



Quandialla Central School

"Together we provide opportunities to succeed"

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Diary Dates – Term 1

April:

Tue.-Frid	1 st -4 th	LAP HSC Half Yearly Exams
Thursday	3 rd	P.&C. Meeting – 7.30 pm, Staffroom
Friday	4 th	Harmony Day – Lunch from 1.00 pm (R.S.V.P. by Wednesday afternoon, 2 nd April) School Assembly – 2.30 p.m.
Thursday	10 th	Primary Easter Social
Friday	11 th	Last day of Term 1.

School Holidays 14th April - 25th April, 2014

National Young Leaders Day 2014



Students from Years 5 & 6 all enjoyed their excursion to
The National Young Leaders Conference in Sydney on 30th and 31st March.

School assembly

The next school assembly is scheduled for Friday this week, 4-4-14. Parents, carers and family members are cordially invited to join us for this assembly.

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. Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 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.

You can obtain information about every school's performance in the NAPLAN tests by visiting the www.myschool.edu.au website.

School documents published

I am very pleased to let you know that the 2012 and 2013 Quandialla Central School Yearbooks are now available on the school website. The school website is at www.quandialla-c.school@det.nsw.edu.au

[Printed copies of the Yearbooks may be ordered from the school office. The cost is \\$5.00 per copy. Other important school documents are also available on the school website including the 2013 Final Evaluation Report; 2013 Annual School Report; 2014 School Plan and photo galleries of our students at work.](#)

Don't forget that you can access lots more information on Quandialla Central School by going to the www.myschool.edu.au website as well.

Relieving Principal

I am pleased to inform you that Lisa Varjavandi has accepted the role of relieving principal at Quandialla Central School from the beginning of Term 2, 28-4-14. This follows an Expression of Interest process which was conducted by the Principal and Mr Glenn Stewart, Director Public Schools Lachlan. Lisa is currently the Head Teacher Secondary Studies, a role she has performed with distinction. Congratulations Lisa.

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. From 28-4-14, Lisa Varjavandi Relieving Principal, will be available to meet with parents, provide further information and answer questions.

Kind Regards

Phillip Foster - Principal

CANTEEN ROSTER

Wednesday, 2nd April - Tracy Penfold

CELEBRATING
'HARMONY DAY'

at Quandialla Central School

Friday, 4th April, 2014

**Time: Lunch from 1.00 pm, followed by the final Whole School Assembly
for the term, to conclude around 3.00 pm.**

On behalf of the students and staff of Quandialla Central School, the Student Representative Council wishes to warmly invite you to attend a communal lunch at the school in celebration of Harmony Day 2014.

To celebrate Australia's cultural diversity, we ask that you bring a plate of food to share which represents a particular culture or country. To celebrate harmony, everyone is invited to enjoy games and activities on the oval after lunch.

Everyone is invited to stay for the Whole School Assembly following the celebrations.

What to Bring: Please bring a plate of food from a particular culture or country.

R.S.V.P. Please RSVP numbers and food by Wednesday afternoon, 2nd April, 2014.

We look forward to seeing you on Friday.

**PRIMARY
'EASTER SOCIAL'**

Thursday, 10th April, 2014

Parents Please Note:

**Primary Students can start making their
Easter Hats at home for the Easter Social.**

QUANDIALLA P.&C. ASSOCIATION – GENERAL MEETING

**Thursday, 3rd April, 2014
7.30 p.m. in the Staffroom**

All Most Welcome

YEARS 3 TO 6 HOMEWORK

Every student needs to have an A4 homework book.

Spelling is set every Monday. Students have varying numbers of words depending on ability (anywhere from five to twenty five). Words are written out onto a homework sheet every Monday and they should have been checked by me before going home. Students should be writing these out on their homework sheet every night. They can type their words if they want and glue these into their homework books. The spelling test is on Friday.

Each student has an **Excel English and Mathematics Book**. We do a unit each week. This is due in on Tuesday because that is the only day I have time off in which to mark it. So it is important it comes in on that day. The students are completing Unit 6 for April 1st. Students should have completed all the units up to this point. It has been discussed in class each week. Students did have the option of asking for an easier book if they felt the level was too difficult and a couple of pupils did request this. If the book is too hard and requires too much parent assistance or the students are simply copying all the answers from the middle then it is pointless them doing the home work. Could parents please speak to me if you have concerns about this and I am more than happy to change the level of the book.

