

Quandialla Central School

"Together we provide opportunities to succeed"

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Diary Dates - Term 4

NOVEMBER:

M-F 21-25th Nov School Swimming Scheme & Work Experience – Year 10

Tuesday 22nd Nov. ESSA Test - Year 8 Wed. 23rd Nov. ESSA Test - Year 8

Thur. 24th Nov. Kindergarten Orientation

Wed. 30th Nov. Primary Debating - Final Competition Wed. 30th Nov. **Parent/Community Meeting at 3.45 p.m.**

Recommendations from consultation on viability of

secondary school in Assembly room.

M-F 28th Nov – 2nd Dec School Swimming Scheme & Work Experience – Year 10

Balancing Act on the Roman Ladders

Pictured (left to right): Britney, Caitlin, Shea and Emma



Recommendations from consultation - viability of the secondary school

The consultation on future directions and the viability of the secondary (7 – 12) school closed on Friday 11-11-11.

Mr Denis Armstrong, School Education Director and Mr David Lloyd, Lachlan School Education Director (relieving) will present the recommendations arising from the consultation to school staff and parents/community members at meetings to be held on Wednesday 30 November, at Quandialla Central School.

The meeting with school staff will begin at 3.30pm and this will be followed by a meeting with parents/community members at 3.45pm. Parents and community members are invited to attend the 3.45pm meeting.

The meetings will be held in the Assembly Room at the school.

Debating

The Quandialla CS Primary debating team will debate Middleton Public School in the Final of the Western Debating Challenge competition, at Mulyan Public School, Cowra, on Wednesday 30 November, beginning at 11.00am.

The topic for the final is – "That all primary students should have a Facebook page"

We wish our debaters – Grace Kelly, Caitlin Dixon, Britney Troy, Shea Broomby and Tiffany Penfold – every success in the final. To reach the final in this competition is a fantastic achievement.

Thanks are extended to Mrs Granger for coaching the team, and parents for their strong support.

Morning Tea for helpers and supporters of the school

A special Morning Tea to acknowledge and thank the many people who have helped and supported the school throughout the year will be held on Friday 9 December at the school, beginning at 11.00am.

This is an opportunity for the school to acknowledge all of the assistance and support provided by our committed parents, carers, volunteers and community members.

We look forward to an enjoyable morning tea with you all.

Presentation evening

The annual Quandialla Central School Presentation evening will be held on Wednesday 14 December, beginning at 6.00pm. The venue is the Soldiers Memorial Hall.

Our special guest speaker for the evening is Ms Genevieve Jacobs. Genevieve is a distinguished reporter and journalist with ABC Radio, and is an ex-student of Quandialla Central School.

A buffet dinner will be held at the school following the Presentation ceremony, and parents/community members are asked to bring a salad to share.

Parents, family members and community members are cordially invited to join with students and staff for our Presentation ceremony and dinner.

School facilities standards review

You can now have your say on the classrooms of the future by participating in an online survey as part of a comprehensive review of the School Facilities Standards. The standards, developed during the 1970s, outline how school facilities are designed and built. The review will consider changes in the way education is delivered, technological advances and increased community expectations. Your ideas will be used to assist in creating design standards that will inform the development or refurbishment of schools that are appropriate for the future. The survey takes approximately 20 minutes to complete and is open until November 28. www.surveymonkey.com/sfsparent

Short film competition

Bicycle NSW is calling all budding film makers to submit a three-minute video to promote bike riding as a sustainable, healthy and environmentally friendly form of transport and recreation.

The film does not have to have dialogue and is free for all schools and students under 16.

The prizes are \$1000, \$500 and \$250. Entries close 3 February 2012. For more information and to register:

http://bicyclensw.org.au/content/calling-all-budding-film-makers

Safe celebrations

Final HSC exams are over and some students will want to celebrate. Whether your teen celebrates at home or elsewhere, you will want them to stay safe. Being approachable and knowledgeable about the potential risks is a good start. Some good information for parents can be found at:

School A to Z: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/time-to-party

My Nite: www.mynite.com.au/

Drug Education Network: www.den.org.au/resources/parent-info/

Enrolling children at school

Quandialla Central School is a very well resourced school, with excellent teachers and staff, where students consistently achieve excellent results. The school works closely with parents, families and the community. Parents and families are invited to contact the school for further information on enrolling children in Kindergarten and Years 1 to 12 at Quandialla Central School for the 2012 school year.

Contacting the school

Please contact the school for further information. I am always available to meet with parents, provide further information and answer questions.

