

# **Quandialla Public School**

"Together we provide opportunities to succeed" **NEWSLETTER** 

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We're BACK and ...... READY to

learn!

## **Principal's Report**

Welcome to term 4, 2021! I hope everyone enjoyed their holidays and had some fun with your children. This term is very much the unknown, at this stage we are still on Level 3 restrictions which are explained on the next page. By November 8 all staff and visitors to the school must be vaccinated. This will include any volunteers in the school such as parents doing canteen.

Fruit is back this term at a cost of \$20, since students missed out on 4 weeks last term. A note will go out next week letting parents know where they're up to with fruit payments.

On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October we will hold the Book Fair. Students can come to school dressed in their Book Week costumes.



Looking at wind resistance, and learning how to make paper helicopters.

A decision will be made regarding school photos over the next week.

If you know any children starting Kindergarten who live in our area please let us know or get them to give the school a ring.

A reminder now the weather is warming up we need to be sunsmart. It's a good idea for students to apply sunscreen before coming to school and the school will have sunscreen for them to reapply during the day. No hat, no play will be enforced during this term.

Kate Johnson - Principal

# **COVID-19 Restrictions**

### A reminder for all families

Students must not attend school if unwell, even with mild symptoms. Anyone who is unwell with COVID-19 symptoms is strongly encouraged to get tested and self-isolate until a negative result is received.

Masks - Students in primary school are not required to wear a face mask.

# Visitors

Non-essential visitors are not permitted in schools. Some visitors are permitted in schools based on the guidelines that follow. Parents should:

- maintain physical distancing by avoiding gathering outside of school gates
- remain outside of school grounds (note some exceptions may apply regarding schools for specific purposes, vulnerable students or students with disability)
- follow mask-wearing requirements and sign in using the Service NSW QR code when entering the school.

## What is permitted during school hours or within schools under these restrictions

Schools can continue to operate:

- Canteens where appropriate hygiene measures are in place
- Early childhood services (OSHC, vacation care, preschools etc.)

# Activities that are not permitted or on hold during school hours or within school grounds Schools must cease the following activities:

- Sport (except for sport within existing PDHPE classes)
- Interschool activities and events including interschool sport, gala days, trials, knock outs and carnivals
- Assemblies
- School performances, productions, concerts, speech nights and award presentations
- Excursions, camps, field trips and principal-endorsed activities for students

School orientation programs are to be postponed until further notice.

# **SCHOOL INFORMATION**

# SCHOOL CANTEEN Canteen operates each Wednesday.

#### CANTEEN ROSTER – TERM 4 - 2021

6 <sup>th</sup> October	Danielle McAlister	Week 1
13 <sup>th</sup> October	T.B.A.	Week 2
20 <sup>th</sup> October	T.B.A.	Week 3
27 <sup>th</sup> October	T.B.A.	Week 4
3 <sup>rd</sup> November	T.B.A.	Week 5
10 <sup>th</sup> November	T.B.A.	Week 6
17 <sup>th</sup> November	T.B.A.	Week 7
24 <sup>th</sup> November	T.B.A.	Week 8
1 <sup>st</sup> December	T.B.A.	Week 9
8 <sup>th</sup> December	T.B.A.	Week 10
15 <sup>th</sup> December	T.B.A.	Week 11

#### BELL TIMES

9.00 am – 11.00 am	Morning session
11.00 am – 11.25 am	RECESS
11.25 am – 1.00 pm	Mid session
1.00 pm – 1.50 pm	K – 6 LUNCH
1.50 pm – 3.10 pm	Afternoon session



# **TERM 4 - 2021**

#### WEEK 1

Monday, Oct. 4th	Public Holiday
Tuesday, Oct. 5th	All students & Staff return today for Term 4.
Wednesday, Oct. 6th	Canteen
Thursday, Oct. 7th	
Friday, Oct. 8th	
WEEK 2	
Monday, Oct. 11th	
Tuesday, Oct. 12th	
Wednesday, Oct. 13th	Canteen