Home Reading- all students have been issued with a Home Reading Journal. This is the most important homework and I have told my class if they only have limited time then just do this.

Read aloud to someone for 15 minutes at least 4 or 5 nights a week. We are making a big fuss about this at school and students will be rewarded. There will be certificates and prizes for students as they reach milestones eg, 25 nights, 50 nights, 75 nights, etc. Names will be published in the newsletter and the chart is kept in the library.

All students are registered for the Premiers Reading Challenge again and we are encouraging them to borrow books from the library on the lists so they can be successful in reaching the goal. Library borrowing day is Wednesday and students need a Library bag to borrow on this day.

All students are registered for **Mathletics and Reading Eggs** and if they have access to the internet and a computer at home they would benefit greatly from spending time on these programs. Reading Eggs/ Reading Eggspress in particular, is a fabulous program that leads to improved reading.

If you have any questions about any of this just give me a call. Mobile: 0429000330. I am usually in the classroom every afternoon after school for a few hours and you are welcome to come and see me.

Wendy Robinson
Class Teacher

Choose water as a drink

How much water do children need?

The amount of fluid that children need varies between individual children. The older the child, the more fluid they need. Children should drink approximately 1–1½ litres of fluid a day. Children will need more when they are physically active and on hot and humid days. Water is the best drink – for both children and adults – in all situations.

COMMUNITY NEWS

QUANDIALLA HOSPITAL AUXILIARY GENERAL MEETING:

The next General Meeting of the Quandialla Hospital Auxiliary will be held on Tuesday, 8th April at 9:30 am in the Quandialla Health Centre. All welcome.
Maribeth Keir – Hon. Secretary

QUANDIALLA DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE – AGM:

The Annual/General Meeting of the Quandialla District Scholarship Committee will be held on Thursday, 17th April, 2014, at the Bland Hotel, commencing at 7.00 p.m.
All most welcome to attend.
Narelle Gault – Hon. Secretary

ST. BRIGID'S CATHOLIC CHURCH SERVICES – 2014:

Mass 10:00 am 2nd Sunday of the month
Liturgy 10:00 am 4th Sunday of the month
Services held at St Mark's Anglican Church until further notice.

EXERCISE CLASSES:

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

QUANDIALLA LIBRARY DEPOSIT STATION NEWS:

A new selection of stock has arrived at the deposit station with new fiction titles by Dean Koontz, Cathy Kelly, Tamara McKinlay, Lisa Scottoline, Danielle Steel and Colleen McCullough, and nonfiction books on social media, astronomy, rearing calves, child management, Australian military history and true crime along with the usual two biographies. Plenty of variety there!

Mrs Geraldine Brown has retired from her role in facilitating the stock exchanges with the Grenfell Library. We thank Geraldine for doing such an effective and committed job over the past several years and welcome Mrs Margaret Spratt as her replacement. Please make Margaret's job easier by signing for all borrowings and returning items promptly ...

The Grenfell Library is now on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Grenfell-Public-Library/719418721411871>

(but hopefully by the time you read this there will be a link from the library's home page!!) Here you can catch up with all the latest Library news. One upcoming event that may be of interest is a Meet the Author Afternoon Tea with awarded children's author Elizabeth Fensham plus catering by those accomplished cooks, the Friends of Grenfell Library, on 19th May.

GRENFELL NETBALL ASSOCIATION REGISTRATION DAY:

A registration day will be held for all Junior (Yrs 3-6) and Senior (Years 7-9) players on Thursday, 3rd April from 4.30 – 5.30 pm at the Grenfell Netball courts. Both boys and girls are welcome to play in the Junior and Senior divisions. This registration day will determine if we have the numbers to run a competition for our junior members.

The 2014 Open Ladies competition (Yrs 10+) will also begin Thursday, 1st May, we are currently taking team and individual nominations.

If you or your child can not make the registration day but wish to play please contact Jordan Crutcher on 0447 710 445 prior to the day to ensure you are added to a team. If there are any individual open ladies players who are keen to play, that have not got a team - just let us know, and we will definitely be able to find you one

Registration fees for the 2014 season are \$40 each and you must be a member of the Grenfell Bowling Club.