Kind Regards

Phil Foster - Principal



Circus Skills

Jessie enjoyed trying out her circus skills with a wonderful balancing act.

All K-6 students had an enjoyable time at the Handstand Factory in Wagga, last Friday.



CANTEEN ROSTER

2 DAYS PER WEEK

Wednesday 23rd November, 2011 L. Penfold

Monday, 28th **November, 2011** S. Murphy

Wednesday, 30th November, 2011 C.Troy

Time of Arrival is **10.00** *a.m.*<u>President</u>: Cheryl Troy – 6347 2126

Secretary: Leanne Penfold – 6347 2119



BROAD BRIM HATS

The weather is heating up and students are required to wear a broad brim hat when playing outside at school. If your child does not have a broad brim hat, school hats can be purchased for \$10.00 from the front office during school hours.

LAST DAY for ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL FOR 2011

This Wednesday, 23rd November, will be the last day for Active After School for this term.

We look forward to recommencing in 2012.

QUANDIALLA CENTRAL SCHOOL SCHOOL TROPHIES 2011 Presentation Evening

It would be greatly appreciated if all QCS Perpetual Trophies be returned to Quandialla Central School as soon as possible.

Please leave trophies at the front office during school hours.

Thank you

special Awards

STAR FISH OF THE WEEK K/1/2



Ellie Kessey-Francis

STAR FISH OF THE WEEK 3/4/5/6



Tiffany Penfold

LIBRARY BOOKS WANTED:

As the end of year is fast approaching, please look under beds, in cupboards, behind doors, in the dog kennel (or maybe even the toilet!) for all those missing library books.

Please return to the Quandialla Central School Library by the end of **Week 7 – 25th November, 2011.**

Thank You

"SPECIAL AWARDS" at Quandialla Central School

K/1/2 Awards



Left to right:

Zachary Kessey (Star of the Week Award) Zachary Broomby (Good Attitude Award)

3/4/5/6 Awards





Above:

Tara McGuire (Good Attitude Award), RJ (Robert Stewart) (Star of the Week Award) and Emma Dixon (Good Thinking Award).

K-6 NEWS

K-6 EXCURSION A GREAT SUCCESS

All of primary travelled to Wagga on Friday 18th November to visit Handstand Factory, a circus skills/gymnastics provider and then toured the Junee Licorice Factory on the return trip.

At the Handstand Factory the students all learnt a clowning routine and some clown tricks. We were introduced to the Roman Ladders and then students paired up to perform a number of different balances. Following going through a circuit of other circus skills including juggling, diablo, devil sticks and blocks all students tried their skill on the long trampoline the barrel walk, tightrope, climbing rope, and chair stack.

Next stop was the Junee Licorice Factory where we all made a chocolate freckle and were given a talk about the licorice making. We played vertical licorice bowling which was more difficult than it looked.

A terrific day was had by everyone and there was much talk about making a return visit to the Handstand Factory.

SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME

The School Swimming Scheme commenced this week. All of K/1/2 and a number of 3/4/5/6 students are involved in daily swimming lessons for two weeks. Students go around to the pool at 9.45am each day and return at 11.15am.

SWIMMING FOR 3-6 SPORT ON WEDNESDAYS

Years 3 to 6 will be swimming for sport this week. Note sport for this group will go back to Wednesday afternoons for the remainder of the term. All students will be required to pay \$1.50 pool entry each sports day.

DEBATERS

The debaters had a workshop with Mrs Granger on Monday as they prepare for their next debate which is on the 30th November.

Notes Home:

• Debating permission note

THIS WEEK IN 3/4/5/6

We will finish our unit on narrative writing this week.

Students have not been receiving spelling homework because we are studying our spelling words at school each day using the whiteboards. Students do have maths homework sheets and Home Reading each week.

In Maths, the focus is on using mental strategies and the formal algorithm to solve multiplication and division Also, measuring area in square centimetres and metres (Yrs 3,4,5,6), and hectares and square kilometres (Yrs 5&6).

We continue our integrated study of Machines. We will be going swimming for sport on Wednesday.

THIS WEEK IN K/1/2

This week we start swimming lessons that will be every morning this week and next week. This means lots of changes. There will not be any spelling or homework pages but there will still be home readers each night. We will still be focusing on reading and writing lessons but they will be a little out of order as we will need to reorganise our day to fit with what is happening.

In Mathematics, the focus is on Multiplication and Division and Area.