Thursday, Oct. 14th

Bookfair at QPS

Friday, Oct. 15th

#### WEEK 3

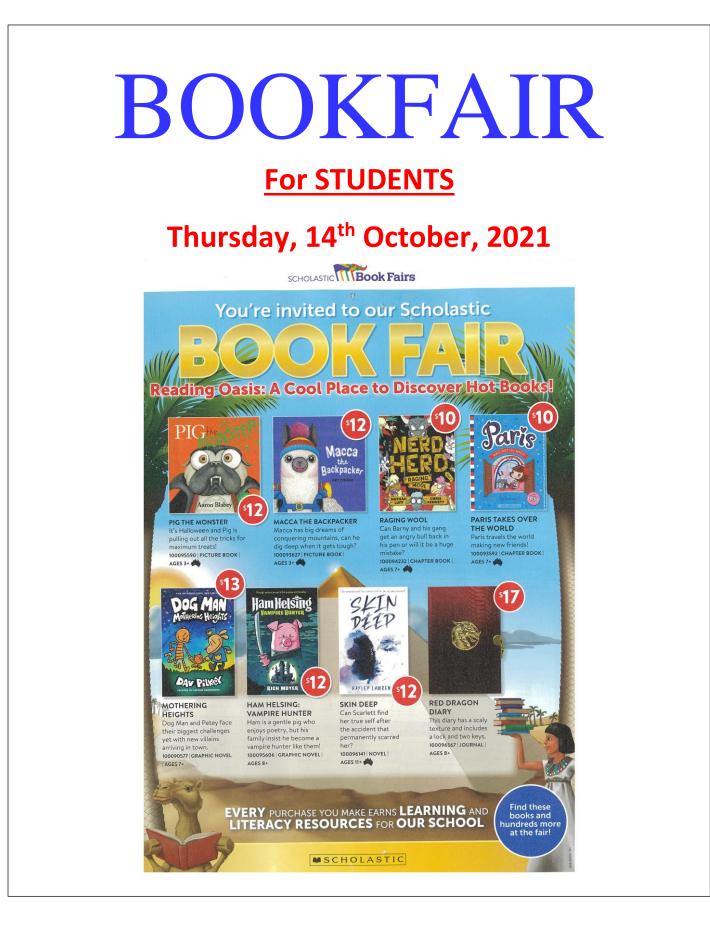
Monday, Oct. 18th

Tuesday, Oct. 19th

Wednesday, Oct. 20th Canteen

Thursday, Oct. 21st

Friday, Oct. 22nd



## Information taken from: **WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL** News Article - 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2021

# SMART FARMS SMALL GRANTS ROUND

Residents are advised that a new round of the Federal Government's Smart Farms Small Grants Program is now open to eligible organisations and individuals to improve soil management.

The Hon. Michael McCormack MP is encouraging local farmers and land managers to take the opportunity to share in \$13 million to help better understand and further their knowledge of the nations' soil. "This will play a significant part as we aim to build the agriculture sctor to become a \$100 billion industry by 2030."

The final round of Smart Farms Small Grants program will fund a diverse range of soil extension activities across Australia. Under this round, multiple activities may be applied for in the one application. Grants are available for between \$100,000 to \$250,000 per activity and will be delivered over two years. Applicants may apply for a maximum of \$2 million per application.

Eligible activities could include engaging a soil extension officer; conducting soil management workshops, seminars, roadshows or field days; creating communications products, webinars or online materials; and/or establishing trials, demonstrations and monitoring sites.

Further information is available online <u>https://www.communitygrants.gov.au/grants/smart-farms-small-grants</u>

Applications for this round of funding will close at 9:00pm on 12 October 2021.



## WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT CATS?

Weddin Shire Council, in conjunction with RSPCA NSW and Weddin Landcare, is currently seeking insight from the community as part of its Keeping Cats Safe at Home project.

The aim of this 4-year behavioural change project is to improve care for pet cats through responsible pet ownership and to protect wildlife from cat predation. It is hoped that, by encouraging pet owners to keep their cats within the boundaries of their property they will stay safe from harm, especially from car accidents, disease and attacks from other animals.

