families within the school are welcome to attend.

Please come along and take an active part in your child's school.

Second-Hand Uniform Stall

Growing out of your uniform? Come along to the second-hand uniform stall and grab a bargain.

Where? Under the junior COLA

Time? 8.45 am to 9.15 am

Date? Tuesday 16 September 2014

Donations are welcome - please deliver any old uniforms to the front office.

Working Bee

Come and join our P&C for a working bee on **Saturday 13 September** to make our school grounds even more beautiful.

Jobs for the day include:

- painting the junior equipment
- moving mulch and soil for our gardens
- repairing benches throughout the school.

We'd welcome helpers at any time between 9.00 am and 4.00 pm.

If you can, please bring your wheelbarrow, shovel, saw, paintbrush and drill.

The P&C will hold a free sausage sizzle on the day.
Hope to see you there!

Fete Plans...Time To Grow Plants

The QWPS fete will be on Saturday 29 November 2014 - Spring is here and it's time to start preparing for our plant stall!

If you'd like to contribute to the stall, please start propagating your plants now.

Thanks for your support!

Friday 5 September 2014

Wear your favourite team colours.

Gold coin donation to support Children and Teens fighting Cancer.

Have a great week
Carlyn Bladen
Relieving Principal



	DIARY DATES
04/09/14	Snow Trip – Yrs 3-6
05/09/14	Wear Favourite Team Colours
9/09/04	The Right Balance (In School Performance)
15/09/14	Stage 2 – Excursion to Mint
16/09/14	2 nd Hand Uniform Stall-8.45am-9.15am
17/09/14	Kinder – Pete the Sheep Excursion
18/09/14	Blueearth Day
19/09/14	Value Pin Assembly
19/09/14	Last day of Term 3
07/10/14	School resumes for students- Term 4

Congratulations

To **Kyaan** who came 3rd in the Junior Boys High Jump at the Regional Athletics Carnival and who now progresses to the State Championships in October.



Canteen Volunteers

The canteen is in need of volunteers! 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 fortnight, once a month, once a term or once a year - your help would be greatly appreciated for whatever time you can spare even if it is only for one or two hours at a time. If you can't be there during the day, you can even help out before school by making toast.

Please call in and speak to our Canteen Manager 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. Thank you.

Junior Assembly Awards

Term 3 Week 8

Commences 12.10pm in the hall.

KC: Afiifah – welcome to Queanbeyan West PS.
Hadia – being a kind and helpful classmate.
Billy – awesome independent writing.

KM: Nagara – being a great gardener who takes care of our plants.

Emerson – fantastic reading in the engine room.
Olivia – a terrific attitude to her school work.

K/1K: Sunny – excellent efforts in writing.
Coral-Lee – excellent presentation of work.
Nicholas – excellent efforts in spelling.

1N: Tom – trying with all his writing.
Addison – listening well and completing her work.

Luke – great ideas during discussions on characters.

1T: Jorjah – for always being a helpful, supportive student in 1T.

Lily – for outstanding improvement in her choices.

Colin – for excellent number work.

1/2A: Fritz – for great use of paragraphs in his information report.

Mia – for great sentence writing about her family.

2B: Jaiden – excellent effort and great improvement in handwriting.

Kanwarbir – producing a quality report on the Corroboree Frog.

2D: Emma-Lee – being safe, respectful and responsible when walking to the library.

Isabella – working hard on all tasks.

Thomas – great participation in the Home Reading Program.

K/6G: Mary-Therese – for excellent talking and being a good friend to others.

K/6H: Xander – fantastic listening and co-operating.

K/6R: Jack – using a number line to add numbers.

Senior Assembly Awards

Commences 2.10pm in school hall

3/4S: Novica – fantastic effort doing division in maths.

Liam – working well in maths – understanding division.

Emily – trying to work a little faster to complete tasks.

3/4T: Brock – fantastic effort in division.

Riley – improvement in reading.

Ryan – working hard to improve handwriting.

4B: Michael – always helping others and working hard.

