



# Quandialla Central School

*"Together we provide opportunities to succeed"*

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## Diary Dates – Term 1

### March:

Tuesday	11 <sup>th</sup> Mar.	P.&C. General Meeting – 7.30 p.m. ( <b>Note: Change of Date</b> )
Wed./Thur.	12 <sup>th</sup> /13 <sup>th</sup>	Active After School
Friday	14 <sup>th</sup> Mar.	School Assembly – 2.30 p.m. ( <b>Note: Change of Date</b> )
Monday	17 <sup>th</sup> Mar.	Taronga Zoomobile – Wyalong Public School (K-Year 6) 8.30 – 12.30 pm. Funky Hair Day – This event will be held at lunch time.
Friday	21 <sup>st</sup> Mar.	Multicultural Day – Wyalong Public School (K-Year 6)

## Hospitality Lessons



Left to right: Maryanne, Caitlin and Theresa.

Hospitality students are currently learning about knife safety and precision cuts as part of a Unit on 'Food Safety and Presentation of Simple Dishes'.

### **Attendance**

"On time and all day, every day". This old saying pretty well sums up parents' responsibilities relating to their children's' attendance at school. Children need to be at school no later than 8.55am and to attend school on every school day.

If they are not, they are at risk of “falling behind” because they miss lessons. Please ensure that your children attend promptly and regularly.

Also, we now have a full-time Home School Liaison Officer (HSLO) – Ms Sonja-Gai Hasler.

The HSLO will be at the school at least twice each term to audit the Attendance Register (Roll) and to follow up with parents of students who have irregular attendance.

### **School assembly**

Please note the change of date for the first school assembly for 2014. This will be held on Friday 14 March, beginning at 2.30pm, in the assembly room. Parents and families are invited to join us for the assembly. The assembly was held over to avoid a clash with the Western NSW Region PSSA Swimming Carnival held in Dubbo last week.

### **Active After School Communities program**

Quandialla Central School participates in the Active After School Communities program (*Active*). The program aims to provide healthy activities and healthy afternoon tea for school aged children, as an alternative to TV and other sedentary pastimes. *Active* is managed by Mrs Cathy Rowland and runs on two afternoons per week – Wednesdays and Thursdays.

The behaviour expectations for students attending *Active* are the same as for school – students are expected to demonstrate appropriate behaviour at *Active*. Students who do not meet behaviour expectations will not be accepted at *Active*.

### **Positive behaviour for learning**

Quandialla Central School is a *Positive behaviour for learning* school. The school’s PBL expectations are – Respectful, Responsible, Learner. PBL aims to maximise the on task learning time for all students. PBL aims to explicitly teach students about our behaviour expectations in each of the learning settings – in classrooms; play areas; when transitioning between settings; on assembly; when on excursions and when using the toilets.

In all of the settings, we expect our students will be *Respectful* of others, be *Responsible* students and will be a focussed *Learner*.

The PBL awards system uses the Echidna awards to reward and reinforce positive behaviour. An *Echidna* is given to students when they are being Responsible, Respectful and a good Learner.

*Echidnas* accumulate – students may achieve individual rewards; a class reward and a whole school reward. The recent whole school excursion to the Wyalong Swimming Pool was a whole school PBL reward.

However, the most effective way of teaching and encouraging our students to demonstrate PBL behaviour is to be a very good **model** for them. By our own behaviour, we all show our students what we expect them to do.

Please discuss our PBL expectations with your children and ask them about the *Echidna* awards they receive each day.

### **NAPLAN tests**

The National Assessment Program in Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests will be conducted over the three days of Tuesday 13 May, Wednesday 14 May and Thursday 15 May this year. All students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will in all government and non-government schools will complete the tests.

The NAPLAN tests provide information about students’ learning to parents and schools.

Please make sure your children attend school on these dates so that they complete the NAPLAN tests. The tests cover Language Conventions, Writing, Reading and Numeracy.

### **LAP Music**

On Thursday 6 March, the Lachlan Access Program (LAP) Stage 6 Music students worked with Ms Lisa Varjavandi at our school. The LAP students come from a number of different schools (Condobolin, Lake Cargelligo, Ungarie, Gundagai) and together form a class that is taught by Ms Varjavandi and co-teachers in the home schools.

It is always a delight to host LAP students at Quandialla Central School. The students presented items as part of an assessment task and Quandia students were part of the audience.

You may remember that Ms Varjavandi's 2013 HSC Music class achieved excellent results in the HSC examination – a Band 6 and a number of Band 5 results. Based on the standard of the student's performances on Thursday, I am sure there will be similar results achieved at the 2014 HSC examination.

