



Quandialla Central School

"Together we provide opportunities to succeed"

Celebrating 100 years
of Education at QCS

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Diary Dates – Term 4

October:

Tuesday	29 th Oct.	Kindergarten Orientation
Thursday	31 st Oct.	Music: Count Us In – 12.30 pm

November:

Tuesday	5 th Nov.	Kindergarten Orientation
Thursday	7 th Nov.	P.&C. Meeting – 7.30 pm staffroom
Friday	8 th Nov.	School Assembly 2.30 pm

QUANDIALLA CENTRAL SCHOOL

New Girls Uniform



Left to right: Sarah, Emily, Emma, Laura and Dana

Congratulations Sarah

Last week Sarah Penfold travelled to Homebush Stadium to compete in the State PSSA Athletics Carnival. Sarah competed in the discus event and placed equal 30. Qualifying for State is a major achievement and Sarah has achieved a creditable result and demonstrated the Quandialla values – do your personal best and show excellent sportsmanship. Well done Sarah.

ESSA test for Year 8

The Essential Secondary Science Assessment (ESSA) test for Year 8 students will be held between **Monday 11 November** and **Friday 15 November 2013**. The test takes approximately 80 minutes. The test is an interactive, multimedia test completed entirely on a computer. It is called ESSAonline.

ESSAonline contains multiple choice, short response and extended response tasks that are grouped around real-world issues, including scientific investigations. This is a diagnostic test, with tasks framed on Stage 4 outcomes and essential content in the NSW *Science Years 7–10 Syllabus*. Students will be tested on their:

- knowledge and understanding of science
- understanding and skills in the process of scientific investigation
- ability to evaluate evidence, make judgements and think critically
- ability to access information and communicate scientific ideas.

Students also complete a survey about their opinions, attitudes and values.

Each student needs to bring **headphones or earbuds** that plug into a school computer. Earbuds for an ipod or portable player are suitable.

Results of the test will be available during Term 1 2014. Information about each student is treated confidentially to ensure that the right to privacy of all students is maintained. A personal report for each student will be sent to parents/carers to describe the science knowledge and skills demonstrated by the student in the test. There will also be information about how your child's results compare with overall performance of all students in the test. You will be invited to complete a parent survey about the test and science learning.

LAP Management Meeting

The Lachlan Access Program provides a very wide range of subject choices for students in Stage 6 (Years 11 and 12). LAP held the Term 4 Management Meeting at Quandialla Central School on Friday 18 October. The management group is made up of the principals and head teachers of the schools which participate in LAP. I took our visitors on a tour of the school and grounds and they were impressed with our facilities and all commented on how well the school is maintained. Our visitors also commented on the excellent morning tea which was provided by the P&C.

Thanks are extended to Kathy Smith SAO for assistance with the meeting and the P&C for providing the delicious morning tea.

Selective high school placement in 2015

Parents/carers of students wishing to apply for a placement in Year 7 at a government selective High School in 2015 – please see the Intention to apply form which is published later in this newsletter. If your child will seek a placement at a selective school for Year 7, you need to return the completed form to school by next Friday.

Kindergarten orientation

The kindergarten orientation program is now in its second week. The program concludes on Tuesday 19 November, with an information meeting for parents and families to be held on this day.

Please contact the school for more information on the program or for information on enrolling children in Kindergarten for 2014. Enquires are very welcome.

Emergency contact number

The previous week has seen disastrous bush fires throughout New South Wales and RFS crews will be on the job for many days to come. Conditions everywhere are tinder dry and combined with very low humidity and the hot westerlies, everyone will need to be exceptionally careful. Total fire bans are in place across the State.

If we need to enact the school's Emergency Plan, we will contact parents/carers to advise them. I will also have the school's mobile phone on hand so parents/carers can contact me. The number is 0427009410. You may like to put this into your contacts on your mobile.

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 **2014** 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

Phillip Foster - Principal



Quandialla Central School IS REAHEARSING FOR THE SONG THAT STOPS A NATION

Students at Quandi are joining school children across Australia to take part in **Music: Count Us In**, Australia's largest school music promotion and participation program, which has been growing steadily since 2007.

Music: Count Us In will be held this year on **Thursday 31 October 2013 at 12.30pm** when over half a million school students across Australia, from Kindergarten to Year 12, will sing the same song at the same time.