Amy – making a positive contribution to class discussions.

4W: Kai – for his outstanding commitment to his work.

Shakeya – for having beautiful manners.

5S: Samuel – for a great start at QWPS

Bradley – for consistent effort in PEG spelling.

Renay – for upholding our school values.

5/6D: Talisha – great work on recounts and her book trailer.

Declan – fantastic work in maths.

6R: Shaun – for applying himself in maths.

Liam – for sharing his knowledge about all things Science!

K/6G: Hayden – fantastic writing about a superhero.

K/6H: Christine – fantastic project on Venus.

Ryan – fantastic project on Pluto.

K/6R: Samantha – for always including others.

Queanbeyan Junior Cricket Registration Days.

There is still time to register for Junior Cricket
either online via;

www.queanbeyancricket.com <<http://www.queanbeyancricket.com>> (follow 'Junior' link), or visit 'Mr Brandman' at 5 Gilmore Place, Queanbeyan, (near 'Metro' Service Station).

Please note: In2cricket can register on start day – 22nd October, at Town Park, Queanbeyan. Registration closes on the **21st September** for all Juniors.

Congratulations to **Jemma** (2D), **Ella** (2D), **Clay** (2B), **Cody** (2B) and **Tyson** (2B), who together with their fantastic team mates WON the U8's Brindabella MiniRoos Gala in Calwell on Sunday 24th August.

We are proud to say that these wonderful Year 2 QBN West students make up half of the talented U8's Tomcats team for the Monaro Panthers Football Club.

Queanbeyan West Public School

Paver Fundraiser Offer closes **Thursday 18 September**. Extra order forms available at the front office.

Have your name or message engraved to a paver which will be laid in a school walkway.

This is an opportunity for you, your child, your family, business or organisation to become a permanent part of our school's history.

RIDGEWAY NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE OPEN DAY

Saturday 13 September 2014 - 9.00am
Ridgeway Rural Fire Station, 2 Highland Close, The Ridgeway (off the Kings Highway and follow the signs)



Queanbeyan Roadrunner Representative Trials

Date: Saturday 6th September 2014

Venue: Queanbeyan Basketball Stadium

Trial Times:

Under 10 Girls and Boys 1:30pm-2:30pm

Under 12 Girls and Boys 2:30pm-3:30pm

Under 14 Girls and Boys 3:30pm-4:30pm

Under 16 Boys 4:30pm-5:30pm

Under 19 Girls and Boys 4:30pm-5:30pm

For further information contact

pete35@tpg.com.au

Book Fair- Thank You



Thank you to all the parents, students and teachers who supported the fair by buying books and helping out over the week. We raised approximately \$700 and students have selected many books from the book fair; the Minecraft books being a popular choice. The remaining money will go towards buying new shelving and to purchasing more popularly requested/borrowed books nominated by our students.

Congratulations to our \$10 book voucher winners: Valentina (3/4S), Joel (1N), Harri (1N) and to our poster winners: Thomas (2D), Christine (K/6H), Lola (2D), Jackson (2D), Braeden (5/6D), Samantha (K/6R) and Georgina (1T)

All but 2 students have already received their back ordered books. I am expecting these to be delivered later this week or early next week.

Chris Lumley
Teacher Librarian

The Right Balance

I give permission for my child/ren to attend the **Right Balance performance show on Tuesday 9 September 2014.**

If you took the opportunity to pay for all the performances in one payment at the beginning of the year, this performance visit is already covered. Please return note and money by Friday 5 September. I enclose \$4.00 per child. You may also pay by credit card if more convenient.

Name: _____

Class: _____

Name: _____

Class: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Credit Card Authorisation

Please Charge \$ _____ (total amount)

Card Number: _____

Expiry Date: ____ / ____

Verification No: _____ (on back of card)

Card Holder's Name: _____

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

This is a dynamic and engaging performance that provides strategies for building positive relationships.

Students are taken on an interactive journey of discovery filled with easy to remember strategies for dealing with frustration, bullying and the difficulties in sustaining relationships.