### **P&C meeting**

The P&C meeting that was scheduled to be held last Thursday will be held on Tuesday 11 March, beginning at 7.30pm in the staff room. This meeting was held over to avoid a clash with the Western PSSA Swimming Carnival.

### **Western PSSA swimming carnival**

On Friday last week, Sarah Penfold, William Dixon, Angus Kelly and Zach Broomby participated in the Western PSSA swimming carnival in Dubbo. Each of the students performed admirably and showed their Quandialla character – personal best with best sportsmanship. The team previously qualified for the PP6 relay and put in a strong effort. Sarah slashed 8 seconds off her 100m butterfly time. William swam strongly and Zach also did very well.

It is important to note that competition at this level is very strong and to qualify for the Regional carnival is a significant achievement. Congratulations to Sarah, William, Angus and Zach on their top efforts.

### **Retirement**

Some of you may be aware that I am retiring. At the Staff Meeting held on 12 February I informed the school staff that I will retire at the end of Term 1 (11 April). I will actually exhaust some unused leave first, then retire.

I have greatly enjoyed the Principal position at Quandialla Central School, however it is now time to enjoy other things – family, gardening, golf, and motorcycles to mention a few.

The Principal position will be filled in a relieving capacity from the beginning of Term 2.

### **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

## **CANTEEN NEWS & ROSTER Term 1- 2014**

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

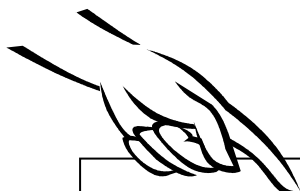
### **Roster**

12 <sup>th</sup>	March	-	Jennifer Kelly
19 <sup>th</sup>	March	-	Leanne Penfold
26 <sup>th</sup>	March	-	Kim Broomby

### **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.



### **Please Note: Change of Date**

## **SCHOOL ASSEMBLY**

Our first Assembly for 2014 will be held on

**Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2014**

commencing at 2.30 p.m. in the assembly room.

All Most Welcome

## **PARENT PLEASE NOTE**

### **New Dates:**

Musica Viva – The Chambermaids - 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2014 - 1.30 p.m.  
Quandialla Central School – Assembly Room

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Musica Viva – Mara - 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2014 - 10.00 a.m.  
Quandialla Memorial Hall

### **FUNKY HAIR DAY - MONDAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2014**

Parents please see 'Permission Notes' at the back of this Newsletter.

*Thank you*

### **ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL COMMUNITIES**

Next Wednesday (19<sup>th</sup> March) will be the last A.A.S.C. session for Term 1.  
It will start again in Week 1, Term 2 (Wednesday and Thursday afternoons).

## **PRIMARY EXCURSIONS**

### **Taronga Zoomobile**

#### **K-6 Excursion - Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2014 Wyalong Public School**

The Lake Cowal Conservation Centre is hosting the Taronga Zoomobile on Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> March, at Wyalong Public School.

The Animals of the Dreaming Zoomobile is an exciting program combining two fascinating aspects of Australia – native animals and Dreamtime stories.

The presentation is delivered by a Zoo Education Officer and the highly respected Aboriginal elder, Col Hardy. This program relates to all Key Learning Areas of the curriculum. Students will be mesmerised by a variety of animals, music, stories, dancing and artefacts!

Initiative: Taronga Zoomobile Day

Focus: For students to explore animals in a creative environment, with a strong focus on Indigenous Culture.

Time: 9.30 am – 11.00 am

Cost: \$5.00 per student. (Each student has been generously subsidised by the Lake Cowal Foundation).

**Notes will be sent home this week and are to be returned with payment by Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> March.**

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### **Multicultural Day**

#### **K-6 Excursion - Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2014 Wyalong Public School**

A Multicultural Day will be held at Wyalong Public School on Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> March. Workshops for the day will include a South African Artist, an Events Committee teaching some Spanish and a little about Mexico, Aboriginal activities, games, stories, dancing and music. To finish the day all students will be participating in an authentic Japanese experience in Tyke-Oh drumming.

Cost: \$5.00 per student

**Notes will be sent home this week and are to be returned with payment by Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2014.**

Requirements

for the Day: Students are to wear full school uniform, BYO packed recess and lunch.  
Students are also required to bring their own water bottle.

*Students will enjoy a great day of fun and learning.*

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

### **PROPOSED PUPPET MAKING WORKSHOP:**

Sue Wallace from the Sydney Puppet Theatre is visiting Grenfell during Library Week and is presenting two performances.

If there is sufficient interest there is the option of an after-school puppet-making workshop with Sue on Friday 23rd May.

The cost is \$20 per child (discount for more than one from the same family), but all materials are provided. Target age is six to fifteen and parents are welcome.

If you are interested in this opportunity please contact the Grenfell Public Library **before 20th March** as a minimum attendance of fifteen is required for the workshop to go ahead.