This year's 'song that stops the nation' has a great pedigree. Titled *Keep On*, the song was penned by four talented students who were mentored by singer songwriter Katie Noonan, who says: 'I am a big believer in music in education. Music was an important part of my life while I was growing up so I'm really excited to be involved in mentoring students as part of Music: Count Us In this year'. *Keep On* has been produced by award-winning producer and **Music: Count Us In** Ambassador John Foreman and recorded by *The Voice* runner-up Darren Percival, with students providing backing vocals and musical accompaniment.

Parents and community members are invited to participate at the same time.

Quandialla Central School - Celebrating 100 years of Education in 2013

Looking back over the years 'Henry Lawson Festival Float'

CAN YOU HELP?

We came across this great photo recently, and we would love to know who is dressed up as the 'Loaded Dog' can you help?

Also, what year was this photo taken?

Please contact Quandialla Central School on 6347 1207.



CANTEEN NEWS & ROSTER Term 4 - 2013

Our School Canteen is open on Wednesday

Time of Arrival is 10.00 a.m.

President: David Dixon – 6347 1271 Secretary: Leanne Penfold - 6347 2119

Treasurer: Anne Dixon - 6347 1271

Roster

23 rd	October	-	Tracy Penfold
30 th	October	-	Margaret Priestley
6 th	November	-	Jodi Atkins

Please Note:

If your name is not on the roster and you would like to have a turn on canteen, please contact Leanne Penfold and we will put you on the roster either with somebody this term or next.

Please remember to bring lettuce and tomatoes. Buns and ham are purchased from the Quandialla Café.

QUANDIALLA CENTRAL SCHOOL

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION 2013

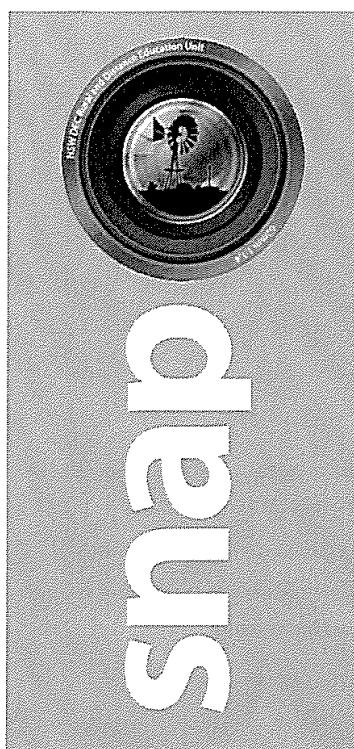
Quandialla Central School Kindergarten Orientation program commenced today, and will run for 6 weeks.

Kindergarten Orientation Dates are as follows: Tuesday, 15/10/13, 22/10/13, 29/10/13, 5/11/13, 12/11/13 and 19/11/13.

The Parent Information session will be held on Tuesday, 19th November at 9.15 a.m. in the school library. If you are unable to attend, please contact the school for your information package.

Students may wear the Quandialla Central School uniform if they like, including a broad brimmed hat.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact Quandialla Central School on 6347 1207.



Win a 32gb iPad mini

Capturing what it means to live and learn in a rural community

What is Snap?

Snap is a photographic competition open to current students and staff in NSW DEC rural schools. It is hosted by the Rural and Distance Education Unit. There are seven award categories for 'Snap':

- Stage 1 students
- Stage 2 students
- Stage 3 students
- Stage 4 students
- Stage 5 students
- Stage 6 student
- School staff (Anyone who works at the school in a paid or voluntary capacity)

In each student category, it is the students who must compose and take the photo. Each category winner will receive a 32gb iPad Mini!

How will photos be judged?

1. How well does the photograph capture the essence of living and learning in a rural community?
2. Did you use a 5-megapixel camera or higher?

Completed entries:

All entries must be returned to Quandialla Central School by **Monday, 11th November, 2013** to Ms Lisa Varjavandi.

All students who appear in the photos will be required to complete a 'Authority to Publish' form. Forms will be available from Ms Varjavandi.



<http://rde.nsw.edu.au/snap>

COMMUNITY NEWS

QUANDIALLA PRE-SCHOOL - 'OCTOBERFEST - TWILIGHT FETE'
SATURDAY, 26TH OCTOBER, 2013 - 4.00 – 8.00 pm.

ST BRIGID'S CHURCH NOTICE:

Mass - 10:00 am - 2nd Sunday of the month and **Liturgy**- 10:00 am – 4th Sunday of the month
These services will be held at St Mark's Anglican Church until further notice while necessary repairs are being carried out at St Brigid.

