



Quandialla Central School

"Together we provide opportunities to succeed"

Newsletter Tuesday, 19th February, 2013 (Week B No.3)

Address:

Third Street
Quandialla 2721

Phone:

(02) 6347 1207

Fax:

(02) 6347 1248

Email:

quandialla-
c.school@
det.nsw.edu.au

Website:

[http://www.
quandialla-
c.schools.nsw.edu
.au/sws/view
/home.node](http://www.quandialla-c.schools.nsw.edu.au/sws/view/home.node)

Principal:

Phillip Foster

Assistant

Principal:

Wendy Robinson

**Head Teacher of
Secondary**

Studies:

Lisa Varjavandi

School

Administration

Manager

Robin Dowsett

Parents and

Citizens

Association:

President:

Kirsty Pockley

Secretary:

Leanne Penfold

Treasurer:

Jodi Vonthien

Diary Dates – Term 1

FEBRUARY:

Friday

22nd February

Lachlan District PSSA Swimming Carnival –
Condobolin.

Friday

1st March

School Assembly – 2.30 pm
Clean Up Australia Day – 9.00-10.00 am

School Swimming Carnival 2013



Front to back:

William, Angus, Zach and Zoran are pictured competing in a Junior Boys swimming event.

Swimming carnival

Congratulations to each student for their excellent participation in the school swimming carnival which was conducted last Wednesday. Congratulations also to the house captains for organising the war cries, mascots and cake. Altogether, this made for an excellent carnival. A list of results appears later in this newsletter.

Lachlan district PSSA swimming carnival

The Lachlan district PSSA swimming carnival will be held at Condobolin on Friday 22 February. Students are selected to participate in the Lachlan carnival on the basis of their times from the school swimming carnival.

Youth week

Students from Years 7, 8 and 9 travelled to The Henry Lawson High School on Wednesday 13 February to participate in a Youth Week presentation by Motivational Media. Our students thoroughly enjoyed the presentation, and feedback from teachers was that our students were excellent ambassadors for the school. Congratulations to Year 7, 8 and 9 students and thanks to staff for providing transport to and from the event.

Positive Behaviour for learning (PBL)

2013 marks the third year that Quandialla Central School has been a *Positive Behaviour for Learning* school.

There are a few key ideas that underpin PBL – that by teaching children about positive behaviours, there will be less time lost in class and more time used for learning; that by teaching children about positive behaviours they will develop a clear understanding about our expectations of them in classrooms and in other settings; that positive behaviour is rewarded and reinforced.

There are three “core values” in our PBL system – we expect all members of the school community to be *Responsible, Respectful, Learners*. The attached *PBL Expected Behaviours* matrix explains how children show that they are being Respectful, being Responsible, and being a good Learner. The matrix describes what each “looks like and feels like” in classrooms and other settings.

Our core values were identified in consultation with parents, the P&C, students and staff, and each group agreed these are the core values we want our children to learn.

Our *Positive Behaviour for Learning* system uses the *Echidna award* to reward students when they demonstrate PBL expected behaviours. For example, when a student does their best quality work in class, or when a student speaks politely or cares for other people, they may be rewarded with an Echidna award. The important part of this is that the teacher will explain and reinforce the PBL behaviour when giving the student the Echidna award.

Of course, things don't always go to plan, and there is a PBL process that the school follows when there is a problem – the Three Steps. The key point here is that teachers use problems as opportunities to encourage students to learn about how to resolve and to fix problems.

Please see the attached PBL Expected Behaviours matrix, and contact the school if you have questions.

I hope that you will have lots of discussions with your children about the *Echidna awards* they have earned during the school day.

School assembly

The first School Assembly for 2013 is scheduled for Week 5 – Friday 1 March, beginning at 2.30pm in the large Class Room. The class/year group representatives to the Student Representative Council will be inducted at this assembly.

The Quandialla Central School Parents and Citizens Association will host an afternoon tea for parents, family members and community members at 1.30pm in the school Plaza. We hope you will join us for a “cuppa” and a chat before the assembly.

