



Welcome back to Term 2. I hope you have had an enjoyable break; the students should be back to school feeling refreshed and ready to take on the academic demands of Term 2. This is the term when we will hold the NAPLAN tests and spend some time preparing for them. This is also the term when we will be writing reports and Term 2 is traditionally filled with sporting carnivals and Gala Days.

Emergency Evacuation Procedures

This week we will be practicing our emergency procedures. If you are in the school at the time, it is vital that you observe the instructions and procedures given by staff members for events such as emergency evacuations, lockdowns and lockouts.

ANZAC Day

On 25 April 2015 we mark the 100th anniversary of the ANZAC landings at Gallipoli.

This Friday we will hold our ANZAC Service; under the COLA at the front of the school, commencing at 10:30am. All parents are invited to attend and lay a wreath or flowers at our flag pole.

We will also participate in the Queanbeyan City ANZAC Parade on Saturday. All students who intend to participate need to be in full school uniform. As this day can be hot; water bottles are encouraged, as there is a lot of standing. I will meet you near the front of the Bicentennial Hall at 9:45am

NAPLAN

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be held on the 13 - 15 May. The results of the test will provide important information for our schools future planning. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement. Each child's level of achievement will be reported against the agreed national benchmarks of student achievement.

The tests will be conducted for students in Years 3 and 5 across Australia on the following days; Tuesday, 12 May - Language convention and Writing tests

Wednesday, 13 May - Reading test

Thursday, 14 May - Numeracy test

Mia takes the Royal Easter Show in her Stride!

Mia of 3/4B, attended the Sydney Royal Easter Show on Monday 30 March. Mia did an outstanding job riding a new pony for only the 3rd time and her first ever Easter show, she placed a fantastic 5th out of a very strong line up of riders and horses, although she narrowly missed out on Grand National qualifications she can't wait for next year's show.

	DIARY DATES
22.04.15	Second Hand Uniform Stall- 8.45am
24.04.15	ANZAC Service at school – 10.30am
28.04.15	Brumbies Gala Day
29.04.15	Year 2 Dental Program
04.05.15	Footsteps Dance 7 Week Program
06.05.15	P&C Meeting – 6.30pm
12.05.15	NAPLAN begins

Easter Parade a Hit

On the last Thursday of term our playground was filled with many colourful, sparkling and tall hats. We were thrilled at the number of students and families who participated in our parade; we had so many innovative designs.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Queanbeyan West community for their support of this event, our students for their creative hat designs and the staff for their hard work in ensuring the success of the day.

Hat Parade Fun...

ANAPHYLAXIS

Allergic reactions are becoming more prevalent and can be life threatening to some people. Some students are very allergic to peanuts and have additional allergies to egg and dairy products. We have students and staff who have nut allergies.

What does this mean for us? To minimise the risk of contact with these foods we ask for your cooperation by NOT sending your child to school with: peanut butter, Nutella or other nut spreads. Also avoid muesli bars, cakes, biscuits and slices that contain nuts. Lastly, please avoid whole nuts or similar combinations with dried fruits as snack food for your child.

Even if your child enjoys these foods for breakfast make sure he/she washes his/her hands before coming to school.

Foods labelled, "may contain traces of nuts or contain egg" may be brought to school but would not be able to be eaten by the allergic children. We understand these requests could cause some

inconvenience, but also know that if your child was diagnosed with anaphylaxis you would very much appreciate our support.

Parking

The Queanbeyan City Council Rangers have advised us that they will be increasing parking patrols around the school. Please be aware of the parking restrictions along Morton Street and Richard Avenue as fines for illegal parking are significant.

Fines range from \$135 to \$405. Parking fines in a school zone incurs demerit points.

P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be held, Wednesday 6 May 2015 starting at 6.30pm 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.

Have a great week
Vicki Muscat
Principal



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Queanbeyan District Basketball

Enrolment/Payment Night Term 2 Social Basketball

Day/Date: Thursday 23rd April 2015

Time: 5-7.30pm

Venue: Basketball Stadium-Cnr Southbar & Cooma St

Contact Rosie E: pete35@tpg.com.au

Grades- Kindergarten to Year 6

Contact Carole E: cjduvall@hotmail.com

High School and Senior Men & Women

Play Rugby League for the Queanbeyan Kangaroos

- * The Junior Roos are still on the lookout for players especially those eligible for under 9 and under 10
- * Most age groups have space so anyone interested should contact roossecretary@hotmail.com

SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST

An email has been sent to parents of children who celebrated the Sacrament of First Reconciliation in April 2014, inviting them to register their child for the **Sacrament of First Eucharist** which will be celebrated on 13th and 14th June 2015.

Alternatively parents can register online via the parish website at

<http://www.stgregorysparishqueanbeyan.com/sacred-room/sacraments/first-eucharist/>.

If parents have any questions regarding this sacrament please call the parish office on 62994611. Thank you.

Footsteps Dance Company

I give permission for my child/ren to attend the **Footsteps 7 week Program starting on Monday 4 May 2015**. 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 Thursday 30 April 2015.

☐ I enclose \$14.70 per child.

OR

☐ I have made an online payment. My receipt number is: _____

Name: _____

Class: _____

Name: _____

Class: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

SECOND HAND UNIFORM STALL

Wednesday 22 April 2015

8.45am - 9.15am

Junior Quad

Starting School Expo

Saturday 2nd May 2015 from 10am-12pm
Queanbeyan Bicentennial Hall
Crawford St



For families with children starting school in 2016
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Monday 27 April - Friday 1 May, 2015

Family Event: Thursday 30 April, 2015

Venue: QWPS Library

Time: 3.30pm - 6.30 pm

WANTED

SEASON 2015 U10's to U18s



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