



# Quandialla Central School

*"Together we provide opportunities to succeed"*

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## Diary Dates – Term 1

**April:**

Wednesday	10 <sup>th</sup> April	Primary/Secondary 'Acara' workshop at School (all day – for teaching staff)
Friday	12 <sup>th</sup> April	School Anzac Day Service – 10.30 a.m. Last day of Term 1.

**May:**

Monday	29 <sup>th</sup> April	School Development Day (secondary staff with T.H.L.H.S. staff & primary staff working with small schools network)
Tuesday	30 <sup>th</sup> April	" " "
Wednesday	1 <sup>st</sup> May	All students return for Term 2.



### MARKET DAY 2013

The 'Mini Pavilion' was well supported on market day, with some creative entries in all sections.



### ANZAC memorial services School service

Quandialla Central School will conduct its' annual ANZAC memorial service on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April, beginning at 10.30am. Local ex-servicemen Mr Ken McAlister and Mr John Drum will be the guests of honour and speakers at the service. Parents/carers, family members and members of the community are cordially invited to join our students for this important service.

Our students learn about Australia's involvement in world wars and conflicts, and the international efforts to maintain peace across the globe. This is an important part of the curriculum for all students, and builds their understanding of the contributions made by local families. Our ANZAC memorial ceremony acknowledges the contributions by local families in the service of the nation.

### **Quandialla service**

The Quandialla ANZAC Day Commemorative Service will be conducted on Thursday 25 April at the Quandialla Memorial Hall, commencing at 11.00am. The organising committee invites all school students to participate in the service, and requests they wear their school uniform. Ex-service personnel and school students assemble at Blamey Park by 10.45am.

### **NAPLAN**

The NAPLAN testing program for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 is scheduled for Tuesday 14 May to Thursday 16 May.

It is extremely important that each student attends school and completes the NAPLAN tests on these dates. Please contact me if you have questions.

### **PBL**

This week sees the larger *Positive Behaviour for Learning* signs placed around the school. The signs include our PBL core values – *Respectful, Responsible, Learner* – and are intended to be a visual reminder to everyone at school that we have high expectations about behaviour. We expect that everyone will be *respectful* in the ways that we communicate and work together; we expect that everyone will be *responsible* in the ways that we conduct ourselves and we expect that everyone will behave in ways that promote effective *learning* in classrooms and other settings.

I hope you notice our PBL signs and continue to have discussions with your children about the importance of being respectful, responsible learners at school.

### **School Centenary**

At the P&C meeting held on 4 April, the topic of the School Centenary was discussed. The P&C plan to hold an open day on Saturday 27 July at the school which will lead into the P&C Bush Dance on the Saturday night.

There will be a ceremony acknowledging the centenary at the open day, and other activities, probably a special BBQ lunch. Please spread the word to past students, families and staff of the school, and get them to pencil the date into their diaries. It will be an important and enjoyable day and evening. Stay tuned for more information.

### **Market Day**

The school conducted the annual Market Day on Friday 5 April. There was a a wide variety of stalls and activities, and a BBQ lunch. The Echidna café provided afternoon tea.

The day was a resounding success. There were a large number parents, family members and community members who came along and thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon. I wish to thank all of the stall holders; parents who made cakes; people who made donations; parents and teachers who were the models in the fashion parade; who cooked the BBQ, and SAS staff for organising the day. This all contributed to an enjoyable and successful market day.

It was interesting to see there were still ladies having a coffee and trying on shoes well after the 3.00pm finish time. Can you have too many pairs of shoes? And, Mrs Dixon *did* manage to find homes for all her kittens (thank goodness).

### **Welcome back Mrs Rob**

It's great to have Wendy Robinson back with us following a period of leave. Also, thanks to Mr Brett Causer for his work as relief teacher for Mrs Rob. I have received some very positive feedback on Mr Causer's work – well done.

### **Congratulations Mrs Varjavandi**

Congratulations to Mrs Varjavandi on the excellent workshop for the Lachlan Access Program (LAP) Music students, which was held at Quandialla Central School last week. The students staged an impromptu concert for the pre-school children, which was fantastic.