Friendships to boost your child's learning

If children are happy socially they tend to be more engaged in their learning. So teaching your child about the importance of making friends is as vital as learning their ABCs.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/how-friendships-boost-your-childs-learning>

Assignment starters for the arts

Videos are great resources for getting children enthused about their assignments. These pages on cubism, percussion and critical studies provide key points to help them get started and links to useful sites to assist with further research.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-projects/the-arts/assignment-starters-for-the-arts>

Primary school

Helping your Kindy child succeed at school

A great way to kick off your child's formal education is to understand the school culture and what your child is doing in the classroom.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/helping-kindy-kids-succeed-at-school>

Speech problems

All children learn how to talk and listen at different rates but did you know there's a general pattern to your child's language development?

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/speech-problems>

High school

Year 10 subject selection

How can you help your teen decide on subjects for Years 11 and 12? These tips talk about balancing choices based on your teen's strengths, while keeping their options open.

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/zh/homework-and-study/planning-for-the-future/year-10-subject-selection>

Vocational education

Many young people now use Year 11 and 12 to get a head start on a traineeship or an apprenticeship, or gain other valuable industry experience.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/planning-for-the-future/vocational-education-at-school>

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 2013 school year.

Contacting the school

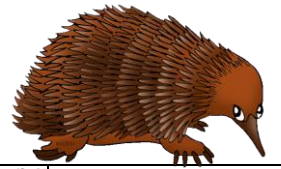
Please contact the school for further information. I am always available to meet with parents, provide further information and answer questions.

Kind Regards

Phillip Foster - Principal



Quandialla Central School - Positive Behaviour for Learning Expected Behaviours



Expectations I am	All Settings	Classrooms	Play Areas	Transitions	Assembly	Excursions	Toilets
Respectful	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speak politely to everyone Care for own property, others and school Be fair to everybody Wear school uniform 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communicate positively Respect myself and others Show pride in myself and the school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invite others who want to join in Share materials and equipment Use polite language 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep my hands and feet to myself Walk quietly so others can continue to learn Stay in line 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respect our flags, National Anthem and Acknowledgement of country Applaud appropriately to show appreciation Keep hands and feet to myself 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listen respectfully Represent my school with pride Care for myself and others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walk quietly to and from toilet Respect the privacy of others Leave toilet area tidy
Responsible	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Move safely around the school Stay in bounds Solve problems calmly Follow teacher instructions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do my personal best Co-operate with others Be ready for work 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep areas clean and pick up rubbish and place in bin Follow rules of areas Use equipment for intended purpose Stay in bounds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walk calmly and quietly Follow teacher instructions Watch where I am going 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enter and exit in an orderly manner Be polite and courteous Sit with my buddy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepared and organised Think and act calmly and sensibly Stay in bounds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Go to toilet at recess and lunch Wash hands after going to toilet Leave toilet area to play
Learner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doing your best quality work Seek assistance when needed Complete all tasks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make good choices Complete all tasks Allow others to learn 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be a problem solver Learn new games and activities Participate and co-operate with others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Return to class promptly Co-operate and help others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Raise your hand to share Keep comments and questions on the topic Listen actively and be involved 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow all instructions Actively involved Complete all tasks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow teachers' instructions Return to class promptly

K-6 NEWS

Scripture

Weekly Scripture lessons commence this Friday morning. Mrs Norma Parker from Bribbaree, who teaches scripture in a number of local schools, will be the teacher. There will be a separate session for each class. I am happy to answer any queries any parents may have about these lessons.

Lachlan District PSSA Swimming Carnival

The District Carnival will be held in Condobolin on Friday 22nd February. Emma, Sarah and Angus are representing as part of the Forbes Small Schools Team after qualifying at Forbes. Zach will be joining the squad for the PP6 Relay for Quandialla Central School. We wish them all well.

Dance

A Hip Hop Dance Program begins next week for five weeks. This program is being delivered by the Activated Group from Wagga Wagga. This is the same group that brought us the wonderful gymnastics program back in 2011. Dance is a mandatory strand in the PE curriculum and after the feedback from our end of year performance from students and the public we are all very excited about this opportunity. Watch this space for news of our next performance.

