



The Westerly

School Newsletter

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UPCOMING EVENTS

TERM 1

28 Jan	Staff return
29 Jan	Students return
31 Jan	Students went to new classes
3 Feb	Swimming Carnival
5 Feb	Evacuation drill
10 – 21 Feb	New roof installed for Yrs 3, 4, 5 & 6
11 Feb	P&C Meeting, 7pm, Library
12 Feb	Uniform stall 8:45-9:15am
13 Feb	Uniform stall 2:30-3:00pm
17 Feb	Raiders visit Yrs 3-6 TBC
24 - 26 Feb	Parent/ Teacher/ Student Interviews
9 Mar	Staff Development Day – no students to be at school
11 Mar	P&C AGM, 7pm, Library
20 Mar	Questacon visits QWPS Yrs 3-6 (free event)
9 Apr	Students last day
10 Apr	Good Friday Public Holiday



Welcome to 2020! As stated in last week's 'School Stream' note we hope that everyone has had an enjoyable break.

As you are aware on Friday students went into their 2020 classes. These classes have been formed considering current enrolment numbers, however we are still answering enquiries about enrolment. Our numbers could continue to rise and if this happens, it will mean that another class will need to be formed. We shall keep you informed about any possible changes. Please ensure you download 'School Stream' onto your mobile devices so that you do not miss any school communication. A paper note regarding 'School Stream' was sent home today along with a new general permission note.

Welcome and Welcome back!

This year we have many new staff joining the West team. I'd like to officially welcome Ms Grayce Cooper, Mrs Katherine Hunter, Ms Melanie Horwell, Mrs Carly Charters and Ms Caroline D'Souza to our great school. We are also very lucky to have Mrs Sarah Rudolph, Mrs Katie Stewart and Mrs Rebecca Kearns return from leave.

Building Works

Over the holidays our building works continued, however more work shall be done in the coming weeks. The Years 3/4 and 5/6 block shall be getting a new roof starting next week, which shall mean that students will need to move rooms during this time. At this point 5/6R and 5/6C shall be in the library, 4/5S shall be in the Learning Centre, SLA and SLS will combine classes in SLA and 5/6W shall go into the SLS room. After these classes are completed 3/4R will then go into the library and 3/4W will go into the learning centre. This of course is not an ideal circumstance, however we will be working hard to keep the children as settled as possible to ensure this displacement does not affect their learning.

Additional Staff Development Day

On Monday 9 March (Canberra Day) all staff will be involved in a Queanbeyan Network professional learning day on Maths. Teachers will be working with other schools from across the network and the University of Canberra to partake in a continuing research project on mathematical reasoning and spatial awareness. This means that the school will be non-operational on this day and alternative care arrangements will be needed. In order to ensure students have the 'correct' number of learning days, there will be no staff development day on Monday 20 July (Term 3).

Looking for Local Trades

If there are any Queanbeyan West family members that run a local business in the trade industry I would love to hear from you via my email Belinda.jamieson6@det.nsw.edu.au I am looking for the following businesses:

Landscape gardeners and architects

Painters

Builders

Concreters

Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to all of the students who competed in yesterdays Swimming Carnival. Thank you to all of our parent volunteers and those who came along to watch. Thank you to Mrs Cathryn Rodgers, Ms Leanne Wade and Mr Tre Williams who spent many hours organising this event.



P&C Meetings

The P&C are always looking for new members. If you would like to be part of our P&C please come and join our meetings held in the school library at 7pm. There is a \$1.00 joining fee and this can be paid through the school office or at any of the meetings. Please note that the \$1.00 joining fee has to be paid prior to any voting rights being given.

In order to vote for our new executive committee at the next AGM people need to have paid their \$1.00 joining fee prior to or at the 11 February meeting and attend the 10 March AGM.

Upcoming meetings

11 February 7pm

10 March 7pm – AGM with general meeting afterwards

Bell times this year

Morning Supervision	8.45am
Morning Session	9.15am – 11:15am
Break 1 (Lunch Eating)	11.15am - 11.25am
Break 2 (1 st Play)	11.25am – 11:50am
Break 3 (2 nd Play)	11.50am – 12:10pm
Middle Session	12:10pm – 1:40pm
Recess	1:40pm – 2:00pm
Last Session	2:00pm – 3:15pm
End of school day	3.15pm

To ensure that Di is supported in providing lunch orders, **all orders must be delivered to the canteen by 9:45am.**

From the Office

Please update email addresses or if you have changed telephone numbers or have moved over the holidays please let the front office know so your child's details can be updated. Office Phone is: 6297 2020
Thanks