### **Reading with children**

Don't forget to continue to read with your children during the upcoming school holidays. There is no reason for anyone to be "bored" as there is always a good book to read. Make sure students borrow from the school library before the end of the week.

### **First day**

Don't forget the first day of attendance for students next term is Wednesday 1 May (pinch and a punch) which is a sport day.

There are School Development Days scheduled for Monday 29 and Tuesday 30 April – teachers will be working on programs for the new Syllabuses to be implemented in 2014.

### **Managing depression**

One in four kids over 12 has symptoms of depression. Would you know what to look for and how to help? Don't be afraid, ask your child how they are feeling and keep communicating with them.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/managing-depression-in-children>

### **Financial literacy**

Does your child need help with business and economics? Here's info on credit cards, how to be responsible spenders and savers, and make consumer choices.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-projects/business-and-economics/credit-cards>

### **Spellcheck**

Is your child learning to spell? Struggling with the weekly spelling lists? Here are a few strategies that will help:

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/zh/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/getting-your-child-used-to-writing>

### **Homework planner**

Kids and families run more smoothly when there's a plan - so print out our 2013 homework and study calendar, which includes key dates and school holidays.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/2013-homework-planner>



## Technology-savvy girls

We know our girls are just as techno-savvy as boys - so why do you think they're not pursuing careers in technology? Read how Silicon Valley is opening the gate for girls and making them consider technology studies.

<http://dealbook.nytimes.com/2013/04/02/opening-a-gateway-for-girls-to-enter-the-computer-field/?hp>

## Help with ratios

Homework is full of tricky maths questions. Brush up on some of the maths terms your child uses in the classroom. This glossary gives straightforward explanations and illustrated examples.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/maths/maths-a-to-z>

## 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



# 'Mini Pavilion'

Congratulations to everyone who entered the various categories in the 'Mini Pavilion' at our 2013 School Market Day.



## **CANTEEN NEWS & ROSTER Term 1 - 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:**

10 <sup>th</sup> April	-	Kim Broomby & Vesna Gregory
1 <sup>st</sup> May	-	Leanne Penfold & Vesna Gregory
8 <sup>th</sup> May	-	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 YEAR BOOK – 2012:**

The Quandialla Central School Year Book can be purchased from the Front Office at a cost of \$5.00.

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## **IMPORTANT P & C DATES**

<b>26<sup>th</sup> April, 2013</b>	Catering at S Armitage Clearance Sale.
<b>27<sup>th</sup> April, 2013</b>	Catering at Dowsett Team Roping Event – Lunch and Dinner
<b>28<sup>th</sup> April, 2013</b>	Catering at Dowsett Team Roping Event – Breakfast and Lunch

A meeting will be held on the 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2013 at the Bland Hotel starting at 6.30 pm to discuss the above fundraisers. **All welcome.**

We are seeking help from **anybody** to assist with either physical help and/or donations of slices or cakes for the above events (even if you could do a couple of hours or only one, it would be greatly appreciated). Please contact either David Dixon (President) 6347 1271 or Leanne Penfold (Secretary) 6347 2119 if you can help.

**All monies raised will directly help the students at Quandialla Central School.**  
**Please remember we have a large excursion this year, any monies raised could assist with this.**

**Many hands make light work. Thank you.**

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

### **TALL POPPIES GARDEN CLUB:**

Tall Poppies Garden Club have a meeting on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April at 9.30 am at Clare & Simon Nowlan's property "Glenesk" Bimbi. Alex Dalglish will be the guest speaker.  
Everyone Welcome

### **BREASTSCREEN NSW - MOBILE SCREENING UNIT VISIT: GRENFELL – April/May, 2013:**

It's time to look after Yourself. 1 in 9 women develop Breast Cancer. Early detection is your best protection. BreastScreen is primarily for women aged 50 – 69, but women over 40 are welcome. FREE, no referral needed.

The Mobile Screening Unit will be visiting: GRENFELL – April/May, 2013,

**BOOK NOW: Call 13 20 50**

### **ST BRIGID'S CHURCH NOTICE:**

**Mass** - 10:00 am - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month and **Liturgy**- 10:00 am – 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **QUANDIALLA DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE - EXTRA SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE:**

Due to the increased generosity of our major sponsor (Barrick Cowal Limited), the Quandialla District Scholarship Committee are able to offer further financial assistance to other applicants for the TAFE and University Scholarships. Applicants from previous years may apply again.