K/1/2 and Years 3 – 6 will have two sessions on Wednesday mornings. This replaces Years 3 - 6 Tuesday's PE lessons for the duration of the program.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation Program

For those who have not heard on the grapevine, Quandialla Central School has been accepted onto the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program. On the 26th and 27th February Anne Noble and I will be undertaking the first two days of training. We will tell you more after the training. Kylie Taylor will be teaching 3/4/5/6 in my absence.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:

FORBES SMALL SCHOOLS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL in Forbes Friday 7th June 2013

MOTIVATING OUR SECONDARY STUDENTS

On Thursday 14th February, Quandialla Central School students travelled to The Henry Lawson High School to participate in a motivational video performance which encouraged us not to bully others and to have fun in a positive way. The message included not to give up hope when things go wrong and always aim to achieve your own goals. The music was very inspiring and with every person's story, the song was different. "Standing in the Hall of Fame" was the music that accompanied a story about a MAD ('making a difference') group who encouraged other kids to stop bullying. The message that Brendan took away with him was to try not to argue, Tara was motivated not to give up, Natasha plans to help other people that are left out, Maryanne was inspired to remember to not give up on hope AND Caitlin was stimulated to help those who need help.

Ms Howard was inspired to help all the students make and achieve their goals. We would like to thank Mrs Noble for driving us there, Ms Howard for accompanying us and Ms Varjavandi for organising the afternoon.

Written by Brendan, Tara, Natasha and Maryanne

CANTEEN NEWS & ROSTER Term 1 - 2013

Our School Canteen is open on Wednesday

Time of Arrival is 10.00 a.m.

President: Kirsty Pockley - 6347 2168 Secretary: Leanne Penfold - 6347 2119

Treasurer: Anne Dixon - 6347 1271

Roster:

20 th February	-	Margaret Priestley
27 th February	-	Jodi Atkins
6 th March	-	Leanne Penfold & Tracy Penfold

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.

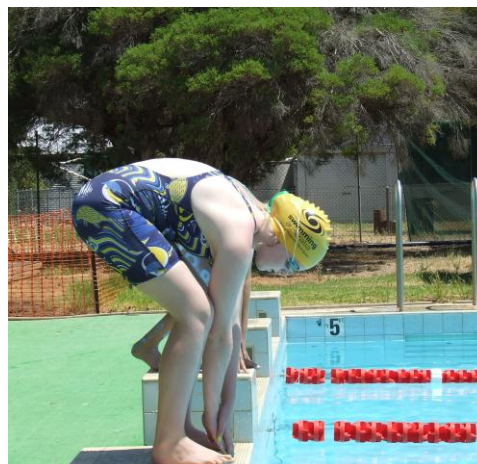
QUANDIALLA CENTRAL SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL - RESULTS

Junior Primary Boy Champions:

- 1st.: Angus Kelly
- 2nd.: Zachary Broomby
- 3rd.: Zoran Gregory & William Dixon

11 Years Primary Girl Champions:

- 1st.: Sarah Penfold
- 2nd.: Haylee Bridger



11 Years Primary Boy Champions:

- 1st.: Rhys Minnick
- 2nd.: Hayden Bridger

Senior Primary Girl Champion:

- 1st.: Emma Dixon

Secondary Champions:

- 1st.: Tara McGuire
- 2nd.: Brendan Bridger



House Points:

Blue House 184 & Gold House 156



COMMUNITY NEWS

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: *'I was a stranger and you welcomed me'*

Friday, 1st March, 2013 – Anglican Church, Quandialla - 9.30 am - All most welcome.

TAI CHI CLASSES:

Tai Chi classes will be held at Quandialla Central School on Tuesday afternoons, commencing at 3.30 p.m. in the school assembly hall. Please wear comfortable shoes and clothing.

For further information please contact: Helen on 6349 1777.

QUANDIALLA DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE - 2013 SCHOLARSHIPS:

Applications are now open for the following Scholarships: Year 10 Scholarship, Tafe Scholarship (Full time), Tafe Scholarship (Part Time) and a University Scholarship.

Due date for applications: Monday, 25th February, 2013. Please contact Narelle Gault (Secretary) for application forms or for further information – Telephone: 6347 1294.

COMMUNITY NEWS ARTICLES:

Community articles may be placed in our school newsletter.

Please email your items to Quandialla Central School
(email: quandialla-c.school@det.nsw.edu.au) by **Monday, 11.00 a.m.**

All community articles will be placed in the school newsletter free of charge.