Canteen Volunteers

Are you available to volunteer your time at school? Di would love some assistance in the canteen again this year if you have any free time. If you are available please fill out the form below and send in to the office.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Day	Tick times you are available to help
Monday	<input type="checkbox"/> Every Day 9am – 2.30pm <input type="checkbox"/> Every Morning – 9am-12.00pm <input type="checkbox"/> Every Afternoon – 1.30pm- 2.30pm
Wednesday	<input type="checkbox"/> Every Day 9am – 2.30pm <input type="checkbox"/> Every Morning – 9am-12.00pm <input type="checkbox"/> Every Afternoon – 1.30pm- 2.30pm
Thursday	<input type="checkbox"/> Every Day 9am – 2.30pm <input type="checkbox"/> Every Morning – 9am-12.00pm <input type="checkbox"/> Every Afternoon – 1.30pm- 2.30pm
Friday	<input type="checkbox"/> Every Day 9am – 2.30pm <input type="checkbox"/> Every Morning – 9am-12.00pm <input type="checkbox"/> Every Afternoon – 1.30pm- 2.30pm

Comments: _____

School Uniform

All students must wear school uniform each day. Boys wear a gold polo shirt and the green shorts or grey shorts. The girls wear a gold polo shirt and green shorts or skirt. The girls are also able to wear the school uniform dress. No jewellery except stud earrings please. A school sun safe hat must be worn, no baseball caps as these do not provide enough protection.



The **Polo Sport Shirt** is available for purchase at school front office. The cost is \$26.00.
The **school hat** is also available for \$7.00



2nd Hand Uniform Stalls

This is a community run stall by some of our fabulous parents. Our next stalls are to be held on:
Tuesday 11th Feb 8.45am to 9.15am
Thursday 13th Feb 2.30pm to 3.00pm

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PBL)

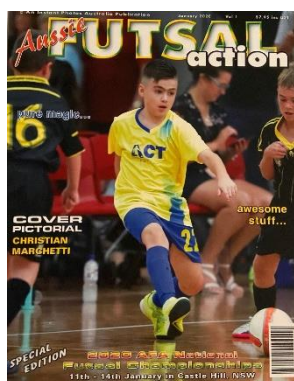
School Values Focus

For the next two weeks our whole school PBL focus is:

Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible

Follow the school values

Over the next two weeks students will be explicitly taught how to be safe, respectful and responsible in all school settings during Lucky's Learning Circle lessons.

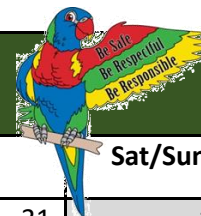


Soccer Star!

Congratulations Christian for your sporting achievements in the holidays. Great to see you on the front cover of this magazine.

QUEANBEYAN WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL

TERM 1 CALENDAR



2020		Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat/Sun
JAN/FEB	1	27 AUSTRALIA DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	28 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	29 Students return	30	31	1/2
FEB	2	3 Swimming Carnival	4	5	6	7	8/9
FEB	3	10	11 *Uniform stall 8:45 – 9:15am *P&C Meeting 7pm School library	12	13 Uniform stall 2:30-3:00pm	14	15/16
FEB	4	17 Raiders visit QWPS Yrs 3-6 TBC	18	19	20	21 Assembly	22/23
FEB/MAR	5	24	25	26	27	28 Clean up Australia Day	29/1
MAR	6	2 Student Conference/ Parent Interviews	3	4	5	6 Assembly	7/8
MAR	7	9 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	10	11	12	13	14/15
MAR	8	16	17	18	19	20 *Assembly *Questacon visit Yrs3-6 (free event)	21/22
MAR	9	23	24	25	26	27	28/29
MAR/APR	10	30	31	1	2	3 Assembly	4/5
APR	11	6	7	8	9	10 GOOD FRIDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	11/12

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



Hi everyone, my name is Kathleen and I have been the Saver Plus Coordinator in your community for the last 3 years.

Saver Plus is a free program that helps people with a Centrelink concession card pay for education costs. We have provided almost \$100k toward school costs in ACT since 2017.

Participants save \$25/fortnight for 10 months and attend 4 financial skills workshops. At the end of the program, we will match your savings with up to \$500 that can be used towards uniforms and shoes, extra-curricular sports, camps and excursions and other school supplies.

Eligibility criteria applies.

Visit saverplus.org.au or contact me on 0448 730 305 to find out more!



Parents of Year 3 Catholic children – Sacrament of First Reconciliation

The registration for this sacrament has begun. Please complete the registration paperwork which the 2019 year 2 children should have received from their scripture classes. Forms are due in no later than the 21 February.

If your child did not bring home a form, please log onto the parish website at

<https://www.stgregsqueanbeyan.com/first-reconciliation>

to download the necessary paperwork. Please call the parish office on 62994611 if you have any questions regarding this sacrament. Thank you.

Queanbeyan Junior Brass

Calling all school children 9 years and upwards! Do you want to play an instrument and join a band? YOU CAN! Free instrument rental...free music tuition!

When and where? Tuesdays after school from 4 to 5pm at St Stephens Hall, 2 Morisset Street in Queanbeyan.

Come to an INFORMATION SESSION there at 10am on Saturday 8th February to find out all about it.