In COGS, the children are looking at Understanding Ourselves. In sport, we are learning various skills.

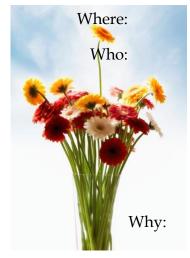
Wendy Robinson (3/4/5/6) Assistant Principal Melissa Blackwood (K/1/2)

Quandialla Central School

Thank You Morning Tea

At this time of the year we would like to say thank you to our wonderful volunteers. A morning tea will be held in your honour to show how much we appreciate your willingness to give your time, energy and support to help the school.

When: FRIDAY, 9th December, 2011 at 11.00 a.m.



Quandialla Central School Plaza

- * Parent helpers in the classroom or for sport
- * Helpers at the Swimming & Athletics Carnivals
- * Canteen helpers /Scripture teachers
- * Parents and community members who have assisted at fund-raising activities
- * School working-bees/Active After School
- * Education Week/Market Day
- * Assistance in transporting students etc.

To thank parents, grandparents and community members for their assistance in 2011.

R.S.V.P.

Monday, 5th December, 2011 - <u>by 3.30 p.m.</u> Thank You By phone (02) 6347 1207 or please complete the form below and return to Quandialla Central School - Fax no. (02) 6347 1248

Guests are most welcome to bring younger children.

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MORNING TEA THANK YOU

Name/s:	44.
Please Fax or Phone by 3.30 p.m Monday, 5 th December, 2011.	
I/we will be attending the Morning Tea - Number attend	ding





Quandialla Central School Presentation Evening Wednesday, 14th December, 2011 6.00 p.m.

Buffet Dinner

Please Note:

The Buffet Dinner will be held at Quandialla Central School immediately after the Presentation Evening. Quandialla Central School will be supplying the meat.

Please bring a salad to share.

You are most welcome to leave your salad at the school before 5.00 p.m.

Thank you for your assistance.

We look forward to seeing you at our Presentation Evening and then afterwards at the Buffet Dinner at Quandialla Central School.

PLEASE NOTE:

Change of time for Presentation Evening. It will now start at 6.00 p.m. not 5.30 p.m. as previously advertised.

QUANDIALLA CENTRAL SCHOOL

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

Week	Date	Times	Requirements
7	24.11.11	8:45am- 3:20pm	Hat, water bottle, munch crunch, recess, lunch
8	1.12.11	8:45am- 3:20pm	Hat, water bottle, munch crunch, recess, lunch

Bookclub Issue 8

This is the last issue of Bookclub for the year. Thank you to everyone who has purchased from bookclub this year, your purchases have supported the Library. Remember books make great gifts. Issue 8 is due back at school by Thursday 24th November. *Please make cheques payable to*

Thank you A Dixon

Scholastic Australia.



DON'T FORGET:

Please ensure when paying for excursions etc., that the correct money is sent in as the school does not keep change on the premises.

Thank you

LAST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER FOR 2011

Quandialla Central School's last newsletter for 2011 will be Tuesday, 6th December, 2011.

If you wish to advertise in this newsletter, all items must be at Quandialla Central School by 11.00 a.m. on MONDAY, 5TH DECEMBER, 2011.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Quandialla Community News

CLIVES'S COMPUTERS



Computer Sales, Repairs and Installation

30 years experience, for personal service phone Clive or Kim:

(02) 6383 3570 or 0428 351336 **WE WILL COME TO YOU!**

COMMUNITY CALENDAR 2011

NOVEMBER:

28th Nov. Jus Beautiful visiting the Quandi

Café today (10.00 - 4.00 p.m.)

30th Nov. Quandialla Soldiers Memorial Hall

& Progress Association - General

Meeting – 7.30 p.m.

DECEMBER:

14th Dec. Quandialla Central School -

Presentation Evening and Buffet Dinner. Commencing at 6.00 p.m.

QUANDIALLA COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

DR FERGUS McGEE -DATES FOR 2011

07/12/2011

YOUNG THEATRE COMPANY SOUND OF MUSIC TRIALS

Catherine McAuley Hall Young Saturday 26th November 2011

Ages 6-11 - Trials - 9:30am Ages 12-17 - Trials - 11:00am

Children attending these trials will be singing either.