Quandialla Preschool New Local Phonebook

The Quandialla Pre-school are compiling a new local phone book. If you would like to be included in this book or if your details need updating, please fill out your details below and leave them at Bribbaree Pub, Caragabal Public School, or the Quandialla Post office.

You can also email shawnandcatia1@bigpond.com or fax to 63471245.
Any enquiries to Catia Nowlan 63471324

NAME: _____

PREFERRED NAME: _____ (only if applicable)

ADDRESS: _____

HOME PHONE: _____

FAX: _____

MOBILE: _____

EMAIL: _____

UHF: _____

Example:
WJ Bradden (Bill)

MINUTES OF THE QUANDIALLA P & C GENERAL MEETING

**HELD AT THE SCHOOL STAFF ROOM ON THE 7TH FEBRUARY, 2013
OPENED AT 7.40PM**

Present:

N Vonthien, K Pockley, D Dixon, W Robinson, K Broomby,
P Foster, C Nowlan, J Kelly and L Penfold.

Apologies:

R Dowsett, D Robinson and S Ryan.
Moved apologies by accepted K Pockley, Seconded K Broomby.

Minutes:

Moved by K Pockley that the minutes of the previous meeting
have been circulated be accepted.
Seconded K Broomby.

Business Arising:

- Afternoon Tea before assembly's – It was agreed that this should Continue before each assembly. L Penfold to organise the first one on 1st March, 2013 and K Broomby to organise the second on 5th April, 2013. The rest of the year to be organised at a later date.
- Henry Lawson Festival Charity Queen - It was decided not to go ahead with a Queen entrant as parent resources are stretched instead we will concentrate on fundraising for the P & C as there will be a few big expenses coming up. Our main fundraiser will be a Bush dance to be held on the 25th May, 2013. The Band will cost \$750.
J Kelly moved a motion that “We do not enter a festival Queen and run a Bush Dance as a fundraiser in conjunction with the Pool Committee seeking sponsorship from Delta to cover the cost of the Band on Saturday night 25th May, 2013.
Seconded L Penfold. All in favour.
We will wait on confirmation from the Pool Committee before further action.
- Public speaking – Sarah Penfold competed well at State. L Penfold to take the taped disk of the event in to School.
- Prospective Parents – Feedback on information receive – good, however the School and P & C could be more proactive by contacting prospective students earlier in the year.
- Canteen - Has gone to Wednesday's only. A Dixon to get Ham and Buns for the freezer. A Dixon is prepared to be product co-ordinator until the Annual meeting.
- Hospitality - Why do they not cater at the Quandialla Bowling Club? An invitation was granted to anyone willing.
This is an option for consideration.
- Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden – Looks like at this point that it will go ahead. Farm to Plate program. A Noble and W Robinson to go to Sydney for training 26th and 27th February.
- Fundraising ideas – Ram Sale, Bush Dance and Pie Drive.
- Fundraising plans – Proposed excursion, Library, new Smart board.

Principal's Report:

No Report, however Mr Foster did mention that the Staff have had a good start to the year.

Treasurer's Report:

Opening Balance as of 1 st November, 2012	\$5,744.39
Income	49.00
Less Withdrawals	<u>1,443.99</u>
Closing Balance as of 30 th November, 2012	\$4,349.40
	=====

Moved by K Pockley
Seconded N Vonthien

Canteen Treasurer's Report

Account Balance	\$2,357.67
-----------------	------------

Correspondence:

Moved that the correspondence be dealt with as read L Penfold.
Seconded N Vonthien.

- P & C Journals – Handed Out.
- Michael Veitch letter – Handed to K Pockley
- Receipt from School for \$2,609.09 – Handed to J Vonthien

General Business:

- **Newsletter – latest newsletter tabled. Condensed so as not to Repeat information. Commercial paid advertising will not be presented. Community based news will still be printed, at no cost.**
- Swimming Carnival - P & C to cater.
50 Sausages from H Forde – who has kindly donated those.
J Kelly to get 100 Sausages, Onions and Bread to match from IGA Grenfell.
Carnival to start at 10.00am
- Proposed excursion has been booked at Lake Burrandong for years 3-10. Other Central Schools will be there that week.
Date 19th August, 2013 – 23rd August, 2013-02-18.
- K/1/2 will have a day excursion only.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.25pm. Next Meeting AGM 7th March, 2013

.....
L M Penfold Secretary