**Applications close: Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2013**

For further information and application forms please contact the secretary, Narelle Gault on 6347 1294 ah

Please Note: We will hold our 2013 Presentation Evening on Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> May, at the Quandialla Bowling Club – more information at a later date.

### **QUANDIALLA HOSPITAL AUXILIARY GENERAL MEETING:**

The next General Meeting of the Quandialla Hospital Auxiliary will be held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2013 at 9:30 am in the Quandialla Health Centre. All welcome.

Maribeth Keir (Hon Sec)

### **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

### **ST MARK'S ANGLICAN CHURCH:**

Services held 5.00 pm, fourth Sunday of the month, during winter months.

All welcome

**WOMEN'S HEALTH NURSE VISIT:** The Women's Health Nurse will be visiting Quandialla Community Health Centre on Wednesday 15th May - 2 appointments available.  
Phone 63471 200.

**GRENFELL PICNIC RACES - 20<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2013:**

A Great family day out with the lions rides and face painting for the kids.

Fashions on the Field with over \$2500 in cash and prizes.

5 Races with many local horses and full TAB, Full Bar and Canteen Facilities NO BYOG

Marquee Sites - Buses available

Email: [president@grenfellpicnics.org.au](mailto:president@grenfellpicnics.org.au)

**"Be Part Of The Action"**

**HOLIDAY FUN - TRY NETBALL:**

**WHEN:** Monday 22 April and Tuesday 23 April, 2013

**TIME SLOT:** 5 – 10 years 9:30 am to 12:30 pm / 11 – 14 years 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm.

**WHERE:** West Wyalong Netball Courts.

**HOW MUCH:** \$20 per day / family discounts for 3 or more children.

**WHAT:** Fun, fitness, skills and games

CANTEEN WILL BE AVAILABLE

Wet weather venue \*Monday – Basketball Stadium \*Tuesday – High School MPU.

**WHAT'S NEEDED:** Names with age and contact number, PLUS the days you would like your child to attend Monday, Tuesday or both **by Friday 19 April.**

All enquiries to **Sue Giffin 6972 3439 or Amanda Cooper 0427 722920.**

**QUANDIALLA – ANZAC DAY SERVICE COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE**

**THURSDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2013 at the Quandialla Memorial Hall:**

Commencing at 11.00 a.m. School and Ex-Service Personnel to be at Blamey Park by 10.45 a.m.

Please note: All school students are encouraged to participate in the Anzac Day Service and are requested to **wear full school uniform.** Descendants of Servicemen and Women may wear Service Medals.

Thank you, Anzac Day Committee

**QUANDIALLA CENTRAL SCHOOL  
2013 MARKET DAY – MAJOR RAFFLE WINNERS:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize:** One nights accommodation to the value of \$150.00 and a Family Pass to the Western Plains Zoo. (Zoo pass kindly donated by Western Plains Zoo)  
Winner: Angus Kelly
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize:** Dinner for 2 at Café de Jour in Young to the value of \$90.00. (Kindly donated by Café de Jour – Young)  
Winner: Dixon Family
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize:** Railway Station Carry Set – Kindly donated by Jenny's Classroom – Orange  
Winner: Dixon Family

Thank you to everyone who supported our raffle.

Dear Parents/Carers

Could you please fill out the details below so we can cross check that the information we have relating to your child[ren] is correct.

Mothers Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Fathers Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mothers Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Fathers Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact No 1 Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact No 2 Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Students Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Medications: \_\_\_\_\_

Any student who suffers from a known complaint eg Asthma, anaphylaxis must provide the school with an action plan as detailed by their Doctor. It is a Department of Education and Communities requirement that these plans are in place at the school. If we have been previously notified by you that your child does suffer from a complaint and no plan is received we will assume that your child no longer suffers from this complaint and will remove this information from their enrolment data. All students who require medication must bring the medication to the First Aid Officers [Robin Dowsett/Kathy Smith] in the Front Office not keep it in their school bag unless arrangements have been made via the Front Office.

Please return this note to school by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2013