ST MARK'S ANGLICAN CHURCH: Please note change of time:

Services held 6.00 pm, fourth Sunday of the month.
All welcome.

EXERCISE CLASSES:

Quandialla Memorial Hall, 9.00 - 10.00 am Friday's.
\$7 / class, please bring water bottle, comfy clothing, and appropriate shoes.
Enquiries please phone: Kim 63472152

'VINTAGE' MELBOURNE CUP AFTERNOON:

The Quandialla Hospital Auxiliary will be hosting a "Vintage" Melbourne Cup afternoon with Devonshire Tea at the Quandialla Bowling Club on Tuesday 5th November, 2013 commencing at 1:00 pm. Entry is \$10.00 per person. Fashion Consultant Lisa Causer will be presenting the Veducci Clothing Spring/Summer Collection as well as handbags, wallets and jewellery. There will be a raffle, lucky door, sweeps and prizes for "Best Dressed." Hope to see you there!!

QUANDIALLA SWIMMING CLUB – GO SWIM MONTH:

Quandialla Swimming Club would like to invite you to their GO Swim Day to celebrate everything great about swimming. This will be a great opportunity to celebrate the start of the swimming season, have some fun with your friends, maybe make some new friends and have a BBQ lunch. Get involved in Australia's most popular Olympic and Paralympics sport!

Date: Saturday 2nd November 2013
Time: 10am – 2pm
Location: Quandialla Swimming Pool
Contact: Martina 0427431999
Visit: goswim.org.au for more details

Our GO Swim Day will include: Parent information sessions, skills clinic, novelty races and a BBQ lunch.

BLUE LIGHT DISCO - YOUNG PCYC:

1ST NOVEMBER, 2013 at the Young PCYC. Ages 5 – 12. 'Halloween Theme' - 6.00 - 8.00 p.m.

Free Sausage Sandwich and Drink. \$5.00 entry

NO ALCOHOL / NO DRUGS / NO PASSOUTS

All Blue Light events are drug and alcohol free and supervised by Police Officers.

The disco has a Halloween theme and there will be prizes for best dressed etc.

Children DO NOT have to be members to attend.

www.pcychnsw.org.au

QUANDIALLA SWIMMING CENTRE:

Will be open for the season on Friday, 1st November.

Hours are Tuesday, Thursday 3.30-6.30pm

(Monday 3.30-6.30pm during school holidays)

Wednesday, Friday 3.30-6.00pm

Saturday, Sunday 2.30-7.30pm

Family pass (dependents ONLY) \$150

Single pass \$60

Monthly pass \$60

Season pass does NOT cover school events or carnivals.

Please note; there has been NO CHANGE in our hours or our fee's this year.

Contact Robyn or Kim 63471204 for more information.



FREE
ENTRY

SATURDAY OCTOBER 26TH 2013
8am - 4pm • Main St, Grenfell NSW

*Bring your friends and family to this free entry fun day and step back in time to the 1860's when gold was first discovered, at the Grenfell **Gold Fest**.*

- ★ O'Brien's Bards Breakfast with popular Australian poet Frank Daniel at O'Brien's Hill
- ★ Live Folk Band "Franklyn B Paverty"
- ★ Bushranger Re-enactment
- ★ Historical Artefact Displays
- ★ Bush Dancing Display
- ★ Black Smith & Leatherwork Demonstrations
- ★ Bush Furniture Making Demonstrations
- ★ Cobb & Co Coach Rides
- ★ Vintage Car Display
- ★ Gold Rush Tour of Historic George Street
- ★ Gold Panning Demonstration
- ★ Costume Comp with **over \$500 in Cash Prizes**
- ★ Local Art Galleries & Museums Open

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www.grenfell.org.au/goldfest



The Grenfell Record



2013 Program

8am	O'Brien's Bards Breakfast with popular Australian poet Frank Daniel at O'Brien's Hill until 9.30am
9am	Leather whip making demonstration by Richard Taubman until 4pm Bush furniture making demonstration by Brian Beasley until 4pm
9.30am	Official opening of O'Brien's Hill Gold Trails installation by Mayor Mark Liebich Franklyn B Paverty folk band
10am	Cobb & Co Coach rides until 3pm Art Gallery 'Gold Trails' exhibition until 4pm Bushranger Artefact Display in Community Hub until 4pm Historical Society Museum (Camp Street) until 4pm Vintage Car Display until 4pm Blacksmithing demonstration by Hawkesbury TAFE until 4pm Free Guided George Street Walk 'The Seedy Side of George Street' Gold Panning Display until 4pm
10.30am	Whip Cracking Demonstration
10.45am	Franklyn B Paverty folk band
11.30am	Historical Reenactment
12 noon	Australian Heritage Dancers
12.30pm	Judging of the period costume competition
12.45pm	Franklyn B Paverty folk band
1.25pm	Grenfell Gold Fest Damper Bake Off
1.30pm	Australian Heritage Dancers with audience participation.
2pm	Whip Cracking Demonstration
2.20pm	Grenfell Record Gold Fest business comp announced
2.25pm	Franklyn B Paverty folk band plays until 3.30pm