Do-re-mi or The Lonely Goatherd



Quandialla Swimming Pool Entry fees for 2011/12 are:-

General Admission - \$3.00 Spectator - Free Family Season Ticket - \$150.00 Single Season Ticket - \$60.00

QUANDIALLA

BOWLING CLUB

Phone: 6347 1209

Friday Night Jackpot Draw, this week \$5400.00

(Must be a financial Member and present to win). Meat draw every Friday night

General News:

The Friday Club Draw didn't go off last week, so there is now \$5,400.00 in the draw for this week, plus the meat raffle.

Come and enjoy good friendship and atmosphere at your Club.

Bar Duty: for weekend starting 25th November: Lance & Sue Gault,
David Piefke and Robert McAlister
Paper Roster – 27th November: Bevan McAlister

Women's Chocolate Shortbread House Workshop

SATURDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 2011

2.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.

West Wyalong community Church Hall Church Street opposite the IGA Carpark.

\$36.00 per person – payable upon booking
(Includes kit, Iollies, icing etc. + Afternoon Tea)
Bookings available from West Wyalong Photo Centre or Temptations

Numbers strictly limited – R.S.V.P. 26th November, 2011. Primary children must be accompanied by an adult. Unfortunately crèche facilities are unavailable.

Speaker: Margo Stone

CWCI Australia (For further information please contact: Rosalie - 6972 0185

ST. BRIGIDS NEWS - MASS TIMES -

Monteagle, Koorawatha & Caragabal will be closed as Mass centres, but may be opened when required.

There will be no Vigil Mass at Grenfell.

Mass Timetable Young & Grenfell

Young: Vigil Sat 6:00pm. Sun 9:30am

Grenfell: Reconciliation 7:30am. Sun 8:00am

Village Masses

1st Sunday - Wombat 7.30am
 2nd Sunday - Quandialla 10:00am
 3rd Sunday - Bribbaree 10:00am

4th Sunday – Quandialla - Liturgy 10:00am

4th Sunday - Murringo 7:30am 5th Sunday - No Village Masses

Christmas Mass **24th December at 7.30 p.m. at Bribbaree church**.

No Baptisms outside of Mass. No Country Masses in January.

Quandialla Soldiers Memorial Hall and Progress Association.

Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, 30th November**, commencing at 7.30 pm in the hall. The focus of this meeting will primarily be planning for the Centenary of Quandialla.

The Centenary will be with us in 2014 and of course the crucial event was the coming of the railway, built by the government to provide this district with better transport, especially access to markets for it's produce.

We would like to invite all community members and organisation representatives to come along and share their ideas so that together we can make our Centenary a truly memorable event.

Marlene Taylor (Secretary)

Jus Beautiful



Will be visiting Quandialla on **Monday, 28th November, 2011** at the Quandi Café. 10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Make your bookings today:

Ashlee Grogan - 0447475229

Facials - Waxing - Tinting Manicures & Pedicures

QUANDI CAFÉ NOTICE

FRIDAY - OPENING TIMES

Until further notice, the Quandialla Café will be open until 7.30 p.m. on Friday nights.

Full café menu will be available. Orders can be phoned in on 6347 1219.

We look forward to seeing you on Friday evenings.



COUNCIL NEWS 23/11/11

The Mayor and General Manager recently attended the 2011 National Local Roads and Transport Congress, organised annually by the Australian Local Government Association. The theme this year was "Better Roads are Safer Roads" and much of the Congress was devoted to road safety matters.

The other focus of the Congress was to show support for the Roads to Recovery Programme which has so far contributed almost \$5 million of Federal money to the upgrading and improvement of local roads within Weddin Shire. This additional funding has given a great boost to our shire as well as many others, and the broad support for the Roads to Recovery program was evidenced by the attendance of over 300 delegates. The ALGA will now use the Congress to lobby for not only the retention of the programme, but also for increased funding.

Another meeting of the Ministerial Taskforce for the rail re-opening was held at Cowra this Monday, with representatives from all five councils in attendance as well as officers from NSW Transport.

The meeting considered the final report of Booz & Co which was accepted subject to a number of qualifications, including an expression of concern at the low level of freight identified which has resulted in a benefit – cost ratio of less than one.

Quite coincidently, two new potential users have been located, both of which are looking to utilise rail to haul logs and woodchips between Oberon and Cootamundra. The freight volume for these two companies exceeds the quantity required to give a positive return on the line, and concerted efforts are being made to sign them up for the presentation to the Minister.

The Congress was remarkable for the scarcity of politicians with only a dour Warren Truss and an entertaining Barnaby Joyce fronting to put their party's policy on Roads to Recovery. The controversial independent Tony Windsor was scheduled to speak but failed to appear, and there were no representatives at all from the Federal Government. It may have been such a sunny day in Canberra that no-one wanted to leave, but perhaps the presence of the visiting President of the United States had something to do with it.