Phone: 6343 1334. Email: [grenlib@grenfell.org.au](mailto:grenlib@grenfell.org.au)

### **GRENFELL JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE INVITES .....**

#### **You to Represent Your Town**

Boys and girls of all ages are welcome to represent Grenfell and District playing for YOUR TOWNS premier junior sporting club.

Travel and play as a club, enjoy after match functions and free BBQ for the whole family, enjoy the player presentations and members draw following every home game. Mid season fund raisers for everyone to enjoy, for example the renowned "OPEN MIC NIGHT" FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY. Age divisions

#### Boys

U7's, U8's, U10's, u12's, U14's & U16's

#### Girls

Infant/primary school age and secondary school age

Grenfell Junior Rugby League Club invites YOUR family to join in on the fun in representing YOUR TOWN playing the great game of Rugby League in the Group XI, Lachlan District Junior Rugby League competition.

All new registrations receive a free pair of playing shorts and socks.

All players will receive a playing jersey at the end of season presentation day.

Girls are non contact League Tag.

Boys U7's to U12's play modified rules to enable them to increase their skill levels before playing international rules in the u14's and U16's.

Training Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 5pm (confirm times for each age division).

For all enquiries please contact Trevor Mawhinney President 0413 444 595, Brenda Hurst Strange Secretary 0423 273 371. Email: [grenfelljrl@hotmail.com](mailto:grenfelljrl@hotmail.com)

### **ST. BRIGID'S CATHOLIC CHURCH SERVICES – 2014**

Mass 10:00 am 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month

Liturgy 10:00 am 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month

Services held at St Mark's Anglican Church until further notice.

### **EXERCISE CLASSES:**

Aqua Classes - 9.00 - 10.00 am Friday's at the Quandialla Swimming Pool.

\$7 / class, please bring water bottle, comfy clothing, and appropriate shoes.

Enquiries please phone: Kim 63472152

## **QUANDIALLA SWIMMING POOL NEWS:**

From the 2<sup>nd</sup> March weekend opening hours will be 3:30 pm – 7pm, all week day opening remain as usual.

The pool will close for the season on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March 7.00 pm.

**NEEDED URGENTLY:** Pool Committee Secretary, no experience necessary. Please consider helping out, the pool is an important part of our community and we need help to keep it that way.



## **ITS ON AGAIN!! - LOCALLY RUN**

14th March at Caragabal Tip

Book in on 0421 888601 (Hannah)

ALL Proceeds will go to the Caragabal Public School P&C

## **Sale O' Sale O'**

### **FOR SALE - FURNITURE AND HOUSEHOLD GOODS:**

Phil is retiring and everything must go – fridge (family size, as new); lounge suite; dining suite; coffee table; small utility table; 2 TVs with set top boxes; single bed (as new Sealy mattress); b/r drawers with book shelf; small drawers; small bookcase, lamps. Curtains with tracks/rods; kitchen appliances; some cutlery/crockery. **Very realistic prices** (or offers)

Inspect at Residence on 8, 9, 10 April. Sale 9.00am (or collect by) 11, 12 April. Contact Phil at school on 63471207.



# Barley to Beer

Invitation: Food and beer matching evening.



GrainCorp



Grain Corp, Australia's leading agribusiness and Central West Farming Systems, invites you to our exclusive *Plan Before You Plant* – Barley to Beer night. It's your chance to learn how to correctly match beer with food, malsters preferred varieties, segregation planning, outcomes of co-funded GRDC & NSW Department of Primary Industry barley trials and agronomic information.

## **Event Details**

**Location:** Quandialla Bowling Club

**Date:** 25<sup>th</sup> of March

**Time:** 6 pm start

**Price:** \$20 per person.

**Rsvp:** 18<sup>th</sup> of March

**Bookings essential**

## **Get more from your beer**

Throughout the evening you'll hear exclusive insights on the coming harvest while enjoying a variety of boutique and different beer styles, each matched to your food.

## **Discover**

- Preferred malting barley varieties – GrainCorp (with input by domestic maltsters and brewers)
- Barley trial information – NSW Department of Primary Industries.
- Pre-season assessments and considerations (soils and nutrients) – Central West Farming Systems.

Contact: Central West Farming Systems on: 02 6895 1015 or email: [cwfs@industry.nsw.gov.au](mailto:cwfs@industry.nsw.gov.au) for bookings

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**Please Note:** If anyone can't attend the dinner but is interested in listening to the presentations you do not need to book. Presentations will commence at around 6.00 p.m. after everyone has arrived and is seated and will take approximately 1 – 1.5 hours. Presentations conclude around 7.00 - 7.30 pm. and serving of the meal commences.