**Program is subject to change*

www.grenfell.org.au/goldfest



Weddin Mobile Pre School Service Quandialla Preschool's

Lego and **C**raft display

Due to the success of last year's **L**ego and **C**raft display we will be holding this event again at

Octoberfest
Saturday 26th **O**ctober 2013 **4**PM-8PM

Quandialla Memorial Hall

An entry could win you a fabulous prize.

All preschool and school age children are invited to enter.
Limit of one entry in each category per child.

Entry is free
Exhibits are to be dropped off at the Quandialla Memorial Hall between 2PM and 4PM
Saturday 26th October 2013

Exhibits to be labelled with child's name and age group
Age groups are Preschool, Class K-2, Class 3-6

Entries will be displayed throughout the Octoberfest evening and are to be collected
before leaving the fair

Category ideas:

Lego — Building, dinosaur, vehicle, animal, action figure, scene
Craft – drawing, painting, sculpture, handiwork, play dough

Any queries? Contact Quandialla Pre School P&C
Sarah: 63471166 Kellie: 63471217 Catia: 63471324 Bronwyn: 63471102

Weddin Mobile Pre School Service
Quandialla Preschool's



Octoberfest

Twilight Fete



Saturday 26th October 2013 4PM-8PM

Quandialla Memorial Hall

Major Raffle – Oodles of great prizes including:

Taronga Western Plains Zoo Family Pass

Questacon Family Pass

Cockington Green Gardens Family Pass

Gift Baskets

Toys

Shopping and Petrol Vouchers

Loaded Dog Cafe – Grenfell Dining Voucher and MORE

Due to the success of last year's **Lego and **Craft** display we will be holding this event again.**
An entry could win you a fabulous prize. Details in your local school newsletter.

**Market stalls, jumping castle, kids activity stations, Art of Espresso coffee cart, food, drinks
and lucky door prizes**

Entry by **Gold Coin donation**

**Raffle prize winners will be notified by phone, Lucky door prize winners must be present to win. Lucky door
prize drawn at 6:30PM**

Come and join our preschool families for an evening full of fun



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Intention to apply: Year 7 entry into selective high schools in 2015

Dear Parent/Carer

Government schools use a range of strategies to meet the educational needs of gifted and talented students. One strategy is selective high school placement which provides intellectual stimulation and an educationally enriched environment for gifted and talented students.

Offers for selective high school placement will be determined mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 13 March 2014.

If you would like your child to apply for selective high school placement in Year 7 in 2015, you need to do so soon.

Most applicants are expected to apply on the internet and submit their application online. They will need to have an email address (not the student's email address), access to the internet and a printer.

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from 15 October 2013 at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement. Online applications close on 18 November 2013.

If parents do not have internet access, commercially printed application forms become available from the school on 22 October 2013. They must be completed and returned to the school by 18 November 2013.

The applications will be processed by the school in exactly the same way whether parents apply online or submit a commercially printed form. Parents are to submit only **ONE** application for each student.

Yours sincerely

Principal

Cut along the dotted line and return the completed slip below to this school by next Friday.

*Note: This is an intention to apply only, **NOT an application**. You will need to submit either an online or a paper application to be considered for placement.*

Intention to apply: Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2015

Student's name: _____ Class: _____

I am interested in applying for selective high school entry in 2015

Yes ☐

No ☐

if Yes:

EITHER

I have internet access and will be applying online

☐

OR

I do not have internet access and would like to receive a printed application form

☐

Signature of parent/carers: _____ Date: _____

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QUANDIALLA CENTRAL SCHOOL



ANTICIPATED KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

for

2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018

Please fill out the following slip if your child is going to commence
Kindergarten at Quandialla Central School
In the following years:-

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Name:	Name:	Name:	Name:	Name:
<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>

Parent/Guardian: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Please return to Quandialla Central School