There were a number of important issues discussed at this week's Council Meeting. One of these was what to do about Bogolong Dam.

Having previously decided not to accept responsibility for this dam because of the potentially high costs involved, this time Council has agreed to have a full assessment of the condition of the dam and the likely costs involved in taking it over from Central Tablelands Water (subject to their agreement). There is also a need to ascertain the regulatory requirements of any Government departments which could still have a say. Council is liaising in this matter with the local community committee and will strive to work towards the optimum solution for all concerned.

The matter of using B-double trucks on council roads has again arisen, with requests from grain haulage companies for new routes.

There are two important considerations with those trucks. The first is that the road authority has established minimum standards for roads where B-doubles may operate. These standards include the width of seal, the width of culverts, the condition of the road and other factors, and are particularly aimed at ensuring the safety of other road users. A school bus or a parent taking the kids to school does not want to meet a fast-moving B-double on a narrow road and have to take evasive action.

The second consideration is that Council's insurance company has advised that a road should not be opened to B-doubles unless it meets the required standard, and to do so may negate Council's public liability insurance. This would have significant consequences should an accident occur.

It is understood that some neighbouring councils have taken a more cavalier approach and may have opened some roads without due process. This would be a risk that those councils have chosen to take. In the meantime Council is continuing to work on widening the most requested routes such as the Mary Gilmore Way beyond Bimbi, so that a growing network of suitable roads will be available for future grain haulage.

Dates to Note

25 November - Recycling Collection (eastern run)

28 November - Recycling Collection (western run)

Advertisements

STREET STALLS 2012

Applications in writing may now be lodged with the undersigned for allocation of dates for street stalls during 2012. It is anticipated that an allocation of dates will take place in December 2011.

Applications close on Friday, 9 December 2011.

AUSTRALIA DAY 2012 AWARDS

Interested persons and organisations are invited to make nominations for the Weddin Shire Australia Day 2012 Awards.

Categories are: - Citizen of the Year

- Senior Citizen of the Year (65 and over)

- Community Service (personnel) Award
- Emergency Services (personnel) Award
- Community Event/Organisation of the Year

Nominations forms are available at the Council Chambers and will be accepted up until **Friday**, **2 December 2011**.

POSITION VACANT – APPRENTICE GARDNER/HORTICULTURIST

Council is inviting applications from motivated and enthusiastic persons for Apprentice Gardener/Horticulturist (4 years).

The successful applicant for the position will be required to undertake appropriate studies to obtain the required qualifications in the field.

Appointment to the position will be in accordance with the Local Government (State) Award and Grade T3-T6 (Trainee) under Councils current Salary structure, with a salary range of \$484.60 - \$700.30, depending on age and qualifications.

Further information and job description can be obtained by contacting Nichola during business hours on (02) 6343 1212, email mail@weddin.nsw.gov.au or visit Council's website at www.weddin.nsw.gov.au

Applications for this position close 4 pm Wednesday, 7 December 2011 and should be forwarded to the undersigned.

AUTHORISATION

All notices in this insert authorised by

T V LOBB GENERAL MANAGER

A MEDICAL RELATED EDUCATIONAL GRANT From CWA - SOUTH WEST GROUP

Cowra Branch of the Country Women's Association of NSW, South West Group, is looking for applicants for our Medical Educational Grant, to be taken up for 2012. This grant is open to those students who live in the South West Group area and are in their SECOND year or further, in any health-related tertiary studies.

Any student who desires to apply needs to obtain an Application Form from the Secretary of their local CWA Branch in the South West Group. The Branches are as follows: Binalong, Boorowa, Canimbla, Cowra, Cowra Evening, Galong, Grenfell, Grenfell Evening, Harden, Milvale, Morongla, Quandialla and Young.

The Grant is for \$4,000.00 and applications must arrive at Cowra by the third Wednesday in January, 2012, complete with relevant documents. No late entries will be accepted.

The successful student will be notified by the first week in March.

Cowra Branch was delighted with the response last time and believes the ongoing grant will be beneficial to the students and the community.

Any queries may be directed to Cowra Branch, Secretary, Mrs Josephine Cochrane 6345 3155. Email: theabbey@westnet.com.au or Mrs P. Hewitson – 6342 1204. Application forms are also available on our website: www.cowracwa.com



William and Angus enjoyed participating in circus skills at the Handstand Factory.