Music is great. It is challenging and fun. It also helps you to do better in just about everything you do. We aim to improve and encourage young lives through the enjoyment of music. Starting Tuesday 11th February. Call 0415 526 572 for more information or email us at qjbrass@outlook.com



ROAD SAFETY INFORMATION

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR CHILDREN'S SAFETY WHEN THEY ARE TRAVELLING TO AND FROM SCHOOL.

Drive and park safely near schools

The beginning and end of the school day are busy times for pedestrians and drivers outside schools.

You can help keep children safe by remembering the following:

- drop off and pick up children on the school side of the road
- never call out to children from across the road – it is very dangerous
- always take extra care when driving in 40km school zones
- follow all parking signs – these help keep children as safe as possible
- park responsibly even if this means you have to walk further to the school gate
- never double park – it is illegal and puts children at risk
- never do a U-turn or three-point turn outside the school as it puts children at risk of harm
- model safe and considerate pedestrian and driver behaviours to your children.

For further support

Go to the department's Road Safety Education program at education.nsw.gov.au/road-safety-education or visit education.nsw.gov.au and search for road safety education.

When travelling in a car ensure your children:

- use a booster seat if they are aged between 4 and 7 years old – it's the law
- are correctly buckled up in their seatbelts
- always get in and out of the car through the 'safety door' – the rear door on the footpath side of the car
- are never left alone in the car.



NSW Department of Education | Road Safety Education

www.doc.nsw.gov.au

Juniors Social Basketball Competition

Term 1 Enrolment/Information Night

Grades: Kindy-Y2, Yr 3-4 and Yr 5-6

Date: Thursday 6th February 2020

Time: 5-7pm

Venue: Queanbeyan Basketball Stadium

NSW ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER may be used

or contact Rosie Buchaniec E:

rosiebball1@tpg.com.au

Term 1 Aussie Hoops- Queanbeyan

Learn to play Basketball...

Days: Fridays

Times: Program 1 @ 4-5pm or Program 2- 5-6pm

Ages: 4-12yrs

@ Queanbeyan Basketball Stadium

Commences: 7th February 2020

Cost: \$100 includes Backpack, Singlet with name, basketball, sticker sheet and 8 week skills sessions

NSW ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER may be used

Register now: aussiehoops.com.au

The Muse Experience: March 28-31, 2020

Down Under

Hosted By: Karabar High School in Queanbeyan

Gain professional performance experience and dance alongside, Los Angeles dance company, MusEffect's live performance at The Q on April 1.

To audition, send a 1 minute improv or choreography solo to team@museeffect.org
All auditions due by February 1, 2020.

Cost: \$500

To register, email:
alison.cronan@det.nsw.edu
or call 0416 294155

KARABAR
HIGH SCHOOL



March 25-26, 2020
9am-3pm

The Mini Muse Experience: Down Under

Karabar High School
84 Donald Rd
Karabar NSW 2620
Australia

Gain professional performance experience and dance alongside, Los Angeles dance company, MusEffect's live performance at The Q on April 1.

Price: \$140

To register, email:
alison.cronan@det.nsw.edu
or call 0416 294155

KARABAR
HIGH SCHOOL



Attention Dancers – Karabar High School and the City of Queanbeyan are lucky enough to be hosting the MUSE DownUnder experience again in 2020. This year the MusEffect Company from LA are coming with Director Jessica Starr and they will be performing at The Q on April 1. You could be performing alongside this professional company from Los Angeles. Both the Mini Muse Program and Muse Downunder Program dancers will perform.

There are two programs on offer.

Mini Muse, a two-day program for dancers aged 9 - 12 (or thereabouts). For this program just sign up by sending me a message or email and making single or gradual payments to Karabar High School (phone 6298433 from 28 January, 2020). The cost is \$140. This program is held in the schools Performing Arts Centre (Alanbar St, Queanbeyan) on March 25 and 26, 2020.

MUSE Downunder, a four-day program with classes and activities during the day and into the evening, is designed for dancers 12 and up - high school age. For this program make or find a 1-minute video of yourself dancing and email it to team@museeffect.org so Jessica can see your work. This program will run from March 28 - 31. If successful in gaining a place the program costs \$500 that you can pay in one payment or gradually up until the event in March.

Cancer Council Healthy Lunch Box Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

... to pack a healthy lunch box .

Does packing lunch boxes feel like a chore? We are here to help you kick start the year easily, packing healthy lunch boxes your kids will enjoy.

Healthy lunch boxes don't have to be boring.

We are very excited to bring you our new look [healthylunchbox website](http://healthylunchbox.com.au) that has been improved with new features and functions based on feedback provided by you! You can now search for gluten free and vegetarian recipes, as well as easy to freeze and quick and easy recipes because as parents, we know how important it is to pack lunches quickly.

You can sign up to the [Healthy Lunch Box e-newsletter](http://healthylunchbox.com.au) for ideas, updates and recipes delivered to your inbox throughout the year.

[Check out the new website now!](http://healthylunchbox.com.au)

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