For all questions and inquiries please contact Jordan Crutcher on 0447 710 445 or email grenfell.netball@hotmail.com

SUPPORT CANCER RESEARCH - CAR RALLY‘BATTERY DRIVE’:

This Rally is an annual event that raises money for Cancer Research.

Local resident, Bevan McAlister and his daughter, Danette, have been accepted into this year's event. They will be driving a 1993 Holden Apollo, which will be painted to look like a dog. To help raise funds, flea stickers will be available for purchase. These will be stuck on the car for the journey!

Bevan and Danette are currently holding a Battery Drive to raise funds for Cancer Research. If you have any batteries that you would like to donate to the Battery Drive, please leave at Bevan's home, Fourth Street, Quandialla. Batteries may be left at the southern side of Bevan's house.

The Battery Drive will finish on Saturday, 12th April, 2014.

All funds raised from the Battery Drive and from the sale of 'Flea' stickers, will go to Cancer Research.

For further information please contact Bevan on 6347 1227.

Please support this very worthy cause.

AUTUMN FUN FOR FAMILIES - WEDNESDAY, 23RD APRIL, 2014:

10.00 am to 2.00 pm, Vaughn Park (near the pool), Grenfell
FREE BBQ. Free activities and information. Everyone welcome.

For more information please contact: Rebecca (CINC – Grenfell Outreach Service) 02 6343 1044,
Kirstin (Home-Start) 02 6342 6887 or Lee (CINC – Cowra Family Support) 02 6342 3532.

SORRY, NO CHILD CARE PROVIDED.

“ROCKIN” the SHAMROCK
Saturday, 12th April 2014

Live Entertainment Provided by “BAD MANNERS”,
(Grenfell’s Home Grown Band)

FREE Courtesy Bus Provided
(Pick up @ 5pm & 6.00pm,
Criterion Hotel)

Where:
Shamrock HOTEL
Greenethorpe Start: 6.00pm
Theme: IRISH
\$20.00 buffet dinner per person
LUCKY DOOR PRIZES

Grab your friends, family
and work colleagues for
a FABULOUS IRISH
NIGHT OUT at the
SHAMROCK !!!!!!!

Contact: Rita 0409 538 430,
6343 2459, Bookings A
Must!....for Bus & Meals
required by 8 April 2014.



This is a Can Assist Fundraiser Come along and join us for a fun night out in Greenethorpe. If you are intending to catch the Courtesy Bus or having the \$20.00 Buffet meal, bookings are a MUST! Please let Rita Mawhinney or Michelle Rohan know by the 8th April.

The Courtesy Bus for our night will be leaving the Shamrock to come back to Grenfell at:

- 1st Bus departing at 11.00 pm
- 2nd Bus departing at Midnight (Stumps!)

Contact: Rita Mawhinney - 0409 538 430 / 6343 2459 or
Michelle Rohan - 0411 565 794 or contact us on Facebook.

Hope you can make it.

Weddin Landcare and Central West Local Land Services invite you to.....

Weddin Feral Animal Seminar

And Breakfast!

Date:	Tuesday 8th April
Venue:	Grenfell Country Club
Time:	8.00 for Breakfast, 8.30 start

In Australia, feral animals have few natural predators and high reproductive rates resulting in populations multiplying rapidly when conditions are favourable. Feral animals impact on native species by predation, competition for food and shelter, destroying habitats and spreading disease. This has implications for landholders as they compete with livestock, impact on crops and pasture, destroy fences and degrade the land. An increase in feral animal numbers in the Weddin Shire has prompted a wide spread interest from landholders and other members of the shire in managing the issue. This seminar will involve:

- Discussion of pest animals in the Weddin Shire (pigs, goats, foxes and rabbits)
- Experts advising on potential management options and incentives
- opportunity for locals to seek advice and ask questions.
- Demonstrations of management techniques

Keynote speakers include:

- Invasive Animals Cooperative Research Centre
- Local Land Services
- ex LHPA representatives.



This is a great opportunity to seek advice on managing feral animals on your place!

Please **RSVP** for catering purposes by Friday 4th April.

Hannah Troth 0421 888601 or Stephen Pereira 0409 814182