Residents are invited to share their views about cats and how they are managed in the Weddin Shire by completing a short online survey. The survey is accessible with the following URL

<u>https://redcap.sydney.edu.au/surveys/?s=3MR4LAEYPR</u> or alternatively by scanning the QR code pictured.

Submissions will be received up until **31 October 2021**.

PO BOX 125 GRENFELL

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RSPCA NSW is working with Weddin Shire Council and Weddin Landcare on a new project in the Weddin Shire called 'Keeping Cats Safe at Home'.

The project aims to reduce the impact pet cats have on wildlife and improve domestic cats' health and safety by encouraging responsible cat ownership, particularly by keeping cats safe at their homes.

We would like to hear your opinions and ideas around cat management in the Weddin Shire.

#### You're invited to complete a short online survey.

Access the survey here:

Or scan the OR code:

redcap.sydney.edu.au/ surveys/?s=3MR4LAEYPR

before 31 October 2021



#### Thank you in anticipation.

For further information contact: RSPCA NSW - Dr Gemma Ma: P 0490 431 554; E gma@rspcansw.org.au Weddin Shire Council - Allison Knowles: P 02 6343 1212; E animalcontrol@weddin.nsw.gov.au

> This project has been approved by the Human Research Ethics Committee of the University of Sydney [Project Number 2021/473]



This project has been assisted by the NSW Government through its Environmental Trust.

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# SUMMEI SKILLS

# Dive into the Summer Skills program today!

#### Every summer has its own story, time to write your own!

This summer is expected to be an absolute bumper. Many employers will need summer staff to cope with the huge demand of jobs across a variety of industries.

This is why the NSW Government is offering fee-free, industry aligned short course for young people wanting to learn new skills.

#### Who can apply?

Are you a school leaver or aged between 16 and 24? Are you looking to kick-start your summer career? Then Summer Skills could be for you.

#### Heaps of courses and locations available!

There are plenty of jobs in trendy locations like Byron Bay and all the way down the beautiful NSW Coast; or head inland to magnificent places like Mudgee.

You can choose from a range of short courses where there are plenty of jobs available in these industries:

- Hospitality
- Construction
- Agriculture
- Community Services
- Sport & Recreation Swimming
- IT/Digital

Set yourself apart from your peers and get the skills you need.

Work in some of the most beautiful thriving parts of NSW. You could do a sea change or a tree change or hit the big smoke!

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#### **Eligibility criteria**

- You must be:
- a school leaver or
- aged between 16 and 24 (at the start of training)

You will also need to be:

- living or working in NSW
  Australian or New Zealand
- citizen, permanent resident or humanitarian visa holder
- signed out of school

#### Visit the Summer Skills enquiry form to register your interest

Scan the QR code or visit:



https://skills. sydl.qualtrics. com/jfe/form/ SV\_8ce72RijbJh7VDU



#### NSW Department of Education

Grab your friends, flip a coin for a sea change or a tree change, get the skills you need before you go and start writing your summer story today!

#### What courses are available?

Places are limited and course offerings are based on local training providers, so contact us to find out where training is taking place near you.

#### Purposed Skillsets:

- Agricultural Skillsets drones, farm welding, shearing and wool handling.
- Aged Care Skillsets aged care and individual support.
- Business Administration Skillsets website development and social media for business.
- Civil Construction Skillsets working from heights, confined spaces, front end loader and roller, excavator, skidsteer, forklift and traffic control.
- Hospitality Essential Skillsets RSA, RCG, food safety and barista.

Skillsets are subject to change, call 13 28 11 for local information

#### Purposed Delivery Locations:

Bathurst, Bourke, Broken Hill, Collarenebri, Condobolin, Coonamble,

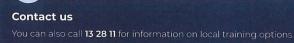
Cowra, Dubbo, Forbes, Gilgandra, Grenfell, Lightning Ridge, Lithgow,

Mudgee, Nyngan, Orange and Parkes.

Training will be delivered between November 2021 & February 2022.

Delivery dates and providers to be confirmed.

Use the QR code above to register your interest.



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